Supporting Information

Induced axial chirality in biocatalytic

asymmetric ketone reduction

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Biology

Reagents

E. coli strain BL21-Gold(DE3) was obtained from Stratagene. Restriction enzyme *Dpn*l, Taq DNA ligase and 100 mM stock solutions of dATP, dTTP, dGTP and dCTP were purchased from New England Biolabs. T5 exonuclease was provided by Epicenter. NADP⁺ was obtained from Calbiochem. Glucose dehydrogenase 105 was purchased from Codexis. Alcohol dehydrogenases were purchased from X-Zyme (Johnson Matthey Catalysts) or kindly gifted from evocatal (Düsseldorf/Germany). KOD hot start polymerase, dNTPs for PCR, MgSO₄ and DNA vector pRSFDuet-1 were obtained from Novagen. Phusion Polymerase was provided by Finnzymes. Oligonucleotides were purchased from Invitrogen in standard, desalted form and used without further purification (**Table S4**). DNAse I, and lysozyme were obtained from AppliChem. LB medium, in a form of premixed powder, and kanamycin were obtained from Roth. IPTG and PEG-4000 were obtained from Fermentas. TB medium contained yeast extract (24g/L), peptone (12g/L), glycerol (4 mL/L), KH₂PO₄ (0.017 M) and K₂HPO₄ (0.072 M).

Screening of commercial ADHs for asymmetric reduction of ketones 1a-f

Alcohol dehydrogenases (ADHs) from two different commercial kits ("Alcohol Dehydrogenase Kit" from Johnson Matthey Catalysts and "Alcohol Dehydrogenases Screening Kit" from evocatal) were screened for asymmetrical reduction of compounds **1a-f**. Reactions were carried out in 1.5 mL tubes. Briefly, 5-15 mg of each lyophilized ADH were dissolved in 500 μ L reaction mixture containing Glucose (100 mM), cofactor NAD⁺ or NADP⁺ (1 mM), specified by the supplier depending on the ADH, Glucose Dehydrogenase (GDH 105, Codexis; 0.04 Units), ketone (5 mM) dissolved in acetonitrile and phosphate buffer (pH 7.0, 100 mM). Reaction was carried out at 30°C for 16 h in thermomixer with shaking (700 r.p.m.). After incubation time, the reaction media was extracted with ethyl acetate (500 μ L) and organic layer submitted to GC analysis.

Construction of pRSF-TbSADH* plasmid

To express TbSADH protein, adhB gene from Thermoanaerobacter ethanolicus (that encodes for TeSADH protein) was subcloned into pRSFDuet-1 vector. The backbone of PRSFDuet-1 plasmid was amplified by PCR using primers pRSF-Ncol (ggt ata tct cct tat taa agt taa aca aaa tta ttt cta cag g) and pRSF-AvrII (taa cct agg ctg ctg cca ccg ctg agc aat aac) as previously described.^[1] TeSADH gene was amplified from template pADHB1M1-kan^[2] (plasmid harboring the *adh*B gene from *T. ethanolicus* E39 used previously in our laboratory^[3]) by PCR using primers pRSF-TbSADH*-Fw (ttt tgt tta act tta ata agg aga tat acc atg aaa ggt ttt gca atg ctc agt atc gg) and pRSF-TbSADH*-rv (gtt att gct cag cgg tgg cag cag cct agg tta gca taa aaa tgg act aag tcc cc). The oligonucleotides contained at 5' end a complementary sequence to vector pRSFDuet-1 (complementary regions are underlined). PCR conditions contained 5 µL of 10 X KOD hot star polymerase buffer, 5 µL dNTPs (2 mM each), 1.25 µL of the appropriate forward and reverse primers (100 ng each), 2 µL MgSO₄ (25 mM), 1 µL template DNA (50 ng) and 0.5 µL of KOD polymerase in a final volume of 50 µL. Products from both PCRs were digested with DpnI at 37°C for 3 h for removing of template DNA, and purified with a QIAquick PCR purification spin column (Qiagen). The two purified DNA fragments were ligated by in vitro isothermal assembly.^[4] Briefly, 2.5 µL of purified TeSADH insert (125 ng) and 2.5 µL of purified backbone vector (125 ng) were mixed with 15 μ L of assembly master mixture prepared as previously described¹ and incubated 50°C for 1h. 3 µL of the reaction was used to transform electro into E. coli BL-21 Gold (DE3) electro competent cells. Plasmid from 5 transformants selected on LB agar plates containing kan (50 µL/mL) was isolated and sequenced for confirming the TeSADH gene sequence (1064 nucleotides from ATG methionine initiation codon to final ATT stop codon). The sequence of the 5 plasmids

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² D. S. Burdette, F. Secundo, R. S. Phillips, J. Dong, R. A. Scott, J. G. Zeikus, *Biochem. J.* 1997, 326, 717-724.

³ F. Schulz, F, Leca, F. Hollmann, M. T. Reetz, *Beilstein J. Org. Chem.* 2005, 1-10.

⁴ D. G. Gibson, L. Young, R.-Y. Chuang, J. C. Venter, C. A. Hutchison, H. O. Smith, Nat. Methods 2009, 6, 343-345.

revealed that they contained 1 silence mutation (nucleotide position C141G) and 4 missense mutations (nucleotide positions T272C, C557A, C938G and A974G that encode for Trp91Arg, Ala186Asp, Pro313Arg and Glu325Arg amino acid changes, respectively) regarding original TeSADH sequence.^[5] However, recent sequencing results indicate that the original sequence of *T. ethanolicus* 39E has indeed C, G and G nucleotides in 272, 938 and 974 positions, respectively,^[6] sharing exactly the same sequence as ADH from *Thermoanaerobacter brokii*.^[6b] Therefore, for the current work we have used TbSADH protein with A186D substitution, referred as TbSADH*.

In order to clarify if A186D substitution affects the activity of the enzyme using our substrates, we compared the activity of the two enzymes: TbSADH Wt (after reversion of mutation C557A; kindly provided by Dr. Zhi-Gang Zhang) and TbSADH* using compound **1a** as substrate. We performed the same experiment using TbSADH W110A and TbSADH* W110A enzymes. The results show no differences neither in activity, stereospecificty, or thermostability between TbSADH and TbSADH* backgrounds. Furthermore, since this mutation also appeared in the original sequence of plasmid pADHB1M1-kan we store in our laboratory, we did not perform any additional mutagenesis experiment for reverting this residue, therefore we used TbSADH* as template for subsequent library creation. The plasmid created was termed pRSF-TbSADH* (**Sequence 1**).

TbSADH* protein expression and activity tests

Plasmid pRSF-TbSADH^{*} was transformed in both *E. coli* BL-21 Gold (DE3) and BOU730 (a bioengineered *E. coli* strain that express GDH upon IPTG induction from *Bacillus megaterium*)^[1] electro competent cells. One single transformant of each was inoculated in 5 mL of LB with kan (50 μ g/mL). After 5 h of incubation at 37°C with shaking, this preculture was transferred to 100 mL of TB with kan (50 μ g/mL). Cultures were grown at 30°C until O.D. of 0.7-0.9 at 600 nm was reached, then IPTG was added to a final concentration of 0.2 mM and the cultures were let to grow at 30°C with vigorous agitation. After 20 h, cells were collected by dividing the culture in 1 mL aliquots. Aliquots were centrifuged at 10.000 r.p.m for 6 min at room temperature, supernatant discarded and pellets stored at -20°C until their further use.

One aliquot of *E. coli* BL-21 Gold (DE3) and BOU730 cells expressing TbSADH* were suspended in 300 μ L of phosphate buffer (pH 7, 100 mM), sonicated (5 second pulse, power 40%) and centrifuged at 10.000 r.p.m. for 10 min. Supernatants were recovered, heated at 75°C for 15 min to achieve the precipitation of non-thermostable proteins from *E. coli* and centrifuged again for elimination of the cellular debris.

