# **Supporting Information**

# Cobalt-Catalyzed Carbonylative Cross-Coupling of Alkyl Tosylates and Dienes: Stereospecific Synthesis of Dienones at Low Pressure

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#### **General Methods and Materials**

Proton and carbon magnetic resonance spectra (<sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR) were recorded on a Bruker Avance III 600 CryoProbe (<sup>1</sup>H NMR 600 MHz and <sup>13</sup>C at 151 MHz) spectrometer with solvent resonance as the internal standard (<sup>1</sup>H NMR: CHCl<sub>3</sub> at 7.28 ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR: CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 77.0 ppm). <sup>1</sup>H NMR data are reported as follows: chemical shift (ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, br s = broad singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constants (Hz), and integration. Mass spectra were obtained using a Thermo LTqFT mass spectrometer with electrospray introduction and external calibration. These samples were prepared in methanol. HPLC analysis was performed on a Shimadzu SPD-M20A photodiode array (PDA) system equipped with Daicel Chiralpak IE, IF, IG, and OJ-H columns or on an Agilent 1200 Series PDA system equipped with Chiralpak IA and IC using a flow rate of 1 mL/min with hexanes and isopropanol as eluent, unless otherwise indicated. Enantiomeric excess of starting materials that were insoluble in this mobile phase were determined from their corresponding alcohol intermediates.

Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on SiliaPlate 250µm thick silica gel purchased from Silicycle. Visualization was accomplished with shortwave UV light (254 nm), iodine, Hanessian's stain, or ethanolic acidic p-anisaldehyde solution followed by heating when necessary. Purification of the reaction products was carried out by flash chromatography using Siliaflash P60 silica gel (40-63µm) purchased from Silicycle. Carbon monoxide, Research Purity 99.999% (part number G2119118) was purchased from Matheson Tri-Gas. Tetrahydrofuran, diethyl ether, N,Ndimethylformamide, acetonitrile, and dichloromethane were dried by passage through a column of neutral alumina under nitrogen prior to use. *t*-Amyl alcohol was sparged with argon before storage over 3Å molecular sieves in the glovebox. K[Co(CO)<sub>4</sub>] was synthesized according to Ellis and co-workers.<sup>1</sup> 1,3-Cyclohexadiene was distilled prior to being stored in the glovebox at -30 °C. All other reagents were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification, unless otherwise noted. In addition, all reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of dry argon in flame or oven-dried glassware with magnetic stirring. The glass tubes for carbonylations were purchased from Ace Glass and the gas quick-connect adapters were obtained from Swagelok. An example of the carbonylation setup is shown below.



Swagelok setup for pressurizing reactions

# **List of Abbreviations**

- DCM = dichloromethane
- DEAD = diethyl azodicarboxylate
- DHP = 3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran
- DIAD = diisopropyl azodicarboxylate
- DMF = *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide
- EtOAc = ethyl acetate
- MeCN = acetonitrile
- TEA = triethylamine
- THF = tetrahydrofuran
- TMP = 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine
- TMS = trimethylsilyl
- TsCl = 4-toluenesulfonyl chloride

#### **Substrate Preparation**

### General Procedure A: Tosylation of Secondary Alcohols.

Tosylates were synthesized using a modified procedure from Tanabe, et. al.<sup>2</sup> To a 0 °C ice bath cooled solution of TsCl (1.5 equiv) and trimethylamine hydrochloride (0.1 equiv) in DCM (1 M with respect to the alcohol) was added TEA (2.5 equiv) dropwise. To this solution was added a solution of the alcohol in DCM (1 M), the solution was then stirred for 1 hour at 0 °C, monitoring by TLC. The reaction was quenched by addition of *N*,*N*-dimethyldiaminopropane (2.0 equiv) and stirred for 20 additional minutes while warming to room temperature. The reaction mixture was poured into water and separated. The organic layer was washed sequentially with 1 M HCl, a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography.

#### **General Procedure B: Mitsunobu of Phenols**

The corresponding alcohol (1 equiv), substituted phenol (1 equiv), and triphenylphosphine (1 equiv), were dissolved in THF (0.5 M) and cooled to 0 °C. DIAD or DEAD (1 equiv) was added dropwise and the reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 24-48 hours until complete consumption of the alcohol. The mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by flash chromatography.

# **General Procedure C: THP Deprotection**

The corresponding THP ether (1 equiv) was combined with pyridinium *p*-toluenesulfonate (0.1 equiv) in ethanol (0.4 M) and stirred overnight at 55 °C. The mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by flash chromatography.

# **General Procedure D: Olefination for Diene Synthesis**

To a 0 °C ice bath cooled suspension of MePPh<sub>3</sub>I (1.0 equiv) in THF (0.4 M) was added KO*t*Bu (1.5 equiv) and the bright yellow solution was stirred for 10 minutes. To this solution was added the corresponding aldehyde (1.02 equiv) and the reaction mixture

was stirred overnight at room temperature. Hexanes was then added and the mixture was filtered through sequential beds of celite and silica gel, rinsing with hexanes. The filtrate was then concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by flash chromatography or distillation.

#### **General Procedure E: CBS Reduction**

To a room temperature solution of the enone (1 equiv) in PhMe (0.5 M) was added a solution of (*R*)-methyl oxazaborolidine (0.1 equiv) in PhMe (1 M) and stirred for 5 minutes. This mixture was then cooled to -78 °C and a solution of catecholborane (2 equiv) in THF (1 M) was added dropwise. The reaction was stirred overnight at -78 °C, then quenched with a saturated solution of sodium bicarbonate and warmed to room temperature. The mixture was extracted 3 times with EtOAc and the combined organic layers were washed 3-5 times with 1 M NaOH. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography.

#### **General Procedure F: Olefin and Dieneone Hydrogenation**

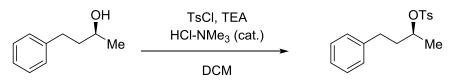
To a mixture of 1% w/w Pd (using 10% Pd/C) in MeOH (0.1 M) was added a solution of olefin or dieneone (1 equiv) in MeOH (1 M). The reaction was placed under a balloon of hydrogen, purging for 30 seconds, and stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was then filtered over celite and concentrated under reduced. The products were either used without further purification or purified by flash chromatography.

# General Procedure G: Propylene Oxide Opening for Non-Racemic Secondary Alcohol Synthesis

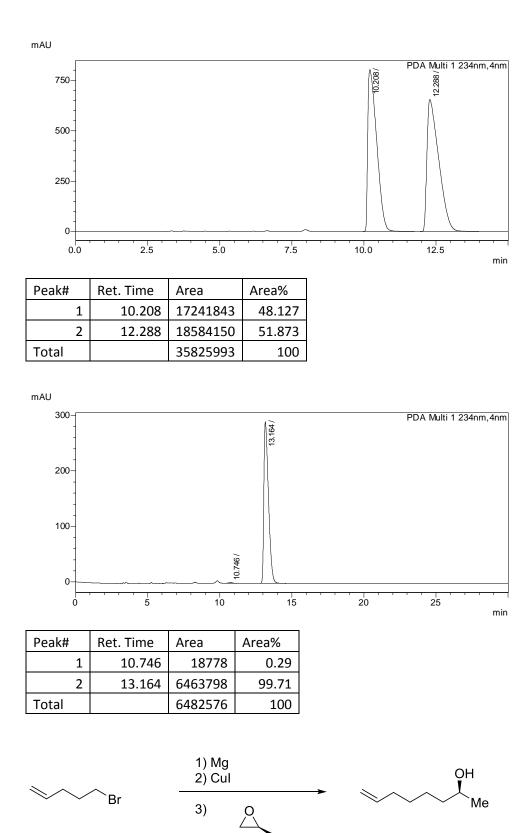
To a room temperature suspension of magnesium (1.5 equiv) in THF (2 M) with a crystal of  $I_2$  was added the corresponding bromide (0.3 equiv) and stirred until Grignard reaction initiated (a heat gun was employed if no initiation after 10 minutes). The rest of the bromide was added (1.2 equiv) and stirred for 1 hour until complete consumption of magnesium. This solution was cannula transferred to a -30 °C suspension of Cul (1.5 equiv) in THF (1 M) and stirred for 5 minutes. (*S*)-Propylene oxide (1 equiv) was rapidly

added and the reaction was warmed to 0 °C and stirred for an additional 2 hours. The reaction was then quenched with an aqueous saturated solution of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and warmed to room temperature. Ether was added and the layers were separated. The organic layer was washed sequentially with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, then brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography.

# **Tosylates:**

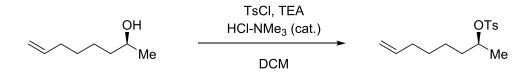


(*S*)-4-phenylbutan-2-yl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (1) was synthesized by tosylating (*S*)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol (1 g, 6.7 mmol) according to General Procedure A. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 10% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 2 g (100%) of tosylate 1 as a colorless, viscous oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\overline{0}$  7.83 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.12 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 4.72 – 4.63 (m, 1H), 2.64 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 10.2, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 10.1, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.96 (dddd, *J* = 13.6, 10.0, 7.4, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 1.88 – 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.33 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\overline{0}$  144.6, 140.8, 134.4, 129.8, 128.5, 128.3, 127.8, 126.1, 79.9, 38.2, 31.2, 21.7, 20.9. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S+H]<sup>+</sup> 305.1211, found 305.1218. Chiral HPLC (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 99%.

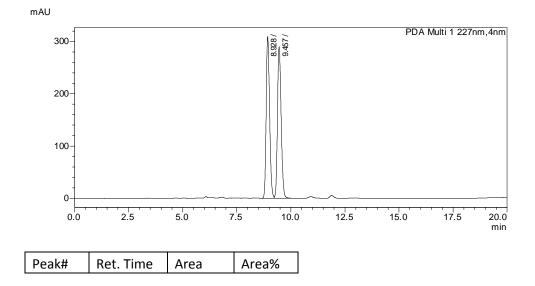


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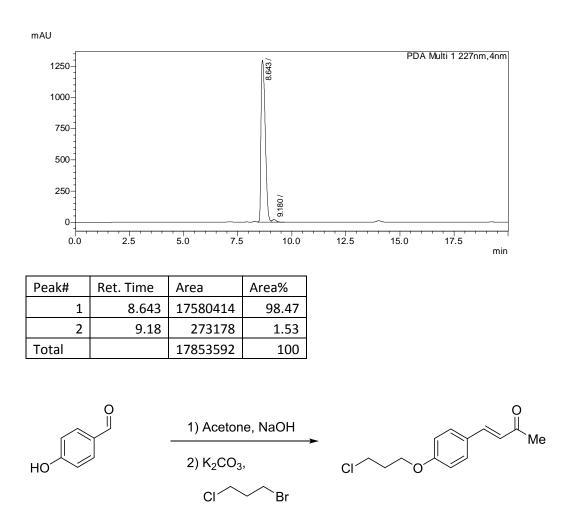
**(S)-oct-7-en-2-ol (SI-1)** was synthesized from 5-bromopent-1-ene (4.8 g, 32 mmol) according to General Procedure G. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 20% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 2.3 g (84%) of **SI-1** as a colorless liquid. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>3</sup>



(*S*)-oct-7-en-2-yl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (SI-2) was synthesized by tosylating SI-1 (1.2 g, 6.9 mmol) according to General Procedure A. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 5% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 3.2 g (73%) of SI-1 as a colorless liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.81 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.74 (ddt, J = 16.9, 10.2, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.99 – 4.91 (m, 2H), 4.65 – 4.56 (m, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.96 (dtd, J = 8.5, 6.9, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 1.68 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.50 (ddt, J = 14.0, 9.7, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 1.35 – 1.22 (m, 6H), 1.25 – 1.11 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 144.5, 138.5, 134.5, 129.7, 127.7, 114.5, 80.6, 36.3, 33.5, 28.4, 24.3, 21.7, 20.9. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S+Na]<sup>+</sup> 305.1187, found 305.1185. Chiral HPLC (Daicel OJ-H, 95:5 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 97%.



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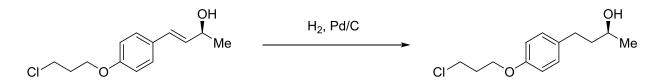


(*E*)-4-(4-(3-chloropropoxy)phenyl)but-3-en-2-one (SI-3) was prepared by first synthesizing (*E*)-4-(4-hydroxyphenyl)but-3-en-2-one via aldol condensation.<sup>4</sup> To a stirring solution of (*E*)-4-(4-hydroxyphenyl)but-3-en-2-one (1 g, 6.2 mmol) and 1-bromo-3-chloropropane (0.61 mL, 6.2 mmol) in MeCN (13 mL) was added K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (2.4 g, 17.4). The mixture was then refluxed for 2 hours, then cooled to room temperature and quenched by addition of water. This solution was extracted 3 times with EtOAc and the combined organic layers were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography in 10% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 0.9 g (61%) of SI-3 as a cream colored solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.55 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 6.97 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.64 (dd, *J* = 16.3, 2.2

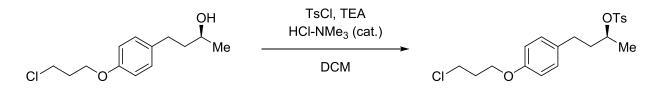
Hz, 1H), 4.19 (td, J = 5.9, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 3.78 (td, J = 6.3, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 3H), 2.28 (qt, J = 6.1, 3.2 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C** NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  198.5, 160.7, 143.2, 130.0, 127.2, 125.1, 114.9, 64.3, 41.4, 32.1, 27.5. HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{13}H_{15}ClO_2+Na]^+$  261.0658, found 261.0654.



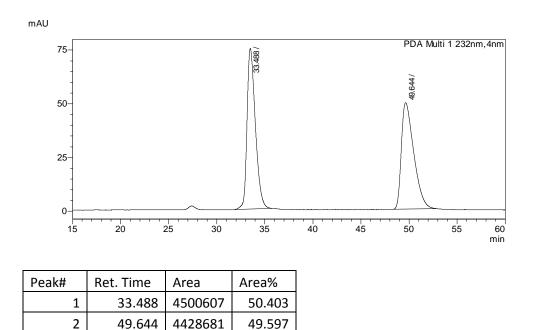
(*S*,*E*)-4-(4-(3-chloropropoxy)phenyl)but-3-en-2-ol (SI-4) was synthesized by reducing SI-3 (0.9 g, 3.8 mmol) according to General Procedure E. The crude product was plugged through silica with 20% EtOAc/hexanes and used without further purification.



(*S*)-4-(4-(3-chloropropoxy)phenyl)butan-2-ol (SI-5) was synthesized by hydrogenating SI-4 according to General Procedure F. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography in 20% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 0.22 g (24% over 2 steps) of SI-5 as a colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.14 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.88 – 6.83 (m, 2H), 4.12 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.88 – 3.81 (m, 1H), 3.77 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.72 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 9.5, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 9.3, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (p, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 1.83 – 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.43 – 1.35 (m, 1H), 1.25 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  156.9, 134.3, 129.3, 114.4, 67.5, 64.2, 41.6, 41.1, 32.3, 31.2, 23.7. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>+Na]<sup>+</sup> 265.0971, found 265.0967.



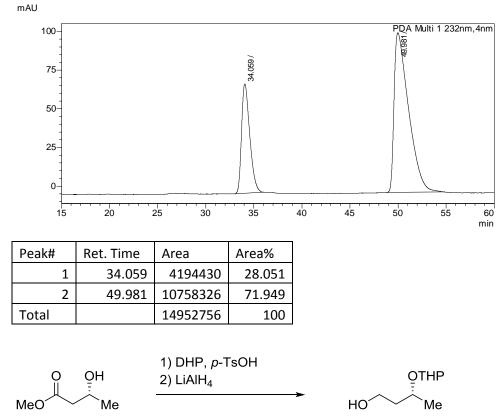
(*S*)-4-(4-(3-chloropropoxy)phenyl)butan-2-yl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (SI-6) was synthesized by tosylating SI-5 (0.22 g, 0.9 mmol) according to General Procedure A. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 10% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 0.24 g (67%) of SI-6 as a colorless, viscous oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.82 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.70 – 4.61 (m, 1H), 4.11 (t, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.77 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (ddd, J = 14.1, 10.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.52 – 2.40 (m, 4H), 2.28 – 2.18 (m, 2H), 1.92 (dddd, J = 13.5, 10.0, 7.4, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 1.79 (ddt, J = 14.8, 10.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 1.31 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 157.0, 144.5, 134.4, 133.1, 129.8, 129.3, 127.8, 114.4, 79.9, 64.2, 41.6, 38.4, 32.3, 30.3, 21.7, 20.9. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>25</sub>ClO<sub>4</sub>S+Na]<sup>+</sup> 419.1060, found 419.1056. Chiral HPLC (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 44%.



