

Palladium-Catalyzed γ -C(sp³)-H Carbonylation of Aliphatic Amines: Direct approach to synthesis Pyrrolidones via Oxalyl Amide Assistance

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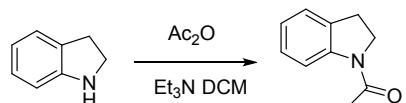
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1. Reagents: Unless otherwise noted, all reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. Column chromatography purifications were performed using 300–400 mesh silica gel.

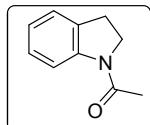
2. Instruments: NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Inova–400 MHz, Inova–300 MHz, Bruker DRX–400 or Bruker DRX–500 instruments and calibrated using residual solvent peaks as internal reference. Multiplicities are recorded as: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, dd = doublet of doublets, br = broad singlet, m = multiplet. HRMS analyses were carried out using a Bruker micrOTOF–Q instrument or a TOF–MS instrument.

3. Preparation of various directing groups protected substrates

3.1 Preparation of Ac amide

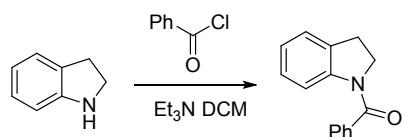


A solution of Indoline (20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and triethylamine (2.92 ml, 21 mmol, 1.05 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of Acetic anhydride (25 mmol, 1.25 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) at 0 °C, then the mixture was stirred for 6 hours at room temperature before quenched by water (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL × 2). The combined organic phase was washed with brine (30 mL), and then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Evaporation and column chromatography on silica gel afforded corresponding amide substrates as white solid.

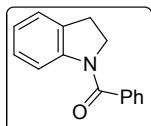


¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 6.98 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 2.17 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.2, 142.4, 130.7, 127.0, 124.1, 123.1, 116.4, 48.2, 27.5, 23.7; HRMS Calcd for C₁₀H₁₂NO [M+H⁺]: 162.0919; Found: 162.0931.

3.2 Preparation of N-benzoyl amide.

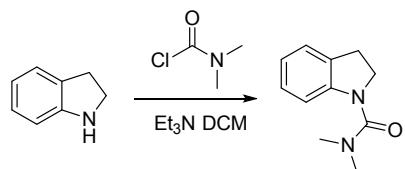


A solution of Indoline (20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and triethylamine (2.92 ml, 21 mmol, 1.05 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of Benzoyl Chloride (25 mmol, 1.25 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) at 0 °C, then the mixture was stirred for 6 hours at room temperature before quenched by water (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL × 2). The combined organic phase was washed with brine (30 mL), and then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Evaporation and column chromatography on silica gel afforded corresponding amide substrates as white solid.

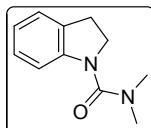


¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21 (s, 1H), 7.56 – 7.54 m(dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 7.49 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (s, 1H), 7.02 (s, 1H), 4.07 (s, 2H), 3.11 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.1, 142.7, 141.1, 137.1, 132.5, 130.4, 128.7, 127.3, 127.2, 125.0, 124.0, 119.5, 117.2, 50.8, 28.2; HRMS Calcd for C₁₅H₁₄NO [M+H⁺]: 224.1075; Found: 224.1082.

3.3 Preparation of N- Dimethylcarbamyl amide.

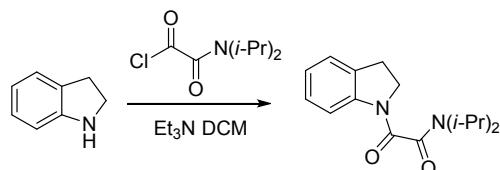


A solution of Indoline (20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and triethylamine (2.92 ml, 21 mmol, 1.05 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of Dimethylcarbamyl Chloride (25 mmol, 1.25 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) at 0 °C, then the mixture was stirred for 6 hours at room temperature before quenched by water (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL × 2). The combined organic phase was washed with brine (30 mL), and then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Evaporation and column chromatography on silica gel afforded corresponding amide substrates as white solid.