Aliquots taken before and after heating treatment were analyzed by Tris glycine SDS-PAGE. The TbSADH* were \geq 95% pure after heat treatment, as judged by SDS-PAGE electrophoresis and staining with Page Blue Protein Staining Solution (Fermentas) (**Figure S1**). TbSADH* concentrations were determined measuring the absorbance of heated samples at 280 nm and using 30.940 M⁻¹ cm⁻¹ as extinction coefficient value of TbSADH*, previously used for determination of TbSADH protein concentration.^[7]

Different experimental conditions were tested in order to improve conversion and eantioselectivity of the product. We have performed different experiments varying the pH of phosphate buffer, concentration of isopropanol, concentration of cofactor and temperature.

For TbSADH* expressed into *E. coli* BL-21 Gold cells, one aliquot of proper pellet was resuspended in lysis buffer [phosphate buffer (pH 6 to 10, 100 mM), lysozyme (14 mg/mL) and DNAse I (6U/mL)] and incubated at 37°C during 20 min at 700 r.p.m. in a thermomixer. After this time, tubes were heated in the incubator at 75°C for 15 min more and then centrifuged at 10.000 r.p.m at 4°C for 15 min to pull down the cellular debris. Supernatant (c.a. 500 μ L) was transferred to a new 1.5 mL tube, containing 500 μ L reaction buffer (phosphate buffer (pH 6 to 10, 100 mM), isopropanol (2% to 30% final concentration v/v), NADP⁺ or NAD⁺ (10 to 500 μ M final concentration) and compound **1a** (5 mM final

⁵ D. S. Burdette, C. Vieille, J. G. Zeikus, *Biochem. J.* **1996**, *316*, 115-122.

⁶ a) K. I. Ziegelmann-Fjeld, M. M. Musa, R. S. Phillips, J. G. Zeikus, C. Vieille, *Protein Eng. Des. Sel.* 2007, 2, 47-55. b) M. M. Mussa, R. S. Phillips, Catal. *Sci. Technol.* 2011, *1*, 1311-1323.

⁷ R. Mishra, L. Olofsson, M. Karlsson, U. Carlsonn, I. A. Nicholls, P. Hammarström, *Cell. Mol. Life Sci.* 2008, *65*, 827-839.

concentration)]. The sample was incubated at 25 to 60°C for 16 h at 700 r.p.m. in a thermomixer. After incubation time, 700 μ L of reaction media was extracted with ethyl acetate (700 μ L) and organic layer submitted to GC analysis. For TbSADH* expressed in BOU730 cells, the procedure to determine the optimal reaction conditions was the same as described above except the samples were not heated at 75°C for 15 min and glucose was added to reaction buffer (100 mM final concentration) instead isopropanol.

Control experiments using either no transformed BOU730 or BL-21 Gold (DE3) cells were carried out upon the same conditions explained above. No conversion of **1a** was observed in both cases.

Based on the data obtained during these preliminary assays, further experiments were performed using heat-treated TbSADH^{*} expressed into *E. coli* BL-21 Gold cells with reaction buffer containing phosphate buffer pH 8.0, (100 mM), isopropanol (5-10% final concentration v/v), and NADP⁺ (25-50 μ M final concentration), and incubated at 37°C.

TbSADH* library creation by QC PCR

TbSADH* libraries were created by QuikChange PCR^[8] using pRSF-TbSADH* vector as template. PCR reactions contained 5 μ L of 10 X KOD hot star polymerase buffer, 5 μ L dNTPs (2 mM each), 1.25 μ L of the appropriate forward and reverse degenerate primers (100 ng each), 2 μ L MgSO₄ (25 mM), 1 μ L template DNA (c.a. 50 ng) and 0.5 μ L of KOD polymerase. PCR method used was the same for all libraries created: the PCR reaction started at 95°C (3 min), continued with 25 cycles of 95°C (I min), 53°C (1 min) and 68°C (10 min), and finished with 15 min at 68°C. PCR products were digested with *Dpn*I at 37°C for 3 h to eliminate the template DNA and then they were dialyzed on Millipore MF-membrane filters (0.05 μ m) against distilled water for 20 min. 5 μ L of the dialyzed plasmid were used to transform 50 μ L of electro competent BL-21 Gold (DE3) cells. Transformation mixture was spread on LB agar plates containing kan (50 μ L/mL).

Codon degeneracy evaluation of each library was carried out by scraping colonies from the corresponding plates (\geq 100 colonies) with the help of 3 mL of LB medium as previously described.^[1] The plasmid pools were extracted by miniprep and submitted for sequencing.

Prescreening of TbSADH* libraries for active mutants for asymmetric ketones reduction

Individual E. coli BL-21 Gold (DE3) colonies harboring mutated plasmids were randomly picked and inoculated in 96 deep well plates sealed with gas permeable seals containing 800 µL LB with kan (50 µg/mL). The three first wells of a plate were used for culturing control colonies (i.e. colonies harboring pRSF-TbSADH* plasmid). Cultures were grown during 5 h at 37°C with gentle agitation. Glycerol stock solutions in sterile 96 well microtiter plates were prepared at this step and kept at -80°C. Aliquots of 100 µL were transferred from the growth culture to a new 96 deep-well plates sealed with gas permeable seals containing 900 µL of TB with kan (50 µg/mL) and IPTG (0.2 mM), and then, cultures were allowed to grow overnight at 30°C with vigorous agitation for protein overexpression. After incubation, plates were centrifuged at 4000 r.p.m. at room temperature for 20 min for harvesting cells. After discarding supernatant, pellets were resuspended in 500 µL of lysis buffer [phosphate buffer (pH 8.0, 100 mM), lysozyme (14 mg/ml) and DNAse I (6U/mL)] and incubated during 45 min at 37°C with vigorous agitation. After this time, plates were heated in the incubator for additional 15 min at 60°C and then centrifuged at 4000 r.p.m at 4°C for 20 min to pull down the cellular debris. 250 µL of supernatant were transferred to a 96 deep-well plate containing 250 µL of reaction buffer [phosphate buffer (pH 8.0, 100 mM), isopropanol (5% final concentration v/v), NADP⁺ (25 µM final concentration) and ketone (2.5 mM final concentration)]. The reaction was carried out at 37°C with vigorous agitation. After 16 h of incubation, reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (400 µL) and subjected to chiral GC analysis. Plasmid DNA from clones showing ee values higher than 80% were extracted and sequenced.

⁸ H. H. Hogrefe, J. Cline, G. L. Youngblood, R. M. Allen, *BioTechniques* 2002, 33, 1158–1165.

Initially, plates were heated at 75°C for 15 min. However, we realized there were no active mutants in library I86. Previously, it has been described that mutant TbSADH I86A is less thermostable than Wild type protein.^[9] Therefore we decided to repeat the screening, by heating the I86 library plate at 55°C after the pellets resuspension in lysis buffer. Using these milder conditions, hits in this particular library emerged. SDS-PAGE analysis of those hits found in this library, confirmed that after heating treatment at 60°C, there was the same amount of TbSADH* as before (Data not shown). Thus, we decided to perform the screening and further enzymatic reactions heating samples at 60°C.

