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Non-Classical Selectivities in the Reduction of Alkenes by Cobalt-Mediated Hydrogen Atom Transfer

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Table S1. The influence of hydrogen atom donor to the reaction.^a

1-methoxycyclohexa-1,4-diene (10 equiv) instead of DHB

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"Reactions employed 250 µmol each of 1a and 1b. All conversions and yields were calculated by ¹H NMR spectroscopy using mesitylene as an internal standard.

380 min

5%

(18% 3)^c

5%

8%

3%

1.7:1.0

Table S2. Relative reactivity of different unsaturated substrates.						
entry	target substrate	conditions and yield ^a	competition substrate	conversion ^b	yield ^b	ratio of reduction products
1		A: 79% ^{<i>b</i>}	PMPCO ₂	17%	14%	5.6:1.0
1	СН ₃ 1а	B: 91% ^b	1c	29%	24%	3.8:1.0
2	PMPCO ₂	A: 86%	TBDPS	17%	12%	7.2:1.0
2	сн _з 1а	B: 92%	4a	17%	17%	5.4:1.0
2	PMPCO ₂	A: 79%	TBDPS	15%	15%	5.3:1.0
3	CI 1d	B: 87%	4a	29%	28%	3.1:1.0
	O Br	A: 71%	TBDPS	5%	c	14:1.0 ^{<i>d</i>}
4	H H Ie	B: 83%	4a ↔	38%	30%	2.8:1.0
		A: 78%	TBDPS	17%	17%	4.6:1.0
5		B: 88%	4a	38%	39%	2.3:1.0
		A: 69%	TBDPS, A A .CH	12%	9%	7.7:1.0
6	с́н ₃	B: 96%	4b	11%	11%	8.7:1.0
		A: 70%	CH ₃	14%	8%	8.8:1.0
7	сн _з 1а	B: 92%		12%	11%	8.4:1.0
	PMPCO ₂	A: 72%	TBDPS	12%	c	$6.0:1.0^{d}$
8	с́н _з 1а	B: 93%	4d	12%	C	$7.8:1.0^{d}$
	PMPCO ₂	A: 77%	TBDPS	26%	c	$3.0:1.0^{d}$
9	CH ₃	B: 89%	10 H	30%	c	$3.0:1.0^{d}$
		A: 64%	F	31% ^e	c	$2.1:1.0^{d}$
10	ĊН ₃ 1а	B: 90%	↓ `℃H ₃ 4f	22% ^e	C	$4.1:1.0^{d}$
		A: 92%		46%	46%	2.0:1.0
11		B:>99%	4a	84%	82%	1.2:1.0
12		A: 95%	TBDPS _O	64%	64%	1.5:1.0
		A: 86%		22%	18%	4.8:1.0
13	PMP_N_O CH ₃	B: 92%	4b	25%	25%	3.7:1.0
14	Ig О СН ₃	A: 90%	CH ₃	35%	28%	3.2:1.0
		B: 89%	TBDPS	31%	29%	3.1:1.0
		A: 95%	4c	93% ^e	f	$1.0:1.0^{d}$
15	сн ₃ 1а	B: 96%	49	>95% ^e	f	$1.0:1.0^{d}$
16	PMPCO ₂ CH ₃	A: 55%	сғ ₃ н 4h	> 95% ^e	f	$1.0:1.7^{d}$
17		A: 62%	TBDPS _O	82%	83%	1.0:1.3

^aReactions employed 250 µmol of each substrate. Yields refer to purified products isolated by flash-column chromatography, unless otherwise noted. ^bDetermined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy using mesytilene as an internal standard. ^cCompetition substrate was converted to unidentified products. ^dRatios are calculated as the yield of the target substrate versus the conversion of the competition substrate. ^eConversion determined by ¹⁹F-NMR with hexafluorobenzene as an internal standard. ^fDecomposition was observed.

Table S3. Evaluation of heterogeneous, directed homogeneous, and hydrogen atom transfer reduction of 1a and 1c. ^a							
	PMPCO ₂			CH3			
	ĊH ₃ 1a	Co(acac) ₂ (1.0 equiv) TBHP (2.0 equiv)	ĊН 2а	3			
	PMBCO ₂	DHB (10 equiv) Et ₃ SiH (10 equiv) PrOH (0.3 M), air, 24 °C	C PMPCO ₂ CH ₃				
	1c		2c				
entry	conditions	time	e conv. 1a	yield 2a	conv. 1c	yield 2c	2a:2b
1	1 mol% Pd/C, 1 atm H ₂ , CH ₃ OH, 24 °C		n 13%	13%	70%	57%	1.0:4.4
2	0.5 mol% Pt/C, 1 atm H ₂ , CH ₃ OH, 24 °C		n 24%	13%	56%	25%	1.0:1.9
3	2 mol% [Ir(COD)(PCy ₃)py], 1 atm H ₂ , CH ₂ Cl ₂ , 24 $^{\circ}$ C		nin 8%	5%	43%	28%	1.0:5.6
4	Mn(dpm) ₃ , TBHP, PhSiH ₃ , <i>i</i> -PrOH, 24 °C	2 10 m	in 59%	24%	53%	25%	1.0:1.0

^{*a*}Reactions employed 250 µmol each of **1a** and **1b**. All conversions and yields were calculated by ¹H NMR spectroscopy using mesitylene as an internal standard.

Table S4. Optimization of hydrobromination, hydroiodination, and hydroselenation reactions. ^a					
$PMPCO_{2} \xrightarrow{(Co(acac)_{2}, Et_{3}SiH, DHB}} PMPCO_{2} \xrightarrow{(CH_{3})} PMPCO_{2} \xrightarrow{(CH_{3})$					
entry	radical trap	variation from conditions above	yield ^b	yield of reduction ^c	
1	TsBr	DHB omitted	<1% ^c	<1%	
2	TsBr	—	95%	<1%	
3	I_2	DCM as solvent	<1%	<1%	
4	TsI	DCM as solvent	$<1\%$ c	<1%	
5	NIS	DCM as solvent	$<\!\!1\%$ c	<1%	
6	$(CH_2I)_2$	DCM as solvent	$<1\%$ c	<1%	
7	CH_2I_2	DCM as solvent, 15 equiv of CH ₂ I ₂	89%	<1%	
8	CH_2I_2	DCM as solvent, 7.5 equiv of CH ₂ I ₂	52% ^d	<1%	
9	ICH ₂ CO ₂ Et	DCM as solvent	49% ^c	<1%	
10	ICH ₂ CN	DCM as solvent	36% ^c	<1%	
11	TsSePh	_	89%	<1%	

^{*a*}Conditions: Co(acac)₂ (100 mol%), TBHP (100 mol%), DHB (3.75 equiv), Et₃SiH (10 equiv), radical trap (2.5 equiv), *n*-PrOH (0.3 M), argon, 24 °C. ^{*b*}Isolated yield after purification by flash-column chromatography. ^{*c*}Determined by ¹H NMR analysis against an internal standard. ^{*d*}The silyl ether (X = OTES) was isolated in 47% yield. **General Experimental Procedures.** All reactions were performed in single-neck, flame-dried, roundbottomed flasks fitted with rubber septa under a positive pressure of argon, unless otherwise noted. Airand moisture-sensitive liquids were transferred via syringe or stainless steel cannula, or were handled in a nitrogen-filled drybox (working oxygen level <5 ppm). Organic solutions were concentrated by rotary evaporation at 30–33 °C. Intermediates were purified using a Biotage Isolera system, employing polypropylene cartridges preloaded with silica gel (60 Å, 40–63 μ m particle size, purchased from Silicycle, Quebec City, Canada). Alternatively, intermediates were purified using a Teledyne ISCO system, employing RediSep Rf High Performance Gold cartridges (RediSep Rf Gold Silica, 20–40 um spherical, purchased from Teledyne ISCO, Dallas, Texas). Samples were eluted using a flow rate of 12–50 mL/min, with detection by UV (254 nm). Analytical thin-layered chromatography (TLC) was performed using glass plates pre-coated with silica gel (0.25 mm, 60 Å pore size) impregnated with a fluorescent indicator (254 nm). TLC plates were visualized by exposure to ultraviolet light (UV) and/or submersion in aqueous ceric ammonium molybdate solution (CAM), or aqueous potassium permanganate solution (KMnO₄), followed by brief heating on a hot plate (120 °C, 10–15 s).

Materials. Commercial solvents and reagents were used as received with the following exceptions. Acetonitrile was purified according to the method of Pangborn et al.^[1] Pyridine was distilled from calcium hydride under an atmosphere of nitrogen immediately before use. Commercial anhydrous N.Ndimethylformamide (Sigma-Aldrich Corporation, St. Louis, MO) was degassed by three freeze-pumpthaw cycles and stored over activated 4Å MS under an atmosphere of nitrogen before use. 1,4-Dioxane was degassed by three freeze-pump-thaw cycles, and was stored under an atmosphere of nitrogen before Tetrahydrofuran was distilled from sodium-benzophenone under an atmosphere of nitrogen use. immediately before use. Triethylamine was distilled from calcium hydride under an atmosphere of nitrogen immediately before use. *n*-Propanol was dried over calcium hydride for 12 h at 24 °C, degassed by three freeze-pump-thaw cycles, vacuum transferred, and stored under an atmosphere of argon before use. Triethylsilane was degassed by three freeze-pump-thaw cycles and stored under an atmosphere of 1,4-Dihydrobenzene was degassed by three freeze-pump-thaw cycles, vacuum argon before use. transferred, and stored under an atmosphere of argon at -10 °C before use. Cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) was dried by heating overnight in vacuo (70 °C, 200 mTorr), and stored under an atmosphere of argon before Benzyl 4-oxopiperidine-1-carboxylate,^[2] (*E*)-2-methylbut-2-en-1-ol,^[3] cyclohexa-2,5-diene-1use. carboxylic acid,^[4] methyl cyclohexa-2,5-diene-1-carboxylate,^[4] manganese tris(dipivaloylmethane),^[5] tosyl bromide.^[6] iodide.^[7] 4-methylbenzenesulfonoselenoate,^[8] tosvl Se-phenyl N-(benzyloxy)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)methanimidoyl cyanide^[9], and (phenylsulfonyl)methanal O-benzyl oxime^[9] were prepared according to published procedures. p-Toluenesulfonyl chloride was recrystallized from chloroformpentane immediately before use. N-Iodosuccinimide was recrystallized from 1,4-dioxanetetrachloromethane immediately before use. 1,2-Diiodoethane was recrystallized from diethyl etherpentane immediately before use. The concentration of *n*-butyllithium in hexanes was determined by titration against a standard solution of diphenylacetic acid (average of three determinations).^[10]

Instrumentation. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (¹H NMR) were recorded at 400, 500, or 600 MHz at 24 °C, unless otherwise noted. Chemical shifts are expressed in parts per million (ppm, δ scale) downfield from tetramethylsilane and are referenced to residual protium in the NMR solvent (CHCl₃, δ 7.26; CHDCl₂, δ 5.32; C₆HD₅, δ 7.16). Data are represented as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet and/or multiple resonances, br = broad), integration, coupling constant in Hertz, and assignment. Proton-decoupled carbon nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (¹³C NMR) were recorded at 100, 125, or 150 MHz at 24 °C, unless otherwise noted. Chemical shifts are expressed in parts per million (ppm, δ scale) downfield from tetramethylsilane and are referenced to the carbon resonances of the solvent (CDCl₃, δ 77.0; CD₂Cl₂, δ 54.0; C₆D₆, δ 128.1). Distortionless enhancement by polarization transfer spectra [DEPT (135)] were recorded at 100, 125, or 150 MHz at 24 °C, unless otherwise noted. ¹³C NMR and DEPT (135) data are combined and represented as follows: chemical shift, carbon type [obtained from DEPT (135) experiments]. Proton-decoupled

fluorine nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (¹⁹F NMR) were recorded at 375 MHz or 470 MHz at 24 °C, unless otherwise noted. Chemical shifts are expressed in parts per million (ppm, δ scale) downfield from fluorotrichloromethane. Attenuated total reflectance Fourier transform infrared spectra (ATR-FTIR) were obtained using a Thermo Electron Corporation Nicolet 6700 FTIR spectrometer referenced to a polystyrene standard. Data are represented as follows: frequency of absorption (cm⁻¹), intensity of absorption (s = strong, m = medium, w = weak, br = broad). High-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) were obtained on a Waters UPLC/HRMS instrument equipped with a dual API/ESI high-resolution mass spectrometry detector and photodiode array detector. Unless otherwise noted, samples were eluted over a reverse-phase C18 column (1.7 µm particle size, 2.1 × 50 mm) with a linear gradient of 5% acetonitrile–water containing 0.1% formic acid \rightarrow 95% acetonitrile–water containing 0.1% formic acid over 1.6 min, followed by 100% acetonitrile containing 0.1% formic acid for 1 min, at a flow rate of 600 µL/min.

