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Title: Chirality transfer from atropisomeric chiral inducers to nematic and smectic liquid crystals – synthesis and characterization of *di*- and *tetra*-substituted axially chiral binaphthyl derivatives

Fingerprint (lower) and striated fan-shape (upper) textures of chiral nematic (N*) and chiral smectic C (S_C*) liquid crystals (LCs) are induced by addition of atropisomeric chiral dopant [binaphthyl derivative] (center of circle) to host nematic LC [5CB] with Schlieren texture (lower, background) and smectic C LC [PhB1 or PhB2] with fan-shaped texture (upper background).

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