



## Mass Spectrometric Screening of Chiral Catalysts by Monitoring the Back Reaction: Palladium-Catalysed Allylic Substitution

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