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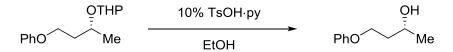
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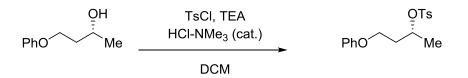
(*R*)-3-((tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-yl)oxy)butan-1-ol (SI-7) was synthesized by the 2 step sequence shown above. (*R*)-methyl 3-hydroxybutanoate (20 g, 169 mmol), 3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran (18.5 mL, 203 mmol), and *p*-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate (0.3 g, 1.7 mmol) were combined in Et<sub>2</sub>O and allowed to stir overnight at room temperature. The reaction was quenched via addition of a saturated sodium bicarbonate solution. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted twice with Et<sub>2</sub>O and the organic layers were combined and dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to provide 34.1 g of the crude product (99%). A solution of the crude product (24.1 g, 119 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL) was added dropwise to a suspension of LiAlH<sub>4</sub> (4.5 g, 119 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (150 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred overnight. The reaction was cooled to 0 °C and quenched by sequential dropwise addition of water (4.5 mL), 3 M NaOH (4.5 mL), and water (13.5 mL). The slurry was warmed to room temperature, dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered through a pad of Celite, and concentrated. Crude product **SI-7** (21 g, 100%) was used without further purification.



**2-(((***R***)-4-phenoxybutan-2-yl)oxy)tetrahydro-2H-pyran (SI-8)** was synthesized by subjecting **SI-7** (1.6 g, 9 mmol) and phenol (0.85 g, 9 mmol) to General Procedure B. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 10% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1.3 g (58%) of **SI-8** as a clear oil in a 1:1 mixture of diastereomers. <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.39 – 7.25 (m, 4H), 7.00 – 6.90 (m, 6H), 4.78 (t, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.21 – 3.93 (m, 7H), 3.81 (ddd, *J* = 11.5, 8.4, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.56 – 3.43 (m, 2H), 2.09 – 1.92 (m, 4H), 1.83 (dtd, *J* = 12.3, 6.3, 5.2, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 1.78 – 1.66 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.46 (m, 8H), 1.34 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3H), 1.22 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.0, 158.9, 129.5, 129.4, 120.6, 120.5, 114.52, 114.46, 99.6, 95.3, 71.5, 67.9, 64.7, 64.3, 63.0, 62.3, 37.0, 36.4, 31.2, 31.1, 25.50, 25.46, 22.1, 20.1, 19.6, 19.4. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>+Na]<sup>+</sup> 273.1467, found 273.1457.

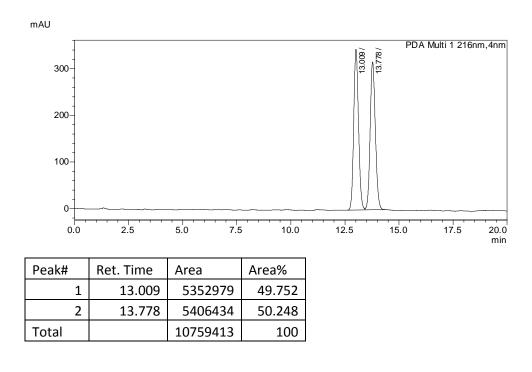


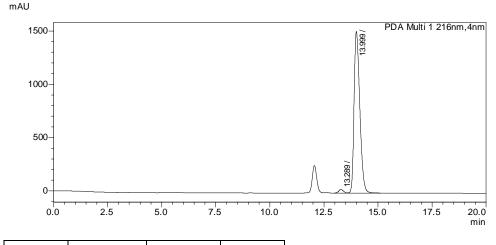
(*R*)-4-phenoxybutan-2-ol (SI-9) was synthesized by subjecting SI-8 (0.72 g, 2.9 mmol) to General Procedure C. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 15% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 0.36 g (75%) of SI-9 as a colorless oil. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>5</sup>



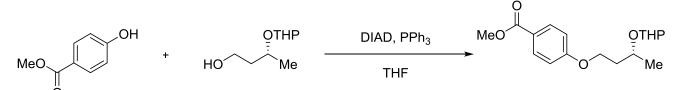
(*R*)-4-phenoxybutan-2-yl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (SI-10) was synthesized by tosylating SI-9 (1 g, 6 mmol) according to General Procedure A. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 20% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1.5 g (78%) of tosylate SI-10 as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.78 – 7.73 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (tt, *J* = 7.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.71 – 6.66

(m, 2H), 4.93 - 4.85 (m, 1H), 3.81 (dt, J = 9.8, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (td, J = 9.1, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.08 - 1.93 (m, 2H), 1.47 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C** NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  158.4, 144.6, 133.7, 129.7, 129.3, 127.6, 120.7, 114.2, 77.3, 62.8, 36.2, 21.7, 21.6. HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{20}O_4S+Na]^+$  343.0980, found 343.0985. **Chiral HPLC**: (ChiralPak IF, 95:5 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 96%.

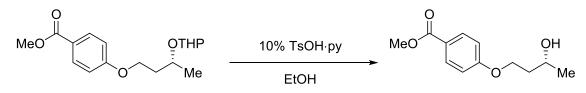




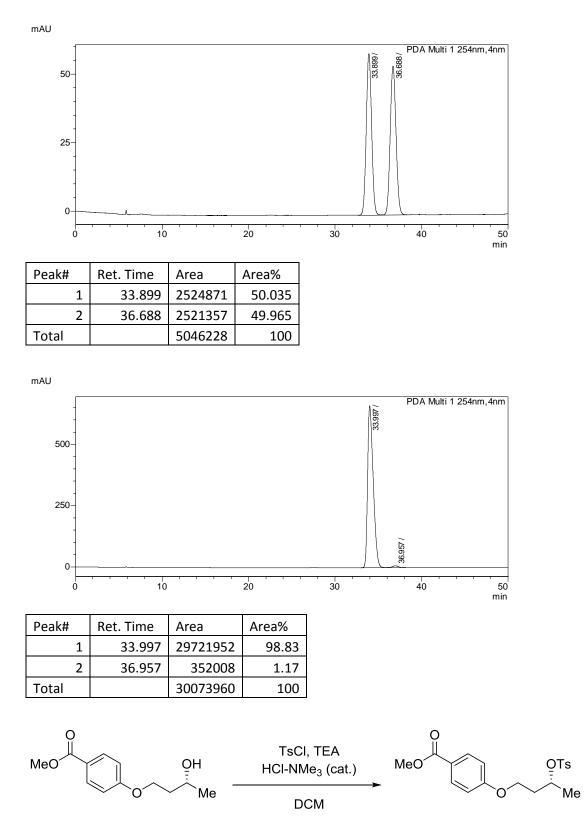
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Total		28383465	100



4-((3R)-3-((tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-yl)oxy)butoxy)benzoate Methvl (SI-11) was synthesized by subjecting SI-7 (2 g, 11.5 mmol) and methyl 4-hydroxylbenzoate (1.75 g, 11.5 mmol) to General Procedure B. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 15% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1.8 g (51%) of SI-11 as a colorless oil in a 1:1 mixture of diastereomers. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  8.04 – 7.97 (m, 4H), 6.97 - 6.90 (m, 4H), 4.75 (dd, J = 4.5, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (dd, J = 5.1, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (ddd, J = 9.3, 7.5, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 4.20 – 4.05 (m, 4H), 4.07 – 3.94 (m, 2H), 3.91 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 6H), 3.76 (ddd, J = 11.3, 8.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (dtd, J = 10.6, 4.5, 4.0, 10.6)2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.47 - 3.40 (m, 1H), 2.09 - 1.94 (m, 4H), 1.86 - 1.65 (m, 4H), 1.60 - 1.43 (m, 8H), 1.34 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H), 1.22 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C** NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 167.0, 166.9, 162.9, 162.7, 131.6, 131.5, 122.5, 122.3, 114.1, 114.0, 99.5, 95.6, 71.4, 67.8, 65.0, 64.7, 63.0, 62.5, 51.90, 51.88, 36.8, 36.2, 31.14, 31.12, 25.45, 25.43, 22.1, 20.1, 19.7, 19.5. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{17}H_{24}O_5 + Na]^+$  331.1521, found 331.1512.

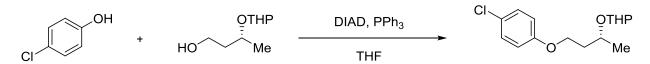


**Methyl (***R***)-4-(3-hydroxybutoxy)benzoate (SI-12)** was synthesized by subjecting **SI-11** (1.8 g, 5.8 mmol) to General Procedure C. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 40% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1 g (77%) of **SI-12** as a clear oil. <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.03 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 6.97 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 4.23 (ddd, *J* = 9.4, 7.2, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.20 – 4.09 (m, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 2.03 – 1.89 (m, 2H), 1.31 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  166.9, 162.5, 131.6, 122.7, 114.1, 65.78, 65.75, 51.9, 38.0, 23.9. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>+Na]<sup>+</sup> 247.0946, found 247.0943. **Chiral HPLC**: (Daicel OJ-H, 95:5 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 98%.

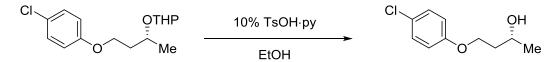


Methyl (*R*)-4-(3-(tosyloxy)butoxy)benzoate (SI-13) was synthesized by tosylating SI-12 (1 g, 4.5 mmol) according to General Procedure A. The crude product was purified

via flash chromatography in 25% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1.4 g (82%) of tosylate **SI-13** as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.98 – 7.94 (m, 2H), 7.76 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.72 – 6.67 (m, 2H), 4.87 (dqd, *J* = 12.6, 6.3, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.88 (dt, *J* = 9.6, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (td, *J* = 9.1, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.09 – 1.97 (m, 2H), 1.48 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  166.8, 162.1, 144.7, 133.7, 131.4, 129.7, 127.6, 122.6, 113.8, 76.9, 63.2, 52.0, 36.0, 21.7, 21.6. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>S+Na]<sup>+</sup> 410.1038, found 410.1041.

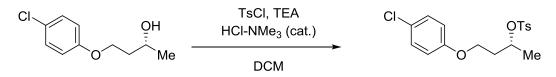


**2-(((***R***)-4-(4-chlorophenoxy)butan-2-yl)oxy)tetrahydro-2H-pyran (SI-14)** was synthesized by subjecting **SI-7** (2 g, 11.5 mmol) and 4-chlorophenol (1.5 g, 11.5 mmol) to General Procedure B. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 5% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1.4 g (43%) of **SI-14** as a clear oil in a 1:1 mixture of diastereomers. <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.28 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 6.89 – 6.81 (m, 4H), 4.75 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.21 – 3.91 (m, 7H), 3.78 (ddd, *J* = 11.5, 8.2, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.55 – 3.41 (m, 2H), 2.06 – 1.89 (m, 4H), 1.86 – 1.77 (m, 2H), 1.77 – 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.63 – 1.42 (m, 8H), 1.33 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3H), 1.21 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  157.6, 157.5, 129.3, 129.2, 125.4, 125.2, 115.8, 115.7, 99.5, 95.5, 71.4, 67.8, 65.1, 64.7, 63.0, 62.4, 36.8, 36.3, 31.15, 31.12, 25.5, 25.4, 22.1, 20.1, 19.7, 19.4. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>ClO<sub>3</sub>+Na]<sup>+</sup> 307.1077, found 307.1070.

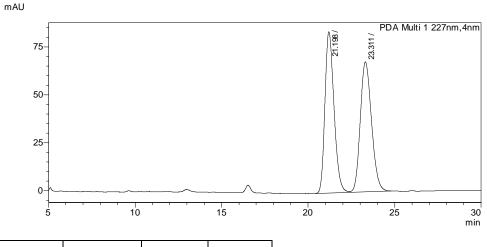


(*R*)-4-(4-chlorophenoxy)butan-2-ol (SI-15) was synthesized by subjecting SI-14 (1.4 g, 4.9 mmol) to General Procedure C. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 25% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 0.8 g (81%) of SI-15 as a clear oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.28 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 6.90 – 6.81 (m, 2H), 4.22 – 4.01 (m, 3H), 2.00 – 1.87 (m, 3H), 1.30 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

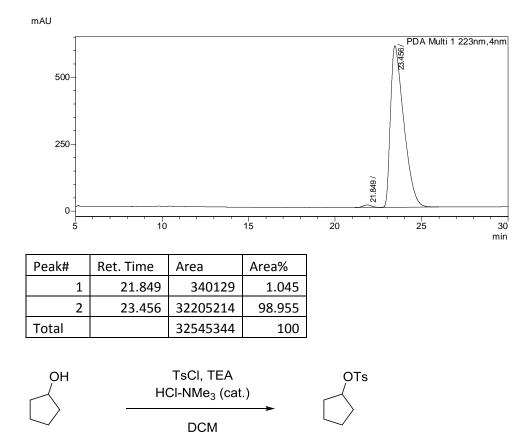
δ 157.3, 129.4, 125.7, 115.7, 66.08, 66.07, 38.0, 23.8. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{10}H_{13}CINaO_2+Na]^+$  223.0502, found 223.0497.



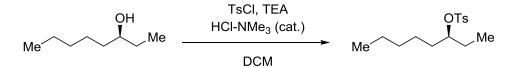
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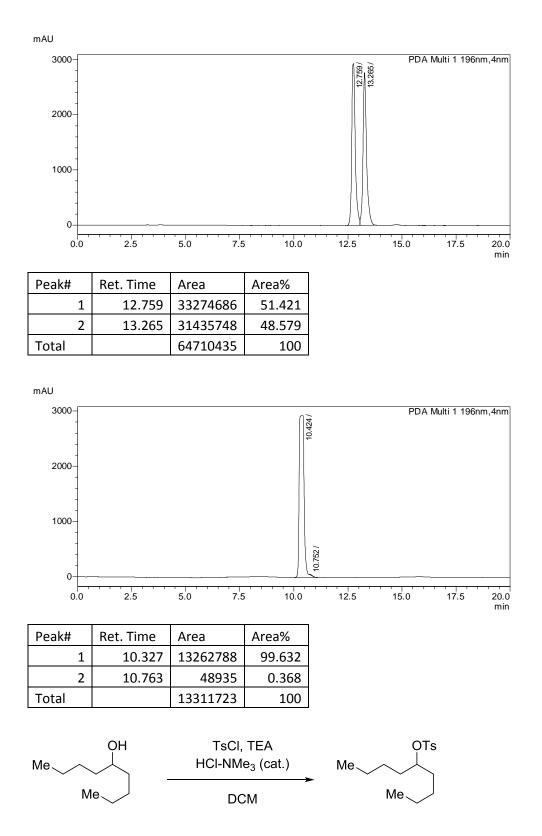
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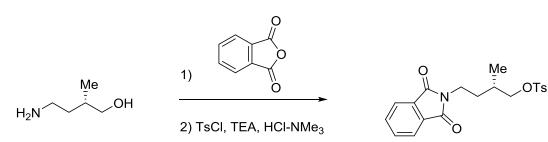
**Cyclopentyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (SI-17)** was synthesized by tosylating cyclopentanol (1 g, 11.6 mmol) according to General Procedure A. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 10% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 2.7 g (95%) of tosylate **SI-17** as a white solid. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>6</sup>



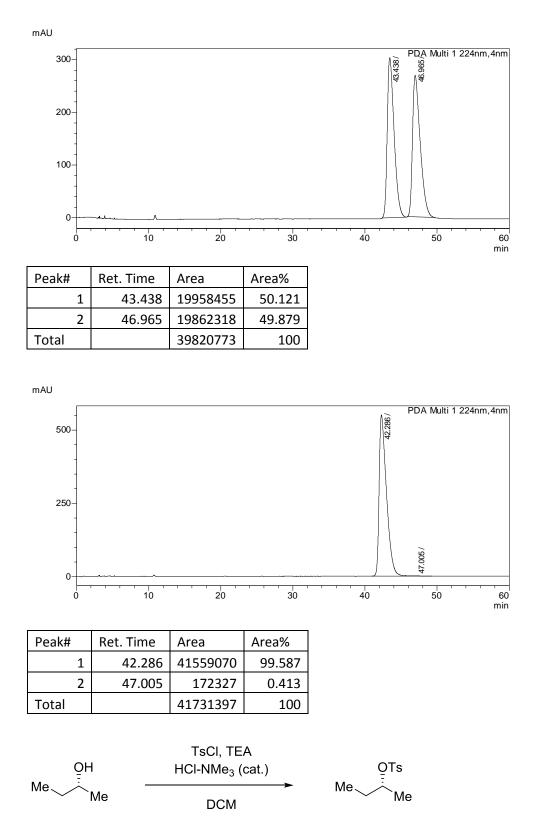
**(S)-octan-3-yl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (SI-18)** was synthesized by tosylating (*S*)-3-octanol (1 mL, 6.3 mmol) according to General Procedure A. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 5% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1.5 g (84%) of tosylate **SI-18** as a colorless oil. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>2,7</sup> **Chiral HPLC**: Chiralpak IF, 99:1 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 99%.