Synthetic Procedures.

Ho

$$CH_3$$
 4 -methoxybenzoyl chloride
 $C_5H_5N, 0 \rightarrow 24 \ ^{\circ}C$
 1
 CH_3O
 1
 CH_3O
 $1a$
 $1a$

Preparation of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a):

4-Methoxybenzoyl chloride (1.50 g, 8.80 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe to a solution of 2-methyl-2-propen-1-ol (576 mg, 8.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in pyridine (32 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, and then the ice bath was removed. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (50 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (50 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×50 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**) as a clear oil (1.60 g, 97%).

 $R_f = 0.55$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, H₃), 6.92 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, H₂), 5.05 (s, 1H, H₆), 4.96 (s, 1H, H₆), 4.71 (s, 2H, H₄), 3.87 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.82 (s, 3H, H₅). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.0 (C), 163.4 (C), 140.2 (C), 131.6 (CH), 122.6 (C), 113.6 (CH), 112.7 (CH₂), 67.8 (CH₂), 55.4 (CH₃), 19.6 (CH₃).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**) prepared in this way were in agreement with 46those previously described.^[11]



Preparation of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b):

A 250-mL round-bottomed flask that had been fused to a Teflon-coated valve was charged with sodium hydride (300 mg, 7.50 mmol, 1.50 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. Tetrahydrofuran (24 mL) was added to the reaction vessel via syringe and the resulting mixture was cooled to 0 °C. A 250-mL round-bottomed flask was charged with 4-methoxybenzyl alcohol (691 mg, 5.00 mmol, 1 equiv). The vessel containing the starting material was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. Tetrahydrofuran (100 mL) was added to the vessel containing the starting material and the resulting solution was transferred via cannula to the sodium hydride suspension. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 45 min. Tetrabutylammonium iodide (92.3 mg, 250 µmol, 0.0500 equiv) and allyl bromide (786 mg, 6.50 mmol, 1.30 equiv) were then added in sequence. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm over 30 min to 24 °C. The warmed reaction mixture was stirred for 12 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a pad of silica gel and the pad was rinsed with ethyl acetate (50 mL). The filtrates were collected and combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ether-hexanes initially, grading to 10% ether-hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b) as a light yellow oil (890 mg, 99%).

 $R_f = 0.39$ (20% ether–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27 (d, 2H, J = 7.8 Hz, H₃), 6.88 (d, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz, H₂), 5.94 (ddt, J = 16.8, 10.2, 5.4 Hz, 1H, H₆), 5.29 (d, J = 16.8 Hz, 1H, H₇), 5.19 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H, H₇), 4.45 (s, 2H, H₄), 4.00 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 2H, H₅), 3.80 (s, 3H, H₁). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.2 (C), 134.8 (CH), 130.3 (C), 129.3 (CH), 117.0 (CH₂), 113.7 (CH), 71.8 (CH₂), 70.8 (CH₂), 55.2 (CH₃).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[12]



Preparation of allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1c):

4-Methoxybenzoyl chloride (1.50 g, 8.80 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe to a solution of allyl alcohol (464 mg, 8.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in pyridine (32 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, and then the ice bath was removed. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (50 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (50 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×50 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**) as a clear oil (1.54 g, 99%).

 $R_f = 0.55$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, H₃), 6.92 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, H₂), 6.03 (ddt, J = 16.8, 10.2, 4.2 Hz, 1H, H₅), 5.40 (d, J = 16.8 Hz, 1H, H₆), 5.27 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H, H₆), 4.80 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 2H, H₄), 3.86 (s, 3H, H₁). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.0 (C), 163.4 (C), 132.5 (CH), 131.6 (CH), 122.5 (C), 117.9 (CH₂), 113.6 (CH), 65.2 (CH₂), 55.4 (CH₃).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for 2-methylallyl allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1c) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[13]



Preparation of 2-chloroallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1d):

4-Methoxybenzoyl chloride (1.02 g, 5.96 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe to a solution of 2-chloro-2-propen-1-ol (500 mg, 5.41 mmol, 1 equiv) in pyridine (22 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, and then the ice bath was removed. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (20 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 2-chloroallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1d**) as a clear oil (1.20 g, 98%).

 $R_f = 0.52$ (10% ethyl acetate-hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₃), 6.94 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₂), 5.55–5.53 (m, 1H, H₆), 5.45–5.42 (m, 1H, H₆), 4.87 (br s, 2H, H₄), 3.87 (s, 3H, H₁). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.0 (C), 163.4 (C), 135.9 (C), 131.6 (CH), 121.5 (C), 114.4 (CH₂), 113.5 (CH), 65.8 (CH₂), 55.2 (CH₃).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for 2-chloroallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1d**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[14]



Preparation of 3-bromobut-3-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1e):

1-Methylimidazole (71.4 μ L, 900 μ mol, 0.300 equiv) and 4-methoxyphenyl isocyanate (386 μ L, 3.00 mmol, 1.00 equiv) were added in sequence to a solution of 3-bromo-3-buten-1-ol (298 μ L, 3.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (7.5 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was concentrated and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 33% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 3-bromobut-3-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1e**) as a white solid (809 mg, 90%).

 R_f = 0.34 (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34–7.26 (m, 2H, H₃), 6.85 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₂), 6.57 (br s, 1H, NH), 5.69 (br s, 1H, H₇), 5.52 (s, 1H, H₇), 4.34 (t, 2H, J = 6.3 Hz, H₄), 3.78 (s, 3H, H₁), 2.79 (t, 2H, J = 6.3 Hz, H₅). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.9 (C), 153.5 (C), 130.7 (C), 129.5 (C), 120.5 (CH), 119.1 (CH₂), 114.2 (CH), 62.3 (CH₂), 55.5 (CH₃), 40.8 (CH₂).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for 3-bromobut-3-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1e**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[14]



Preparation of benzyl 4-methylenepiperidine-1-carboxylate (1f):

A 250-mL round-bottomed flask that had been fused to a Teflon-coated valve was charged with methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (4.29 g, 12.0 mmol, 1.20 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. Tetrahydrofuran (60 mL) was added to the reaction vessel via syringe and the resulting mixture was cooled to 0 °C. A solution of *n*-butyllithium in hexanes (2.42 M, 4.96 mL, 12.0 mmol, 1.20 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe to the cold mixture. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at 0 °C. A 25-mL round-bottomed flask was charged with benzyl 4-oxopiperidine-1-carboxylate (2.33 g, 10.0 mmol, 1 equiv). The vessel containing the starting material was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. Tetrahydrofuran (10 mL) was added to the vessel containing the starting material and the resulting solution was transferred via cannula to the ylide solution. The reaction mixture was filtered through a pad of silica gel and the pad was rinsed with ethyl acetate (50 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford benzyl 4-methylenepiperidine-1-carboxylate (**1f**) as a clear oil (1.78 g, 77%).

 $R_f = 0.27$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36–7.30 (m, 5H, ArH), 5.14 (s, 2H, H₅), 4.75 (s, 2H, H₁), 3.50 (br s, 4H, H₂), 2.19 (br s, 4H, H₃). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.1 (C), 144.8 (C), 136.8 (C), 128.4 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 109.4 (CH₂), 67.1 (CH₂), 45.5 (CH₂), 34.5 (CH₂).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for benzyl 4-methylenepiperidine-1-carboxylate (**1f**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[15]



Preparation of 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1g):

1-Methylimidazole (71.4 μ L, 900 μ mol, 0.300 equiv) and 4-methoxyphenyl isocyanate (386 μ L, 3.00 mmol, 1.00 equiv) were added in sequence to a solution of 3-methylbut-2-en-1-ol (284 mg, 3.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (7.5 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was concentrated and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 33% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1g**) as a white solid (705 mg, 99%).

 $R_f = 0.25$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, CAM). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28–7.26 (m, 2H, H₃), 6.84 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₂), 6.49 (br s, NH), 5.41–5.37 (m, 1H, H₅), 4.65 (d, 2H, J = 7.0 Hz, H₄), 3.78 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.77 (s, 3H, H₇), 1.74 (s, 3H, H₈). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.6 (C), 153.7 (C), 138.9 (C), 130.8 (C), 120.4 (CH), 118.6 (CH), 114.0 (CH), 61.7 (CH₂), 55.2 (CH₃), 25.5 (CH₃), 17.8 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 3315 (w), 1696 (s), 1511 (s), 1209 (s), 826 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₈NO₃, 236.1287; found, 236.1278.



Preparation of (E)-2-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1h):

1-Methylimidazole (71.4 μ L, 900 μ mol, 0.300 equiv) and 4-methoxyphenyl isocyanate (386 μ L, 3.00 mmol, 1.00 equiv) were added in sequence to a solution of (*E*)-2-methylbut-2-en-1-ol (284 mg, 3.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (7.5 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was concentrated and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 33% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford (*E*)-2-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1h**) as a white solid (654 mg, 93%).

 $\begin{array}{l} R_f = 0.25 \ (20\% \ ethyl \ acetate-hexanes; UV, CAM). \ ^1H \ NMR \ (400 \ MHz, CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 7.31 \ (d, 2H, J = 8.0 \ Hz, H_3), \ 6.87-6.85 \ (m, 3H, 2 \times H_2, 1 \times NH), \ 5.60 \ (t, 1H, J = 6.6 \ Hz, H_6), \ 4.54 \ (s, 2H, H_4), \ 3.78 \ (s, 3H, H_1), \ 1.70 \ (s, 3H, H_7), \ 1.66 \ (d, 3H, J = 6.8 \ Hz, H_8). \ ^{13}C \ NMR \ (150 \ MHz, CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 156.4 \ (C), \ 154.5 \ (C), \ 131.9 \ (C), \ 131.8 \ (C), \ 124.2 \ (CH), \ 121.1 \ (CH), \ 114.6 \ (CH), \ 71.2 \ (CH_2), \ 55.9 \ (CH_3), \ 13.9 \ (CH_3), \ 13.5 \ (CH_3). \ IR \ (ATR-FTIR), \ cm^{-1}: \ 3320 \ (s), \ 1689 \ (s), \ 1525 \ (s), \ 1232 \ (m), \ 1028 \ (m). \ HRMS-ESI \ (m/z): \ [M + H]^+ \ calcd \ for \ C_{13}H_{18}NO_3, \ 236.1287; \ found, \ 236.1284. \end{array}$



Preparation of 2-fluoroallyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1i):

1-Methylimidazole (238 μ L, 3.00 mmol, 0.300 equiv) and 4-methoxyphenyl isocyanate (1.29 mL, 10.0 mmol, 1.00 equiv) were added in sequence to a solution of 2-fluoroprop-2-en-1-ol (761 mg, 10.0 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (25 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 36 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was concentrated and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 8% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 33% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 2-fluoroallyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1i**) as a white solid (1.30 g, 58%).

 $R_f = 0.65$ (33% ethyl acetate-hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 (d, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz, H₃), 6.94 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.84 (d, 2H, J = 8.1 Hz, H₂), 4.81 (dd, 1H, J = 15.9, 3.3 Hz, H₆), 4.71–4.60 (m, 3H, 2 × H₄, 1 × H₆), 3.77 (s, 3H, H₁). ¹⁹F NMR (375 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –105.36.