Saturation mutagenesis of position I86

QuikChange method was used for saturation mutagenesis at residue I86 to generate those mutants that did not emerge as hits after I86 library screening (i.e. I86 amino acid residue substituted either by R, N, D, C, Q, H, L, K, F, P, S, W, Y or V). PCR reactions contained 5 μ L of 10 X KOD hot star polymerase buffer, 5 μ L dNTPs (2 mM each), 1.25 μ L of the appropriate forward and reverse degenerate primers (100 ng each), 2 μ L MgSO₄ (25 mM), 1 μ L template pRSF-TbSADH* (c.a. 50 ng) and 0.5 μ L of KOD polymerase. PCR method used was the same for all libraries created: the PCR reaction started at 95°C (3 min), continued with 25 cycles of 95°C (1 min), 53°C (1 min) and 68°C (10 min), and finished with 15 min at 68°C. PCR products were digested with *Dpn*I at 37°C for 3 h to eliminate the template DNA and then they were dialyzed on Millipore MF-membrane filters (0.05 μ m) against distilled water for 20 min. Dialyzed plasmid (5 μ L) was used to transform 50 μ L of electro competent BL-21 Gold (DE3) cells. The presence of all mutations was confirmed by sequencing. One single colony of BL-21 Gold (DE3) harboring the proper mutant TbSADH* was inoculated in 5 mL of LB with kan (50 μ g/mL), and this cell culture was overgrown, induced, pelleted and collected in 1 mL aliquots for further use as described above. No differences in the TbSADH* expression level among all mutants was observed as judged by SDS-PAGE analysis (Data not shown).

Medium scale procedure to prepare alcohol (S)-2a

Medium scale synthesis reactions were performed both using promising hits from plate screening to exclude false positives and mutants in position I86 produced by QuikChange. A single colony from E. coli BL-21 Gold (DE3) containing pRSF-TbSADH* with desired mutation was inoculated in 4 mL of LB with kan (50 µg/mL). After 5 h of incubation at 37°C with shaking, this preculture was transferred to 50 mL of TB with kan (50 µg/mL). Culture was grown at 30°C until O.D. of 0.7-0.9 at 600 nm was reached, then IPTG was added to a final concentration of 0.2 mM and the culture was allowed to grow at 30°C overnight with vigorous agitation. Expression level of TbSADH* was checked by SDS-PAGE electrophoresis before further analysis. We confirmed by SDS-PAGE that the TbSADH* expression was similar in all mutants tested, and the incubation at 60 °C did not decrease the amount of TbSADH* produced (Data not shown). Routinely, 1.2±0.2 mg/mL of TbSADH* were obtained from 50 mL cultures. Cells were pelleted by centrifugation (20 min, 4000 r.p.m. at room temperature) and resuspended in 4 mL of lysis buffer [phosphate buffer (pH 8.0, 100 mM), 50 mg of lysozyme and 30 µL of DNAse I (stock solution at 3000 U/mL)] and incubated during 45 min at 37°C with vigorous agitation. After this time, suspensions were incubated 15 min at 60°C. Cellular debris was pelleted by centrifugation (4000 r.p.m. 20 min at 4°C) and the supernatant (c.a. 4 mL) was recovered and diluted to 5mL with reaction buffer [phosphate buffer (100 mM, pH 8.0), isopropanol (10% final concentration v/v), NADP⁺ (50 μ M final concentration)]. Reaction was started by addition of 30 mg of compound **1a**, at 37°C with vigorous agitation. After 2 h, additional 30 mg of compound 1a were added (63 mM final concentration) and after 20 h of incubation, 700 µL of reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (700 μ L) and subjected to GC analysis.

⁹ M. M. Musa, N. Lott, M. Laivenieks, L. Watanabe, C. Vieille, R. S. Phillips, ChemCatChem 2009, 1, 89-93.

Up-scaling procedure of alcohol (S)-2a

For scaling up asymmetric reduction reaction, 20 mL of LB with kan (50 µg/mL) were inoculated with a single colony from E. coli BL-21 Gold (DE3) expressing TbSADH* W110T mutant, and incubated for 6 h at 37°C with vigorous shaking. Full volume was added to 500 mL of TB containing kan (50 µg/mL). Culture was grown at 30°C until O.D. of 0.7-0.9 at 600 nm was reached, then IPTG was added to a final concentration of 0.2 mM for protein expression induction and the culture was allowed to grow at 30°C overnight with vigorous agitation. Cells were pelleted by centrifugation (20 min, 4000 r.p.m. at room temperature) and pellet was resuspended in 30 mL of lysis buffer [phosphate buffer (pH 8.0, 100 mM), 400 mg of lysozyme and 400 µL of DNAse I (stock solution at 3000 U/mL)] and incubated during 45 min at 37°C with vigorous agitation. After this time, suspensions were incubated 15 min at 60°C. Cellular debris was pelleted by centrifugation (4000 r.p.m. 20 min at 4°C) and supernatant (c.a. 30 mL, 600 mg TbSADH*) was recovered and diluted to 50 mL with reaction buffer [phosphate buffer (100 mM, pH 8.0), isopropanol (10% final concentration v/v), NADP⁺ (50 µM final concentration)]. Reaction was started by addition of 225 mg of compound 1a, and was carried out at 37°C with vigorous agitation. After 2 h, additional 225 mg of compound 1a were added, and after 2 additional hours, 180 mg more of compound 1a were added (67 mM final concentration, 630 mg in total, 3.33 mmol) and allowed to react for 20 h. The reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (4 x 100 mL), organic phase was dried with Na₂SO₄, evaporated and the residue subjected to column chromatography to give (S)-2a as a colorless liquid (534 mg, 84%). ($R_{=}0.43$ ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 5.89 (s, 1H), 3.87 (m, 1H), 2.75-2.66 (m, 1H), 2.46-2.37 (m, 1H), 2.15-2.05 (m, 2H), 1.95-1.83 (m, 2H), 1.70 (br s, 1H), 1.54-1.40 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ=143.12, 98.80, 68.89, 35.46, 34.46, 31.70, 27.49 ppm; HRMS (APCI+): calcd for C₇H₁₂BrO [*M*+*H*]⁺: 191.0066, 193.0046; found: 191.0066, 193.0046. GC analyses of the reaction crude extract indicated a final conversion >99% and 99% ee (S).

Up-scaling procedure of alcohol (R)-2a

Up-scaling of (*R*)-**2a** alcohol from ketone **1a** [67 mM, 500 mg (added at once), 2.64 mmol] was performed as described for the alcohol (*S*)-**2a** but using *E. coli* BL-21 Gold (DE3) expressing the mutant TbSADH* I86A. Purification on column chromatography afforded (*R*)-**2a** as a colorless liquid (400 mg, 81%). GC analyses of the reaction crude extract indicated a final conversion >99% and 97% ee (*R*).

Small scale reactions using 1b-f, 3, 5a-b and acetophenone as substrates

We performed the reduction of compounds **1b-f**, **3** and **5a-b** to the corresponding alcohols using hits specifically evolved for the reaction of **1a**. Single colonies from glycerol stocks in *E. coli* BL-21 Gold (DE3) of the corresponding mutants were isolated and grown in LB with kan (50 μ g/mL) during 5 h at 37°C. This pre-inoculum was transferred to 100 mL of TB with kan (50 μ g/mL) and the cell culture was induced, grown, and divided in 1 mL aliquots as described above for "TbSADH* protein expression and activity tests" section. Expression levels of different mutants were checked by SDS-PAGE electrophoresis as described above (1 mg/mL of TbSADH*). Aliquots were treated as described above, heating them at 60°C. Ketone reduction reactions were carried out in 1 mL reaction buffer [phosphate buffer (pH 8.0, 100 mM), isopropanol (10% final concentration v/v), NADP⁺ (50 μ M final concentration) and the proper ketone substrate **1b-f**, **3**, or **5a-b** (1 mg, 5-8 mM final concentration)]. Reactions were carried out at 37°C with vigorous agitation. After 16 h of incubation, products were extracted with ethyl acetate and subjected further to GC analysis.

Mutants in position I86 produced by QuikChange were also tested based on this protocol using **1a** (5 mM final concentration) as starting material.

Reactions using acetophenone as starting material were carried out as described above. Determination of the absolute configuration was made after comparison with authentic commercial standards, results being summarized in Table S5.

Substrate 1a modeling in the active site of TbSADH

3D structure of 4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanone (**1a**) was generated with MAESTRO modeling software (Schrödinger). Using as receptor protein the TbSADH complexed with (*S*)-2-butanol (PDB 1BXZ),^[10a] we generated with Glide application (MAESTRO software) 20 poses of substrate **1a** for replacing the (*S*)-2-butanol molecule in the active site of TbSADH.

