# Electronic Supporting Information 

## Chemoselective and stereoselective lithium

## carbenoid mediated cyclopropanation of acyclic

## allylic alcohols

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## PART A: TABLE S1

Table S1. Optimization of cyclopropanation of compound 1 with 2,2dibromopropane


|  | Concentration ( $n^{\mathbf{0}}$ equiv.) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Entry | 2,2-dibromopropane | $\boldsymbol{n - B u L i}$ | Yield (\%) |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | 1 | 2 | 12 |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | 4 | 21 |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | 4 | 6 | 40 |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | 4 | 8 | 50 |

## PART B : Discussion of spectroscopic observations for compounds 10 and 11

Dichlorocyclopropanation compound $\mathbf{1 0}$ showed ions in its HRMS (APGC ${ }^{+}$) at $m / z=$ 237.0809, 219.0710, 201.1050 and 183.0941, consistent with formulae $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{OCl}_{2}$, $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}, \mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{OCl}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{Cl}$ respectively, that correspond to the protonated molecular ion, the loss of one molecule of water, the loss of a molecule of HCl and the loss of a molecule of water and another of HCl from a protonated ion of molecular formula $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{OCl}_{2}$. The presence of two chlorine atoms in the compound $\mathbf{1 0}$ was confirmed by a quaternary carbon resonance at $\delta$ c 72.0 (C-2') ppm in its ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectrum. On the other hand, spectroscopic data for compound 10 showed a homonuclear gCOSY correlation between signals at $\delta_{\mathrm{H}} 5.45(\mathrm{H}-2)$ and $4.16\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}-1\right)$ ppm and gHMBC correlations between signal at $\delta$ c 72.0 (C-2’) ppm and gem-dimethyl group signals at $\delta_{\mathrm{H}} 1.33$ and 1.15 ppm . These data are consistent with a dichlorocyclopropanation on the distal double bond of geraniol, leading to ( $E$ )-5-(2,2-dichloro-3,3-dimethylcyclopropyl)-3-methylpent-2-en-1-ol (10).

Double cyclopropanation compound 11 showed ions in its HRMS (APGC ${ }^{+}$) at $m / z=$ $265.0302\left[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{HCl}\right]^{+}, 247.0611[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}-2 \mathrm{HCl}]^{+}$and $229.0539\left[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\right.$ $2 \mathrm{HCl}]^{+}$, consistent with formulae $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{Cl}_{3}, \mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{OCl}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ respectively, that correspond to the loss of one molecule of water and another of HCl , the loss of two molecules of HCl and the loss of one molecule of water and two of HCl from a protonated ion of molecular formula $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{Cl}_{4} \mathrm{O}$. Furthermore, compound $\mathbf{1 1}$ presented signals in its ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{NMR}$ spectrum at $\delta \mathrm{c} 70.1$ and 71.7 ppm , corresponding to quaternary carbons substituted with chlorine atoms, consistent with a double cyclopropanation. NOESY 2D effects (Fig. S.1) between signals, at $\delta \mathrm{H} 3.78\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}-1\right)$ and $1.23\left(\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) \mathrm{C}-3\right.$ ') ppm and $\delta_{\mathrm{H}} 1.54$ ( $\mathrm{H}-1^{\prime}$ ) ppm, were consistent with stereochemistry for this compound as $\left(1^{\prime} R^{*}, 3^{\prime} S^{*}, 1^{\prime \prime} S^{*}\right)$.


Fig. S1 Selected NOESY 2D correlations for compound 11.

























$-131.25$







$\begin{array}{r}-140.37 \\ -138.56 \\ -135.22 \\ \Gamma_{-131.23}^{128.29} \\ -127.77 \\ =127.45 \\ -124.30 \\ -123.84 \\ \hline 120.80\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{r}77.32 \\ 77.00 \\ 76.68 \\ -71.93\end{array}$
-66.55
$<\begin{array}{r}39.68 \\ 39.58\end{array}$
26.70
$\sim \begin{array}{r}26.27 \\ 25.66\end{array}$

$\sim \begin{array}{r}17.64 \\ 16.47 \\ 15.98\end{array}$





-134.83
-131.33
$<_{124.34}^{124.58}$





$-138.86$
$\int_{-}^{134.57} 1.26$
$\left[\begin{array}{l}131.26 \\ 128.27 \\ -127.57 \\ 127.37 \\ \hline\end{array}\right.$
127.37
$<\begin{array}{r}124.67 \\ 124.37\end{array}$

-77.32
-77.00
76.68
72.36
-67.97











$-38.18$
-31.18
-25.68
-23.61
$-\begin{array}{r}22.93 \\ 22.47 \\ 21.38 \\ -17.05 \\ -12.69\end{array}$

## PART D : SELECTED NOESY SPECTRA