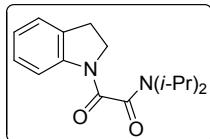


¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.14 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.94 – 6.88 (m, 1H), 6.86 – 6.803 (m, 1H), 3.91 – 3.81 (m, 2H), 2.99 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 2.90 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.8, 143.8, 130.9, 126.5, 124.3, 120.9, 112.9, 49.9, 37.7, 27.6; HRMS Calcd for C₁₁H₁₅N₂O [M+H⁺]: 191.1184; Found: 191.1189.

3.4 Preparation of oxaryl amide

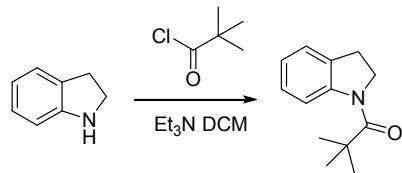


A solution of Indoline (20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and triethylamine (2.92 ml, 21 mmol, 1.05 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of oxalyl Chloride (25 mmol, 1.25 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) at 0 °C, then the mixture was stirred for 6 hours at room temperature before quenched by water (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL × 2). The combined organic phase was washed with brine (30 mL), and then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Evaporation and column chromatography on silica gel afforded corresponding amide substrates as white solid.



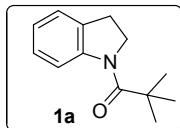
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.18 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 0.60H), 7.26 – 6.96 (m, 3.30H), 4.17 (s, 0.56H), 4.09 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1.48H), 3.99 – 3.92 (m, 0.72H), 3.79 – 3.68 (m, 1H), 3.56 – 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.20 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1.45H), 3.14 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 0.52H), 1.57 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1.54H), 1.51 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 4.46H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 4.51H), 1.14 (s, 1.49H); ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, cdcl_3) δ 164.5, 164.1, 162.6, 162.5, 141.9, 139.9, 133.0, 131.9, 127.8, 127.5, 125.8, 124.9, 124.8, 124.4, 117.4, 113.4, 51.1, 50.7, 48.1, 46.8, 46.1, 46.0, 28.3, 26.9, 21.0, 20.7, 20.3, 20.1; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$: 275.1760; Found: 275.1797.

3.5 Preparation of N-heteroarenes substrates.

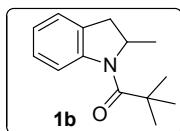


General procedures for the preparation of oxaryl amide substrates **1a–1r**

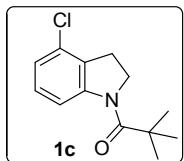
A solution of N-heteroarenes (20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and triethylamine (2.92 ml, 21 mmol, 1.05 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (40 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of Pivaloyl Chloride (25 mmol, 1.25 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) at 0 °C, then the mixture was stirred for 6 hours at room temperature before quenched by water (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL × 2). The combined organic phase was washed with brine (30 mL), and then dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 . Evaporation and column chromatography on silica gel afforded corresponding amide substrates as white solid or colour liquid.



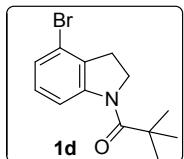
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.27 – 8.21 (m, 1H), 7.18 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.24 – 4.19 (m, 2H), 3.12 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 1.37 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.5, 144.8, 130.82, 127.3, 124.3, 123.6, 118.4, 49.5, 40.2, 29.3, 27.8; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$: 204.1388; Found: 204.1399.