For modeling substrate **1a** in the catalytic site of TbSADH, we performed a similar procedure as previously described by Ziegelmann *et al.*^[6a] The TbSADH-(*S*)-2-butanol complex was superimposed with the TbSADH-NADP⁺ complex (PDB 1YKF)^[10b] using PyMOL. After alignment, the entire 1BXZ complex, except for the (*S*)-2-butanol, was removed. Then we merged the lowest energy conformation pose of **1a** generated before with reactive oxygen closest to C-OH from (*S*)-2-butanol. The result was a single TbSADH model containing NADP⁺, Zn and both substrates. NADP⁺s nicotinamide ring was rotated 90° to allocate both substrates in the catalytic site as previously described.^[6a] We fitted manually **1a** substrate in PyMOL to superimpose its C-O group with C-OH from (*S*)-2-butanol. Finally, (*S*)-2-butanol was removed from the final model TbSADH-NADP⁺-Zn-**1a** to generate the image that appears in Figure 1from main text. This is not meant to be a systematic theoretical treatment; rather, it serves as a rough guide for choosing CAST sites.

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Entry		Cofactor ^[d]		Substrate											
_			1a→2a 1b [.]		1b→2	→2b 1c→2c		1d→2d		1e→2e		lf→2f			
			Conv. (%)	%ee	Conv. (%)	%ee	Conv. (%)	%ee	Conv. (%)	%ee	Conv. (%)	%ee	Conv. (%)	%ee	
1	A1	NADP ⁺	39	46(S)	≥ 99	47(S)	≥ 99	97(S)	≥ 99	60(S)	≥ 99	27(S)	≥ 99	39(<i>R</i>)	
2	A2	NADP ⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^{le}	≥ 99	23(S)	≥ 99	96(S)	≥ 99	58(S)	≥ 99	27(S)	≥ 99	38(<i>R</i>)	
3	A3	NAD⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	26	73(<i>R</i>)	
4	A4	NAD⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	41	84(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	35	85(<i>R</i>)	83	96(<i>R</i>)	
5	A5	NAD⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	32	55(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	31	85(<i>R</i>)	
6	A6	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	83(S)	≥ 99	42(S)	90	78(S)	≥ 99	60(S)	≥ 99	28(S)	≥ 99	39(<i>R</i>)	
7	A7	NAD⁺	≥ 99	64(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	1(S)	≥ 99	97(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	98(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	99(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	96(<i>R</i>)	
8	A8	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	96(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	62(<i>R</i>)	87	98(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	95(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	≥ 99(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	99(<i>R</i>)	
9	A9	NAD⁺	≥ 99	81(S)	≥ 99	66(<i>S</i>)	95	42(S)	≥ 99	80(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	84(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	68(S)	
10	A10	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	96(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	73(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	98(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	95(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	≥ 99(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	99(<i>R</i>)	
11	A11	NAD ⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^{lej}	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	95	56(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	59	90(<i>R</i>)	
12	A12	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	71(S)	≥ 99	38(S)	93	34(S)	≥ 99	79(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	83(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	35(S)	
13	A13	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	95(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	67(<i>R</i>)	97	98(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	95(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	≥ 99(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	99(<i>R</i>)	
14	A14	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	74(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	27(<i>R</i>)	96	98(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	97(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	99(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	96(<i>R</i>)	
15	A15	NAD ⁺	54	91(<i>R</i>)	60	68(<i>R</i>)	81	96(<i>R</i>)	29	92(<i>R</i>)	82	98(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	≥ 99(<i>R</i>)	
16	A16	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	83(S)	≥ 95	42(S)	89	93(<i>S</i>)	≥ 95	66(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	27(S)	≥ 99	39(<i>R</i>)	
17	A17	NAD ⁺	50	52(S)	34	10(<i>R</i>)	52	40(<i>R</i>)	26	58(S)	38	42(S)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	
18	A18	NAD ⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^{lej}	≥ 99	2(<i>R</i>)	97	97(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	97(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	99(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	96(<i>R</i>)	
19	A19	NAD ⁺	29	48(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	34	53(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	50	75(<i>R</i>)	67	93(<i>R</i>)	
20	A20	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	83(S)	≥ 99	65(<i>S</i>)	95	58(S)	≥ 95	80(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	85(S)	≥ 99	73(S)	
21	A21	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	93(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	74(<i>R</i>)	95	96(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	96(<i>R</i>)	99	96(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	≥ 99(<i>R</i>)	
22	A22	NAD ⁺	41	73(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	60	93(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	27	90(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	99(<i>R</i>)	
23	A23	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	81(S)	53	35(S)	95	91(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	60(<i>S</i>)	56	6(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	40(<i>R</i>)	
24	A24	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	87(S)	≥ 99	51(S)	90	94(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	61(S)	57	25(S)	≥ 99	38(<i>R</i>)	
25	A25	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	61(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	0	88	93(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	97(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	95(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	96(<i>R</i>)	
26	A26	NAD ⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^{lej}	≥ 99	60(<i>S</i>)	85	61(S)	≥ 99	80(S)	≥ 99	84(S)	≥ 99	72(S)	
27	A27	NADP ⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^{lej}	≥ 99	48(S)	90	95(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	61(S)	≥ 99	28(S)	≥ 99	39(<i>R</i>)	
28	A28	NADP ⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^{lej}	≥ 99	44(S)	93	95(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	61(S)	≥ 99	25(S)	≥ 99	39(<i>R</i>)	
29	A29	NAD ⁺	41	80(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	67	87(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^{lej}	61	96(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	99(<i>R</i>)	
30	A30	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	87(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	72(<i>R</i>)	88	84(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	91(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	96(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	98(<i>R</i>)	
31	A31	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	82(S)	≥ 99	66(<i>S</i>)	93	63(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	81(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	85(S)	≥ 99	73(S)	
32	A32	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	81(S)	≥ 99	42(S)	99	96(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	59(S)	≥ 99	27(S)	≥ 99	40(<i>R</i>)	
33	A33	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	65(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	11(<i>R</i>)	94	96(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	98(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	98(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	95(<i>R</i>)	

Table S1. Reduction of model ketones 1a-f with commercial alcohol dehydrogenases.^{[a][b]}

34	A34	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	82(S)	≥ 99	46(S)	97	96(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	59(S)	≥ 99	27(S)	≥ 99	40(<i>R</i>)
35	A35	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	84(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	48(S)	93	95(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	60(S)	≥ 99	28(S)	≥ 99	40(<i>R</i>)
36	1.1.010	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	29(<i>R</i>)	95	43(<i>R</i>)	91	91(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	71(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	58(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	34(<i>R</i>)
37	1.1.020	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	91(<i>R</i>)	90	86(<i>R</i>)	96	89(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	95(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	97(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	97(<i>R</i>)
38	1.1.030	NAD^+	≥ 99	83(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	5(<i>R</i>)	94	95(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	96(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	96(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	93(<i>R</i>)
39	1.1.040	NAD⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	60	92(<i>R</i>)	81	68(<i>R</i>)	64	44(<i>R</i>)	83	60(<i>R</i>)
40	1.1.130	NAD ⁺	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	59	72(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]
41	1.1.140	NAD^+	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]	36	41(<i>R</i>)	53	30(<i>R</i>)	≤ 20	n.d. ^[e]
42	1.1.190	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	72(S)	93	24(<i>R</i>)	57	39(<i>R</i>)	61	38(<i>R</i>)	95	31(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	47(<i>R</i>)
43	1.1.200	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	2(S)	≥ 99	1(<i>S</i>)	94	18(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	53(S)	≥ 99	54(S)	≥ 99	22(S)
44	1.1.210	NAD ⁺	≥ 99	11(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	0(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	97(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	94(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	98(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	92(<i>R</i>)
45	1.1.250	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	25(S)	≥ 99	15(S)	84	35(S)	≥ 99	32(S)	≥ 99	35(S)	≥ 99	4(<i>R</i>)
46	1.1.260	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	51(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	50(<i>R</i>)	91	94(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	97(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	97(<i>R</i>)	≥ 99	92(<i>R</i>)
47	1.1.270	NADP ⁺	≥ 99	15(S)	≥ 99	3(S)	88	85(S)	≥ 99	29(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	10(<i>S</i>)	≥ 99	54(S)

^[a] 5-10 mg of each lyophilized ADH were dissolved in 500 µL of reaction mixture containing glucose (100 mM), cofactor NAD⁺ or NADP⁺ (1 mM), Glucose Dehydrogenase (GDH 105, Codexis, 0.04 Units), **1a-f** (5 mM) dissolved in acetonitrile and phosphate buffer (pH 7.0, 100 mM). Reaction performed at 30°C with shacking during 16 h.

