## Supporting Information for

## Brønsted Acid-Catalysed Intramolecular Hydroamination of Unactivated Alkenes: Metal Triflates as an *in situ* Source of Triflic Acid

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Figure S2.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum (150 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2$ ) of 1a.



Figure S4.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 1b.



Figure S6.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 1c.



Figure S7. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 1c-*d*<sub>2</sub>.



Figure S8. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2$ ) of 4-[(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenylamino)-methyl]benzoate.



Figure S9.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum (150 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2$ ) of 4-[(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenylamino)-methyl]benzoate.



Figure S10. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) of 4-nitrobenzyl(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenyl) amine.



Figure S11.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum (150 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2$ ) of 4-nitrobenzyl(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenyl) amine.







Figure S13.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum (150 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2$ ) of 4-methoxybenzyl(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenyl)amine.



Figure S14. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) of 4-bromobenzyl(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenyl)amine.



Figure S15.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum (150 MHz,  $CD_2Cl_2$ ) of 4-bromobenzyl(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenyl)amine.



Figure S16. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>) of hydroamination product of 1a.<sup>*a,b*</sup>



Figure S17. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>) of hydroamination product of 1b.<sup>*a,b*</sup>



Figure S18. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>) of hydroamination product of 1c.<sup>*a,b*</sup>



**Figure S19.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz,  $C_6D_5NO_2$ ) of hydroamination product of methyl 4-[(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenylamino)-methyl]benzoate.<sup>*a,b*</sup>



**Figure S20.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>) of hydroamination product of 4-nitrobenzyl(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenyl) amine.<sup>*a,b*</sup>



**Figure S21.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz,  $C_6D_5NO_2$ ) of hydroamination product of 4-methoxybenzyl(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenyl)amine.<sup>*a,b*</sup>



**Figure S22.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>) of hydroamination product of 4-bromobenzyl(2,2-diphenyl-4-pentenyl)amine.<sup>*a,b*</sup>

- a: The resonance at 0.0 ppm is the internal standard, hexamethylsiloxane (HMDSO).
- b: Integrations of the aromatic region are inflated due to overlap with solvent resonances.

**Table S1.** Water's influence on Al(OTf)<sub>3</sub> catalyzed hydroamination.<sup>*a,b,c*</sup>

H <sub>2</sub> N	$\frown$	5 mol% Al(O	res H	HN, PI		
Ph Ph		150 °C, C <sub>6</sub> D <sub>5</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>		~~. ~~	run Ph	
10	;				2c	
	Entry	Additives	Yield (%)	Conv. (%)	_	
	1	none	76	82	-	
	2	$0.25 \; eq. \; H_2O$	80	81		
	3	0.5 eq. H <sub>2</sub> O	85	86		
	4	1 eq. H <sub>2</sub> O	76	81		
	5	2 eq. H <sub>2</sub> O	83	86		

<sup>a</sup> All reactions were performed in sealed NMR tubes containing  $C_6D_5NO_2$  with 0.8 M substrate, 5 mol% Al(OTf)<sub>3</sub>. <sup>b</sup> Yields/conversions were recorded at 16h and determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR using

hexamethyldisiloxane as internal standard (the standard deviations for % yields are < 5%). <sup>c</sup> Equivalents of H<sub>2</sub>O relative to Al(OTf)<sub>3</sub>.