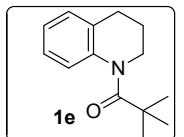
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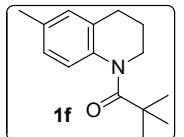
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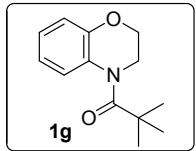
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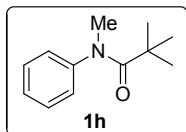
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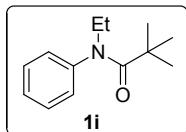
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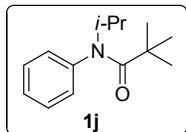
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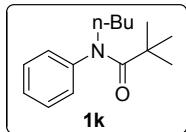
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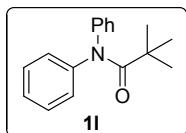
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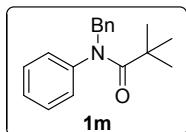
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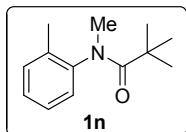
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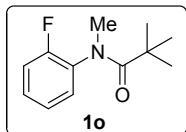
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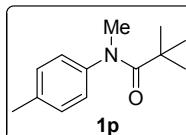
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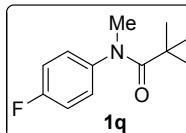
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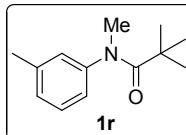
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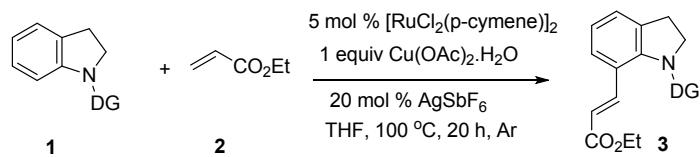
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¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.16 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.96 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 3.09 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 0.94 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.0, 145.2, 139.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.5, 125.7, 41.3, 40.8, 29.6, 21.3; HRMS Calcd for C₁₃H₂₀NO [M+H⁺]:206.1545; Found: 206.1552.

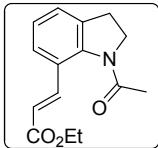
4. Alkenylation of pivaloyl amide Protected N-heteroarenes

4.1 Substrates Scope of various directing groups protected amides



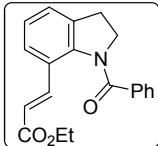
A mixture of amide (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv), olefin (2 equiv), $[\text{RuCl}_2(\text{p-cymene})]_2$ (6.4 mg, 0.05 equiv), AgSbF_6 (13.7 mg, 0.2 equiv), $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (40 mg, 1 equiv) and THF (1mL) in a 15 mL glass tube (sealed with PTFE cap) was heated at 100 °C for 20 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the alkenylated product.

4.11 DG= Ac



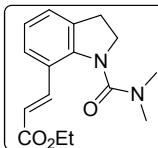
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.66 (d, $J = 14.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.34 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.27 – 4.22 (m, 2H), 4.17 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.03 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.31 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.0, 167.1, 143.0, 141.9, 138.8, 134.4, 125.9, 125.6, 125.4, 117.4, 60.5, 51.0, 29.7, 29.3, 14.3; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$: 260.1287; Found: 260.1298.

4.12 DG= benzoyl



^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 0.56H), 7.77 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 0.58H), 7.72 – 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.29 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 0.56H), 7.20 (t, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.10 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.62H), 6.88 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.35H), 6.75 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.35H), 6.47 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 0.61H), 6.33 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 0.33H), 5.60 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 0.32H), 4.38 – 4.32(m, 0.68H), 4.22 – 4.16 (m, 2H), 3.70 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.13 (dt, $J = 31.3$, 8.1 Hz, 2H), 1.25 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.1, 166.5, 165.9, 165.8, 141.9, 140.6, 140.3, 140.2, 137.6, 136.8, 133.0, 131.4, 130.6, 130.0, 129.8, 129.7, 129.2, 127.2, 127.0, 126.8, 126.6, 126.5, 126.2, 125.1, 124.2, 124.1, 123.1, 120.8, 120.7, 117.2, 113.5, 76.9, 76.8, 76.6, 76.3, 60.2, 49.6, 47.8, 29.2, 27.7, 26.4, 13.7; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$: 322.1443; Found: 322.1452.

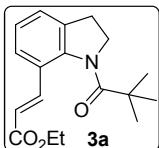
4.13, DG= Dimethylcarbamyl



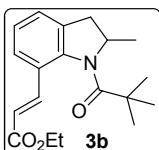
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.51 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, $J = 7.3$, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.30 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.23 – 4.18 (m, 2H), 3.93 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.08 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.99 (s, 6H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.7, 161.1, 144.3, 141.0, 133.7, 125.5, 125.1, 123.0, 123.0, 116.7, 59.8, 52.2, 37.1, 29.4, 29.2, 13.8.