^[b] Average of at least 2 independent measurements. Deviation in the values obtained did not excess the 15% of the average ee value shown.

^[c] Alcohol dehydrogenases from entries 1 to 35 were purchased from X-Zyme. Alcohol dehydrogenases from entries 36 to 47 were gifted by evocatal.

^[d] Cofactor used upon recommendation of the supplier.

^[e] Value not determined due to low conversion.

Table S2. Reduction of model ketone 1a with TbSADH* mutants obtained by saturation mutagenesis at position I86.^[a,b]

Entry	Mutation	Conversion ^[C]	%ee
1	TbSADH*	≥99%	65(<i>R</i>)
2	186A	≥99%	97(<i>S</i>)
3	186R	≥99%	64(<i>S</i>)
4	186N	≥99%	97(<i>S</i>)
5	186D	≥99%	98(<i>S</i>)
6	186C	≥99%	98(<i>S</i>)
7	186Q	≥99%	88(<i>S</i>)
8	186E	≥99%	95(S)
9	186G	≥99%	98(<i>S</i>)
10	186H	≥99%	97(<i>S</i>)
11	186L	≥99%	61(<i>S</i>)
12	186K	75%	86(<i>S</i>)
13	186M	≥99%	92(<i>S</i>)
14	186F	23%	94(<i>S</i>)
15	186P	≥99%	99(<i>S</i>)
16	186S	≥99%	95(<i>S</i>)
17	186T	≥99%	92(<i>S</i>)
18	186W	<5%	n.d. ^[a]
19	186Y	71%	98(<i>S</i>)
20	186V	93%	20(S)

^[a] Conversion and % ee values shown are obtained from average of two independent experiments. Deviation in the values obtained did not excess the 3% of the average ee value shown. ^[b] Entries in bold are those mutants obtained by QuikChange. Rests of them are the same that appear in Table 2

from main text. They have been included here only for comparison.

^[c] Compound **2a** was the major product when using **1a** as substrate. (<5% side products in all cases).

^[e] Value not determined due to low conversion.

Table S3.	Performance	of bes	t TbSADH*	mutants	specifically	evolved f	for substrate	1a	as
catalysts	in the asymmet	tric redu	iction of ke	tones 3 a	n d 5a-b . ^[a]				

		Substrate							
Entry	Mutation	3→4		5a→6	a	5b→6b			
		Conv. (%)	ee%	Conv. (%)	ee%	Conv. (%)	ee%		
1	TbSADH*	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]		
2	A85V	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]		
3	186A	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]		
4	186G	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]		
5	186E	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]		
6	186M	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]		
7	186T	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]		
8	W110A	≥ 99	≥ 99	65	55	58	50		
9	W110E	≥ 99	≥ 99	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]		
10	W110M	≥ 99	≥ 99	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]		
11	W110T	≥ 99	≥ 99	13	79	18	62		
12	C295E	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]	≤ 5	n.d. ^[b]		

^[a] Conversion and % *ee* values shown are obtained from average of two independent experiments. Deviation in the values obtained did not excess the 3% of the average ee value shown. ^[b] Value not determined due to low conversion.

Name	Sequence (5'→3')
pRSF-TbSADH*-Fw	ttttgtttaactttaataaggagatataccatgaaaggttttgcaatgctcagtatcgg
pRSF- <i>Nco</i> l	ggtatatctccttattaaagttaaacaaaattatttctacagg
pRSF- <i>Avr</i> II	taacctaggctgctgccaccgctgagcaataac
pRSF-TbSADH*-rv	gttattgctcagcggtggcagcagcctaggttagcataaaaatggactaagtcccc
S39-RNG-Fw	ggccccttgcactrnggacattcataccg
S39-RNG-rv	cggtatgaatgtccnyagtgcaaggggcc
A85-RNG-Fw	gcgttgttgtgccarngattacccctgattggtg
A85-RNG-rv	caccaatcaggggtaatcnytggcacaacaacgc
I86-RNG-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagctrngacccctgattggcgg
I86-RNG-rv	ccgccaatcaggggtcnyagctggcacaacaacg
W110-RNG-Fw	ggaatgctggcaggcrngaaattttcgaatgtaaaag
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Y267-RNG-Fw	ccatcgctaatgtaaatrngtttggcgaaggagag
Y267-RNG-rv	ctctccttcgccaaacnyatttacattagcgatgg
C295-RNG-Fw	ctataaaaggcgggctarngcccggtggacgtctaag
C295-RNG-rv	cttagacgtccaccgggcnytagcccgccttttatag
186V-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagctgtgacccctgattggcgg
l86V-rv	ccgccaatcaggggtcacagctggcacaacaacg
I86N-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagctaacacccctgattggcgg
l86N-r∨	ccgccaatcaggggtgttagctggcacaacaacg
l86D-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagctgacacccctgattggcgg
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I86C-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagcttgcacccctgattggcgg
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I86Q-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagctcagacccctgattggcgg
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186L-rv	ccgccaatcaggggtcagagctggcacaacaacg
186F-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagctttcacccctgattggcgg
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l86P-rv	ccgccaatcaggggttggagctggcacaacaacg
I86S-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagcttcgacccctgattggcgg
186S-rv	ccgccaatcaggggtcgaagctggcacaacaacg
I86W-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagcttggacccctgattggcgg
I86W-rv	ccgccaatcaggggtccaagctggcacaacaacg
186Y-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagcttacacccctgattggcgg
186Y-rv	ccgccaatcaggggtgtaagctggcacaacaacg
186K-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagctaagacccctgattggcgg
l86K-rv	ccgccaatcaggggtcttagctggcacaacaacg
l86R-Fw	cgttgttgtgccagctaagacccctgattggcgg

Table S4. Primers used for cloning and saturation mutagenesis in the present work.

ccgccaatcaggggtcttagctggcacaacaacg

I86R-rv

Table S5. Reduction of acete	phenone with TbSADH* mutants	produced in this study.
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Entry	Mutation	1a→2a ^{laj}		acetophenor	le → upol ^[b]
		Conv. (%)	%ee	Conv. (%)	%ee
1	WT	≥99	65(<i>R</i>)	<5	n.d. ^[c]
2	186A	≥99	97(S)	97	99(<i>R</i>)
3	186R	≥99	64(S)	9	90(<i>R</i>)
4	186N	≥99	97(<i>S</i>)	98	99(<i>R</i>)
5	186D	≥99	98(S)	97	99(<i>R</i>)
6	186C	≥99	98(S)	98	99(<i>R</i>)
7	186Q	≥99	88(S)	93	99(<i>R</i>)
8	186E	≥99	95(S)	97	99(<i>R</i>)
9	186G	≥99	98(S)	97	99(<i>R</i>)
10	186H	≥99	97(<i>S</i>)	<5	n.d. ^[c]
11	186L	≥99	61(S)	93	99(<i>R</i>)
12	186K	75	86(<i>S</i>)	<5	n.d. ^[c]
13	186M	≥99	92(<i>S</i>)	97	99(<i>R</i>)
14	186F	23	94(<i>S</i>)	<5	n.d. ^[c]
15	186P	≥99	99(<i>S</i>)	98	99(<i>R</i>)
16	186S	≥99	95(<i>S</i>)	98	99(<i>R</i>)
17	186T	≥99	92(<i>S</i>)	98	99(<i>R</i>)
18	186W	<5	n.d. ^[a]	<5	n.d. ^[c]
19	186Y	71	98(<i>S</i>)	<5	n.d. ^[c]
20	186V	93	20(<i>S</i>)	<5	n.d. ^[c]
21	W110A	≥99	82(<i>R</i>)	5	93(<i>S</i>)
22	W110E	≥99	91(<i>R</i>)	65	97(S)
23	W110M	≥99	97(<i>R</i>)	73	98(S)
24	W110T	≥99	97(<i>R</i>)	10	98(S)
25	C295E	16	84(<i>R</i>)	<5	n.d. ^[c]
26	A85V	≥95	95(<i>R</i>)	<5	n.d. ^[c]