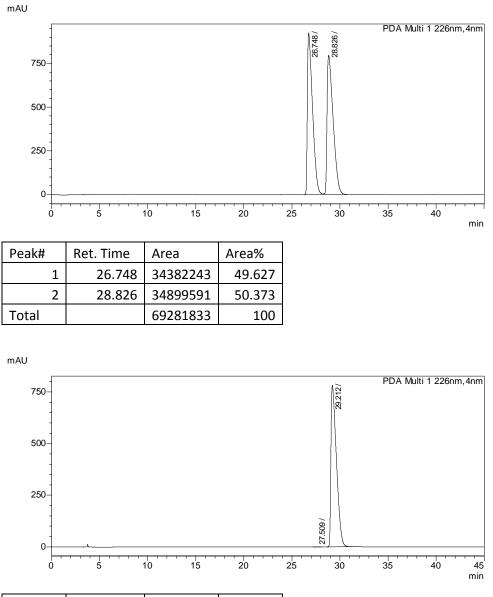
Nonan-5-yl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (SI-19) was synthesized by tosylating nonan-5-ol (1.2 g, 6.9 mmol) according to General Procedure A. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 5% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 2.3 g (90%) of **SI-19** as a colorless liquid. <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.55 (p, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 1.61 – 1.52 (m, 4H), 1.28 – 1.10 (m, 8H), 0.82 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  144.4, 134.7, 129.6, 127.7, 84.6, 33.8, 26.8, 22.4, 21.6, 13.9. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S+Na]<sup>+</sup> 321.1500, found 321.1496.



(S)-4-(1,3-dioxoisoindolin-2-yl)-2-methylbutyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (SI-20) was synthesized by refluxing (S)-4-amino-2-methylbutan-1-ol (1 g, 9.7 mmol) and succinic anhydride (1.3 g, 8.8 mmol) at 165 °C for 2 hours. The reaction was cooled to room temperature and brought up in DCM. The organic layer was washed three times with water, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude alcohol (1 g, 4.3 mmol) was tosylated according to General Procedure A. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 40% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1.2 g (72%) of tosylate SI-20 as a pale yellow, viscous oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.85 (dd, *J* = 5.4, 3.1 Hz, 2H), 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.78 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 3.95 (dd, *J* = 9.5, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (dd, *J* = 9.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.90 – 1.82 (m, 1H), 1.78 (dtd, *J* = 13.1, 7.4, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 1.49 (ddt, *J* = 13.8, 8.3, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.02 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  168.3, 144.8, 134.0, 132.8, 132.0, 129.9, 128.0, 123.3, 74.3, 35.5, 31.6, 30.7, 21.7, 16.2. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>6</sub>S+Na]<sup>+</sup> 401.1035, found 401.1024. Chiral HPLC: (Chiralpak IF, 80:20 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 99%

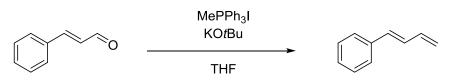


(*R*)-*sec*-butyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (21) was synthesized by tosylating (*R*)-*sec*butanol (0.5 g, 6.7 mmol) according to General Procedure A. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 10% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1.5 g (98%) of tosylate **21** as a colorless oil. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>8,9</sup> **Chiral HPLC**: (Chiralpak IE, 99:1 hexanes:isopropanol): ee = >99%.

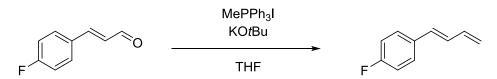


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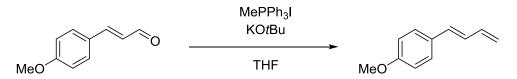
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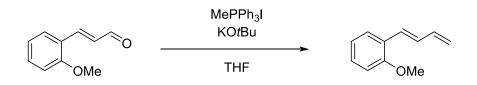
(*E*)-buta-1,3-dien-1-ylbenzene (SI-21) was synthesized by olefinating *trans*cinnamaldehyde (52.9 g, .4 mol) according to General Procedure D. The crude product was distilled (1 torr, 75 °C) to provide 21.5 g (41%) of diene **SI-21** as a pale yellow liquid. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>10</sup>



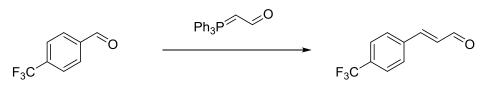
(*E*)-buta-1,3-dien-1-ylbenzene (SI-22) was synthesized by olefinating *trans-p*-fluorocinnamaldehyde (2.5 g, 16.7 mmol) according to General Procedure D. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in hexanes to provide 1.2 g (50%) of diene SI-22 as a colorless liquid. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>11</sup>



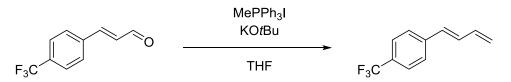
(*E*)-1-(buta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-4-methoxybenzene (SI-23) was synthesized by olefinating *trans-p*-methoxycinnamaldehyde (2 g, 12.3 mmol) according to General Procedure D. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 5% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1.44 g (74%) of diene **SI-23** as a slightly yellow liquid. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>12</sup>



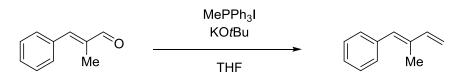
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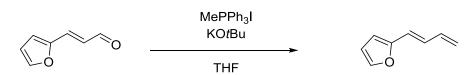
(*E*)-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)acrylaldehyde (SI-25) was synthesized by olefinating 4-(trifluoromethyl)benzaldehyde (4.1 g, 23 mmol) according to General Procedure D. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 5% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 1.6 g (34%) of cinnamaldehyde derivative **SI-25** as a white solid. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>17</sup>



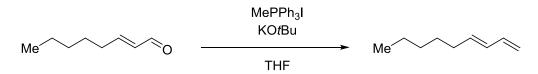
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(*E*)-(2-methylbuta-1,3-dien-1-yl)benzene (SI-27) was synthesized by olefinating αmethyl-*trans*-cinnamaldehyde (9.5 mL, 68 mmol) according to General Procedure D. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in hexanes to provide 8 g (81%) of diene **SI-27** as a colorless liquid. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>13</sup>



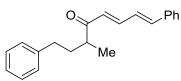
(*E*)-2-(buta-1,3-dien-1-yl)furan (SI-28) was synthesized by olefinating *trans*-3-(2-furyl)acrolein (3.0 g, 24.6 mmol) according to General Procedure D. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in hexanes to provide 1.5 g (50%) of diene SI-28 as a yellow liquid. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>14</sup>



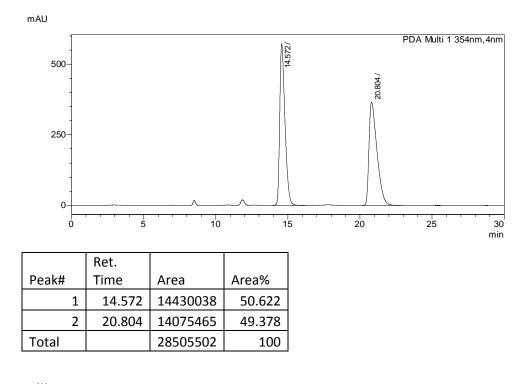
(*E*)-nona-1,3-diene (SI-29) was synthesized by olefinating *trans*-2-octenal (3.4 g, 27 mmol) according to General Procedure D. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in hexanes to provide 1.2 g (36%) of diene SI-29 as a colorless liquid. Physical and spectral data were in accordance with literature data.<sup>15,16</sup>

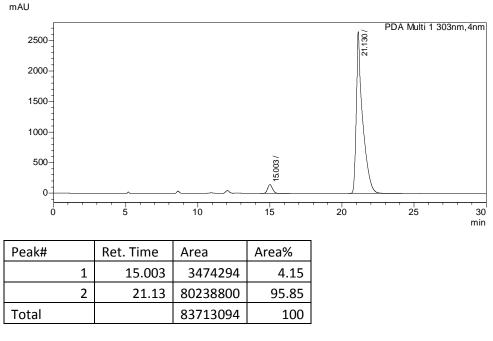
#### **Cobalt-Catalyzed Reactions**

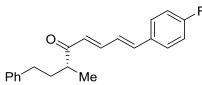
**General Carbonylation Procedure A:** In a glovebox under an argon atmosphere, alkyl tosylate (0.6 mmol) was combined with K[Co(CO)<sub>4</sub>] (10.5 mg, 0.05 mmol), TMP (93  $\mu$ L, 0.55 mmol), diene (0.5 mmol), *t*-amyl alcohol (1 mL) in an Ace Glass pressure tube. The tube was sealed with a Swagelok gas quick-connect adapter and removed from the glovebox. Subsequently, the tube was purged 3 times with 5 atm CO and then the pressure was set to 2 atm CO. The reaction was stirred for 24 hours at 70 °C. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, depressurized, allowed to stir open for two hours to decompose the cobalt complex, and then 3 mL HCl (1 M) and 3 mL Et<sub>2</sub>O were added. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted twice with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The combined organic layers were filtered through a plug of SiO<sub>2</sub>, eluting with Et<sub>2</sub>O, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography.



(5*E*,7*E*)-3-methyl-1,8-diphenylocta-5,7-dien-4-one (3) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product (84% NMR yield) was flashed in 5% EtOAc/hexanes yielding **3** as a colorless oil (110 mg, 76%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.29 (m, 6H), 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 6.99 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (h, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.15 – 2.05 (m, 1H), 1.77 – 1.68 (m, 1H), 1.20 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 203.7, 142.8, 141.9, 141.4, 136.1, 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 127.2, 126.8, 125.9, 43.5, 34.9, 33.5, 16.8. HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{22}O+H]^+$  291.1749, found 291.1747. Chiral HPLC: (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 92%, *es* = 93%.



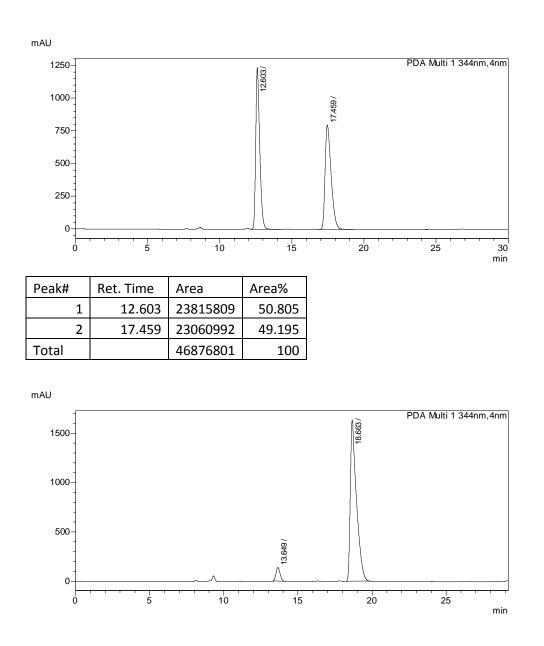




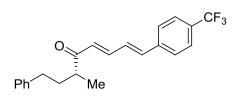
(*R*,5*E*,7*E*)-8-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenylocta-5,7-dien-4-one (4) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed in 5%

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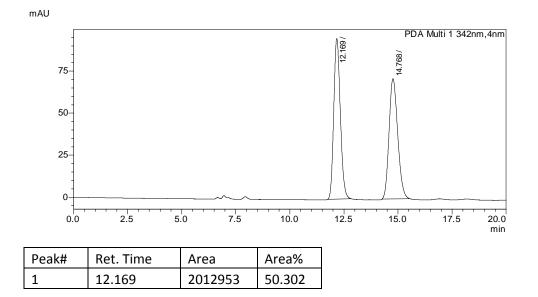
EtOAc/hexanes yielding **4** as a lemon yellow solid (110 mg, 71%). <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.51 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.28 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.09 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (dd, J = 15.5, 10.7 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (h, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.15 – 2.06 (m, 1H), 1.78 – 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.21 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 203.6, 163.16 (d, J = 250.2 Hz), 142.5, 141.9, 140.0, 132.34 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 128.93 (d, J = 8.2 Hz), 128.5, 128.43, 128.37, 126.52 (d, J = 2.6 Hz), 125.9, 115.96 (d, J = 21.7 Hz), 43.6, 34.9, 33.5, 16.8. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>21</sub>FO+Na]<sup>+</sup> 331.1474, found 331.1475. **Chiral HPLC** (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 89%, *es* = 90%.



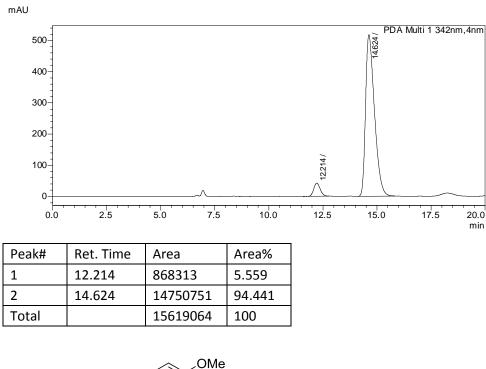
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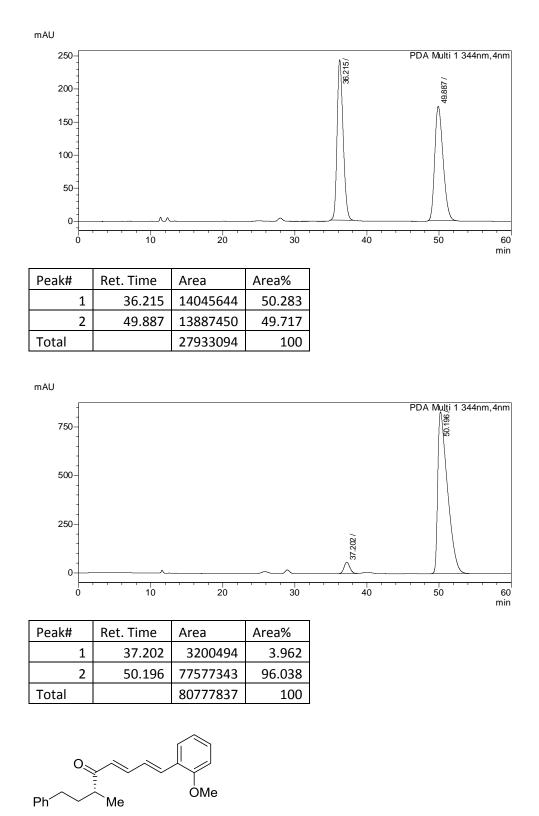
(*R*,5*E*,7*E*)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-8-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)octa-5,7-dien-4-one (5) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed in 5% EtOAc/hexanes yielding **5** as a lemon chiffon yellow solid (123 mg, 69%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.64 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.38 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.29 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.02 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 6.40 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (h, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.14 – 2.04 (m, 1H), 1.78 – 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.20 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  203.5, 141.81, 141.78, 139.4, 139.3, 130.5 (q, *J* = 32.5 Hz), 129.6, 129.1, 128.50, 128.45, 127.3, 126.0, 125.8 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 124.0 (q, *J* = 272.1 Hz), 43.7, 34.8, 33.4, 16.7. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>21</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O+Na]<sup>+</sup> 381.1442, found 381.1442. Chiral HPLC (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 89%, *es* = 90%.