4.2 Substrates Scope of N-heteroarenes

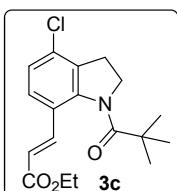
A mixture of amide (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv), olefin (2 equiv), $[\text{RuCl}_2(\text{p-cymene})]_2$ (6.4 mg, 0.05 equiv), AgSbF_6 (13.7 mg, 0.2 equiv), $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (40 mg, 1 equiv) and THF (1mL) in a 15 mL glass tube (sealed with PTFE cap) was heated at 100 °C for 20 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperture, and concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the alkenylated product.



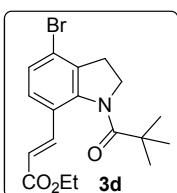
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.42 (t, $J = 12.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.23 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.08 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.29 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.24 – 4.19 (m, 2H), 4.16 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.05 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.3, 166.9, 143.5, 141.9, 134.5, 125.4, 125.3, 125.0, 124.8, 116.7, 60.0, 50.8, 40.0, 30.6, 28.3, 14.1; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$: 302.1756; Found: 302.1762.



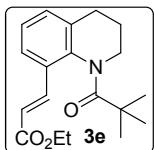
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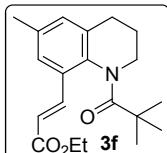
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.36 (d, $J = 3.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, $J = 11.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.27 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.24 – 4.17 (m, 4H), 3.10 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.3, 166.5, 144.3, 140.6, 132.7, 131.0, 126.2, 124.6, 123.7, 116.8, 59.89, 50.2, 39.9, 29.8, 28.0, 13.8; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{23}\text{ClNO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$: 336.1366; Found: 336.1372.



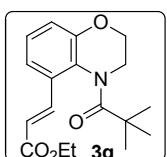
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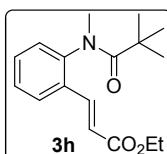
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 6.38 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (s, 1H), 4.25 – 4.12 (m, 2H), 3.31 (s, 1H), 2.76 (s, 2H), 2.04 (s, 2H), 1.36 (d, *J* = 23.5 Hz, 9H), 1.30 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.6, 167.5, 141.1, 130.9, 130.5, 126.3, 124.5, 118.8, 60.8, 45.8, 29.1, 26.1, 24.9, 14.8; HRMS Calcd for C₁₉H₂₆NO₃ [M+H⁺]: 316.1913; Found: 316.1916.



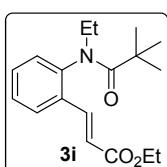
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.51 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 6.37 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.28 (s, 1H), 2.72 (s, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.00 (s, 2H), 1.39 – 1.29 (m, 12H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.1, 167.1, 140.7, 138.8, 135.4, 133.2, 130.8, 130.1, 124.6, 118.0, 60.3, 45.4, 28.7, 21.0, 14.4; HRMS Calcd for C₂₀H₂₈NO₃ [M+H⁺]: 330.2069; Found: 330.2071.



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 7.09 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.91 – 6.89 (m, 1H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (s, 2H), 4.24 – 4.19 (m, 3H), 3.66 (s, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.0, 167.1, 148.6, 140.6, 131.1, 126.8, 126.5, 118.7, 118.6, 118.4, 66.9, 60.5, 44.6, 40.3, 28.6, 14.5; HRMS Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄NO₄ [M+H⁺]: 318.1705; Found: 318.1720.

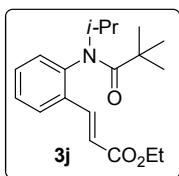


¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.16 (s, 3H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.04 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.6, 166.6, 144.7, 139.3, 132.6, 130.9, 129.9, 128.7, 127.6, 121.1, 60.9, 40.9, 29.3, 14.4; HRMS Calcd for C₁₇H₂₄NO₃ [M+H⁺]: 290.1756; Found: 290.1760.

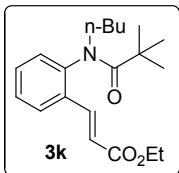


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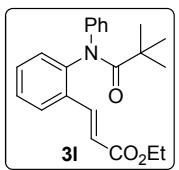
1H), 1.32 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.10 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.01 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.8, 165.6, 141.8, 138.6, 132.0, 130.3, 129.4, 127.7, 126.67, 119.9, 59.9, 46.7, 40.2, 28.4, 13.5, 11.4; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_3$ [M+H $^+$]:304.1913; Found: 304.1925.