^[a] Values for $1a \rightarrow 2a$ reaction are the same that appear in Table 2 from main text and Table S2. They have been included here only for comparison. ^[b] 1-phenlyethanol was the major product when using acetophenone as substrate, ($\leq 2\%$ side products in all

cases).

^[c] Value not determined due to low conversion.

Sequence 1. Plasmid pRSF-TbSADH* sequence. TbSADH* coding sequence is written in bold letters. The additional TAA stop codon at the 3 end of TbSADH* coding sequence, introduced by PCR amplification using primer pRSF-TbSADH*-rv, is underlined.

1	ggggaattgt	gagcggataa	caattcccct	gtagaaataa	ttttgtttaa	ctttaataag
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121	ggaaaagcct	gctcctggcc	catttgatgc	tattgtaaga	cctctagctg	tggccccttg
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2221	tagagcaaga	cgtttcccgt	tgaatatggc	tcatactctt	cctttttcaa	tattattgaa
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4381	tggtttcaca	ttcaccaccc	tgaattgact	ctcttccggg	cgctatcatg	ccataccgcg
4441	aaaggttttg	cgccattcga	tggtgtccgg	gatctcgacg	ctctccctta	tgcgactcct
4501	gcattaggaa	attaatacga	ctcactata			



Figure S1. SDS-PAGE analysis of TbSADH* overexpressed either in *E. coli* Gold (DE3) cells or in *E. coli* BOU730 strain in the presence (lines +), or in the absence (lines -), of heating treatment (15 min. at 75°C). Expected molecular mass of TbSADH* is 37.6 kDa. Protein expression levels are similar in both strains. Black arrow indicates overexpression of GDH in BOU730 cells. Note this band disappears after heating treatment, whereas intensity of TbSADH* band is similar either in the absence or in the presence of heating treatment. Molecular standards (line M) of 30, 40 and 50 kDa are indicated.

Chemistry

General remarks

Syntheses of compounds **1a-c**,^[11] and **1e**^[11] as well as the preparation of compounds **4**^[12] and **5b**^[13] are described previously. All other starting compounds and reagents including dry solvents were purchased from Acros, Sigma-Aldrich and Alfa and used without further purification. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 300 or DRX 400 (¹H: 300 MHz or 400 MHz, ¹³C: 75 MHz or 101 MHz) spectrometer using TMS as internal standard (d=0) unless otherwise noted. High resolution EI mass spectra were measured on a Finnigan MAT 95S spectrometer. High-resolution mass spectra recorded in ESI and APCI mode were performed on a ThermoScientific LTQ-FT spectrometer. Conversion and enantiomeric composition were determined by achiral and chiral gas chromatography as described. Alternatively, product 2c enantiomeric excess could be measured by HPLC. Analytical thin layer chromatography was performed on Merck silica gel 60 F254q while for column chromatography Merck silica gel 60 (230-400 mesh ASTM) was used. Reactions that required inert atmosphere (nitrogen or argon) were carried out using standard Schlenk techniques. GC Analyses were performed on a HP 6890 series device.

General method for the synthesis of racemic standards

Preparation of 2a-f and 6a-b: To a methanol solution (1 mL) of corresponding ketone (1.0 Eg), NaBH₄ (2.0 Eg) was added and the reactions were allowed to stir at r.t. until the TLC or GC showed completion (normally within a few minutes). Reactions crudes were subsequently analyzed by GC or HPLC.

Preparation of rac-(4): Racemic mixture was prepared according to the experimental procedure described in reference 12.

Absolute configuration determination

Initially, the absolute configuration of (S)-2d was assigned by comparison with an authentic sample as prepared by Walborsky et al.^[14] The absolute configuration of **2a** was determined after its conversion into derivative **2d** by Pd-catalyzed carbonylation and optical rotation comparison with an authentic sample as reported by Walborsky.^[14] Determination of the absolute configuration of **2b**, **2c** was made after performing couplings reactions starting from bromoalcohol 2a as described below.

Determination of the absolute configuration of 2e-f was made after performing carbonylation reactions starting from bromoalcohol 2a as described below.

Compounds preparation

General procedure for carbonylation reactions providing compounds 1d, 1f and 2d-f

In a two necked round bottomed flask 4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanone 1a (1 Eq) respectively 4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanol 2a (1 Eg) and DIPEA (1.2-1.5 Eg) were added to a mixture of dry alcohol (MeOH, EtOH or iPr-OH): dry tetrahydrofuran (3:1, 30 mL) and the solution flushed with argon for 15 min. After this time Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.03% mol) and PPh₃ (0.03% mol) were added and solution flushed for 5 additional min with argon. A balloon filled with CO was then flushed to the solution and a second one was attached to the installation equipped with condenser. Mixtures were refluxed and normally after approximately 24 h GC indicated the total conversion of the starting material and product formation. The reaction crudes were rotaevaporated and their residues loaded on chromatographic columns to afford pure 1d, 1f and 2d-f in good yields.

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Preparation of compound 1d



Using the general carbonylation procedure, 4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanone **1a** (301 mg, 1.59 mmol) and methanol afforded after chromatographic column separation compound **1d** as a white solid (210 mg, 78%). (R_i =0.50 ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:2); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃ δ =5.85 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.20 (t, ³*J*=6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.66 (t, ³*J*=6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.49 ppm (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =210.11, 166.55, 157.15, 115.76, 51.11, 39.57, 38.98, 33.85, 26.83 ppm; MS (70 eV, EI): m/z (%): 168 [M_j^+ (100); HRMS (APCI–): calcd for C₉H₁₁O₃ [M- H_j^- : 167.0714; found: 167.0710.

Preparation of compound 1f



Using the general carbonylation procedure, 4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanone **1a** (246 mg, 1.30 mmol) and isopropanol afforded after chromatographic column purification compound **1f** as a pale yellow solid (176 mg, 69%). ($R_{\rm f}$ =0.20 ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:6); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =5.83 (s, 1H), 5.13-5.01 (br s, 1H), 3.22 (m, 2H), 2.66 (m, 2H), 2.50 (m, 4H), 1.27 (m, 7H), 0.92 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 210.27, 165.68, 156.28, 116.68, 67.16, 39.60, 39.01, 33.85, 26.76, 21.93 (2C) ppm; HRMS (EI): calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O₃ [*M*]⁻: 196.1093; found: 196.1093.