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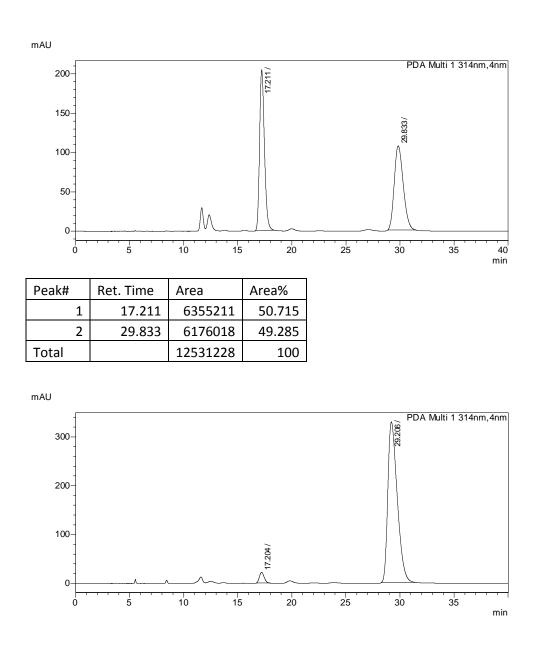


(*R*,5*E*,7*E*)-8-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenylocta-5,7-dien-4-one (6) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed in 10% EtOAc/hexanes yielding **6** as a yellow solid (124 mg, 77%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.49 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.30 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 6.96 – 6.88 (m, 3H), 6.80 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 10.9 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.84 (h, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (dt, *J* = 9.4, 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.11 (ddt, *J* = 14.0, 8.6, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.74 (ddt, *J* = 13.5, 8.3, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.21 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 203.7, 160.5, 143.3, 142.0, 141.3, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 127.3, 125.9, 124.7, 114.3, 55.4, 43.5, 35.0, 33.5, 16.9. HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{22}H_{24}O_2+Na]^+$  343.1674, found 343.1675. Chiral HPLC (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 92%, *es* = 93%.

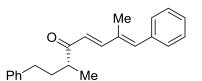


(*R*,5*E*,7*E*)-8-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenylocta-5,7-dien-4-one (7) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed in

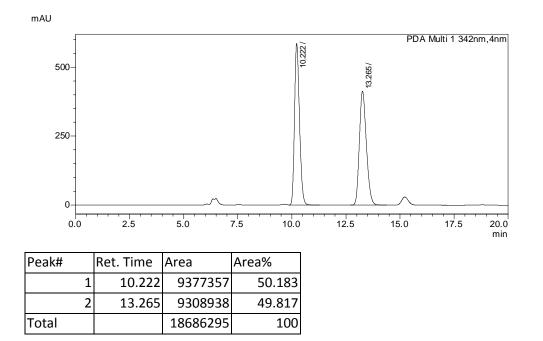
10% EtOAc/hexanes yielding **7** as a yellow oil (121 mg, 76%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.54 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 7.23 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.03 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.95 – 6.91 (m, 1H), 6.31 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 2.89 – 2.81 (m, 1H), 2.64 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.15 – 2.04 (m, 1H), 1.72 (ddt, J = 13.7, 8.3, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.19 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  203.9, 157.5, 143.9, 141.9, 136.7, 130.3, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 127.4, 127.3, 125.9, 125.0, 120.8, 111.1, 55.5, 43.2, 35.0, 33.5, 16.9. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>2</sub>+Na]<sup>+</sup> 343.1674, found 343.1676. Chiral HPLC (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 94%, *es* = 95%.

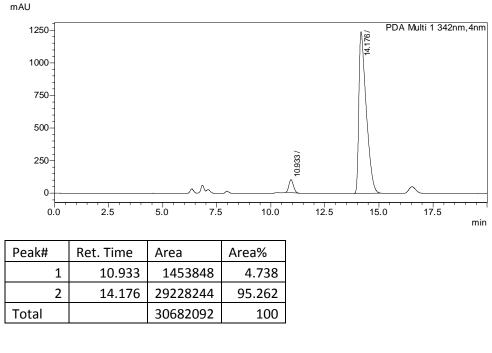


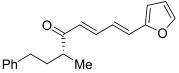
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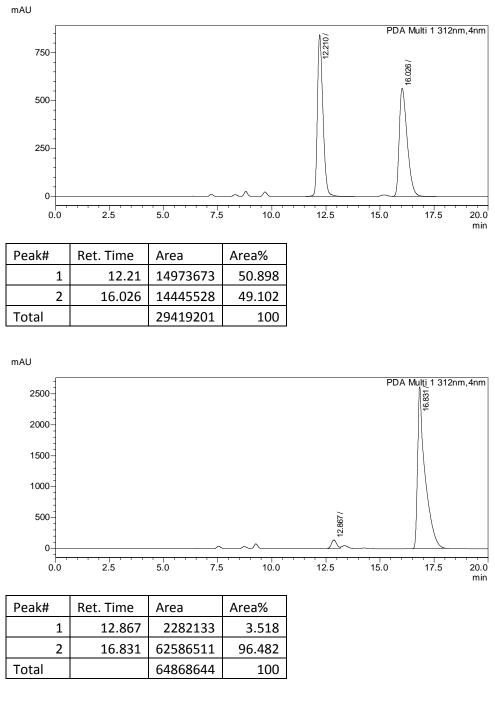
(*R*,5*E*,7*E*)-3,7-dimethyl-1,8-diphenylocta-5,7-dien-4-one (8) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed in 5% EtOAc/hexanes yielding 8 as a colorless oil (93 mg, 61%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.46 – 7.37 (m, 5H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.33 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 6.34 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (h, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.08 (m, 4H), 1.81 – 1.72 (m, 1H), 1.24 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  203.9, 148.1, 142.0, 140.0, 136.7, 134.5, 129.5, 128.5, 128.44, 128.41, 127.9, 126.0, 124.6, 43.4, 35.0, 33.5, 16.9, 13.9. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O+Na]<sup>+</sup> 327.1725, found 327.1730. Chiral HPLC (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 91%, *es* = 92%.





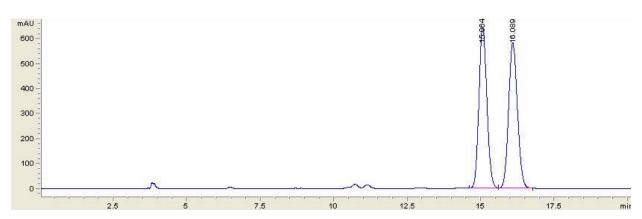


(*R*,5*E*,7*E*)-8-(furan-2-yl)-3-methyl-1-phenylocta-5,7-dien-4-one (9) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed in 10% EtOAc/hexanes yielding 9 as a dark yellow liquid (115 mg, 82%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.47 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 6.81 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 11.2 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 6.52 – 6.45 (m, 2H), 6.34 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (h, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 2.14 – 2.05 (m, 1H), 1.77 – 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.19 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 203.6, 152.3, 143.8, 142.3, 141.9, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 125.9, 125.1, 112.3, 112.1, 43.7, 34.9, 33.5, 16.8. HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{20}O_2+Na]^+$  303.1361, found 303.1365. Chiral HPLC: (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 93%, *es* = 94%.

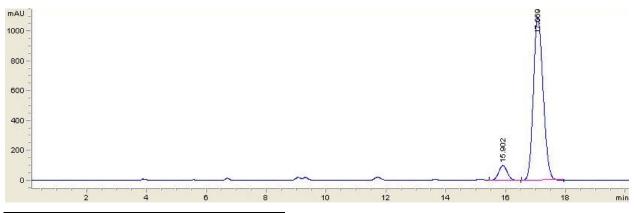


(*R*,5*E*,7*E*)-3-methyl-1-phenyltrideca-5,7-dien-4-one (10) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed in 2.5% EtOAc/hexanes yielding 10 as a yellow oil (74 mg, 52%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.31 (t, *J* =

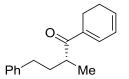
7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.24 – 7.12 (m, 4H), 6.22 – 6.12 (m, 3H), 2.80 (h, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.67 – 2.58 (m, 2H), 2.21 (td, J = 7.3, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 2.12 – 2.02 (m, 1H), 1.70 (ddt, J = 13.6, 8.5, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.47 (p, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.33 (ttd, J = 15.9, 8.4, 4.5 Hz, 4H), 1.17 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C** NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  204.0, 146.1, 143.3, 141.9, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 126.5, 125.9, 43.3, 34.9, 33.5, 33.2, 31.4, 28.4, 22.5, 16.8, 14.1. HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{28}O+Na]^+$  307.2038, found 307.2045. **Chiral HPLC** (ChiralPak IC, 99:1 hexanes:isopropanol): ee = 85%, es = 86%.



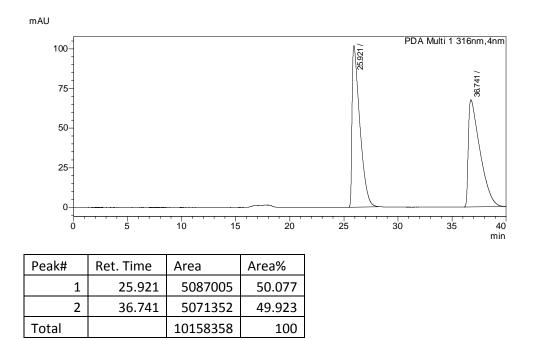
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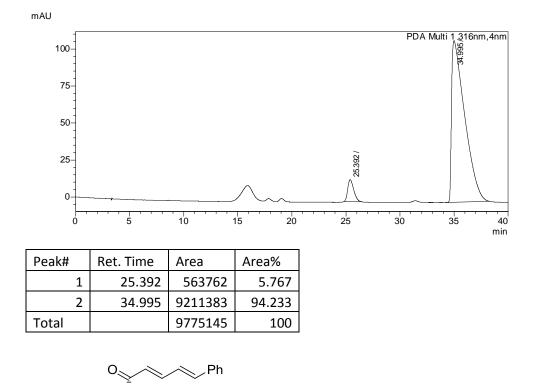


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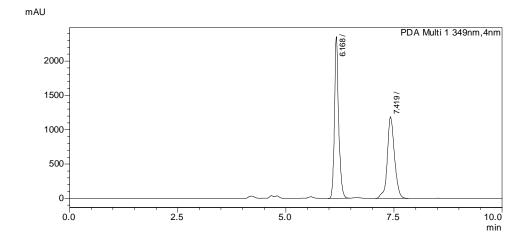
(*R*)-1-(cyclohexa-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2-methyl-4-phenylbutan-1-one (11) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A (60% NMR yield) and the crude product was flashed in 5% EtOAc/hexanes yielding 11 as a colorless oil (49 mg, 41%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.30 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 6.29 – 6.22 (m, 1H), 6.10 (ddt, *J* = 9.4, 5.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (h, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (tt, *J* = 8.2, 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.50 – 2.41 (m, 2H), 2.28 (tdd, *J* = 9.8, 4.4, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 2.08 (ddt, *J* = 13.5, 8.7, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 1.74 – 1.65 (m, 1H), 1.15 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  204.7, 142.0, 135.2, 135.1, 132.8, 128.5, 128.3, 125.9, 124.1, 38.2, 35.7, 33.6, 23.0, 19.8, 18.0. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O+Na]<sup>+</sup> 263.1412, found 263.1415. Chiral HPLC: (Daicel OJ-H, 100:0 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 88%, *es* = 89%.



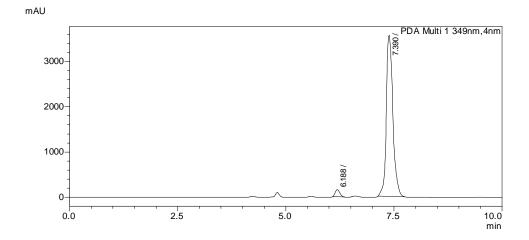


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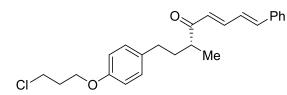
(*R*,1*E*,3*E*)-6-methyl-1-phenyldodeca-1,3,11-trien-5-one (12) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed in 5% EtOAc/hexanes yielding 12 as a pale yellow liquid (83 mg, 62%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.52 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 10.4 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 5.82 (ddt, *J* = 16.9, 10.2, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 5.05 – 4.98 (m, 1H), 4.96 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (h, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.07 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.81 – 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.45 – 1.39 (m, 3H), 1.42 – 1.30 (m, 2H), 1.15 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 204.0, 142.5, 141.3, 138.9, 136.1, 129.1, 128.9, 128.3, 127.2, 126.8, 114.4, 44.6, 33.7, 33.2, 29.0, 26.9, 16.7. HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{24}O+Na]^+$  291.1725, found 291.1726. Chiral HPLC (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 94%, *es* = 97%.



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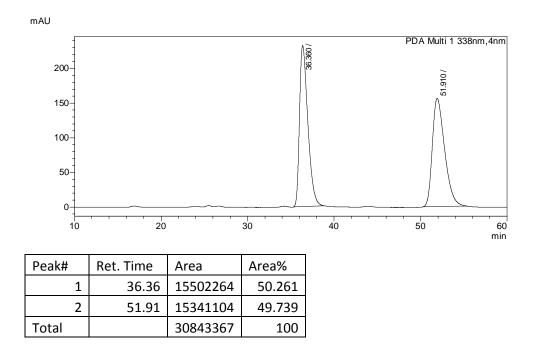


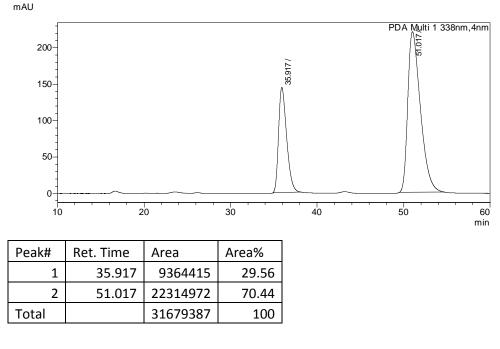
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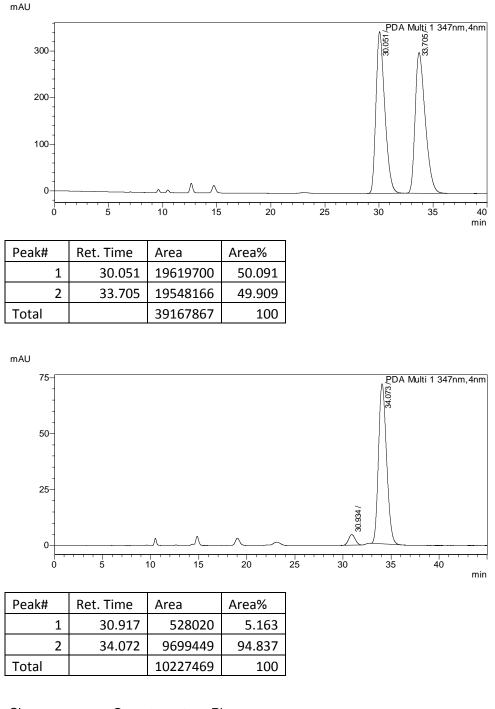
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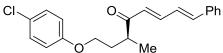
(13) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed in 10% EtOAc/hexanes yielding 13 as a yellow oil (103 mg, 54%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.51 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.38 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.98 – 6.89 (m, 2H), 6.88 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.77 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (h, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.25 (p, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 2.07 (dq, *J* = 14.9, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.70 (dq, *J* = 14.3, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.20 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  203.8, 157.0, 142.7, 141.4, 136.1, 134.2, 129.5, 129.2, 128.9, 128.4, 127.3, 126.8, 114.4, 64.3, 43.4, 41.7, 35.2, 32.6, 32.3, 16.8. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>27</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>+Na]<sup>+</sup> 405.1597, found 405.1599. Chiral HPLC (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 41%, es = 93%.