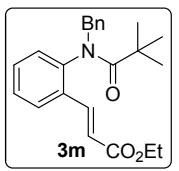
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^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.78 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 6.44 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.29-4.23 (m, 2H), 4.15 – 4.07 (m, 1H), 2.86 (s, 1H), 1.65-1.57 (m, 1H), 1.47 – 1.39 (m, 1H), 1.32 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.28-1.22 (m, 2H), 1.00 (s, 9H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.2, 166.0, 142.4, 138.9, 132.3, 130.6, 129.8, 128.0, 127.0, 120.3, 60.2, 52.2, 40.5, 28.7, 28.6, 19.7, 13.8, 13.4; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_3$ [M+H $^+$]:332.2226; Found: 332.2233.

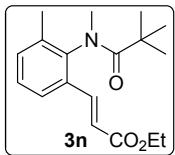


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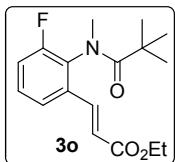


^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 7.14 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.79 – 6.76 (m, 1H), 6.39 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 5.45 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 4.29 – 4.23 (m, 2H), 4.06 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 1.34 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.01 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.7, 166.1, 141.9, 139.0, 136.7, 132.9, 131.5, 129.9, 129.4,

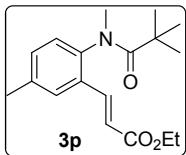
128.5, 128.0, 127.2, 127.1, 120.6, 60.5, 55.7, 41.0, 29.1, 14.1; HRMS Calcd for C₂₃H₂₈NO₃ [M+H⁺]:366.2069; Found: 366.2074.



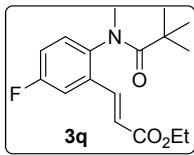
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (s, 1H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25 – 4.20 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.6, 166.3, 139.9, 135.9, 134.0, 131.8, 127.0, 124.0, 119.4, 60.0, 27.3, 17.7, 13.8; HRMS Calcd for C₁₈H₂₆NO₃ [M+H⁺]:304.1913; Found: 304.1921.



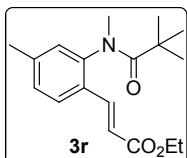
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.28 – 4.23 (m, 2H), 3.40 (s, 1H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.99 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.0, 166.5, 158.9 (*J*_{C-F} = 247), 138.4 (*J*_{C-F} = 4), 135.5, 132.9 (*J*_{C-F} = 14), 129.9 (*J*_{C-F} = 8), 123.07 (*J*_{C-F} = 3), 122.7, 118.1 (*J*_{C-F} = 21), 61.3, 41.4, 40.1, 29.1, 14.7. HRMS Calcd for C₁₇H₂₃NO₃F [M+H⁺]:308.1662; Found: 308.1673.



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (s, 1H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.28 – 4.23 (m, 2H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.02 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.0, 166.9, 142.5, 139.7, 138.9, 132.5, 132.0, 130.0, 128.4, 121.1, 61.1, 41.3, 29.6, 21.6, 14.8; HRMS Calcd for C₁₈H₂₆NO₃ [M+H⁺]:304.1913; Found: 304.1924.

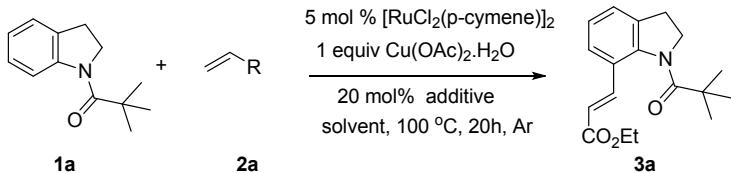


¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 – 7.67 (m, 1H), 7.43 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.20 – 7.08 (m, 1H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.35 – 4.29 (m, 2H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 1.38 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.11 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.0, 165.5, 161.4 (*J*_{C-F} = 247), 140.2, 137.5 (*J*_{C-F} = 2), 134.1 (*J*_{C-F} = 9), 130.9 (*J*_{C-F} = 8)), 121.69, 117.2 (*J*_{C-F} = 23), 113.28 (*J*_{C-F} = 23), 60.4, 40.4, 28.6, 13.8. HRMS Calcd for C₁₇H₂₃NO₃F [M+H⁺]:308.1662; Found: 308.1669.