¹H and ¹⁹F NMR data for 2-fluoroallyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1i**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[14]



Preparation of (allyloxy)(tert-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a):

Imidazole (1.02 g, 15.0 mmol, 1.50 equiv) and *tert*-butyl(chloro)diphenylsilane (3.02 g, 11.0 mmol, 1.10 equiv) were added in sequence to a solution of allyl alcohol (580 mg, 10.0 mmol, 1 equiv) in *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide (8.0 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (50 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (50 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 1% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) as a clear oil (2.96 g, 99%).

 $R_f = 0.75$ (5% ether–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72–7.69 (m, 4H, H₃), 7.46–7.37 (m, 6H, 4 × H₂, 2 × H₄), 5.99–5.90 (m, 1H, H₆), 5.42–5.37 (m, 1H, H₇), 5.15–5.12 (m, 1H, H₇), 4.24–4.22 (m, 2H, H₅), 1.09 (s, 9H, H₁). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.0 (C), 135.5 (CH), 133.7 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 113.9 (CH₂), 64.6 (CH₂), 26.8 (CH₃), 19.3 (C).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[16]



Preparation of (E)-tert-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (4b):

Imidazole (510 mg, 7.50 mmol, 1.50 equiv) and *tert*-butyl(chloro)diphenylsilane (1.51 g, 5.50 mmol, 1.10 equiv) were added in sequence to a solution of (*E*)-pent-2-en-1-ol (430 mg, 5.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide (4.0 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (25 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (25 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 1% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford (*E*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4b**) as a clear oil (1.62 g, 99%).

 $\begin{array}{l} R_f = 0.75 \; (5\% \; ether-hexanes; \; UV, \; KMnO_4). \ ^1H \; NMR \; (400 \; MHz, \; CDCl_3) \; \delta \; 7.75 - 7.72 \; (m, \; 4H, \; H_3), \; 7.45 - 7.40 \; (m, \; 6H, \; 4 \times H_2, \; 2 \times H_4), \; 5.75 - 5.70 \; (m, \; 1H, \; H_7), \; 5.61 - 5.59 \; (m, \; 1H, \; H_6), \; 4.22 - 4.19 \; (m, \; 2H, \; H_5), \; 2.11 - 2.05 \; (m, \; 2H, \; H_8), \; 1.12 - 1.09 \; (m, \; 9H, \; H_1), \; 1.06 - 0.99 \; (m, \; 3H, \; H_9). \ ^{13}C \; NMR \; (100 \; MHz, \; CDCl_3) \; \delta \; 135.6 \; (CH), \; 133.9 \; (C), \; 132.9 \; (CH), \; 129.5 \; (CH), \; 127.7 \; (CH), \; 127.6 \; (CH), \; 64.7 \; (CH_2), \; 26.9 \; (CH_3), \; 25.2 \; (CH_2), \; 19.2 \; (C), \; 13.5 \; (CH_3). \; IR \; (ATR-FTIR), \; cm^{-1}: \; 2960 \; (m), \; 1428 \; (m), \; 1105 \; (s), \; 699 \; (s), \; 502 \; (m). \; HRMS-ESI \; (m/z): \; [M + H]^+ \; calcd \; for \; C_{21}H_{29}OSi, \; 325.1988; \; found, \; 325.1983. \end{array}$



Preparation of (Z)-tert-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (4c):

Imidazole (510 mg, 7.50 mmol, 1.50 equiv) and *tert*-butyl(chloro)diphenylsilane (1.51 g, 5.50 mmol, 1.10 equiv) were added in sequence to a solution of (*Z*)-pent-2-en-1-ol (430 mg, 5.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide (4.0 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (25 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (25 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 1% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford (*Z*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4c**) as a clear oil (1.57 g, 97%).

 R_f = 0.75 (5% ether–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74–7.72 (m, 4H, H₃), 7.44–7.41 (m, 6H, 4 × H₂, 2 × H₄), 5.64–5.58 (m, 1H, H₇), 5.47–5.42 (m, 1H, H₆), 4.30–4.29 (m, 2H, H₅), 1.94–1.89 (m, 2H, H₈), 1.10–1.08 (m, 9H, H₁), 0.94–0.89 (m, 3H, H₉). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.6 (CH), 133.9 (C), 132.7 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 60.2 (CH₂), 26.8 (CH₃), 20.8 (CH₂), 19.1 (C), 14.2 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2961 (m), 1428 (s), 1070 (m), 698 (s), 502 (m). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₉OSi, 325.1988; found, 325.1986.



Preparation of (but-2-yn-1-yloxy)(tert-butyl)diphenylsilane (4d):

Imidazole (510 mg, 7.50 mmol, 1.50 equiv) and *tert*-butyl(chloro)diphenylsilane (1.51 g, 5.50 mmol, 1.10 equiv) were added in sequence to a solution of 2-butyn-1-ol (350 mg, 5.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide (4.0 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (25 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (25 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 1% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford (but-2-yn-1-yloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4d**) as a clear oil (1.52 g, 99%).

 $\begin{array}{l} R_f = 0.75 \ (5\% \ ether-hexanes; \ UV, \ KMnO_4). \ ^1H \ NMR \ (400 \ MHz, \ CDCl_3) \ \delta \ 7.73 - 7.72 \ (m, \ 4H, \ H_3), \ 7.44 - 7.39 \ (m, \ 6H, \ 4 \times H_2, \ 2 \times H_4), \ 4.30 \ (s, \ 2H, \ H_5), \ 1.81 \ (s, \ 3H, \ H_8), \ 1.07 \ (s, \ 9H, \ H_1). \ ^{13}C \ NMR \ (100 \ MHz, \ CDCl_3) \ \delta \ 135.6 \ (CH), \ 133.3 \ (C), \ 129.7 \ (CH), \ 127.6 \ (CH), \ 81.2 \ (C), \ 77.5 \ (C), \ 52.9 \ (CH_2), \ 26.7 \ (CH_3), \ 19.2 \ (C), \ 3.6 \ (CH_3). \ IR \ (ATR-FTIR), \ cm^{-1}: \ 2930 \ (m), \ 1428 \ (s), \ 1062 \ (s), \ 698 \ (s), \ 500 \ (m). \ HRMS-ESI \ (m/z): \ [M + Na]^+ \ calcd \ for \ C_{20}H_{24}NaOSi, \ 331.1494; \ found, \ 331.1498. \end{array}$



Preparation of tert-butyldiphenyl(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)silane (4e):

Imidazole (510 mg, 7.5 mmol, 1.50 equiv) and *tert*-butyl(chloro)diphenylsilane (1.51 g, 5.50 mmol, 1.10 equiv) were added in sequence to a solution of propargyl alcohol (280 mg, 5.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide (4.0 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (25 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (25 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 1% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford *tert*-butyldiphenyl(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)silane (**4e**) as a colorless solid (1.29 g, 88%).

 $R_f = 0.75$ (5% ether–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74–7.72 (m, 4H, H₃), 7.47–7.40 (m, 6H, 4 × H₂, 2 × H₄), 4.33 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 2H, H₅), 2.40 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H, H₇), 1.09 (s, 9H, H₁). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.6 (CH), 132.9 (C), 129.8 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 82.0 (C), 73.0 (CH), 52.5 (CH₂), 26.7 (CH₃), 19.1 (C)

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for *tert*-butyldiphenyl(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)silane (**4e**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[17]



Preparation of 1-fluoro-4-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)benzene (4f):

A 25-mL round-bottomed flask that had been fused to a Teflon-coated valve was charged sequentially with 1-fluoro-4-iodobenzene (1.11 g, 5.00 mmol, 1 equiv), bis(triphenylphosphine)palladium dichloride (175 mg, 250 μ mol, 0.0500 equiv), and copper iodide (95.2 mg, 500 μ mol, 0.100 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. Triethylamine (10.0 mL) and 1-hexyne (860 μ L, 7.50 mmol, 1.50 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel. The reaction vessel was sealed and the sealed vessel was placed in an oil bath that had been preheated to 50 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred and heated for 4 h at 50 °C. The product mixture was allowed to cool over 20 min to 24 °C. The cooled product mixture was filtered through a pad of silica gel and the pad was rinsed with ethyl acetate (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with hexanes, isocratic gradient) to afford 1-fluoro-4-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)benzene (**4f**) as a light yellow oil (723 mg, 82%).

 $R_f = 0.40$ (hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (dd, J = 8.4, 5.5 Hz, 2H, H₁), 6.98–6.47 (m, 2H, H₂), 2.39 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H, H₅), 1.61–1.55 (m, 2H, H₇), 1.51–1.44 (m, 2H, H₆), 0.95 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H, H₈). ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -112.5.

¹H and ¹⁹F NMR data for 1-fluoro-4-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)benzene (**4f**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[18]



Preparation of (E)-pent-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (S1):

4-Methoxybenzoyl chloride (563 mg, 3.30 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe to a solution of (*E*)-pent-2-en-1-ol (258 mg, 3.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in pyridine (12 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, and then the ice bath was removed. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (20 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford (*E*)-pent-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S1**) as a clear oil (621 mg, 94%).

 R_f = 0.55 (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.99 (d, 2H, J = 8.5 Hz, H₃), 6.92 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₂), 5.93–5.88 (m, 1H, H₆), 5.71–5.66 (m, 1H, H₅), 4.72 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, H₄), 3.85 (s, 3H, H₁), 2.14–2.08 (m, 2H, H₇), 1.03 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H, H₈). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 166.4 (C), 164.0 (C), 138.1 (CH), 132.0 (CH), 123.8 (C), 123.5 (CH), 114.1 (CH), 65.9 (CH₂), 56.0 (CH₃), 25.9 (CH₂), 13.6 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2966 (m), 1708 (s), 1605 (s), 1511 (s), 1249 (s), 1096 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₆NaO₃, 243.0997; found, 243.0996.



Preparation of (Z)-pent-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (S2):

4-Methoxybenzoyl chloride (563 mg, 3.30 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe to a solution of (*Z*)-pent-2-en-1-ol (258 mg, 3.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in pyridine (12 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, and then the ice bath was removed. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (20 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford (*Z*)-pent-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S2**) as a clear oil (661 mg, 99%).

 R_f = 0.55 (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.99 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₃), 6.94 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₂), 5.73–5.68 (m, 1H, H₆), 5.66–5.61 (m, 1H, H₅), 4.82 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H, H₄), 3.86 (s, 3H, H₁), 2.23–2.17 (m, 2H, H₇), 1.03 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H, H₈). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 166.6 (C), 164.0 (C), 137.4 (CH), 132.0 (CH), 123.6 (C), 123.4 (CH), 114.1 (CH), 61.0 (CH₂), 56.0 (CH₃), 21.5 (CH₂), 14.5 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2965 (m), 1708 (m), 1605 (s), 1249 (s), 1096 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₆NaO₃, 243.0997; found, 243.1002.



Preparation of 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (S3):

4-Methoxybenzoyl chloride (563 mg, 3.30 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe to a solution of 3-methylbut-2-en-1-ol (258 mg, 3.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in pyridine (12 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, and then the ice bath was removed. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (20 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S3**) as a clear oil (661 mg, 99%).

 $R_f = 0.55$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.98 (d, 2H, J = 8.5 Hz, H₃), 6.94 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₂), 5.47 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H, H₅), 4.78 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, H₄), 3.86 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.80 (s, 3H, H₇), 1.78 (s, 3H, H₈). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 166.6 (C), 163.9 (C), 139.4 (C), 131.9 (CH), 123.6 (C), 119.5 (CH), 114.1 (CH), 62.0 (CH₂), 56.0 (CH₃), 26.0 (CH₃), 18.4 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2935 (w), 1707 (s), 1606 (s), 1251 (s), 1096 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂NaO₃, 243.0997; found, 243.1003.