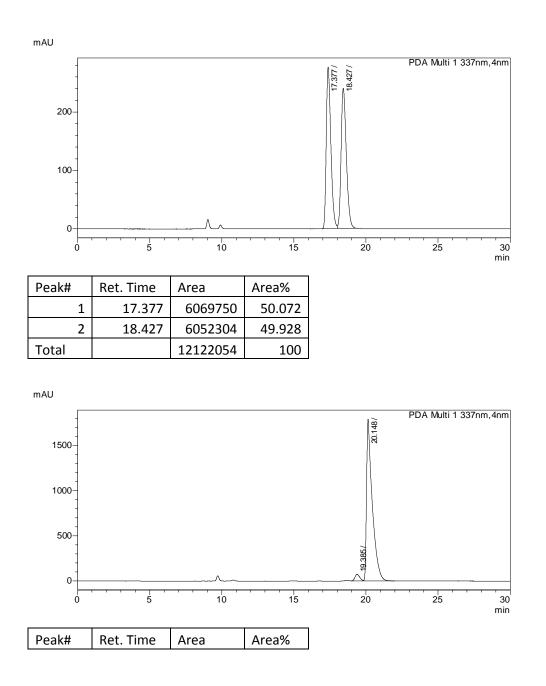
(*S*,5*E*,7*E*)-3-methyl-1-phenoxy-8-phenylocta-5,7-dien-4-one (14) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed using a gradient of 5-10% EtOAc/hexanes yielding 14 as a yellow, viscous oil (89 mg, 58%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.53 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.28 (m, 6H), 7.01 – 6.86 (m, 5H), 6.39 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (ddd, J = 9.5, 6.6, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (ddd, J = 9.5, 7.0, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.24 – 3.15 (m, 1H), 2.28 (dddd, J = 14.2, 7.7, 6.7, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 1.89 (ddt, J = 14.1, 7.0, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 1.25 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 203.4, 158.8, 143.0, 141.5, 136.1, 129.5, 129.2, 128.9, 128.7, 127.3, 126.7, 120.7, 114.5, 65.4, 40.6, 32.7, 17.1. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>+Na]<sup>+</sup> 329.1517, found 329.1519. Chiral HPLC (Daicel OJ-H, 70:30 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 90%, *es* = 94%.



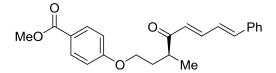


(*S*,5*E*,7*E*)-1-(4-chlorophenoxy)-3-methyl-8-phenylocta-5,7-dien-4-one (15) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A, stopping the reaction after 16 hours, and the crude product was flashed using a gradient of 5-10% EtOAc/hexanes yielding

**15** as a pale yellow oil (73 mg, 43%). <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.51 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 7.38 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.27 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 6.97 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 6.86 – 6.80 (m, 2H), 6.38 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.03 – 3.91 (m, 2H), 3.15 (h, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (ddt, *J* = 14.0, 7.8, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 1.91 – 1.83 (m, 1H), 1.24 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  203.2, 157.4, 143.0, 141.6, 136.0, 129.3, 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 127.3, 126.7, 125.5, 115.7, 65.9, 40.7, 32.5, 17.2. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>21</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>+Na]<sup>+</sup> 363.1128, found 363.1137. **Chiral HPLC** (Chiralpak IE, 95:5 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 93%, *es* = 95%.

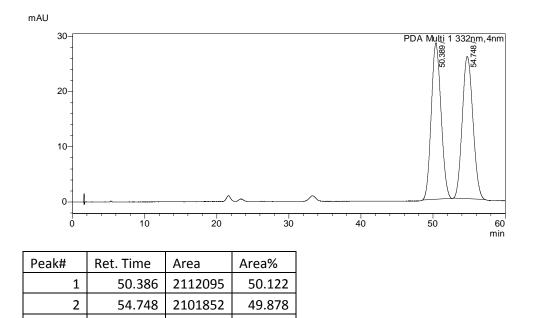


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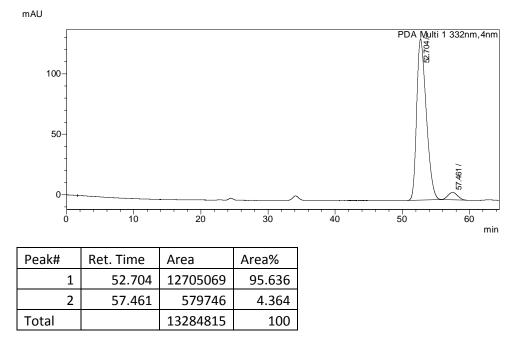
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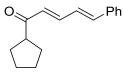
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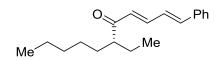
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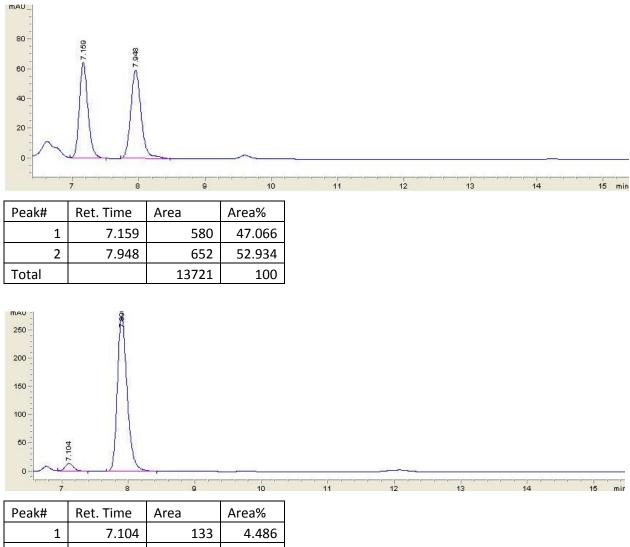


(2E,4E)-1-cyclopentyl-5-phenylpenta-2,4-dien-1-one (17) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product was flashed in 5% EtOAc/hexanes yielding 17 as a pale yellow liquid (54 mg, 48%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.50 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.45 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.04 – 6.84 (m, 2H), 6.37 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 3.15 (p, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 1.94 – 1.78 (m, 4H), 1.78 – 1.68 (m, 2H), 1.64 (tdd, *J* = 11.9, 7.2, 4.0 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  202.7, 142.3, 141.0, 136.1, 129.13, 129.09, 128.8, 127.2, 126.9, 49.6, 29.3, 26.2. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O+H]<sup>+</sup>227.1436, found 227.1433.



(*R*,1*E*,3*E*)-6-ethyl-1-phenylundeca-1,3-dien-5-one (18) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A (38% NMR yield) and the crude product was flashed in 5% EtOAc/hexanes yielding 18 as a yellow oil (41 mg, 30%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.52 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 7.02 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.40 (d, *J* 

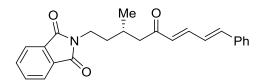
= 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (tt, J = 8.4, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 1.75 – 1.62 (m, 2H), 1.59 – 1.42 (m, 2H), 1.34 – 1.25 (m, 6H), 0.89 (td, J = 7.2, 5.3 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  204.2, 142.3, 141.3, 136.1, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 127.2, 126.9, 52.2, 32.0, 31.8, 27.2, 25.1, 22.5, 14.1, 12.0. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{19}H_{26}O+H]^+$  271.2062, found 271.2068. **Chiral HPLC**: (Chiralpak IC, 95:5 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 91%, *es* = 92%.



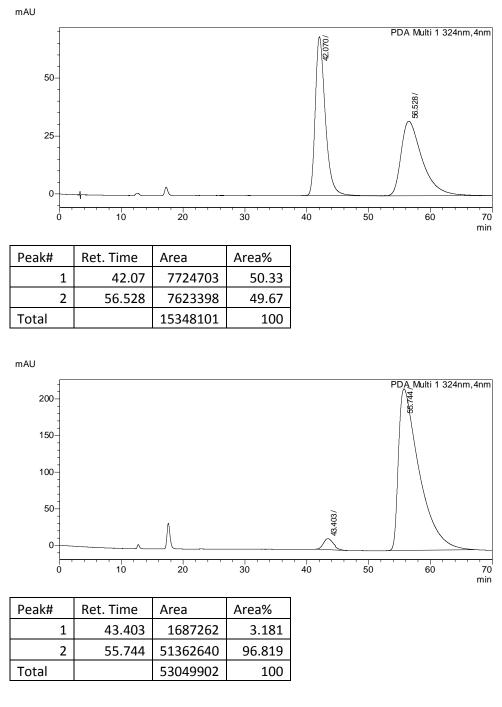
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(1*E*,3*E*)-6-butyl-1-phenyldeca-1,3-dien-5-one (19) was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A and the crude product (47% NMR yield) was flashed in 5% EtOAc/hexanes yielding 19 as a colorless oil (56 mg, 40%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.53 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.96 – 6.90 (m, 1H), 6.39 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (tt, *J* = 8.4, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 1.72 – 1.62 (m, 2H), 1.53 – 1.44 (m, 2H), 1.36 – 1.20 (m, 8H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  204.4, 142.4, 141.3, 136.1, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 127.2, 126.9, 50.6, 32.0, 29.8, 22.9, 14.0. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O+Na]<sup>+</sup> 307.0238, found 307.0239.

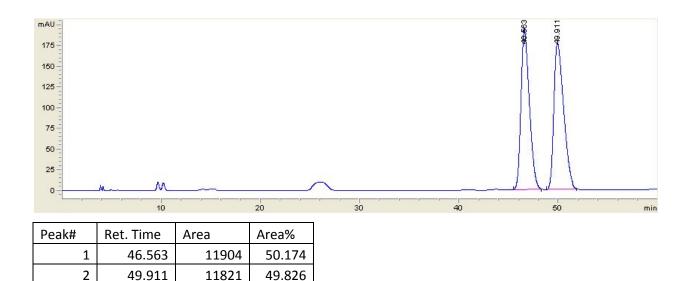


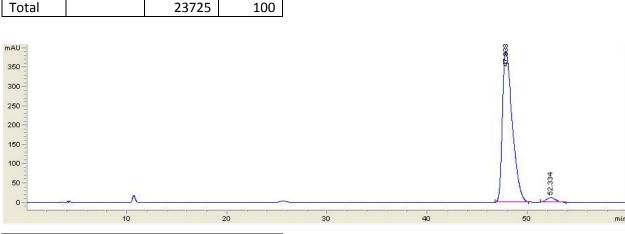
**2-((***S*,6*E*,8*E***)-3-methyl-5-oxo-9-phenylnona-6,8-dien-1-yl)isoindoline-1,3-dione (20)** was obtained from General Carbonylation Procedure A, increasing reaction temperature to 90 °C and pressure to 10 atm CO, and the crude product was flashed in 25% EtOAc/hexanes yielding **20** as a yellow oil (85 mg, 46%). <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.85 (dt, *J* = 7.4, 3.7 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (dd, *J* = 5.4, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.50 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H), 6.29 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 3.80 – 3.70 (m, 2H), 2.71 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.47 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.19 – 2.10 (m, 1H), 1.84 – 1.72 (m, 1H), 1.62 (dq, *J* = 14.4, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.05 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  199.8, 168.4, 142.7, 141.4, 136.0, 133.9, 132.1, 129.8, 129.2, 128.8, 127.2, 126.7, 123.2, 47.6, 36.0, 35.5, 27.5, 19.7. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>+H]<sup>+</sup> 374.1756, found 374.1776. **Chiral HPLC**: (Daicel OJ-H, 50:50 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 94%.



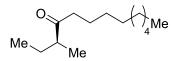
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<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.24 – 7.15 (m, 1H), 6.24 – 6.13 (m, 3H), 2.67 (h, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.23 – 2.15 (m, 2H), 1.71 (dp, J = 14.6, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.43 (dq, J = 13.8, 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.38 – 1.25 (m, 4H), 1.10 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.96 – 0.84 (m, 6H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 204.4, 145.8, 143.0, 128.9, 126.5, 45.8, 33.1, 31.4, 28.4, 26.3, 22.5, 16.3, 14.0, 11.8. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{22}O+H]^+$  231.1725, found 231.1726. **Chiral HPLC**: (Chiralpak IC, 99.9:0.1 hexanes:isopropanol): *ee* = 94%, *es* = 94%.





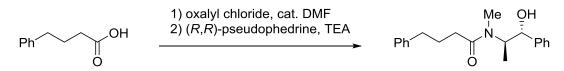
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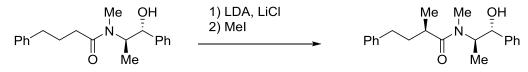
(*S*)-3-methyldecan-4-one (22) was obtained by hydrogenating SI-30 (56 mg, 0.27 mmol) according to General Procedure F. 22 was obtained as a colorless oil without further purification (57 mg, 100%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  2.50 – 2.37 (m, 3H), 1.73 – 1.63 (m, 1H), 1.56 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.43 – 1.33 (m, 1H), 1.34 – 1.25 (m, 12H), 1.06 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.94 – 0.85 (m, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  215.2, 47.8, 41.2, 31.9, 29.49, 29.47, 29.34, 29.30, 26.0, 23.7, 22.7, 16.0, 14.1, 11.7. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O+Na]<sup>+</sup> 235.2038, found 235.2036.

## **Mechanistic Experiments**

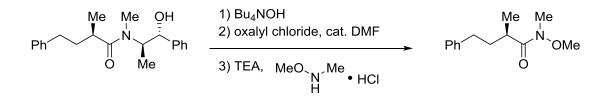
<u>Absolute Stereochemistry Determination</u>: An independent HPLC standard of reduced dienone product was synthesized, using the chiral auxiliary route shown below, to prove that the carbonylation reaction proceeds via inversion. This suggests an  $S_N2$  oxidative addition is operative in the reaction mechanism.



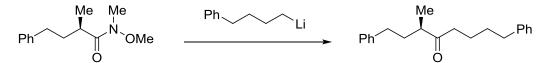
N-((1R,2R)-1-hydroxy-1-phenylpropan-2-yl)-N-methyl-4-phenylbutanamide (SI-31) was synthesized by dissolving 4-phenylbutanoic acid (2.2 g, 13.4 mmol) in DCM (50 mL) with a few drops of DMF at 0 °C. To this stirred solution was added oxalyl chloride (2.3 mL, 26.8 mmol) dropwise. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 15 minutes and warmed to room temperature for an hour. Solvent and excess oxalyl chloride were removed under reduced pressure and the mixture was brought up in DCM (5 mL). This solution was added dropwise to a stirred solution of (R,R)-pseudoephedrine (2 g, 12.1 mmol) and TEA (2.2 mL, 16.1 mmol) in DCM (24 mL) at 0 °C for 10 minutes. The reaction was then warmed to room temperature for an hour and guenched with water. Brine was added and the layers were separated. The organic layer was washed twice with brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 50% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 2.5 g (66%) of **SI-31** as a white solid in a 3:1 ratio of rotamers. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-d, minor rotamer, when resolved, indicated with \*)  $\delta$  7.42 – 7.26 (m, 14H), 7.26 - 7.15 (m, 6H), 4.61 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.55\* (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 4.53 - 4.40\* (m, 1H), 3.92 (dq, J = 8.7, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.94\* (s, 3H), 2.77 (s, 3H), 2.75 – 2.62 (m, 5H), 2.49\* (ddd, J = 15.3, 9.0, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 2.41\* (ddd, J = 15.3, 8.8, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 2.37 - 2.22 (m, 2H), 2.08 – 1.91 (m, 5H), 1.12 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.97\* (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 175.2, 174.0, 142.5, 141.9, 141.7, 141.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.52, 128.47, 128.43, 128.40, 128.38, 127.7, 126.9, 126.4, 125.9, 125.9, 76.6, 75.5, 58.6 (br), 58.3, 35.5, 35.2, 35.1, 33.4, 32.9, 26.9, 26.8, 26.4, 15.4, 14.5. HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{20}H_{25}NO_2+H]^+$  312.1964, found 312.1964.