Preparation of (R)-4-ethylidenecyclohexanol 2b



(*R*)-4-(Bromomethylene)cyclohexanol **2a** (75 mg, 0.39 mmol) and Sn(CH₃)₄ (272 µL, 1.96 mmol) were added in a 20 mL Schlenk flask containing dry toluene (7 mL), under Ar atmosphere. Over the solution PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂ (13.7 mg, 0.05% mol) and PPh₃ (4 mg, 0.01% mol) were further added and the Schlenk tube was sealed with a glass stopper and secured. The mixture was then heated at 100°C for 16 h. After this time the reaction mixture was carefully cooled down, evaporated and the residue subjected to column chromatography to afford compound (*R*)-**2b** as a viscous colorless liquid (32 mg, 65%). (*R*_f=0.60 ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ =5.03 (q, ³*J*=6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (tt, ³*J* = 9.4, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.51–2.32 (m, 1H), 2.20–2.01 (m, 1H), 2.00–1.80 (m, 1H), 1.81–1.63 (m, 3H), 1.43 (d, ³*J*=6.7 Hz, 3H), 1.29–1.08 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ =139.17, 116.99, 70.60, 37.31, 36.25, 34.58, 25.50, 12.96; HRMS (EI): calcd for C₈H₁₄O [*M*]: 126.1039; found: 126.1048.

Preparation of (S)-4-benzylidenecyclohexanol 2c



(*S*)-4-(Bromomethylene)cyclohexanol **2a** (83 mg, 0.43 mmol) and phenylboronic acid (1.2 Eg) were added in a 50 mL two necked round bottomed flask. Dioxane/H₂O (4:1, 40 mL) was further added and solution degassed with argon for 15 min, followed by the addition of K₂CO₃ (79 mg, 0.57 mmol). After addition of Pd(PPh₃)₄ (13.2 mg, 0.02% mol) and PPh₃ (3 mg, 0.02% mol), the solution was heated to 90°C and refluxed for 24 h when GC showed reaction completion. The mixture was rotaevaporated and the residue subjected to column chromatography to afford compound (*S*)-**2c** as a viscous colorless liquid (54 mg, 66%). (R_{f} =0.55 ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) \overline{o} =7.27 (m, 5H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 4.00-3.84 (m, 1H), 2.83-2.76 (m, 1H), 2.52-2.41 (m, 1H); 2.35-1.92 (m, 5H), 1.68-1.40 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) \overline{o} =140.93, 138.23, 128.99 (2C), 128.21 (2C), 126.19, 123.31, 69.66, 36.41, 35.70, 34.02, 25.78 ppm; HRMS (EI): calcd for C₁₃H₁₆O [*M*]⁻: 188.1195; found: 188.1207.

Preparation of (S)-methyl 2-(4-hydroxycyclohexylidene)acetate 2d



Using the general carbonylation procedure, (*S*)-4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanol **2a** (90 mg, 0.47 mmol) and methanol afforded after chromatographic column purification compound (*S*)-**2d** as a pale yellow viscous liquid (66 mg, 82%). (R_i =0.34 ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =5.65 (s, 1H), 3.97-3.89 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.38-3.28 (m, 1H), 2.54-2.37 (m, 2H), 2.21-2.12 (m, 1H), 2.01-1.90 (m, 2H), 1.66-1.49 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 167.17, 161.33, 113.71, 68.49, 51.04, 35.88, 35.29, 34.13, 25.75 ppm; HRMS (APCI+): calcd for C₉H₁₄O₃H₁ [*M*+*H*]⁺: 171.1016; found: 171.1016.

Preparation of (S)-ethyl 2-(4-hydroxycyclohexylidene)acetate 2e



Using the general carbonylation procedure, (*S*)-4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanol **2a** (74 mg, 0.38 mmol) and ethanol afforded after chromatographic column purification compound (*S*)-**2e** as a pale yellow liquid (63 mg, 88%). (R_i =0.44 ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =5.64 (s, 1H), 4.14 (q, ³*J*=7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.93 (m, 1H), 3.41-3.27 (m, 1H), 2.53-2.36 (m, 2H), 2.24-2.12 (m, 1H), 1.98-1.92 (m, 2H), 1.64-1.49 (m, 3H), 1.27 (t, ³*J*=7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =166.77, 160.92, 114.16, 68.54, 59.76, 35.89, 35.29, 34.14, 25.73, 14.43 ppm; HRMS (APCI+): calcd for C₁₀H₁₇O₃ [*M*+*H*]⁺: 185.1172; found: 185.1172.

Preparation of (S)-isopropyl 2-(4-hydroxycyclohexylidene)acetate 2f



Using the general carbonylation procedure, (*S*)-4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanol **2a** (80 mg, 0.41 mmol) and isopropanol, afforded after chromatographic column purification compound (*S*)-**2f** as a colorless viscous liquid (74 mg, 89%). ($R_{\rm f}$ =0.35 ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:2); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =5.61 (s, 1H), 5.02 (hept, ³*J*=6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (m, 1H), 3.37-3.31 (m, 1H), 2.52-2.37 (m, 2H), 2.20-2.10 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.90 (m, 2H), 1.74 (br s, 1H, OH), 1.63-1.53 (m, 2H), 1.24 (dd, ³*J*=6.2 Hz, ⁴*J*=1.1 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =166.30, 160.48, 114.66, 68.59, 66.94, 35.87, 35.28, 34.14, 25.70, 22.08 (2C); HRMS (EI): calcd for C₁₁H₁₈O₃ [*M*]⁻: 198.1250; found: 198.1254.

Preparation of 3-benzylidenecyclobutanone 3



3-Phenylmethylene-cyclobutanol^[12] (300 mg, 2.51 mmol) was added in a Schlenk flask under argon together with dry CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL). Dess-Martin reagent (12.55 mL, 3.76 mmol, 0.3 M in CH₂Cl₂) was added and the solution stirred until TLC showed reaction completion (approximately 1h). Reaction mixture was then washed with aqueous satd. NaHCO₃ solution (3 x 15 mL) followed by Na₂S₂O₃ solution (3 x 15 mL). The organic phase was further dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, concentrated, and the residue loaded immediately on a chromatographic column. The collected fractions were washed with satd. NaHCO₃ solution, and then evaporated to afford 3-benzylidenecyclobutanone **3** (229 mg, 58%) as a viscous liquid which precipitated immediately after being stored to -80°C. (*R*_f=0.58 ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:6); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =7.35–7.09 (m, 5H), 6.59–6.48 (m, 1H), 3.81 (d, ²*J* = 10.3 Hz, 4H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =205.48, 137.03, 129.04, 128.78 (2C), 127.42 (2C), 127.20, 124.45, 56.55, 54.52; HRMS (EI): calcd for C₁₁H₁₀O [*M*]²: 158.0726; found: 158.0743.

Preparation of 5-(bromomethylene)cyclooctanone 5a



Compound **5a** was prepared using a similar procedure like for compound **5b**:^[13] Ph₃P=CHBr (1.74 g, 3.99 mmol) was dissolved in toluene (20 mL) and KO*t*-Bu (384 mg, 3.4 mmol) was added. The solution was stirred under Ar at 45°C for 40 min. Cyclooctane-1,5-dione^[13] (400 mg, 2.84 mmol) was dissolved in dry toluene (15 mL) in a 100 mL Schlenk flask, under argon atmosphere, and the solution of Ph₃P=CHBr in toluene (20 mL) was added. The reaction was warmed to 95°C for 50 min. Then the mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature. Saturated aqueous NaCl (30 mL) was added and the phases were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with toluene (3 x 30 mL) and the combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and then filtered. Solvent was then evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue purified on column chromatography to afford 5-(bromomethylene)cyclooctanone **5a** as a viscous liquid (310 mg, 50%). (*R*_f=0.30 diethyl ether/petroleum ether=1:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =5.93 (s, 1H), 2.42-1.95 (m, 12 H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =214.77, 142.61, 106.63, 43.78, 39.90, 37.44, 31.87, 23.84, 23.11; HRMS (EI): calcd for C₉H₁₃BrO [*M*]: 216.0144; found: 216.0133.