Preparation of but-2-yn-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (S4):

4-Methoxybenzoyl chloride (563 mg, 3.30 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe to a solution of but-2-yn-1-ol (210 mg, 3.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in pyridine (12 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, and then the ice bath was removed. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (20 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford but-2-yn-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S4**) as a clear oil (612 mg, 99%).

 $R_f = 0.55$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.99 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₃), 6.94 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₂), 4.83 (s, 2H, H₄), 3.86 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.87 (s, 3H, H₇). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 166.0 (C), 164.2 (C), 132.2 (CH), 122.7 (C), 114.2 (CH), 83.4 (C), 74.0 (C), 56.0 (CH₃), 53.4 (CH₂), 3.9 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2938 (w), 1710 (m), 1605 (s), 1248 (s), 1091 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂NaO₃, 227.0684; found, 227.0685.



Preparation of 2-bromoallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1k):

4-Methoxybenzoyl chloride (938 mg, 5.50 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe to a solution of 2-bromoallyl alcohol (685 mg, 5.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in pyridine (20 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, and then the ice bath was removed. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (20 mL). The aqueous layer was isolated and the isolated aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 2-bromoallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1k**) as a clear oil (1.26g, 93%).

 R_f = 0.51 (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 8.03 (d, 2H, J = 8.8 Hz, H₃), 6.96 (d, 2H, J = 8.8 Hz, H₂), 6.00 (br s, 1H, H₆), 5.70 (br s, 1H, H₆), 4.92 (s, 2H, H₄), 3.86 (s, 3H, H₁). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 165.6 (C), 164.3 (C), 132.2 (CH), 127.2 (C), 122.4 (C), 119.3 (CH₂), 114.3 (CH), 68.1 (CH₂), 56.0 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 1714 (s), 1604 (s), 1510 (m), 1249 (s), 1165 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₁₂^{79/81}BrO₃, 270.9970/272.9949; found, 270.9975/272.9943.



Preparation of (E)-2-methylallyl pent-2-en-1-yl terephthalate (9):

N,N'-Diisopropylcarbodiimide (1.55 mL, 10.0 mmol, 2.00 equiv) and 4-dimethylaminopyridine (122 mg, 1.00 mmol, 0.200 equiv) were added sequentially to a suspension of 2-methylallyl alcohol (371 mg, 5.00 mmol, 1 equiv) and 4-formylbenzoic acid (750 mg, 5.00 mmol, 1 equiv) in dichloromethane (25 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was concentrated and the residue obtained was diluted with a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexanes (1:4, v/v, 100 mL). The diluted product mixture was filtered through a pad of celite and the pad was rinsed with a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexanes (1:4, v/v, 100 mL). The filtrates were collected and combined. The combined filtrate was concentrated. The 2-methylallyl 4-formylbenzoate prepared in this way was immediately used in the following step without further purification.

2-Methyl-2-butene (6.36mL, 60.0 mmol, 12.0 equiv) and a solution of sodium chlorite (3.00 g, 33.3 mmol, 6.65 equiv) and sodium phosphate monobasic (3.68 g, 26.7 mmol, 5.34 equiv) in water (22.7 mL) were added sequentially to a suspension of 2-methylallyl 4-formylbenzoate (nominally, 5.00 mmol) in *t*-butanol (71.4 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 24 °C. The product mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel that had been charged with ethyl acetate (250 mL). The diluted product mixture was washed with saturated ammonium chloride (3×50 mL). The organic layer were combined and the combined organic layers were dried over sodium sulfate. The dried solution was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The 4-(((2-methylallyl)oxy)carbonyl)benzoic acid prepared in this way was immediately used in the following step without further purification.

N,N'-Diisopropylcarbodiimide (1.55 mL, 10.0 mmol, 2.00 equiv) and 4-dimethylaminopyridine (122 mg, 1.00 mmol, 0.200 equiv) were added sequentially to a suspension of (*E*)-2-penten-1-ol (517 mg, 6.00 mmol, 1.20 equiv) and 4-(((2-methylallyl)oxy)carbonyl)benzoic acid (nominally, 5.00 mmol) in dichloromethane (25 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was concentrated and the residue obtained was diluted with a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexanes (1:4, v/v, 200 mL). The diluted product mixture was filtered through a pad of celite and the pad was rinsed with a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexanes (1:4, v/v, 200 mL). The diluted product mixture was filtered through a pad of celite and the pad was rinsed with a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexanes (1:4, v/v, 250 mL). The filtrates were collected and combined. The combined filtrate was concentrated and the residue obtained was purified by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes, isocratic gradient) to afford (*E*)-2-methylallyl pent-2-en-1-yl terephthalate (**9**) as a light yellow oil (579 mg, 40%)

 $R_f = 0.47$ (10% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, KMnO₄). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.11–8.10 (m, 4H, 2 × H₆, 2 × H₇), 5.94–5.87 (m, 1H, H₃), 5.70–5.63 (m, 1H, H₄), 5.07 (s, 1H, H₁₀), 4.98 (s, 1H, H₁₀), 4.78–4.75 (m, 4H, 2 × H₅, 2 × H₈), 2.11–2.08 (m, 2H, H₂), 1.83 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.01 (t, 3H, J = 10.0 Hz, H₉). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.5 (C), 165.3 (C), 139.6 (C), 138.4 (CH), 134.2 (C), 133.8 (C), 129.5 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 122.5 (CH), 113.2 (CH), 68.4 (CH₂), 66.1 (CH₂), 25.2 (CH₂), 19.5 (CH₃), 13.0 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2964 (w), 1717 (s), 1262 (s), 1242 (s), 1099 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₂₁O₄, 289.1440; found, 289.1439.

Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table 1, Entry 1).



A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**, 44.5 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv). A 16gauge needle was penetrated through the septum. *n*-Propanol (830 μ L), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (238 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 μ L, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 24 °C and *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 μ L, 125 μ mol, 0.500 equiv) was added every hour until the consumption of **1a** was complete (as determined by TLC analysis, 135 min for **1a**, 2.00 equiv of TBHP in total). The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate– hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (25.4 mg, 212 μ mol, 0.848 equiv) revealed a < 5% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a 71% yield of isobutyl 4methoxybenzoate (**2a**), an 86% yield of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**), and a 14% yield of 1-methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl)benzene (**2b**).

Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table 1, Entry 2).



A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**, 44.5 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was equipped with a balloon of dry air and the reaction vessel was cooled to 0 °C. *n*-Propanol (830 µL), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (238 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 µL, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 300 min. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate—hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using 1,3,5trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard (35.7 mg, 241 µmol, 0.964 equiv) revealed a 95% yield of 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a <5% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**), a 93% yield of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**), and a < 1% yield of 1-methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl)benzene (**2b**).

Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table 1, Entry 3).



A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**, 44.5 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv). A 16gauge needle was penetrated through the septum. *n*-Propanol (830 µL), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (238 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 µL, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 24 °C and *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 µL, 125 µmol, 0.500 equiv) was added every hour until the consumption of **1a** was complete (as determined by TLC analysis, 180 min for **1a**, 2.50 equiv of TBHP in total). The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate– hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard (46.8 mg, 278 µmol, 1.11 equiv) revealed a 28% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a 31% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**), an 82% yield of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**), and a < 1% yield of 1-methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl)benzene (**2b**).

Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table 1, Entry 4).



A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**, 44.5 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was open to the atmosphere. *n*-Propanol (830 μ L), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (238 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 μ L, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 24 °C for 30 min. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (32.2 mg, 268 μ mol, 1.07 equiv) revealed a < 5% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a 63% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**), an 44% yield of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**), and a 17% yield of 1-methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl)benzene (**2b**).

Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table 1, Entry 5).



A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a, 51.6 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b, 44.5 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (16.1 mg, 62.5 µmol, 0.250 equiv). The reaction vessel was left open to air. n-Propanol (830 µL), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (238 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 11.4 µL, 62.5 µmol, 0.250 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 24 °C until the consumption of **1a** was complete (as determined by TLC analysis, 180 min for **1a**). The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate-hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (21.9 mg, 183 µmol, 0.730 equiv) revealed a 94% yield of 1-((allyloxy)) methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b), and a <1% yield of 1-methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl) benzene (2b). The NMR sample was concentrated to dryness and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether-hexanes initially, grading to 20% ether-hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 2-hydroxy-2-methylpropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (3, clear oil, 38.6 mg, 69%).

 $\begin{array}{l} R_f = 0.29 \ (20\% \ ether-hexanes; UV). \ ^1H \ NMR \ (400 \ MHz, \ CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 9.46 \ (s, \ 1H, \ OH), \ 8.03 \ (d, \ J = 8,8 \ Hz, \ 2H, \ H_3), \ 6.96 \ (d, \ J = 9.2 \ Hz, \ 2H, \ H_2), \ 4.36 \ (s, \ 2H, \ H_4), \ 3.87 \ (s, \ 3H, \ H_1), \ 1.27 \ (s, \ 6H, \ H_5). \ ^{13}C \ NMR \ (100 \ MHz, \ CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 168.4 \ (C), \ 164.5 \ (C), \ 132.5 \ (CH), \ 122.4 \ (C), \ 114.3 \ (CH), \ 82.1 \ (C), \ 67.0 \ (CH_2), \ 56.1 \ (CH_3), \ 21.7 \ (CH_3). \ IR \ (ATR-FTIR), \ cm^{-1}: \ 3342 \ (w), \ 2983 \ (m), \ 1688 \ (m), \ 1255 \ (m), \ 1167 \ (s). \ HRMS-ESI \ (m/z): \ [M + Na]^+ \ calcd \ for \ C_{12}H_{16}NaO_4, \ 247.0946; \ found, \ 247.0942. \end{array}$

Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table 1, Entry 6).



A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**, 44.5 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. *n*-Propanol (830 μ L), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (238 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 μ L, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 24 °C and *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 μ L, 125 μ mol, 0.500 equiv) was added every hour until the consumption of **1a** was complete (as determined by TLC analysis, 360 min for **1a**, 3.50 equiv of TBHP in total). The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using 1,3,5trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard (41.4 mg, 246 μ mol, 0.948 equiv) revealed a 19% yield of 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a 69% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**), an 67% yield of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**), and a 14% yield of 1-methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl)benzene (**2b**).

Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table 1, Entry 7).



A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a, 51.6 mg, 250 umol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b, 44.5 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. n-Propanol (830 µL), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (238 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of tert-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 µL, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction vessel was placed in an oil bath that had been preheated to 50 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 50 °C and tert-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 µL, 125 µmol, 0.500 equiv) was added every hour until the consumption of **1a** was complete (as determined by TLC analysis, 120 min for **1a**, 1.50 equiv of TBHP in total). The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate-hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (29.3 mg, 244 μ mol, 0.977 equiv) revealed a < 5% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a), a 80% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (2a), an 75% yield of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b), and a 18% yield of 1-methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl)benzene (2b).

Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table 1, Entry 8).



A 10-mL two-neck round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum and a reflux condenser was charged sequentially with 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a, 51.6 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b, 44.5 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. *n*-Propanol (830 μ L), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (238 μ L, 2.5 mmol, 10.0 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction vessel was placed in an oil bath that had been preheated to 40 °C. A solution of tert-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 µL, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv) was added dropwise over 60 min via syringe pump to the reaction vessel. The reaction mixture was stirred and heated at 40 °C until the consumption of **1a** was complete (as determined by TLC analysis, 60 min for **1a**). The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetatehexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (28.7 mg, 239 µmol, 0.956 equiv) revealed a < 5% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a), a 91% yield of isobutyl 4methoxybenzoate (2a), a 72% yield of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b), and a 20% yield of 1methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl)benzene (2b).
Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table S1, Entry 1).