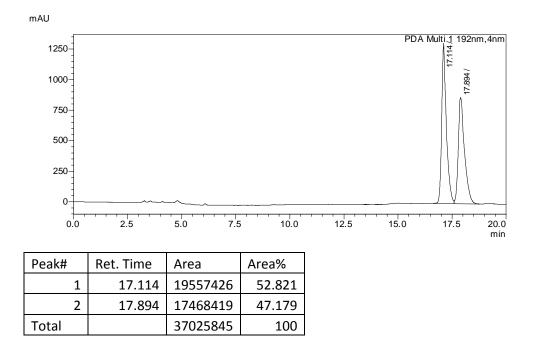
(R)-N-((1R,2R)-1-hydroxy-1-phenylpropan-2-yl)-N,2-dimethyl-4-phenylbutanamide (SI-32) was synthesized via diastereoselective alkylation described by Myers and coworkers.<sup>19</sup> n-BuLi (6.2 mL, 2.15 M in hexanes) was added dropwise to a stirred suspension of diisopropylamine (2 mL, 14.4 mmol) and LiCl (1.6 g, 38.5 mmol) in THF (30 mL) at -78 °C. The mixture was warmed to 0 °C for 10 minutes and then cooled back down to -78 °C. To this mixture was added a solution of SI-31 (2 g, 6.4 mmol) in THF (20 mL) dropwise. The reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 1 hour, warmed to 0 °C for 15 minutes, room temperature for 5 minutes, and then returned to 0 °C. MeI (0.6 mL, 9.6 mmol) was added and the reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 30 minutes and guenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl. The solution was extracted 3 times with EtOAc, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 50% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 2.1 g (100%) of SI-32 as a viscous vellow oil in a 3:1 ratio of rotamers. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-d, minor rotamer, when resolved, indicated with \*) δ 7.45 - 7.25 (m, 14H), 7.25 – 7.13 (m, 6H), 4.67 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.52\* (dd, J = 8.5, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.41 - 4.25 (m, 1H), 3.91 - 3.83\* (m, 1H), 2.95\* (s, 3H), 2.76\* (dd, J = 13.0, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 2.72 - 2.61 (m, 6H), 2.61 - 2.48 (m, 2H), 2.14 - 2.03 (m, 1H), 2.03 - 1.93\* (m, 1H), 1.79 -1.66 (m, 4H), 1.22 (dd, J = 15.2, 6.8 Hz, 6H), 1.05 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.96\* (d, J = 6.8Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 178.6, 177.6, 171.2, 142.6, 141.8, 141.7, 140.9, 128.7, 128.5, 128.43, 128.40, 128.38, 128.34, 128.31, 127.5, 126.9, 126.2, 126.0, 125.9, 76.6, 75.5, 60.4, 57.6, 35.9, 35.5, 35.4, 34.5, 33.4, 33.2, 27.1, 21.1, 17.4, 17.2, 15.5, 14.6, 14.2. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for  $[C_{21}H_{27}NO_2+H]^+$  326.2120, found 326.2118.

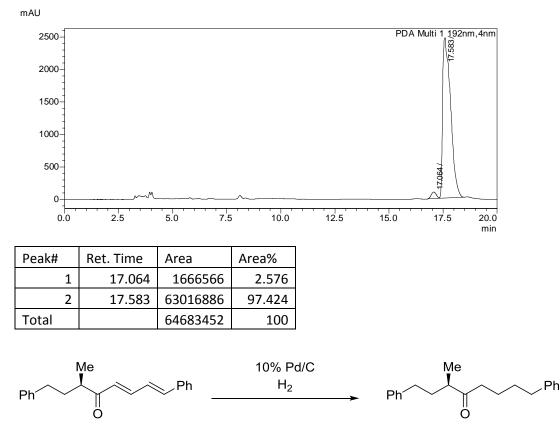


(R)-N-methoxy-N,2-dimethyl-4-phenylbutanamide (SI-33) was synthesized by first removing the chiral auxiliary from SI-32 as described by Myers and co-workers.<sup>19</sup> SI-23 (0.5 g, 1.5 mmol) and 40% tetrabutylammonium hydroxide in water (5g, 7.7 mmol) were refluxed in water (15 mL) and t-BuOH (5 mL) overnight. The reaction mixture was then cooled to room temperature, 0.5 M aqueous NaOH solution (100 mL) was added, and extracted 3 times with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The aqueous layer was acidified to pH 1 with 3 M HCl and extracted 3 times with Et<sub>2</sub>O, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude acid was plugged through celite with Et<sub>2</sub>O, concentrated under reduced pressure, and used without further purification. To synthesize the Weinreb amide SI-33, the crude acid (0.24 g, 1.3 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (5 mL) with a few drops of DMF at 0 °C. To this stirred solution was added oxalyl chloride (0.23 mL, 2.7 mmol) dropwise. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 15 minutes and warmed to room temperature for an hour. Solvent and excess oxalyl chloride were removed under reduced pressure and the mixture was brought up in DCM (2 mL). This solution was added dropwise to a stirred solution of N,O-dimethylhydroxylamine hydrochloride (0.13) g, 1.3 mmol) and TEA (0.4 mL, 2.9 mmol) in DCM (3 mL) at 0 °C for 10 minutes. The reaction was then warmed to room temperature for an hour and quenched with a saturated solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was separated and washed with 1 M HCl, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography in 20% EtOAc/hexanes. This provided a mixture of product and unreacted starting material, which was removed by washing three times with 1 M NaOH, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to provide 78 mg (23% over 2 steps) of **SI-33** as a colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  7.30 (dd, J = 8.1, 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.24 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 2.93 – 2.84 (m, 1H), 2.64 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.11 – 2.02 (m, 1H), 1.76 – 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.17 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C** NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  142.0, 128.5, 128.3, 125.8, 61.3, 35.2, 34.5, 33.6, 32.2, 31.0, 17.4. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>+H]<sup>+</sup> 222.1494, found 222.1495.

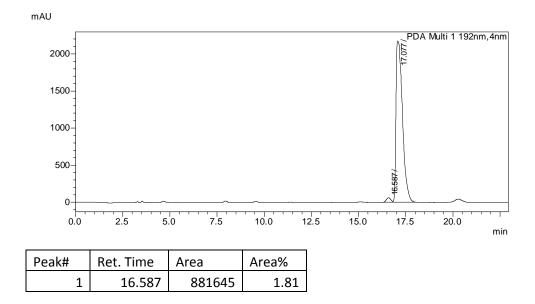


(*R*)-3-methyl-1,8-diphenyloctan-4-one (SI-34) was synthesized by dropwise addition of (4-phenylbutyl)lithium in Et<sub>2</sub>O (0.7 mmol, previously made by combining equal amounts of lithium and (4-bromobutyl)benzene in 1 mL Et<sub>2</sub>O at room temperature for 30 minutes) to a stirred solution of SI-33 (42 mg, 0.2 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction was stirred and allowed to warm to room temperature overnight. The reaction was quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and extracted 3 times with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified via flash chromatography using a gradient of 0-5% EtOAc/hexanes to provide 5 mg (8%) of SI-34 as a colorless liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.40 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 7.30 – 7.18 (m, 6H), 2.74 – 2.56 (m, 5H), 2.56 – 2.43 (m, 2H), 2.07 (ddt, *J* = 13.9, 8.9, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.74 – 1.62 (m, 5H), 1.17 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  214.4, 142.3, 141.8, 128.48, 128.47, 128.44, 128.38, 126.0, 125.8, 45.7, 41.1, 35.9, 34.5, 33.5, 31.2, 23.4, 16.6. HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O+H]<sup>+</sup> 295.2062, found 295.2060. Chiral HPLC: (Daicel OJ-H, 95:5 hexanes:isopropanol): ee = 95%.





(*R*)-3-methyl-1,8-diphenyloctan-4-one (SI-34) was obtained by hydrogenating 3 (98 mg, 0.34 mmol) according to General Procedure F. SI-34 was obtained as a colorless liquid without further purification (100 mg, 100%). Chiral HPLC: (Daicel OJ-H, 95:5 hexanes:isopropanol): ee = 96%.

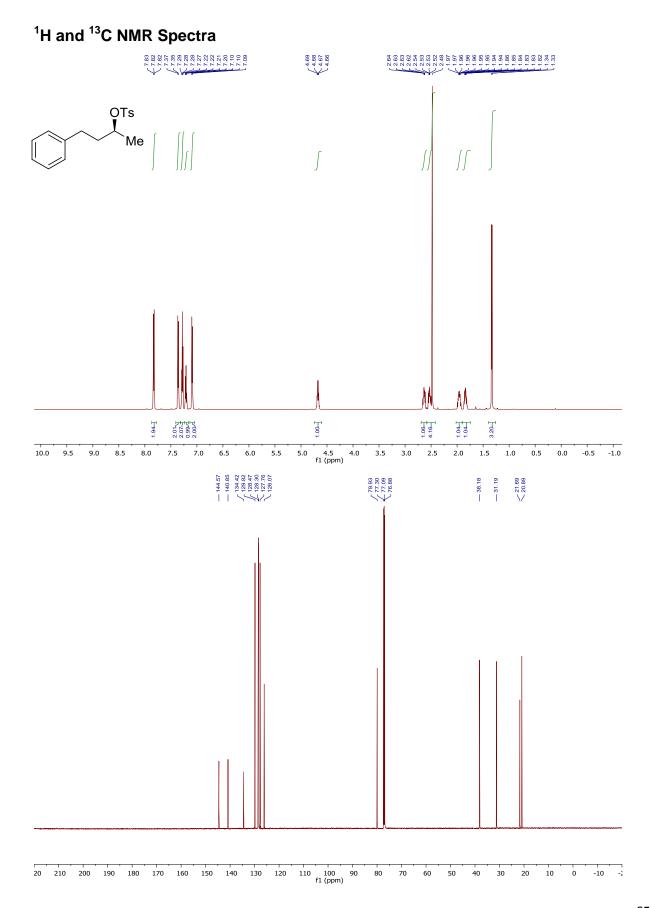


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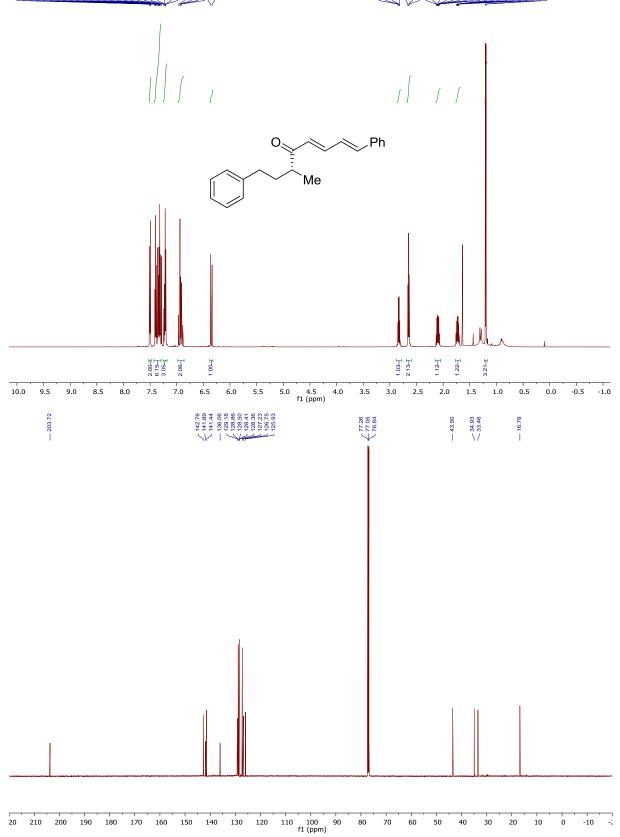
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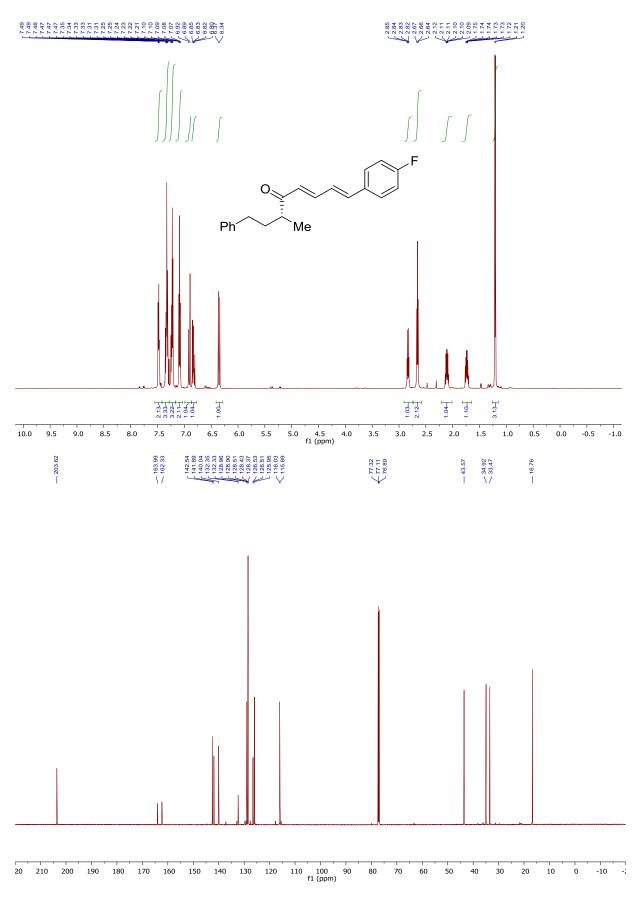
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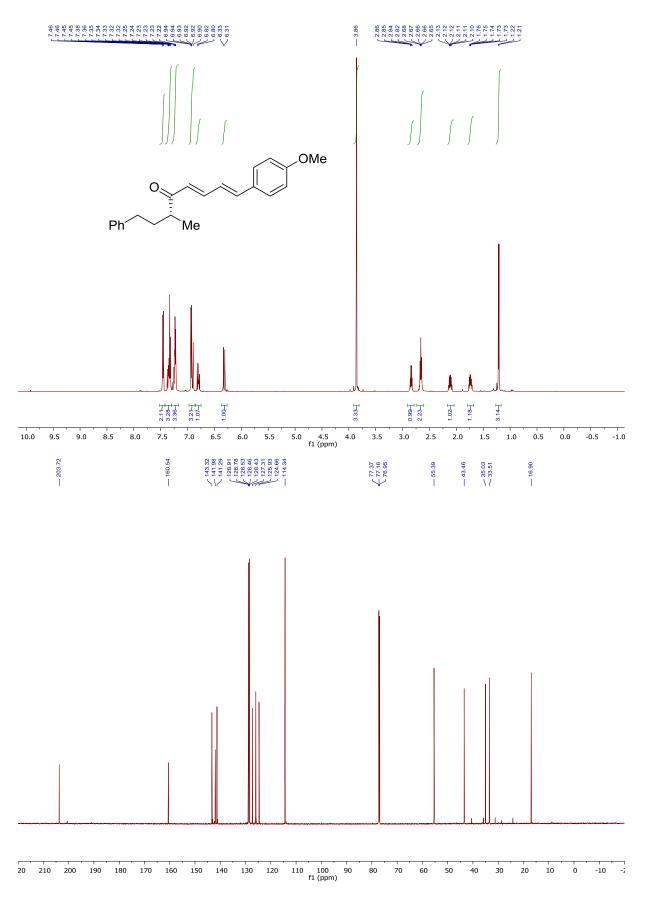