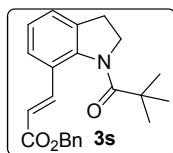


¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 6.41 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.28 – 4.23 (m, 2H), 3.15 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.04 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.0, 166.2, 144.0, 141.1, 138.7, 129.8, 128.9, 126.9, 119.4, 60.1, 40.3, 28.7, 20.7, 13.8; HRMS Calcd for C₁₈H₂₆NO₃ [M+H⁺]:304.1913; Found: 304.1927.

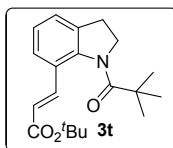
4.2 Substrates Scope of Olefins



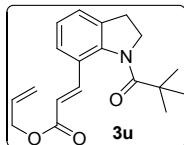
A mixture of amide (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv), olefin (2 equiv), [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)]₂ (6.4 mg, 0.05 equiv), AgSbF₆ (13.7 mg, 0.2 equiv), Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (40 mg, 1 equiv) and THF (1mL) in a 15 mL glass tube (sealed with PTFE cap) was heated at 100 °C for 20 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the alkenylated product



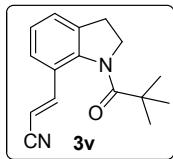
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.30 (m, 6H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (s, 2H), 4.16 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.38 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.8, 167.3, 144.1, 143.2, 136.6, 135.1, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 126.1, 126.0, 125.6, 125.5, 116.9, 66.6, 51.5, 40.6, 31.2, 28.9; HRMS Calcd for C₂₃H₂₆NO₃ [M+H⁺]:364.1913; Found: 364.1909.



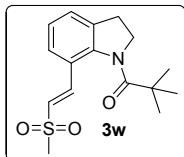
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.04 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.50 (s, 9H), 1.41 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.7, 166.8, 144.0, 141.3, 135.1, 126.5, 125.75, 125.7, 125.4, 119.6, 80.5, 51.5, 40.6, 31.3, 29.0, 28.7; HRMS Calcd for C₂₀H₂₈NO₃ [M+H⁺]:330.2069; Found: 330.2069.



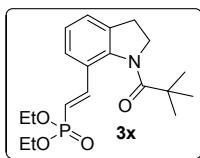
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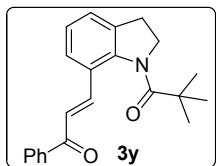
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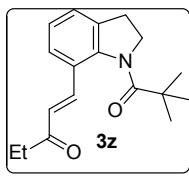
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.07 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.5, 143.8, 143.4, 134.7, 126.5, 125.6, 125.3, 124.7, 123.4, 51.1, 43.9, 40.2, 30.7, 28.4; HRMS Calcd for C₁₆H₂₂NO₃S [M+H⁺]: 308.1320; Found: 308.1388.



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.08 (m, 1H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (t, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1H), 4.17 – 4.07 (m, 6H), 3.00 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (s, 9H), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.0, 146.9, 146.8, 143.1, 134.5, 126.3, 126.1, 125.4, 125.0, 112.8, 110.9, 61.8, 61.8, 51.0, 40.0, 30.7, 28.3, 16.4, 16.3; HRMS Calcd for C₁₉H₂₉NO₄P [M+H⁺]: 366.1834; Found: 366.1836.

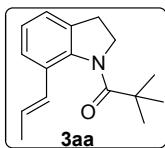


¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 – 7.96 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.07 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.38 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.1, 179.4, 144.3, 143.2, 138.6, 134.9, 132.4, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6, 128.3, 126.4, 126.0, 125.4, 125.2, 121.7, 51.2, 40.3, 30.9, 28.6, 28.4; HRMS Calcd for C₂₂H₂₃NO₂ [M+H⁺]: 334.1807; Found: 334.03.