A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a, 51.6 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b, 44.5 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv). A 16gauge needle was penetrated through the septum. *n*-Propanol (830 μ L), cyclohexa-2,5-diene-1-carboxylic acid (310 mg, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 µL, $250 \mu mol, 1.00 equiv)$, and triethylsilane (400 $\mu L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv)$ were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 24 °C and tert-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 µL, 125 µmol, 0.500 equiv) was added every hour until the consumption of **1a** was complete (as determined by TLC analysis, 280 min for 1a, 3.50 equiv of TBHP in total). The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate-hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (61.9 mg, 516 μ mol, 2.06 equiv) revealed a < 5% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a), a 13% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (2a), an 68% yield of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b), and a 3% yield of 1-methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl)benzene (2b). The NMR sample was concentrated to dryness and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether-hexanes initially, grading to 20% ether-hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 2-hydroxy-2-methylpropyl 4methoxybenzoate (3, clear oil, 33.6 mg, 60%).

Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table S1, Entry 2).



A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a, 51.6 mg, 250 umol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b, 44.5 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv). A 16gauge needle was penetrated through the septum. n-Propanol (830 µL), methyl cyclohexa-2,5-diene-1carboxylate (345 mg, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 µL, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 24 °C 40 min. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate-hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (29.9 mg, 249 µmol, 1.06 equiv) revealed a 67% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a), a 15% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (2a), an 89% yield of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (1b), and a 4% yield of 1-methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl)benzene (2b). The NMR sample was concentrated to dryness and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether-hexanes initially, grading to 20% ether-hexanes, linear gradient) to afford 2-hydroxy-2-methylpropyl 4methoxybenzoate (3, clear oil, 10.0 mg, 18%).

Condition Optimization for the Hydrogenation (Table S1, Entry 3).



A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv), 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (**1b**, 44.5 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv). A 16-gauge needle was penetrated through the septum. *n*-Propanol (830 μ L), 1-methoxycyclohexa-1,4-diene (275 mg, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 μ L, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 24 °C and *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 μ L, 125 μ mol, 0.500 equiv) was added every hour until the consumption of **1a** was complete (as determined by TLC analysis, 380 min for **1a**, 4.00 equiv of TBHP in total). The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (29.1 mg, 243 μ mol, 0.970 equiv) revealed a < 5% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a < 1% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**), a 92% yield of 1-((allyloxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzoate (**1b**), and a < 5% yield of 1-methoxy-4-(propoxymethyl)benzene (**2b**).

Representative Procedure for Competition Experiments (Table S2, Condition A).

target substrate	Co(acac) ₂ , TBHP, Et ₂ SiH, DHB		target hydrogenation product
+		->	+
competition substrate	<i>п-</i> РгОН, 16-GA, 24 °С		competition hydrogenation product

A 25-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with the target substrate (250 μ mol, 1 equiv), the competition substrate (250 μ mol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv). A 16-gauge needle was penetrated through the septum. *n*-Propanol (830 μ L), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (238 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 μ L, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 24 °C and a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 μ L, 125 μ mol, 0.50 equiv) was added every hour until the consumption of the target substrate was complete (as determined by TLC analysis). The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. The conversion of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard. The NMR sample was concentrated to dryness and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography to afford the target hydrogenation product.

Representative Procedure for Competition Experiments (Table S2, Condition B).

target substrate	Co(acac) ₂ , TBHP (syringe pump), Et ₂ SiH, DHB	target hydrogenation product
+		+
competition substrate	<i>n</i> -PrOH, argon, 40 °C	competition hydrogenation product

A 10-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a reflux condenser was charged sequentially with the target substrate (250 μ mol, 1 equiv), the competition substrate (250 μ mol, 1 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. *n*-Propanol (830 μ L), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (238 μ L, 2.5 mmol, 10.0 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction vessel was placed in an oil bath that had been preheated to 40 °C. A solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 μ L, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe pump to the reaction vessel. The reaction mixture was stirred and heated at 40 °C until the consumption of the target substrate was complete (as determined by TLC analysis). The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. The conversion of the competition substrate and the yield of the competition product were determined by ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard. The NMR sample was concentrated to dryness and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography to afford the target hydrogenation product.

2-Methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a) versus allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1c)



Condition A

Following the general procedure A using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**, 48.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (24.1 mg, 201 μ mol, 0.803 equiv) revealed a 79% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate, an 83% yield of allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**) and a 14% yield of propyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2c**).



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**, 48.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 60 min and 1.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (28.7 mg, 239 μ mol, 0.957 equiv) revealed a 91% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a 71% yield of allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**) and a 24% yield of propyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2c**).

2-Methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a) versus (allyloxy)(tert-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a)



Condition A

Following the general procedure A using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (24.7 mg, 206 μ mol, 0.823 equiv) revealed an 83% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) and a 12% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (**S5**). The NMR sample was concentrated to dryness and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**, clear oil, 44.6 mg, 86%).

Isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**): $R_f = 0.54$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, 2H, J = 8.8 Hz, H₃), 6.92 (d, 2H, J = 8.8 Hz, H₂), 4.07 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, H₄), 3.86 (s 3H, H₁), 2.12–2.02 (m, H, H₅), 1.02 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H, H₆). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.4 (C), 163.2 (C), 131.5 (CH), 123.0 (C), 113.5 (CH), 70.7 (CH₂), 55.4 (CH₃), 27.9 (CH), 19.2 (CH₃).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[19]



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 60 min and 1.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (30.8 mg, 257 μ mol, 1.03 equiv) revealed a 83% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) and a 17% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (**S5**). The NMR sample was concentrated to dryness and the residue obtained was purified by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) to afford isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**, clear oil, 47.8 mg, 92%).

2-Chloroallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1d) versus (allyloxy)(tert-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a)



Condition A:

Following the general procedure A using 2-chloroallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1d**, 56.7 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 40 min and 1.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (28.5 mg, 238 μ mol, 0.950 equiv) revealed an 85% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) and a 15% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (**S5**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded 2-chloropropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S6**) as a clear oil (45.3 mg, 79%).

 $R_f = 0.52$ (20% ethyl acetate-hexanes; UV). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₃), 6.93 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz, H₂), 4.42–4.38 (m, 2H, H₄), 4.34–4.27 (m, 1H, H₅), 3.87 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.60 (d, 3H, J = 6.5 Hz, H₆). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.6 (C), 163.4 (C), 131.7 (CH), 121.9 (C), 113.6 (CH), 68.6 (CH₂), 55.3 (CH₃), 54.1 (CH), 21.5 (CH₃).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for 2-chloroallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S6**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[14]



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 2-chloroallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1d**, 56.7 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 60 min and 1.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (28.7 mg, 239 μ mol, 0.957 equiv) revealed a 71% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) and a 28% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (**S5**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded 2-chloropropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S6**) as a clear oil (49.8 mg, 87%)



Following the general procedure A using 3-bromobut-3-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1e, 75.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 20 min and 1.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (33.2 mg, 277 μ mol, 1.11 equiv) revealed a 95% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded 3-bromobutyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**S7**) as a white solid (53.6 mg, 71%).

 $R_f = 0.34$ (33% ether–hexanes; UV, CAM). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33–7.22 (m, 2H, H₃), 6.83 (d, 2H, J = 8.8 Hz, H₂), 6.74 (br s, 1H, NH), 4.40–4.31 (m, 1H, H₄), 4.30–4.15 (m, 2H, H₆, 1 × H₄), 3.77 (s, 3H, H₁), 2.19–2.05 (m, 2H, H₅), 1.74 (d, 3H, J = 6.8 Hz, H₇). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.8 (C), 153.6 (C), 130.7 (C), 120.5 (CH), 114.1 (CH), 63.1 (CH₂), 55.4 (CH₃), 47.0 (CH), 39.9 (CH₂), 26.4 (CH₃).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for 3-bromobutyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**S7**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[14]



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 2-chloroallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1e**, 75.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 60 min and 1.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (29.1 mg, 243 μ mol, 0.971 equiv) revealed a 62% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) and a 30% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (**S5**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded 3-bromobutyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**S7**) as a white solid (62.8 mg, 83%).

Benzyl 4-methylenepiperidine-1-carboxylate (1f) versus (allyloxy)(tert-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a)



Following the general procedure A using benzyl 4-methylenepiperidine-1-carboxylate (**1f**, 57.8 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 120 min and 1.50 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (30.3 mg, 253 μ mol, 1.01 equiv) revealed an 83% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) and a 17% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (**S5**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded benzyl 4-methylpiperidine-1-carboxylate (**S8**) as a clear oil (45.4 mg, 78%).

 $R_f = 0.29$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, CAM). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.37–7.29 (m, 5H, ArH), 5.11 (s, 2H, H₁), 4.12 (br d, J = 12.4 Hz, 2H, H₂), 2.77 (br s, 2H, H₂), 1.63 (br d, J = 12.4 Hz, 2H, H₃), 1.57–1.52 (m, 1H, H₄), 1.10 (qd, J = 12.4, 4.0 Hz, 2H, H₃), 0.95 (d, 3H, J = 6.8 Hz, H₅). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 155.6 (C), 138.0 (C), 128.9 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 67.2 (CH₂), 44.8 (CH₂), 34.5 (CH₂), 31.5 (CH), 22.2 (CH₃).

¹H and ¹³C NMR data for benzyl 4-methylpiperidine-1-carboxylate (**S8**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[20]



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using benzyl 4-methylenepiperidine-1-carboxylate (**1f**, 57.8 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 90 min and 1.52 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (37.9 mg, 316 μ mol, 1.26 equiv) revealed a 62% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) and a 39% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (**S5**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially,

grading to 10% ethyl acetate-hexanes, linear gradient) afforded benzyl 4-methylpiperidine-1-carboxylate (**S8**) as a white solid (51.3 mg, 88%).

2-Methallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a) versus (E)-tert-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (4b)



Following the general procedure A using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (*E*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4b**, 81.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (27.7 mg, 231 μ mol, 0.923 equiv) revealed a 88% yield of (*E*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4b**) and a 9% yield of *tert*-butyl(pentyloxy)diphenylsilane (**59**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (35.8 mg, 69%).



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a, 51.6 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv) and (E)-tert-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (4b, 81.1 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 60 min and 1.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (27.7 mg, 231 µmol, 0.923 equiv) revealed an 89% yield (*E*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4b**) and an 11% vield tertof of butyl(pentyloxy)diphenylsilane (S9). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate-hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate-hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (2a) as a clear oil (50.2 mg, 96%).

2-Methallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a) versus (Z)-tert-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (4c)



Following the general procedure A using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (Z)-tert-butyl(pent-2-en-1-vloxy)diphenvlsilane (4c, 81.1 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (27.7 mg, 231 µmol, 0.923 equiv) revealed an 86% yield (Z)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4**c) and 8% vield of an of tertbutyl(pentyloxy)diphenylsilane (S9). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether-hexanes initially, grading to 10% ether-hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4methoxybenzoate (2a) as a clear oil (36.5 mg, 70%).



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (*Z*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4c**, 81.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 60 min and 1.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (27.9 mg, 233 μ mol, 0.930 equiv) revealed a 88% yield of (*Z*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4c**) and a 11% yield of *tert*-butyl(pentyloxy)diphenylsilane (**S9**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (47.8 mg, 92%).

2-Methallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a) versus (but-2-yn-1-yloxy)(tert-butyl)diphenylsilane (4d)



Following the general procedure A using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (but-2-yn-1-yloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4d**, 77.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (29.0 mg, 242 μ mol, 0.967 equiv) revealed a 88% yield of (but-2-yn-1-yloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4d**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (37.4 mg, 72%).



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (but-2-yn-1-yloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4d**, 77.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 58 min and 0.97 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (30.7 mg, 256 μ mol, 1.02 equiv) revealed an 88% yield of (but-2-yn-1-yloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4d**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (48.4 mg, 93%).

2-Methallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a) versus tert-butyldiphenyl(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)silane (4e)



Following the general procedure A using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and *tert*-butyldiphenyl(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)silane (**4e**, 73.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (28.9 mg, 241 μ mol, 0.963 equiv) revealed a 74% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)silane (**4e**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (40.1 mg, 77%).



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and *tert*-butyldiphenyl(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)silane (**4e**, 73.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 100 min and 1.28 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (30.9 mg, 258 μ mol, 1.03 equiv) revealed a 70% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)silane (**4e**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (46.3 mg, 89%).