Preparation of rac-5-(bromomethylene)cyclooctanol 6a



Compound **5a** was added to a NMR tube containing deuterated methanol (CD₃OD). To the solution NaBH₄ was added and then the mixture allowed stirring for 2-3 h. GC showed reaction completion after this time. This sample was used later as control for the GC analyses. NMR showed complete formation of *rac*-**6a**. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ =5.92 (q, ⁴*J*=1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (m, 1H), 2.38-2.29

(m, 1H), 2.19–1.97 (m, 3H), 1.82–1.37 (m, 8H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD_3OD) δ =147.39, 103.54, 71.84, 38.03, 36.52, 35.65, 32.65, 24.08, 22.95; HRMS (APCI+): calcd for $C_9H_{16}BrO$ [*M*+*H*]⁺: 219.0379, 221.0358; found: 219.0376, 221.0355.

Preparation of rac-5-ethylidenecyclooctanol 6b



Compound **5b** was added to a NMR tube containing deuterated methanol (CD₃OD). To the solution NaBH₄ was added and then the mixture allowed stirring for 2-3 h. GC showed reaction completion after this time. This sample was used later as control for the GC analyses. NMR showed complete formation of **6b**. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ =5.16 (q, ³*J*=7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (tt, ³*J*=7.6 Hz, ⁴*J*=3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.28–2.12 (m, 1H), 2.09–1.84 (m, 3H), 1.81–1.29 (m, 12H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, Methanol-d4) δ =141.57, 121.60, 72.06, 39.52, 36.76, 35.81, 29.72, 24.61, 24.20, 13.50; HRMS (APCI+): calcd for C₁₁H₁₉O [*M*+*H*]⁺: 155.1430; found: 155.1428.

Determination of conversion and enantiomeric excess (ee)

GC analyses

	Achiral Analysis		Chiral Analysis			
Comp ound	Conditions	Retentio n time (min)	Conditions	Retention time (min)		
1a→2a	column: 15 m DB-Wax, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.4 bar H ₂ ; injector: 230°C; oven: temperature gradient: $80-260$ °C with 6°C/min and then holding 260°C for 10 min, FID detector: 350°C;	12.2	column 25 m Hydrodex, ß-TBDAc, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.8 bar H ₂ ; injector: 230°C; oven: isothermic at 110°C FID detector: 320°C;	(<i>R</i>) -2a : 34.8-35.6 (<i>S</i>) -2a : 36.6-38.2		
1b→2b	column: 15 m DB-Wax, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.4 bar H ₂ ; injector: 230°C; oven: temperature gradient: $60-260$ °C with 6°C/min and then holding 260°C for 10 min, FID detector: 350°C.	8.0	column 30 m BGB-176, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.6 bar H ₂ ; injector: 230°C; oven: isothermic at 90°C FID detector: 350°C.	(<i>R</i>) -2a : 18.6-18.9 (<i>S</i>)- 2a : 19.6-20.1		
1d→2d	column: 15 m DB-Wax, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.4 bar H_2 ; injector: 230°C; oven: temperature gradient: 80–260°C with 6°C/min and then holding 260°C for	15.8	column 25 m Hydrodex, ß-TBDAc, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.4 bar H_2 ; injector: 230°C; oven: isothermic at 150°C FID detector: 350°C.	(S)- 9 : 22.6 (<i>R</i>)- 9 : 23.1		
1e→2e	10 min, FID detector: 350°C.	16.5	column 30 m BGB-174, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.8 bar H_2 ; injector: 220°C; oven: isothermic at 140°C FID detector: 350°C.	(S)- 6 : 41.9 (<i>R</i>)- 6 : 42.6		
1f→2f		16.3	column 25 m Hydrodex, ß-TBDAc, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.8 bar H ₂ ; injector: 230°C; oven: isothermic at 130°C FID detector: 350°C.	(S)- 6 : 43.8 (<i>R</i>)- 6 : 44.3		
3→4	column: 30 m DB-1, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.5 bar H_2 ; injector: 220°C; oven: temperature gradient: 60–340°C with 6°C/min and then holding 340°C for 5 min, FID	18.0	column 25 m Hydrodex, ß-TBDAc, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.6 bar H ₂ ; injector: 220°C; oven: isothermic at 140°C FID detector: 320°C.	(enantiomer 1)- 4 : 33.2 (enantiomer 2)- 4 : 34.1		
5a→6a	detector: 320°C.	18.7	column 25 m Ivadex, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.5 bar H ₂ ; injector: 220°C; oven: temperature gradient: 100–125°C with 0.2°C/min, 125-220°C with 12°C/min then holding 220°C for 5 min, FID detector: 320°C.	(enantiomer 1)- 6a : 94.0 (enantiomer 2)- 6a : 96.0		
5b→6b		14.1	column 25 m Lipodex G, inner diameter of 0.25 mm; pressure: 0.7 bar H ₂ ; injector: 220°C; oven: temperature gradient: 40–100°C with 0.2°C/min, 100-220°C with 12°C/min then holding 220°C for 5 min, FID detector: 320°C.	(enantiomer 1)- 6b: 205.0 (enantiomer 2)- 6b: 210.0		

HPLC analyses of 1c and 2c

In the case of alcohol **2c**, HPLC was used to confirm the enantiomeric excess, using as control a racemic sample. Same method was used for chiral and achiral analyses.

Compound	Chiral and Achiral Analyses					
	Conditions	Retention time (min)				
1c→2c	150 mm Kromasil Amycoat RP, 4.6 min i.d., Acetonitrile/water = 50:50. flow: 1.0 mL/min, 16.2 MPa, 298 K; Detection : UV, 220 nm.	1c : 7.1 (<i>S</i>)- 2c : 4.6 (<i>R</i>)- 2c : 6.0				

GC chromatograms

(R)-4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanol (2a) resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 1a with TbSADH*





Chiral chromatogram



(S)-4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanol (2a) resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 1a with mutant I86A





Chiral chromatogram



(*R*)-4-(bromomethylene)cyclohexanol (2a) resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 1a with mutant W110T





Chiral chromatogram



(*R*)-4-ethylidenecyclohexanol (2b) resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 1b with mutant A85V





Chiral chromatogram



(S)-4-ethylidenecyclohexanol (2b) resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 1b with mutant I86E





Chiral chromatogram



(*R*)-methyl 2-(4-hydroxycyclohexylidene)acetate (2d) resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 1d with mutant W110T





Chiral chromatogram



(*R*)-ethyl-2-(4-hydroxycyclohexylidene)acetate (2e) resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 1e with mutant W110T





Chiral chromatogram



(*R*)-isopropyl 2-(4-hydroxycyclohexylidene)acetate (2f) resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 1f with mutant W110T





Chiral chromatogram



Racemic 3-benzylidenecyclobutanol rac-(4) prepared chemically



Chiral chromatogram



Sample size Recorder

Enantiomeric pure 3-benzylidenecyclobutanol 4 resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 3 with mutant W110T



Chiral chromatogram



Sample size Recorder

Racemic 5-ethylidenecyclooctanol rac-(6b) prepared chemically



Chiral chromatogram

Récorder



High enantiomeric excess 5-ethylidenecyclooctanol *rac*-(6b) resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 5b with mutant W110T





HPLC Chromatograms

(*S*)-4-benzylidenecyclohexanol 2c resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 1c with enzyme A1 from X-Zyme kit (entry 1 from Table S1)





1	L :	2.697	BB	0.0458	9.65336e-1	0.1441	?	
2	2	3.480	BB	0.0692	8.25498e-1	0.1232	?	
3	3	4.605	BV	0.0950	640.68414	95.6156	1.	Enantiomer
4	1 .	4.943	VB	0.1005	6.24667	0.9323	?	
5	5	5.988	BB	0.1387	10.98311	1.6391	2.	Enantiomer

(*R*)-4-benzylidenecyclohexanol 2c resulting from biocatalytic asymmetric ketone reduction of 1c with mutant W110M





3	3.570	BB	0.0641	12.98606	1.9717	?	
4	4.598	BB	0.0997	2.68150	0.4071	1.	Enantiomer
5	5.497	BV	0.1139	4.70003	0.7136	?	

6 5.973 VB 0.1425 611.42328 92.8356 2. Enantiomer