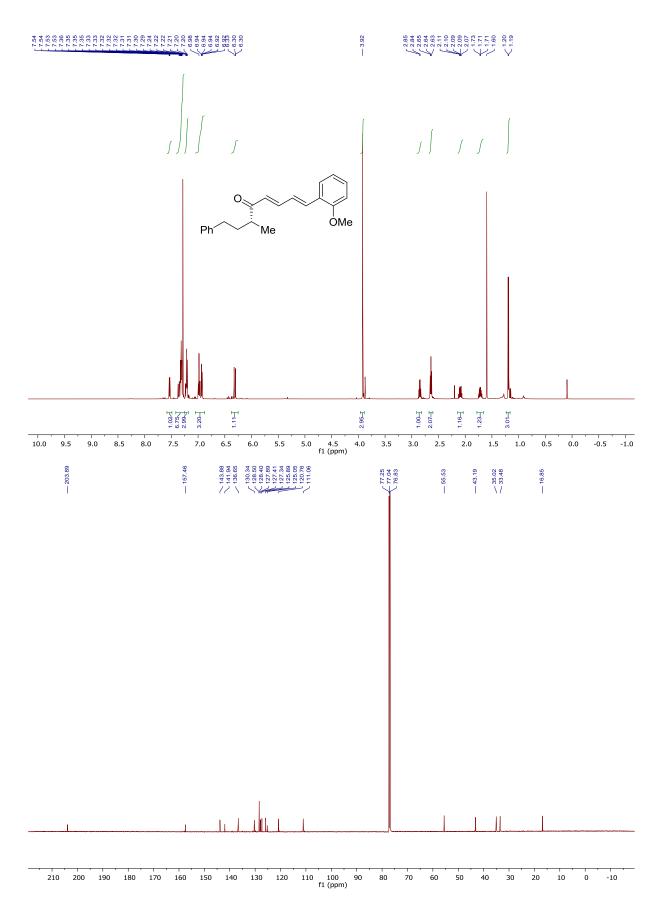
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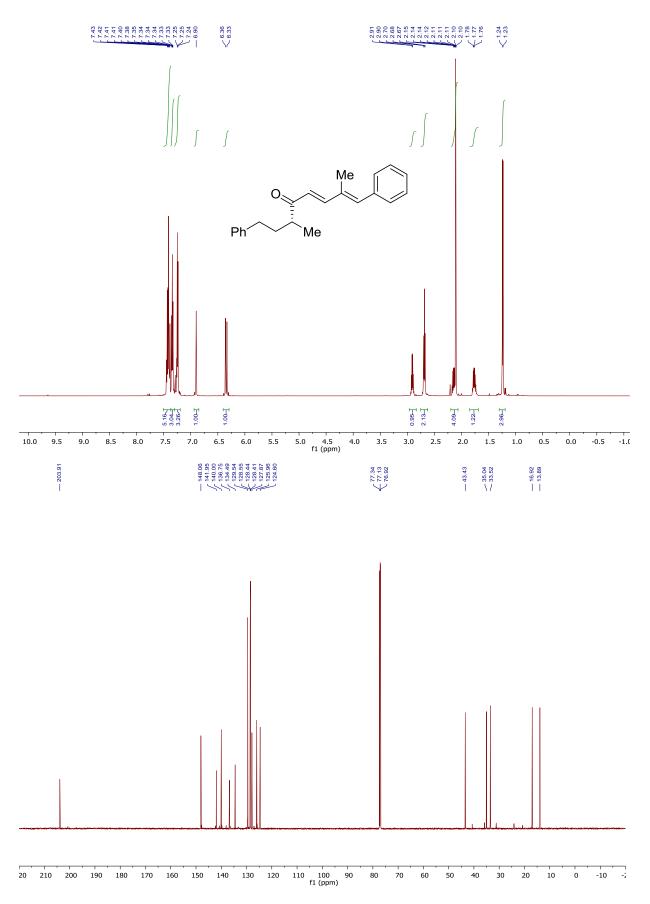