Following the general procedure A using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and 1-fluoro-4-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)benzene (**4f**, 44.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹⁹F NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with hexafluorobenzene as an internal standard (46.6 mg, 251 μ mol, 1.00 equiv) revealed a 69% yield of 1-fluoro-4-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)benzene (**4f**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (33.3 mg, 64%).



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and 1-fluoro-4-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)benzene (**4f**, 44.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 70 min and 1.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹⁹F NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using hexafluorobenzene as an internal standard (46.3 mg, 249 μ mol, 0.996 equiv) revealed a 78% yield of 1-fluoro-4-(hex-1-yn-1-yl)benzene (**4f**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (46.8 mg, 90%).

3-Methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1g) versus (allyloxy)(tert-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a)



Condition A:

Following the general procedure A using 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1g**, 57.8 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). A solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 μ L, 125 μ mol, 0.50 equiv) was added every half an hour. Reaction time was 420 min and 8.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (29.9 mg, 249 μ mol, 0.998 equiv) revealed a 54% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) and a 46% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (**S5**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isopentyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**S10**) as a white solid (54.4 mg, 92%).

 $R_f = 0.52$ (33% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, CAM). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.28 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, H₃), 6.89 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, H₂), 6.60 (br s, 1H, NH), 4.16 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H, H₄), 3.77 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.76–1.69 (m, 1H, H₆), 1.60–1.53 (m, 2H, H₅), 0.94 (d, 6H, J = 6.4 Hz, H₇). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 156.4 (C), 154.5 (C), 131.8 (C), 121.0 (CH), 114.6 (CH), 64.2 (CH₂), 56.0 (CH₃), 38.2 (CH₂), 25.6 (CH), 22.8 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 3317 (w), 2959 (m), 1698 (s), 1512 (s), 1213 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₉NO₃, 238.1443; found, 238.1441.



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1g**, 57.8 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 180 min and 3.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (32.4 mg, 270 μ mol, 1.08 equiv) revealed a 16% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) and a 82% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (**S5**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isopentyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**S10**) as a white solid (59.5 mg, >99%).

(E)-2-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1h) versus (allyloxy)(tert-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a)



Condition A:

Following the general procedure A using (*E*)-2-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1h**, 57.8 mg, 250 µmol) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**, 74.0 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv). A solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 µL, 125 µmol, 0.50 equiv) was added every half an hour. Reaction time was 420 min and 8.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (33.8 mg, 282 µmol, 1.13 equiv) revealed a 36% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (**4a**) and a 64% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (**S5**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded 2-methylbutyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**S11**) as a white solid (55.9 mg, 95%).

 $R_f = 0.52$ (33% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, CAM). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 (br d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, H₃), 6.85 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, H₂), 6.48 (br s, 1H, NH), 4.07–4.02 (m, 1H, 1 × H₄), 3.97–3.93 (m, 1H, 1 × H₄), 3.79 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.78–1.70 (m, 1H, H₅), 1.50–1.43 (m, 1H, 1 × H₆), 1.26–1.15 (m, 1H, 1 × H₆), 0.96-0.91 (m, 6H, 3 × H₇, 3 × H₈). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.9 (C), 154.1 (C), 131.0 (C), 120.5 (CH), 114.2 (CH), 69.8 (CH₂), 565.5 (CH₃), 34.4 (CH), 26.0 (CH₂), 16.4 (CH₃), 11.2 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 3315 (w), 2961 (m), 1699 (s), 1512 (s), 1216 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₉NO₃, 238.1443; found, 238.1432.

3-Methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1g) versus (E)-tert-butyl(pent-2-en-1yloxy)diphenylsilane (4b)



Condition A:

Following the general procedure A using 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1g**, 57.8 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (*E*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4b**, 81.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). A solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 μ L, 125 μ mol, 0.50 equiv) was added every half an hour. Reaction time was 360 min and 5.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isopentyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**S10**) as a white solid (51.1 mg, 86%). All the other fractions are combined and concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the residue using mesitylene as an internal standard (24.5 mg, 204 μ mol, 0.817 equiv) revealed a 78% yield of (*E*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4b**) and an 18% yield of *tert*-butyl(pentyloxy)diphenylsilane (**S9**).



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1g, 57.8 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv) and (E)-tert-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (4b, 81.1 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.20 equiv of TBHP was added in total. Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate-hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate-hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isopentyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (S10) as a white solid (54.5 mg, 92%). All the other fractions are combined and concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the residue with mesitylene as an internal standard (22.1 mg, 184 µmol, 0.737 equiv) revealed a 75% yield of (*E*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane 25% of (**4b**) and а vield tertbutyl(pentyloxy)diphenylsilane (S9).

3-Methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1g) versus (Z)-tert-butyl(pent-2-en-1yloxy)diphenylsilane (4c)



Condition A:

Following the general procedure A using 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1g**, 57.8 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (*Z*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4c**, 81.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). A solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 μ L, 125 μ mol, 0.50 equiv) was added every half an hour. Reaction time was 360 min and 6.50 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (28.6 mg, 238 μ mol, 0.953 equiv) revealed a 65% yield of (*Z*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4c**) and a 28% yield of *tert*-butyl(pentyloxy)diphenylsilane (**S9**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isopentyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**S10**) as a white solid (53.2 mg, 90%).



Condition B:

Following the general procedure B using 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**1g**, 57.8 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (*Z*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4c**, 81.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.20 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (51.3 mg, 428 μ mol, 1.71 equiv) revealed a 69% yield of (*Z*)-*tert*-butyl(pent-2-en-1-yloxy)diphenylsilane (**4c**) and a 29% yield of *tert*-butyl(pentyloxy)diphenylsilane (**S9**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isopentyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**S10**) as a white solid (52.9 mg, 89%).



Following the general procedure A using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and 1-fluoro-3-vinylbenzene (**4g**, 30.5 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹⁹F NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using hexafluorobenzene as an internal standard revealed (34.0 mg, 183 μ mol, 0.732 equiv) a 7% yield of 1-fluoro-3-vinylbenzene (**4g**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (49.6 mg, 95%).



Conditioni B:

Following the general procedure B using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and 1-fluoro-3-vinylbenzene (**4g**, 30.5 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 70 min and 1.00 equiv of TBHP was added in total. ¹⁹F NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with hexafluorobenzene as an internal standard (39.0 mg, 210 μ mol, 0.839 equiv) revealed a <5% yield of 1-fluoro-3-vinylbenzene (**4g**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (50.1 mg, 96%).



Following the general procedure A using 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv) and 1-ethynyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (**4h**, 42.5 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 135 min and 2.00 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹⁹F NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using hexafluorobenzene as an internal standard (49.8 mg, 268 μ mol, 1.07 equiv) revealed a <5% yield of 1-ethynyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (**4h**). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**) as a clear oil (28.6 mg, 55%).

2-Fluoroallyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1i) versus (allyloxy)(tert-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a)



Condition A:

Following the general procedure A using 2-fluoroallyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (1i, 56.3 mg, 250 μ mol) and (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a, 74.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 19 h but only 1.00 equiv of TBHP was added to initially activate the catalyst. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard revealed a 28% yield of (allyloxy)(*tert*-butyl)diphenylsilane (4a) and a 67% yield of *tert*-butyldiphenyl(propoxy)silane (S5). Purification by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded 2-fluoropropyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (S12) as a white solid (35.5 mg, 62%).

 $R_f = 0.58$ (33% ethyl acetate-hexanes; UV, CAM). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27 (br d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz, H₃), 6.85 (d, 2H, J = 8.8 Hz, H₂), 6.74 (br s, 1H, NH), 4.99–4.78 (m, 1H, H₅), 4.35–4.11 (m, 2H, H₄), 3.78 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.37 (dd, 3H, J = 23.6, 6.4 Hz, H₆). ¹⁹F NMR (375 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –47.71.

¹H and ¹⁹F NMR data for 2-fluoropropyl (4-methoxyphenyl)carbamate (**S12**) prepared in this way were in agreement with those previously described.^[20]



Competitive hydrogenation employing palladium on carbon (Table S3, Entry 1 and Table 3, Entry 2, H_2/Pd -C)

Palladium on carbon (10 wt. % loading, 1.1 mg, 1.0 μ mol, 0.01 equiv) was added to a solution of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 20.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) and allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**, 19.2 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) in methanol (10 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction vessel was evacuated and re-filled using a balloon of dihydrogen. This process was repeated four times. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of celite and the short column was rinsed with ether (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (5.0 mg, 42.0 μ mol, 0.420 equiv) revealed an 87% yield of 2-methallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a 13% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**), a 30% yield of allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**), and a 57% yield of propyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2c**).



Competitive hydrogenation employing platinum on carbon (Table S3, Entry 2)

Palladium on carbon (10 wt. % loading, 1.0 mg, 0.5 μ mol, 0.005 equiv) was added to a solution of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 20.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) and allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**, 19.2 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) in methanol (10 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction vessel was evacuated and re-filled using a balloon of dihydrogen. This process was repeated four times. The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 min at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of celite and the short column was rinsed with ether (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (7.7 mg, 6.43 μ mol, 0.643 equiv) revealed an 76% yield of 2-methallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a 13% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2c**).



Competitive hydrogenation employing Crabtree's catalyst (Table S3, Entry 3)

Crantree's catalyst (2.5 mol%, 2.0 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.0025 equiv) was added to a solution of 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 20.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) and allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**, 19.2 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) in dichloromethane (500 μ L) at 24 °C. The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of dihydrogen. This process was repeated four times. The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with dichloromethane (200 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (6.9 mg, 5.73 μ mol , 0.573 equiv) revealed a 92% yield of 2-methallyl 4methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a 5% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2a**), a 57% yield of allyl 4methoxybenzoate (**1c**), and a 28% yield of propyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2c**).



Competitive hydrogenation employing manganese tris(dipivaloylmethane) (Table S3, Entry 4)

This experiment followed the procedure of Shenvi and co-workers.^[21] Phenylsilane (64.5 μ L, 600 μ mol, 6.00 equiv) and a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 36.4 μ L, 200 μ mol, 2.00 equiv) were added sequentially to a solution of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 20.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv), allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**, 19.2 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) in *i*-propanol (200 μ L) under argon at 24 °C. The resulting mixture was degassed by bubbling argon through the solution for 10 min. Manganese tris(dipivaloylmethane) (9.0 mg, 15.0 μ mol, 0.15 equiv) was added and the resulting mixture was degassed by bubbling argon through the solution for 10 min at 24 °C. The reaction was quenched by filtering the product mixture through a plug of silica gel and the plug was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture with mesitylene as an internal standard (9.4 mg, 78.4 μ mol, 0.784 equiv) revealed a 41% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**), a 24% yield of isobutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**2c**).



Competitive hydrogenation employing palladium on carbon (Table 3, Entry 2, H₂/Pd-C)

Palladium on carbon (10 wt. % loading, 1.1 mg, 1.0 μ mol, 0.01 equiv) was added to a solution of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 20.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (*E*)-pent-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S1**, 22.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) in methanol (10 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction vessel was evacuated and re-filled using a balloon of dihydrogen. This process was repeated four times. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of celite and the short column was rinsed with ether (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (9.8 mg, 82.0 μ mol, 0.820 equiv) revealed a 63% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S1**), and a 63% yield of pentyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S1**).



Competitive hydrogenation employing palladium on carbon (Table 3, Entry 3, H₂/Pd-C)

Palladium on carbon (10 wt. % loading, 1.1 mg, 1.0 μ mol, 0.01 equiv) was added to a solution of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 20.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (*Z*)-pent-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S2**, 22.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) in methanol (10 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction vessel was evacuated and re-filled using a balloon of dihydrogen. This process was repeated four times. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of celite and the short column was rinsed with ether (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (15.6 mg, 130 μ mol, 1.30 equiv) revealed a 39% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S2**), and a 77% yield of pentyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S13**).