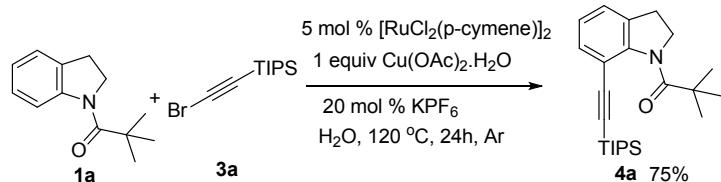
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.04 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.69 – 2.64 (m, 2H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.13 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.8, 179.5,

144.1, 140.8, 135.1, 126.2, 126.1, 125.5, 125.5, 51.5, 40.6, 33.2, 31.1, 28.9, 8.7; HRMS Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄NO₃ [M+H⁺]: 286.1807; Found: 286.1816.

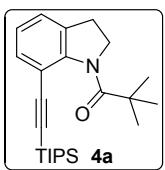


¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.11 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 6.25 – 6.00 (m, 2H), 4.11 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 3.00 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.86 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 3H), 1.40 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.8, 141.6, 134.5, 129.4, 128.8, 125.4, 125.1, 124.5, 122.6, 51.2, 40.2, 31.2, 28.7, 19.0; HRMS Calcd for C₁₆H₂₂NO [M+H⁺]: 244.1701; Found: 244.1700.

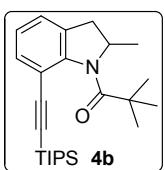
5. Alkynylation of pivotal amide Protected N-heteroarenes



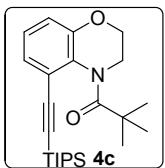
A mixture of amide (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv), alkyne; (2 equiv), [RuCl₂(p-cymene)]₂ (3.2 mg, 0.05 equiv), KPF₆ (7.2 mg, 0.2 equiv), Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (12.6 mg, 1 equiv) and H₂O (0.5mL) in a 15 mL glass tube (sealed with PTFE cap) was heated at 120 °C for 24 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room tempreature, and concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the alkenylated product.



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 6.97 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.02 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 1.13 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 21H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.6, 145.3, 134.2, 132.8, 124.2, 123.8, 115.1, 104.5, 96.7, 50.8, 39.7, 30.7, 28.3, 18.8, 11.3; HRMS Calcd for C₂₄H₃₈NOSi [M+H⁺]: 384.2723; Found: 384.2732.



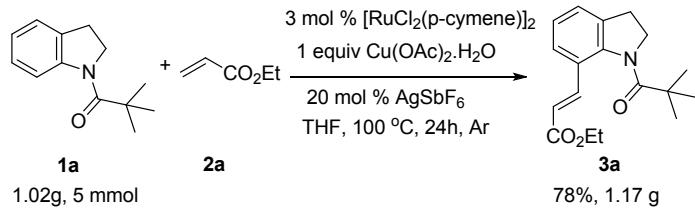
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.78 – 4.72 (m, 1H), 3.31 – 3.25 (m, 1H), 2.48 (d, *J* = 14.9 Hz, 1H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 1.24 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 1.18 – 1.05 (m, 21H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.8, 144.8, 134.0, 132.2, 125.0, 124.5, 117.4, 104.8, 95.6, 57.3, 40.2, 38.1, 28.9, 20.9, 18.9, 18.9, 11.5; HRMS Calcd for C₂₅H₄₀NOSi [M+H⁺]: 398.2879; Found: 398.2885.



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.11 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.85 – 6.83 (m, 1H), 4.38 (s, 1H), 4.22 (s, 2H), 3.76 (s, 1H), 1.36 (s, 9H), 1.12 (s, 21H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.9, 147.8, 128.2, 126.3, 125.4, 121.1, 116.9, 104.2, 95.2, 66.5, 43.9, 39.4, 28.0, 18.3, 10.9; HRMS Calcd for C₂₄H₃₈NO₂Si [M+H⁺]: 400.2672; Found: 400.2667.

6. Gram scale reaction and Indole derivatives

6.1 Gram scale reaction

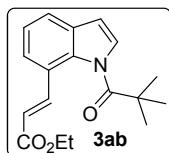


A mixture of amide (5 mmol, 1.02g), olefin (2 equiv), [RuCl₂(p-cymene)]₂ (91.5 mg, 0.03 equiv), AgSbF₆ (342.5 mg, 0.2 equiv), Cu(OAc)₂ · H₂O (1g, 1 equiv) and THF (10mL) in a 50 mL glass tube (sealed with PTFE cap) was heated at 100 °C for 24 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room tempreature, and concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the alkenylated product.

