Problem Set No. 6 (28.5.2013)

1. Draw the structure of the (S,S)-BINAP-ligand and the Noyori catalyst derived from this ligand. Which product do you expect for the reduction of hydroxyacetone with this system?

2. What is a dynamic kinetic resolution? Try to describe a "theoretical" case with a racemic ketone giving a product with two stereogenic centers!

3. Addition of (*Z*)-crotylboronate **2** to benzaldehyde **1** leads to the formation of product **3** in racemic form.

a) How can you prepare compound 2 in a stereoselective manner?

| b) Why is 3 the preferred diastereomer? Provide a suitable drawing (transition state model) which is rationalizing this result. What is the name of this model? |
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| c) How can compound 3 be converted into a \(\beta \)-hydroxyaldehyde (equivalent to an aldol addition product)? Give exact reaction conditions! |
| 4. a) Which major product will you obtain by the reaction of (<i>E</i>)-crotyl pinacol boronate to (<i>R</i>)-2-benzyloxypropanal (following the Felkin-Anh rule). Draw the major product and assign the absolute configuration of the two new stereogenic centers! |
| b) There are two selectivity terms to be applied: diastereofacial selectivity and simple diastereoselectivity. Please explain these terms with the example above! |