Competitive hydrogenation employing palladium on carbon (Table 3, Entry 4, H₂/Pd-C)

Palladium on carbon (10 wt. % loading, 1.1 mg, 1.0 μ mol, 0.01 equiv) was added to a solution of 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S3**, 22.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (*E*)-pent-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S1**, 22.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) in methanol (10 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction vessel was evacuated and re-filled using a balloon of dihydrogen. This process was repeated four times. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of celite and the short column was rinsed with ether (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (10.9 mg, 90.3 μ mol, 0.903 equiv) revealed a 80% yield of 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S1**), a 7% yield of isopentyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S14**), a 37% yield of (*E*)-pent-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S1**), and a 56% yield of pentyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S13**).



Competitive hydrogenation employing palladium on carbon (Table 3, Entry 5, $H_2/Pd-C$)

Palladium on carbon (10 wt. % loading, 1.1 mg, 1.0 μ mol, 0.01 equiv) was added to a solution of 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S3**, 22.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) and (*E*)-pent-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S2**, 22.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) in methanol (10 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction vessel was evacuated and re-filled using a balloon of dihydrogen. This process was repeated four times. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of celite and the short column was rinsed with ether (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (9.7 mg, 80.3 μ mol, 0.803 equiv) revealed a 70% yield of 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S1**), a 23% yield of isopentyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S14**), a 24% yield of (*E*)-pent-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S13**).



Competitive hydrogenation employing palladium on carbon (Table 3, Entry 6, $H_2/Pd-C$)

Palladium on carbon (10 wt. % loading, 1.1 mg, 1.0 μ mol, 0.01 equiv) was added to a solution of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 22.6 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) and but-2-yn-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S4**, 20.4 mg, 100 μ mol, 1 equiv) in methanol (10 mL) at 24 °C. The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of dihydrogen. This process was repeated four times. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of celite and the short column was rinsed with ether (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (11.5 mg, 96.0 μ mol, 0.960 equiv) revealed a 71% yield of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S4**).

Hydrobromination of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a) to 2-bromo-2-methylpropyl 4methoxybenzoate (5a, Table S4, entry 2)



A 10 mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv), tosyl bromide (147 mg, 625 μ mol, 2.50 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. *n*-Propanol (830 μ L), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (86.0 μ L, 938 μ mol, 3.75 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 μ L, 250 μ mol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 μ L, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4.0 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 7% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to 2-bromo-2-methylpropyl 4methoxybenzoate (**5a**) as a clear oil (71.5 mg, 95%).

 $\begin{array}{l} R_f = 0.47 \ (20\% \ ethyl \ acetate-hexanes; UV). \ ^1H \ NMR \ (500 \ MHz, \ CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 8.03 \ (d, \ J = 8.5 \ Hz, \ 2H, \ H_3), \\ 6.96 \ (d, \ J = 8.5 \ Hz, \ 2H, \ H_2), \ 4.40 \ (s, \ 2H, \ H_4), \ 3.87 \ (s, \ 3H, \ H_1), \ 1.85 \ (s, \ 6H, \ H_5). \ ^{13}C \ NMR \ (125 \ MHz, \ CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 165.9 \ (C), \ 164.2 \ (C), \ 132.2 \ (CH), \ 122.7 \ (C), \ 114.3 \ (CH), \ 73.5 \ (CH_2), \ 62.3 \ (C), \ 56.1 \ (CH_3), \ 31.4 \ (CH_3). \ IR \ (ATR-FTIR), \ cm^{-1}: \ 2970 \ (w), \ 1713 \ (m), \ 1605 \ (m), \ 1252 \ (s), \ 1096 \ (s). \ HRMS-ESI \ (m/z): \ [M + H]^+ \ calcd \ for \ C_{12}H_{16}^{79/81}BrO_3, \ 287.0283/289.0262; \ found, \ 287.0280/289.0261. \end{array}$

Hydroiodination of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a) to 2-iodo-2-methylpropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (5b, Table S4, entry 7)



A 10 mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv) and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. The reaction vessel was protected from light with aluminum foil. Dichoromethane (830 µL), diiodomethane (302µL, 3.75 mmol, 15.0 equiv), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (115 µL, 1.25 mmol, 5.00 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 µL, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred for 50 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was concentrated and the residue obtained was purified by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 7% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to 2-iodo-2-methylpropyl 4methoxybenzoate (**5b**) as a clear oil (74.3 mg, 89%).

 $\begin{array}{l} R_f = 0.47 \ (20\% \ ethyl \ acetate-hexanes; UV). \ ^1H \ NMR \ (400 \ MHz, \ CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 8.04 \ (d, \ J = 8.8 \ Hz, \ 2H, \ H_3), \\ 6.96 \ (d, \ J = 8.8 \ Hz, \ 2H, \ H_2), \ 4.32 \ (s, \ 2H, \ H_4), \ 3.87 \ (s, \ 3H, \ H_1), \ 2.01 \ (s, \ 6H, \ H_5). \ ^{13}C \ NMR \ (100 \ MHz, \ CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 165.8 \ (C), \ 164.3 \ (C), \ 132.2 \ (CH), \ 122.7 \ (C), \ 114.3 \ (CH), \ 76.1 \ (CH_2), \ 56.1 \ (CH_3), \ 43.5 \ (C), \ 34.8 \ (CH_3). \ IR \ (ATR-FTIR), \ cm^{-1}: \ 2963 \ (w), \ 1714 \ (m), \ 1605 \ (m), \ 1254 \ (s), \ 1099 \ (s). \ HRMS-ESI \ (m/z): \ [M + H]^+ \ calcd \ for \ C_{12}H_{16}IO_{3}, \ 335.0144; \ found, \ 335.0148. \end{array}$

Hydroiodination of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a) to 2-iodo-2-methylpropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (5b, Table S4, entry 9)



A 10 mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1a**, 51.6 mg, 250 µmol, 1 equiv) and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. The reaction vessel was protected from light with aluminum foil. Dichoromethane (830 µL), diiodomethane (156µL, 1.88 mmol, 7.50 equiv), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (115 µL, 1.25 mmol, 5.00 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 µL, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred for 50 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was concentrated and the residue obtained was purified by flash-column chromatography (eluting with hexanes initially, grading to 7% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to 2-iodo-2-methylpropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S15**) as a clear oil (43.4 mg, 52%) and 2-methyl-2-((triethylsilyl)oxy)propyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S15**) as a clear oil (39.7 mg, 47%).

2-Methyl-2-((triethylsilyl)oxy)propyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**S15**) $R_f = 0.57$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 8.00 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, H₃), 6.94 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, H₂), 4.30 (s, 2H, H₄), 3.86 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.30 (s, 6H, H₅), 0.97 (t, J = 8.0 Jz, 9H, H₇), 0.68 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 6H, H₆). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 166.4 (C), 164.0 (C), 132.0 (CH), 123.4 (C), 114.1 (CH), 81.7 (C), 67.9 (CH₂), 56.0 (CH₃), 22.3 (CH₃), 7.1 (CH₃), 4.3 (CH₂). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2955(w), 1714 (m), 1275 (m), 1253 (s), 1101 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₃₁SiO₄, 339.1992; found, 339.1989.

General procedure for the hydroselenation of 2-methylallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1a) to 2-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)propyl 4-methoxybenzoate (5c, Table S4, entry 11)



A 10 mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2-4-methoxybenzoate (1a, 51.6 mg. 250 umol, 1 equiv), methylallyl Se-phenyl 4methylbenzenesulfonoselenoate (195 mg, 625 µmol, 2.50 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. *n*-Propanol (830 μL), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (86.0 μL, 938 μmol, 3.75 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 µL, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane $(400 \ \mu\text{L}, 2.50 \ \text{mmol}, 10.0 \ \text{equiv})$ were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4.0 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate-hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by flashcolumn chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate-hexanes initially, grading to 6% ethyl acetatehexanes, linear gradient) to 2-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)propyl 4-methoxybenzoate (5c) as a clear oil (83.9 mg, 89%).

 $R_f = 0.47$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, CAM). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.98–7.95 (m, 2H, H₃), 7.69–7.66 (m, 2H, H₇), 7.42–7.38 (m, 1H, H₈), 7.34–7.30 (m, 2H, H₆), 6.95–6.92 (m, 2H, H₂), 4.24 (s, 2H, H₄), 3.86 (s, 3H, H₁), 1.46 (s, 6H, H₅). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 166.2 (C), 164.1 (C), 138.9 (CH), 132.1 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 127.4 (C), 123.1 (C), 114.2 (CH), 72.7 (CH₂), 56.0 (CH₃), 45.0 (C), 27.0 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2960 (w), 1712 (m), 1606 (m), 1256 (s), 1167 (m). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₂₁SeO₃, 365.0656; found, 365.0648.
2-Bromopropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (6a)

Following the general hydrobromination procedure using allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**, 48.1 mg, 250µmol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 4.0 h. Purification by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 7% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded 2-bromoropropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**6a**) as a clear oil (60.1 mg, 88%).

 $\begin{array}{l} R_f = 0.48 \ (20\% \ ethyl \ acetate-hexanes; UV). \ ^1H \ NMR \ (500 \ MHz, \ CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 8.01 \ (d, \ J = 9.0 \ Hz, \ 2H, \ H_3), \\ 6.95 \ (d, \ J = 9.0 \ Hz, \ 2H, \ H_2), \ 4.49-4.35 \ (m, \ 3H, \ 2 \times H_4, \ 1 \times H_5), \ 3.86 \ (s, \ 3H, \ H_1), \ 1.77 \ (d, \ J = 6.5 \ Hz, \ 3H, \\ H_6). \ ^{13}C \ NMR \ (125 \ MHz, \ CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 166.0 \ (C), \ 164.3 \ (C), \ 132.2 \ (CH), \ 122.7 \ (C), \ 114.3 \ (CH), \ 69.5 \ (CH_2), \\ 56.1 \ (CH_3), \ 46.1 \ (CH), \ 23.0 \ (CH_3). \ IR \ (ATR-FTIR), \ cm^{-1}: \ 2931 \ (w), \ 1714 \ (m), \ 1605 \ (m), \ 1254 \ (s), \ 1167 \ (s). \ HRMS-ESI \ (m/z): \ [M \ + \ Na]^+ \ calcd \ for \ \ C_{11}H_{13}^{79/81}BrNaO_3, \ 294.9946/296.9925; \ found, \\ 294.9944/296.9909. \end{array}$

2-Iodopropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (6b)



Following the general hydroiodination procedure using allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**, 48.1 mg, 250µmol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 168 h. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard revealed a 69% yield of allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**9c**) and a 23% yield of 2-iodopropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**6b**). An inseparable 1.2:1.0 mixture of **1c** versus **6b** was obtained for characterization by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 6% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient).

 R_f = 0.55 (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 8.18–8.15 (m, 2H, H₃), 6.64–6.62 (m, 2H, H₂), 4.24–4.22 (m, 1H, 1 × H₄), 4.12–4.08 (m, 1H, 1 × H₄), 3.88–3.84(m, 1H, H₅), 3.15–3.13 (m, 3H, H₁), 1.45 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, H₆). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 165.3 (C), 164.9 (C), 131.8 (CH), 122.4 (C), 113.7 (CH), 70.2 (CH₂), 54,5 (CH₃), 24.1 (CH₃), 21.8 (CH). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2958 (w), 1713 (m), 1606 (m), 1254 (s), 1167 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₁₃INaO₃, 342.9807; found, 342.9805.

2-(Phenylselanyl)propyl 4-methoxybenzoate (6c)



Following the general hydroselenation procedure using allyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1c**, 48.1 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 4.0 h. Purification by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 7% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded 2-(phenylselanyl)propyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**6c**) as a clear oil (75.9 mg, 87%).