6.2 Indole derivatives

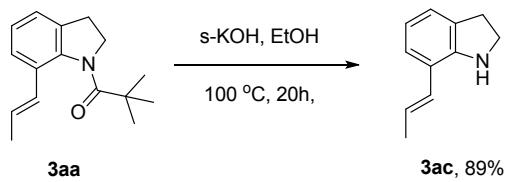


A mixture of **3a** (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv), DDQ (3 equiv) DCE (1mL) in a 15 mL glass tube (sealed with PTFE cap) was heated at 100 °C for 36 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room tempreature, and concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the alkenylated product **3y**.



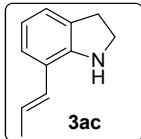
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 6.29 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 4.29 – 4.24 (m, 2H), 1.56 (s, 9H), 1.34 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.0, 166.5, 142.5, 134.4, 130.8, 126.0, 123.5, 123.1, 122.8, 121.9, 117.2, 107.0, 59.9, 41.6, 28.5, 13.8; HRMS Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂NO₃ [M+H⁺]: 300.1600; Found: 300.1610.

6.3 Removal of Directing Group



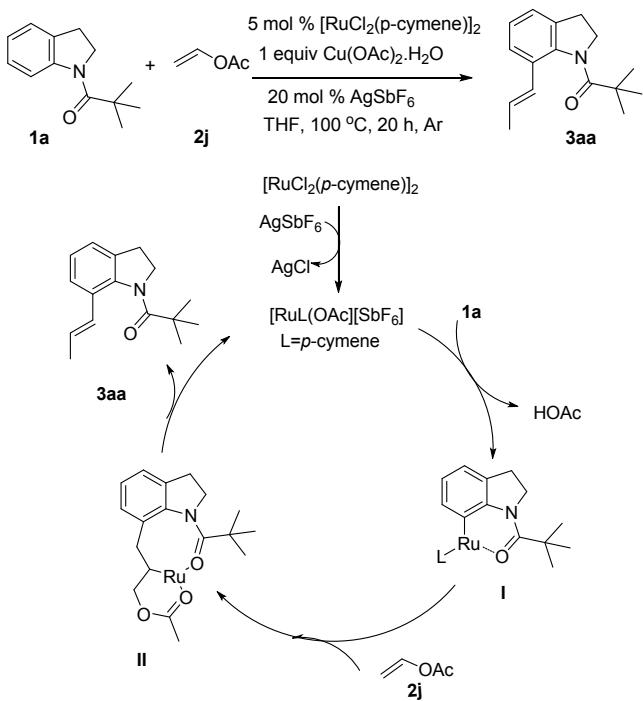
A mixture of **3aa** (48.6 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol %) in EtOH (2 mL) was added aqueous s-KOH

solution (1 mL) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 20 h at 100 °C and cooled to 0 °C. The reaction mixture was neutralized with aqueous s-NH₄Cl solution, and partitioned between DCM and H₂O. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the alkenylated product **3ac**.



¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.00 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.40 – 6.36 (m, 1H), 6.10 – 6.01 (m, 1H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 3.43 – 3.36 (m, 2H), 2.89 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 1.84 - 1.82 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 149.7, 129.8, 127.8, 124.0, 123.9, 123.0, 118.8, 117.7, 46.6, 29.5, 19.0; HRMS Calcd for C₁₁H₁₄N [M+H⁺]: 160.1126; Found: 160.1138.

7. A plausible mechanism to explain **3aa**



A proposed reaction mechanism of **3aa**(**3x**) was coreected to **3aa** was shown as above. Firstly, the [RuCl₂(p-cymene)]₂ catalyst is activated by Ag⁺ in the reaction. The ruthenium species coordinated with the directing group of pivaloyl, followed by ortho metalation, affording a six-membered metallacycle intermediate I, and then Regioselectiv coordinative insertion of olefin into the Ru-C bond provides an eight-membered ruthenium intermediate II. Futher, β -oxygen elimination affords the products **3aa**.¹

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8. NMR Spectra