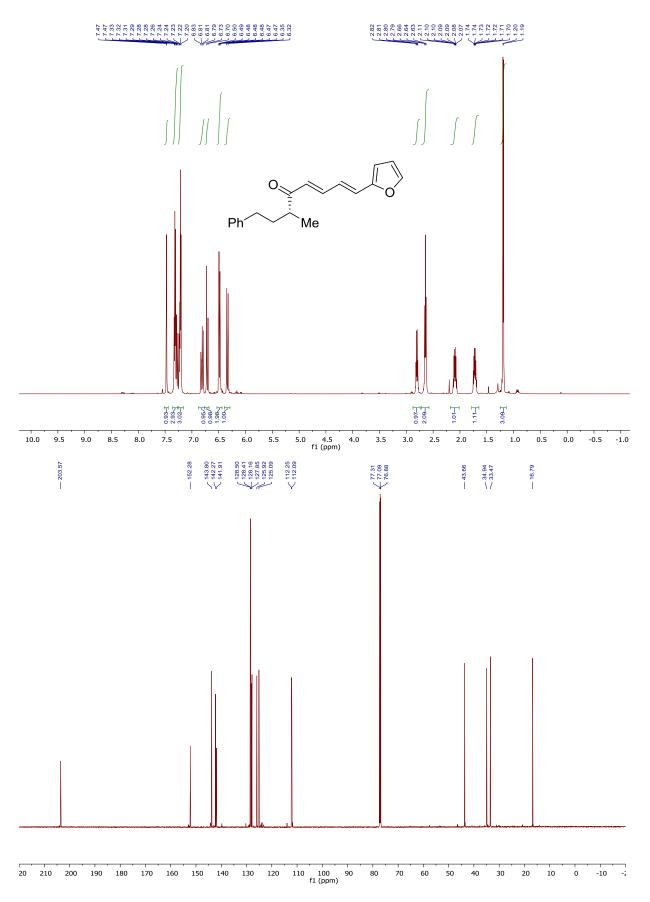


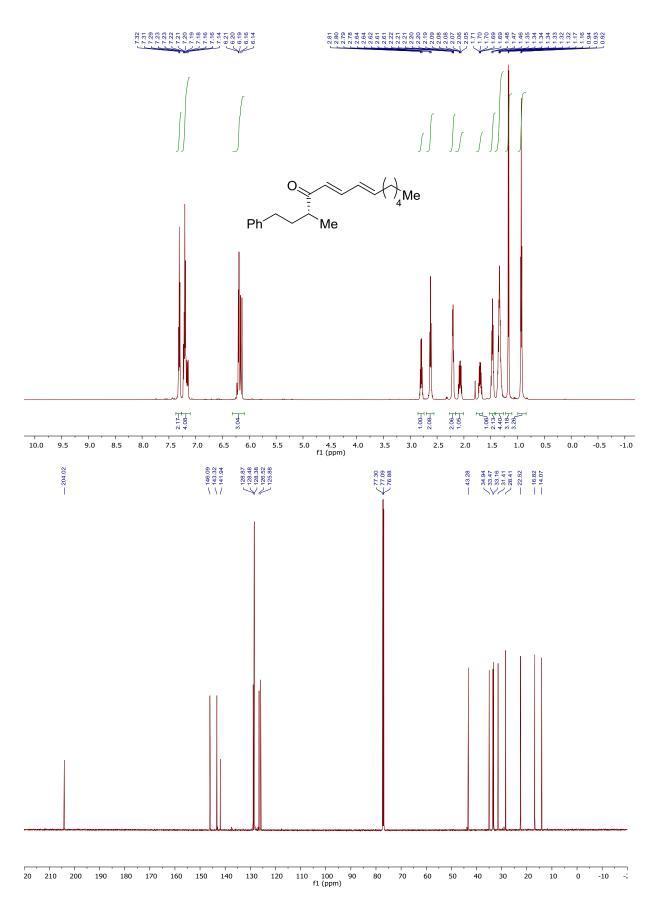


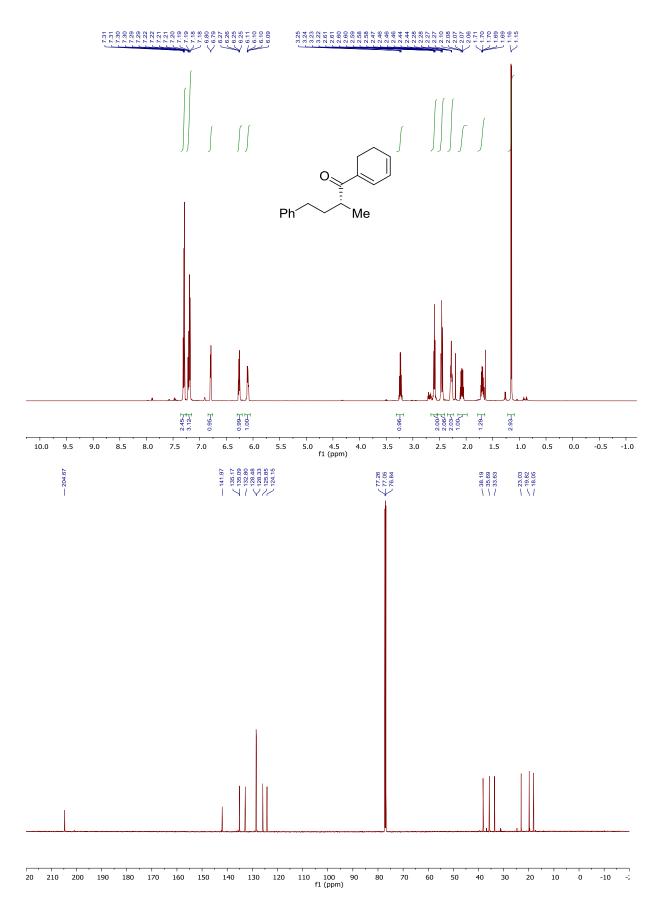


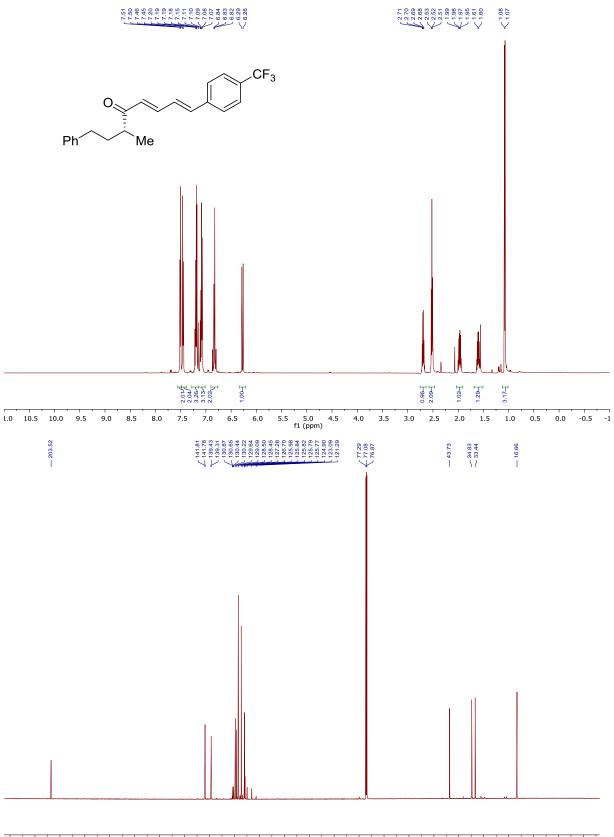




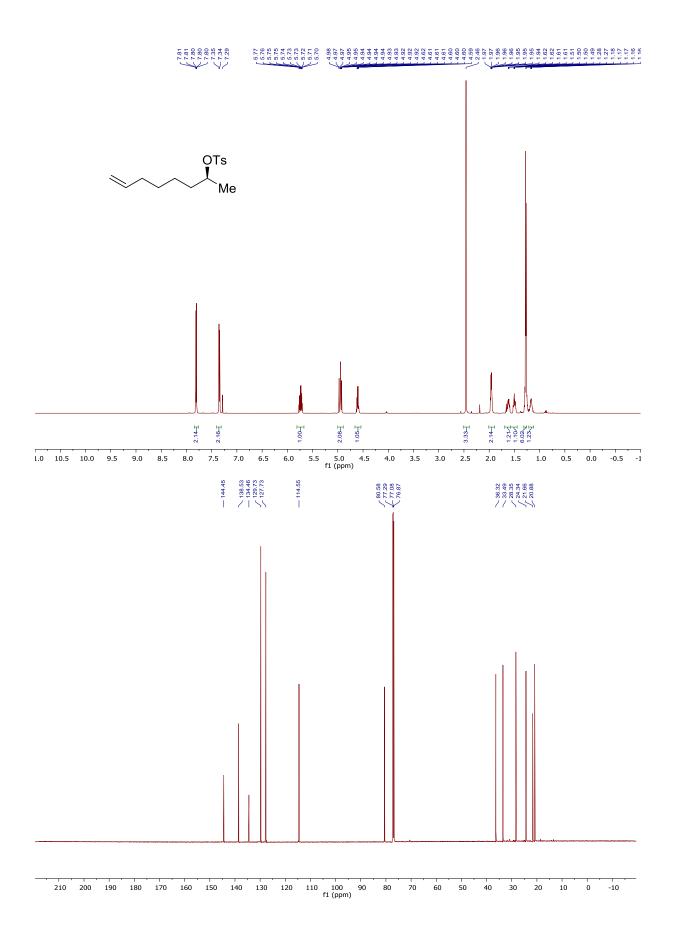




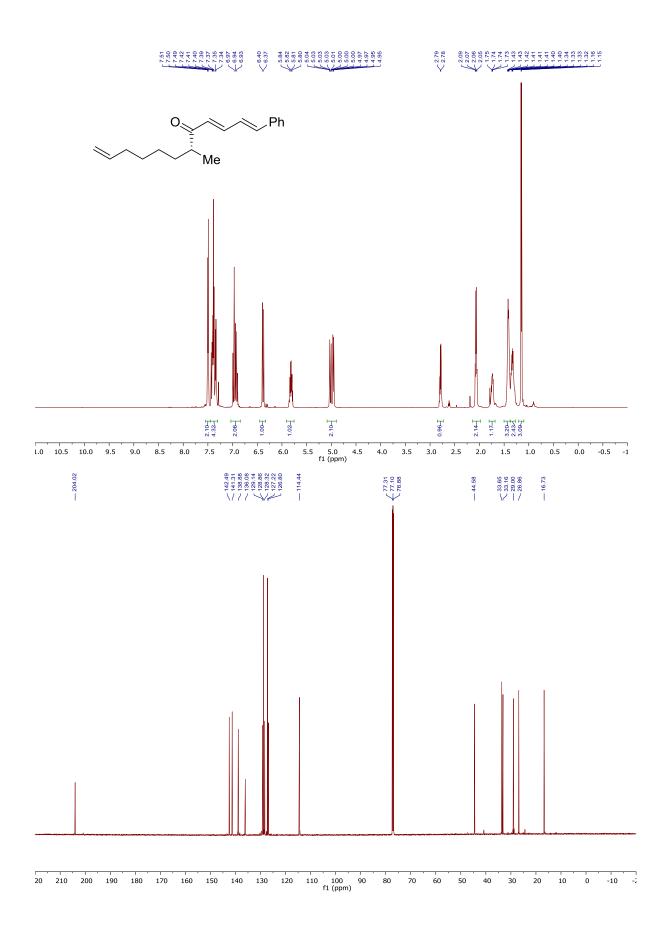




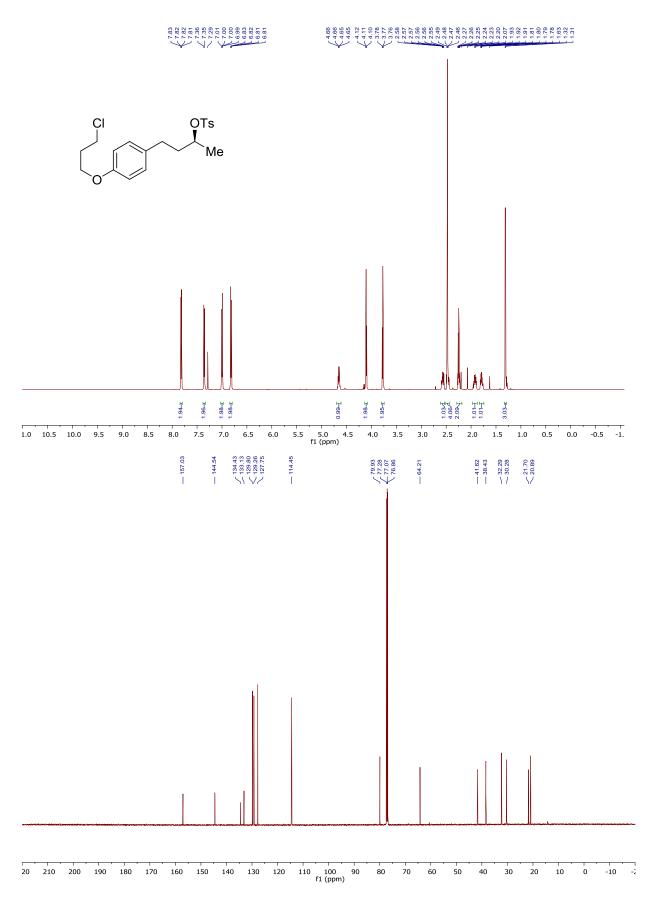
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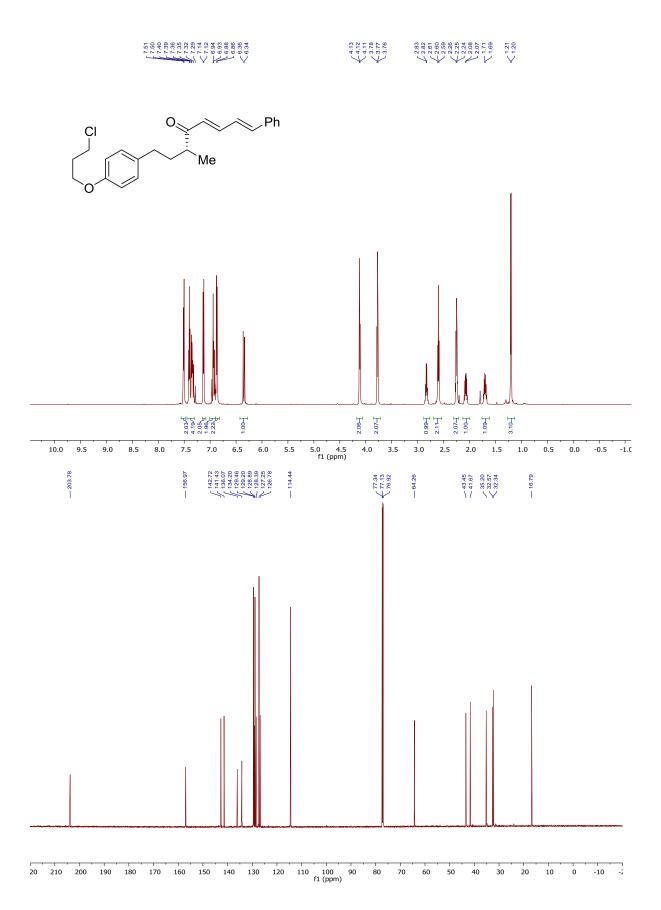




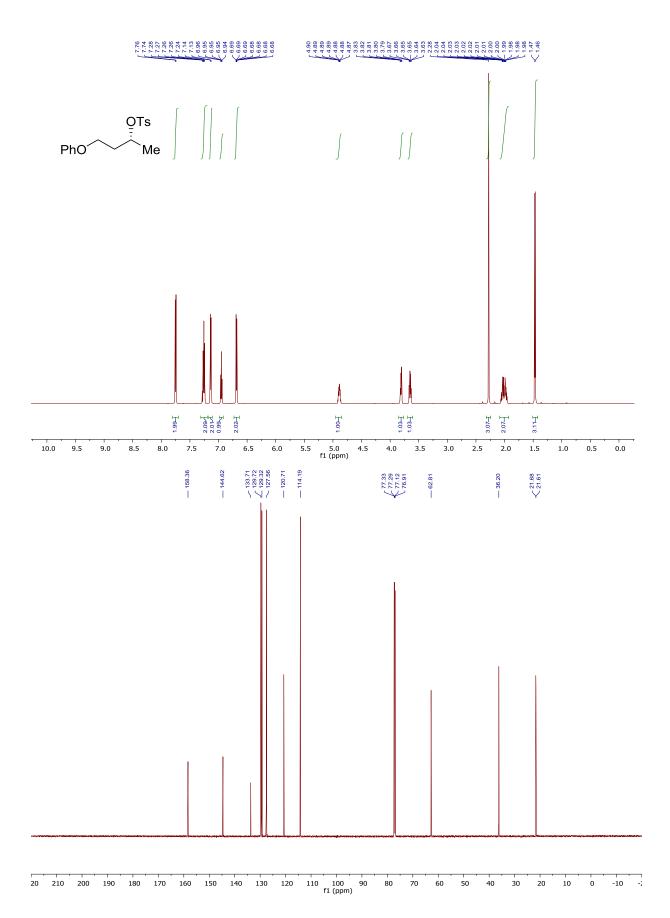


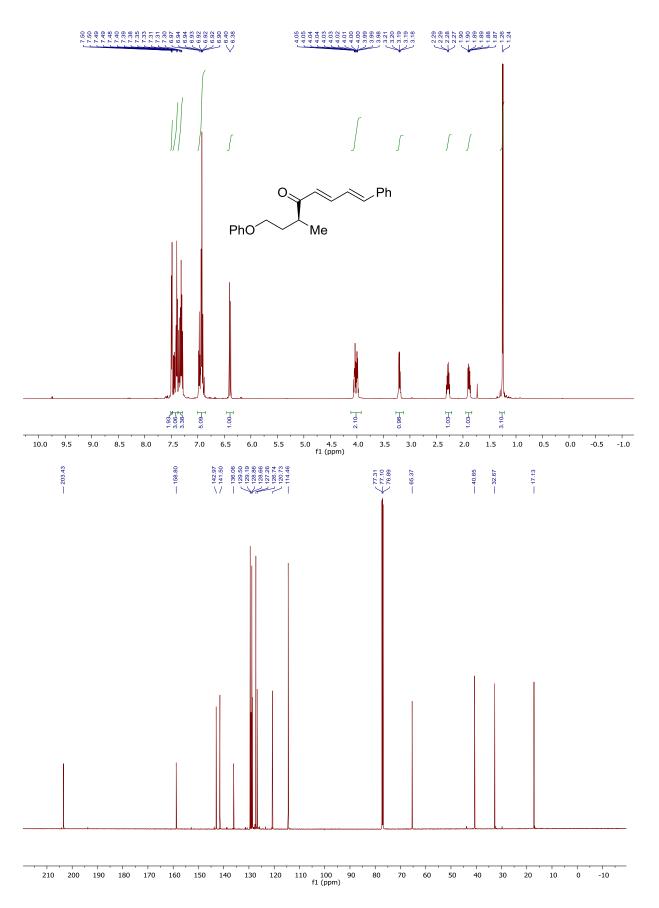
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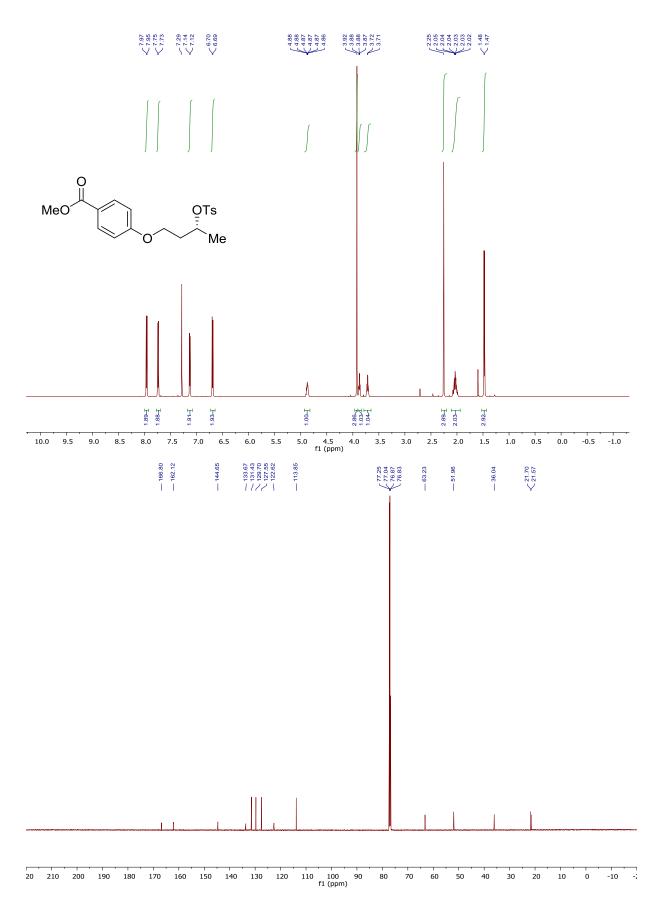


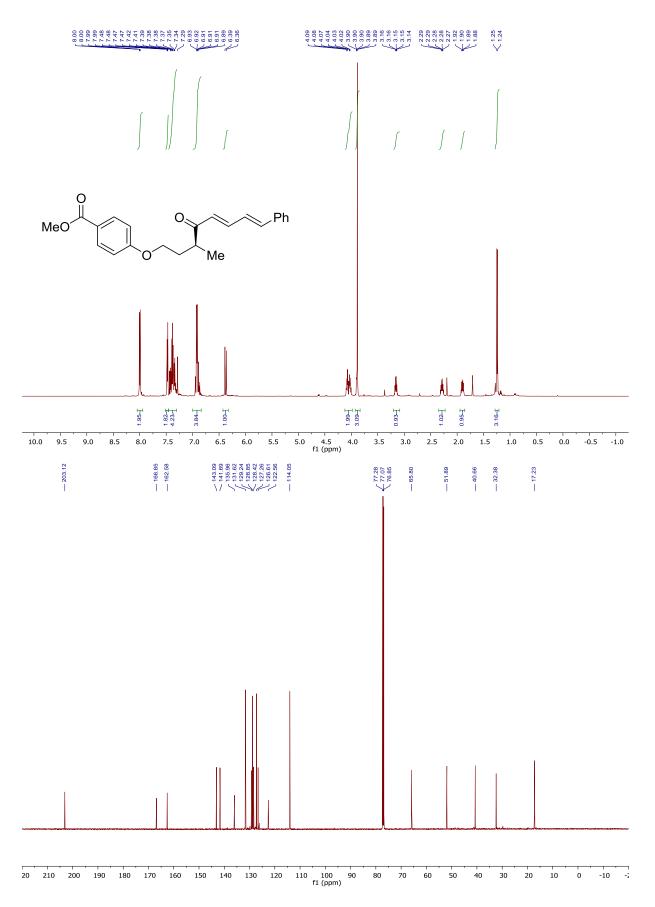


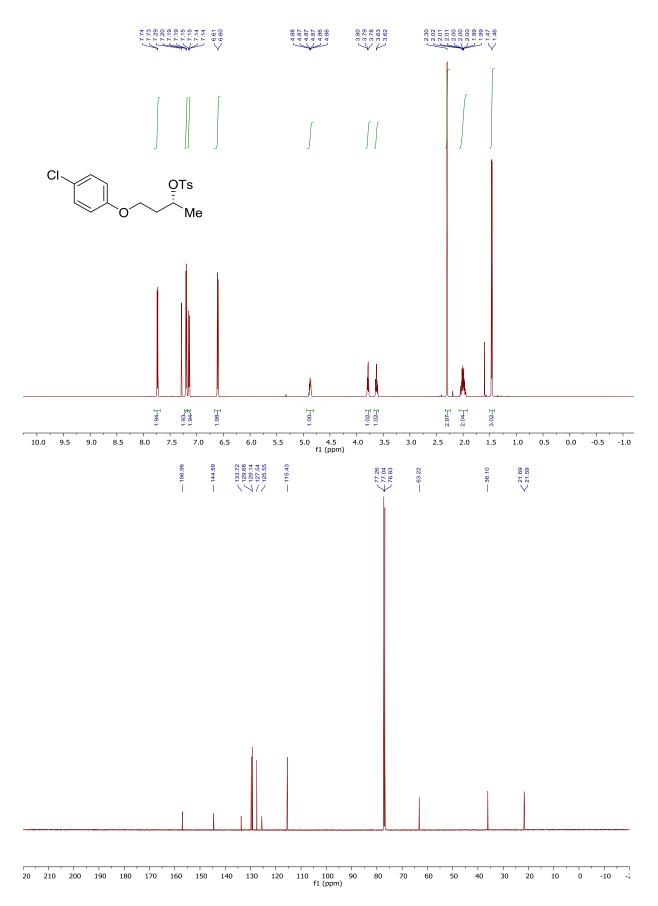
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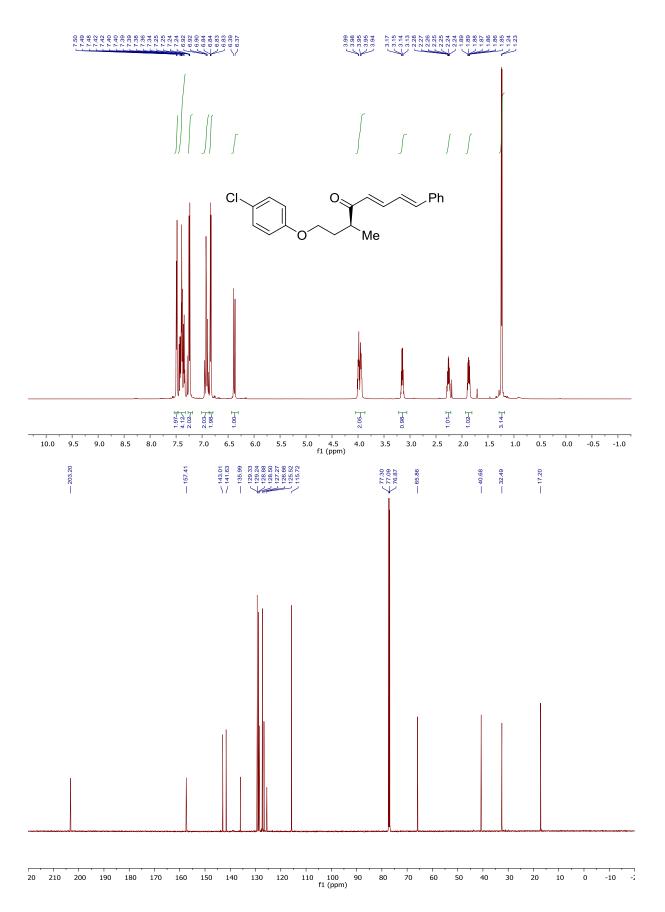


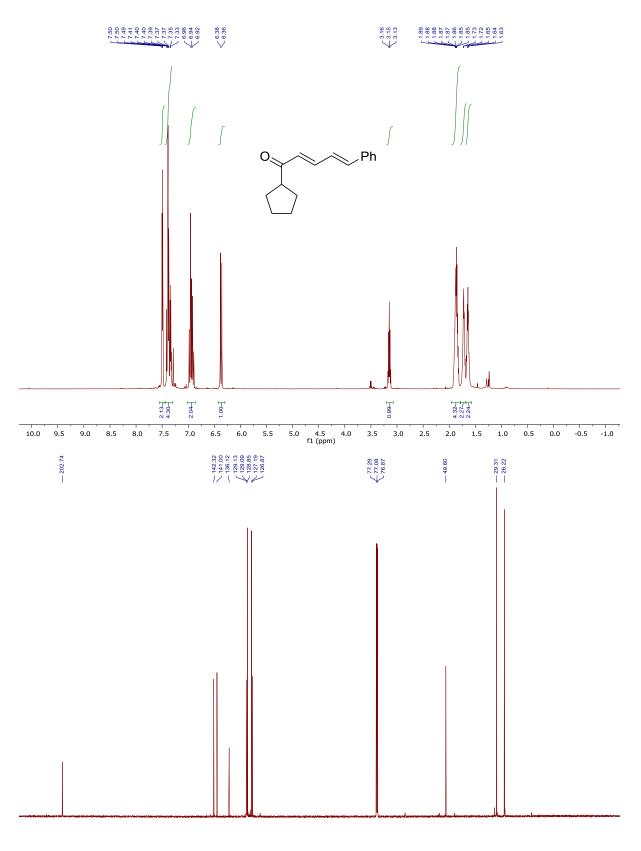












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