 $\begin{array}{l} R_f = 0.48 \ (20\% \ ethyl \ acetate-hexanes; UV, CAM). \ ^1H \ NMR \ (400 \ MHz, CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 7.92 \ (d, \ J = 8.8 \ Hz, \ 2H, \ H_3), \ 7.63-7.60 \ (m, \ 2H, \ H_8), \ 7.31-7.29 \ (m, \ 3H, \ 2 \times H_7, \ 1 \times H_9), \ 6.91 \ (d, \ J = 8.8 \ Hz, \ 2H, \ H_2), \ 4.46-4.41 \ (m, \ 1H, \ 1 \times H_4), \ 4.31-4.26 \ (m, \ 1H, \ 1 \times H_4), \ 3.85 \ (s, \ 3H, \ H_1), \ 3.67-3.57 \ (m, \ 1H, \ H_5), \ 1.50 \ (d, \ J = 6.8 \ Hz, \ 3H, \ H_6). \ ^{13}C \ NMR \ (10 \ MHz, \ CD_2Cl_2) \ \delta \ 166.2 \ (C), \ 164.0 \ (C), \ 135.5 \ (CH), \ 132.0 \ (CH), \ 129.6 \ (CH), \ 128.8 \ (C), \ 128.3 \ (CH), \ 123.0 \ (C), \ 114.1 \ (CH), \ 69.3 \ (CH_2), \ 56.0 \ (CH_3), \ 37.3 \ (CH), \ 19.0 \ (CH_3). \ IR \ (ATR-FTIR), \ cm^{-1}: \ 2963 \ (w), \ 1709 \ (m), \ 1605 \ (m), \ 1510 \ (w), \ 1253 \ (s). \ HRMS-ESI \ (m/z): \ [M + H]^+ \ calcd \ for \ C_{17}H_{18}SeO_3, \ 351.0499; \ found, \ 351.0513. \end{array}$

3-Bromo-3-methylbutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (7a)



Following the general hydrobromination procedure using 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (1j, 55.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 4.0 h. Purification by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate-hexanes initially, grading to 7% ethyl acetate-hexanes, linear gradient) afforded 3-bomo-3-methylbutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (7a) as a clear oil (63.7 mg, 88%).

 $R_f = 0.46$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.98 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H, H₃), 6.94 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H, H₂), 4.52 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, H₄), 3.85 (s, 3H, H₁), 2.31 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, H₅), 1.77 (s, 6H, H₆). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 166.5 (C), 164.0 (C), 132.0 (CH), 123.2 (C), 114.2 (CH), 65.6 (C), 63.3 (CH₂), 56.0 (CH₃), 46.0 (CH₂), 35.1 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2965 (w), 1710 (m), 1605 (m), 1253 (s), 1166 (m). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₇^{79/81}BrNaO₃, 323.0259/325.0238; found, 323.0266/325.0243.

3-iodo-3-methylbutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (7b)



Following the general hydroiodination procedure using 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1j**, 55.0 mg, 250µmol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 125 h. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard revealed a 58% yield of 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1j**) and a 29% yield of 3-iodo-3-methylbutyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**7b**). An analytically pure sample of **7b** was obtained for characterization by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient).

 $R_f = 0.49$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 8.15 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, H₃), 6.67 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, H₂), 4.45 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, H₄), 3.16(m, 3H, H₁), 1.81 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, H₅), 1.63 (s, 6H, H₆). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 165.9 (C), 163.8 (C), 132.0 (CH), 123.4 (C), 114.0 (CH), 64.7 (CH₂), 54.9 (CH₃), 48.5 (CH₂), 46.2 (C), 38.3 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2962 (w), 1710 (m), 1605 (m), 1256 (s), 1167 (m). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₇INaO₃, 371.0120; found, 371.0131.



Following the general hydroselenation procedure using 3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1j**, 55.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 4.0 h. Purification by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 7% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) afforded 3-methyl-3-(phenylselanyl)butyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**7**c) as a clear oil (76.4 mg, 81%).

 $R_f = 0.48$ (20% ethyl acetate–hexanes; UV, CAM). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.98 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, H₃), 7.68–7.66 (m, 2H, H₈), 7.41–7.39 (m, 1H, H₉), 7.35–7.32 (m, 2H, H₇), 6.94 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, H₂), 4.51 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, H₄), 3.87 (s, 3H, H₁), 2.01 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, H₅), 1.47 (s, 6H, H₆). ¹³C NMR (125MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 166.6 (C), 164.0 (C), 138.8 (CH), 132.0 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 128.2 (C), 123.4 (C), 114.1 (CH), 63.1 (CH₂), 56.0 (CH₃), 45.7 (C), 42.1 (CH₂), 30.5 (CH₃). IR (ATR-FTIR), cm⁻¹: 2960 (w), 1708 (m), 1605 (m), 1511 (w), 1254 (s). HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + K]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₂₂SeKO₃, 417.0371; found, 417.0366.

Hydrobromination of 2-chloroallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (1d) to 2-bromo-2-chloropropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (8a)



A 10 mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2-chloroallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1d**, 28.3 mg, 125 µmol, 1 equiv), tosyl bromide (73.5 mg, 313 µmol, 2.50 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (32.1 mg, 125 µmol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. *n*-Propanol (400 µL), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (43.0 µL, 469 µmol, 3.75 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 22.8 µL, 125 µmol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (200 µL, 1.25 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred for 3.0 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to 2-bromo-2-chloropropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**8a**) as a clear oil (35.6 mg, 93%).

 $\begin{array}{l} R_f = 0.53 \; (20\% \; ethyl \; acetate-hexanes; \; UV). \; ^1H \; NMR \; (500 \; MHz, \; CD_2Cl_2) \; \delta \; 8.05 \; (d, \; J = 8.5 \; Hz, \; 2H, \; H_3), \\ 6.97 \; (d, \; J = 8.5 \; Hz, \; 2H, \; H_2), \; 4.73-4.68 \; (m, \; 2H, \; H_4), \; 3.87 \; (s, \; 3H, \; H_1), \; 2.38 \; (s, \; 3H, \; H_5). \; ^{13}C \; NMR \; (150 \; MHz, \\ CD_2Cl_2) \; \delta \; 165.4 \; (C), \; 164.6 \; (C), \; 132.4 \; (CH), \; 122.1 \; (C), \; 114.4 \; (CH), \; 74.9 \; (C), \; 73.8 \; (CH_2), \; 56.1 \; (CH_3), \; 36.2 \; (CH_3). \; IR \; (ATR-FTIR), \; cm^{-1}: \; 2931 \; (w), \; 1721 \; (m), \; 1606 \; (m), \; 1255 \; (m), \; 557 \; (s). \; HRMS-ESI \; (m/z): \; [M + \\ Na]^+ \; calcd \; for \; C_{11}H_{12}^{35/37}Cl^{79/81}BrNaO_3, \; \; 328.9556/330.9536/330.9527/332.9506; \; found, \; 328.9560/330.9528/330.9518/332.9510. \end{array}$



A 10 mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum was charged sequentially with 2bromoallyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**1k**, 33.9 mg, 125 µmol, 1 equiv), tosyl bromide (147 mg, 625 µmol, 2.50 equiv), and cobalt bis(acetylacetonate) (64.3 mg, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and refilled using a balloon of argon. This process was repeated twice. *n*-Propanol (830 µL), 1,4-dihydrobenzene (86.0 µL, 938 µmol, 3.75 equiv), a solution of *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide in nonane (~5.5 M, 45.5 µL, 250 µmol, 1.00 equiv), and triethylsilane (400 µL, 2.50 mmol, 10.0 equiv) were added sequentially to the reaction vessel via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5.0 h at 24 °C. The product mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel and the short column was rinsed with 20% ethyl acetate–hexanes (100 mL). The filtrates were combined and the combined filtrates were concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ethyl acetate–hexanes initially, grading to 5% ethyl acetate–hexanes, linear gradient) to 2,2-dibromopropyl 4-methoxybenzoate (**8b**) as a clear oil (39.9 mg, 93%).

 $\begin{array}{l} R_f = 0.51 \; (20\% \; ethyl \; acetate-hexanes; \; UV). \ ^{1}H \; NMR \; (500 \; MHz, \; CD_2Cl_2) \; \delta \; 8.05 \; (d, \; J = 8.5 \; Hz, \; 2H, \; H_3), \\ 6.97 \; (d, \; J = 8.5 \; Hz, \; 2H, \; H_2), \; 4.75 \; (s, \; 2H, \; H_4), \; 3.87 \; (s, \; 3H, \; H_1), \; 2.56 \; (s, \; 3H, \; H_5). \ ^{13}C \; NMR \; (125 \; MHz, \\ CD_2Cl_2) \; \delta \; 165.3 \; (C), \; 164.5 \; (C), \; 132.4 \; (CH), \; 122.1 \; (C), \; 114.4 \; (CH), \; 74.7 \; (CH_2), \; 61.7 \; (C), \; 56.1 \; (CH_3), \; 37.8 \\ (CH_3). \; IR \; (ATR-FTIR), \; cm^{-1}: \; 2933 \; (w), \; 1719 \; (m), \; 1605 \; (m), \; 1254 \; (m), \; 1091 \; (m). \; HRMS-ESI \; (m/z): \; [M + H]^+ \; calcd \; for \; C_{11}H_{12}^{79/81}Br_2O_3, \; 350.9231/352.9211/354.9191; \; found, \; 350.9240/352.9212/354.9185. \end{array}$

Intramolecular Competition Experiment (Scheme 2):



Following the general procedure B using (*E*)-2-methylallyl pent-2-en-1-yl terephthalate (**9**, 72.0 mg, 250 μ mol, 1 equiv). Reaction time was 40 min and 0.667 equiv of TBHP were employed. ¹H NMR analysis of the unpurified product mixture using mesitylene as an internal standard (28.2 mg, 235 μ mol, 0.940 equiv) revealed a 20% yield of alkene (A), a 90% yield of alkene (B), a 72% yield of alkene (A) hydrogenation, and a 9% yield of alkene (B) hydrogenation. An analytically pure sample of (*E*)-isobutyl pent-2-en-1-yl terephthalate (**10**) was obtained by automated flash-column chromatography (eluting with 2% ether–hexanes initially, grading to 10% ether–hexanes, linear gradient) followed by five iterations of preparative thin-layer chromatography on silver nitrate impregnated silica gel plates.

 $\begin{array}{l} R_{f} = 0.47 \ (10\% \ ethyl \ acetate-hexanes; UV, \ KMnO_{4}). \ ^{1}H \ NMR \ (500 \ MHz, \ CDCl_{3}) \ \delta \ 8.13-8.08 \ (m, \ 4H, \ 2\times H_{6}, \ 2\times H_{7}), \ 5.95-5.89 \ (m, \ 1H, \ H_{3}), \ 5.71-5.65 \ (m, \ 1H, \ H_{4}), \ 4.79 \ (d, \ 2H, \ J = 5 \ Hz, \ H_{5}), \ 4.12 \ (d, \ 2H, \ J = 5 \ Hz, \ H_{8}), \ 2.14-2.06 \ (m, \ 3H, \ 2\times H_{2}, \ 1\times H_{9}), \ 1.04-1.01 \ (m, \ 9H, \ 3\times H_{1}, \ 9\times H_{10}). \ ^{13}C \ NMR \ (125 \ MHz, \ CDCl_{3}) \ \delta \ 165.8 \ (C), \ 165.6 \ (C), \ 138.5 \ (CH), \ 134.2 \ (C), \ 134.1 \ (C), \ 129.6 \ (CH), \ 129.4 \ (CH), \ 122.5 \ (CH), \ 71.4 \ (CH_{2}), \ 66.2 \ (CH_{2}), \ 27.9 \ (CH), \ 25.2 \ (CH_{2}), \ 19.2 \ (CH_{3}), \ 13.1 \ (CH_{3}). \ IR \ (ATR-FTIR), \ cm^{-1}: \ 2964 \ (w), \ 1716 \ (S), \ 1263 \ (s), \ 1244 \ (s), \ 1115 \ (s). \ HRMS-ESI \ (m/z): \ [M + H]^+ \ calcd \ for \ C_{17}H_{23}O_{4}, \ 291.1596; \ found, \ 291.1587. \end{array}$

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