

Supporting Information

Copper Catalyzed α -C-H Acyloxylation of Carbonyl Compounds with Terminal Alkynes

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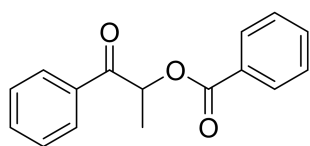
Experimental:

^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 on a Bruker AV-400 spectrometer.

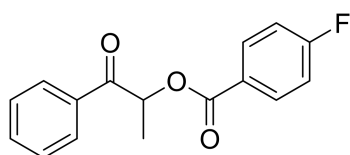
Chemical shifts for ^1H NMR spectra are reported in ppm relative to residual CDCl_3 as internal reference (δ 7.26 ppm for ^1H) downfield from TMS, chemical shifts for ^{13}C NMR spectra are reported in ppm relative to internal CDCl_3 (δ 77.16 ppm for ^{13}C). Coupling constants (J) are given in Hertz (Hz). The terms m, s, d, t, q refer to multiplet, singlet, doublet, triplet, quartlet respectively; br refers to a broad signal. Reagents and solvents used were mostly AR grade. Silica gel coated plates were used for TLC.

Typical Procedure.

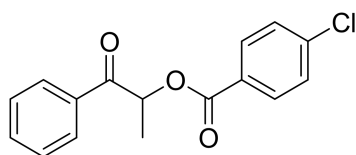
The mixture of carbonyl compounds (0.4 mmol), terminal alkynes (0.2 mmol), $\text{Cu}(\text{acac})_2$ (5 mol%), TBHP (4.0 eq) and chlorobenzene (1 ml) was stirred at 120 °C for 12 h. After cooling to r.t., the reaction mixture was washed with aq. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (10 ml), and extracted by ethyl acetate for three times. The obtained top organic layer was dried with anhydrous MgSO_4 . The mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (EA/n-Hexane=5%) to afford pure product.

Characteristic Data.

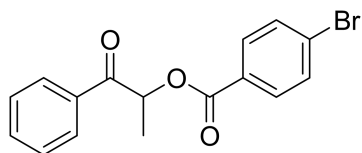
1-oxo-1-phenylpropan-2-yl benzoate (**3aa**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.09 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 8.00 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 7.58 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 7.46 (dt, J = 15.8, 7.8 Hz, 4 H), 6.21 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.67 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.66, 165.92, 134.43, 133.53, 133.18, 129.81, 129.44, 128.74, 128.45, 128.33, 71.84, 17.09.



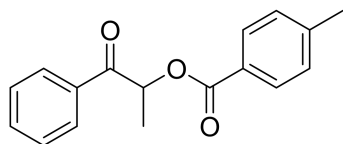
1-oxo-1-phenylpropan-2-yl 4-fluorobenzoate (**3ab**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.22 – 8.05 (m, 2 H), 8.05 – 7.90 (m, 2 H), 7.66 – 7.55 (m, 1 H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.11 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.20 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.67 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.72, 167.37, 165.12, 164.84, 134.53, 133.77, 132.64, 132.55, 128.96, 128.62, 125.92, 125.89, 115.82, 115.60, 72.12, 17.34.



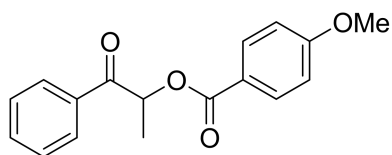
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1-oxo-1-phenylpropan-2-yl 4-bromobenzoate (**3ad**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.99 – 7.93 (m, 4 H), 7.57 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.19 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.65 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.40, 165.12, 134.27, 133.63, 131.70, 131.32, 128.79, 128.43, 128.41, 128.35, 72.10, 17.12.

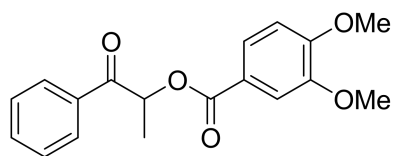


1-oxo-1-phenylpropan-2-yl 4-methylbenzoate (**3ae**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.99 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 4 H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 6.17 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.37 (s, 3 H), 1.64 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.76, 165.94, 143.95, 134.42, 133.47, 129.83, 129.23, 128.90, 128.61, 126.88, 71.70, 22.56, 17.11.

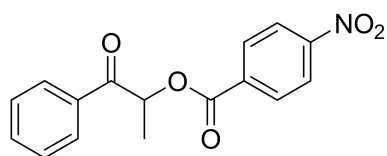


1-oxo-1-phenylpropan-2-yl 4-methoxybenzoate (**3af**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.02 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.16 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.81 (s, 3 H), 1.64 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.92, 165.57, 163.58, 134.45, 133.43, 131.84, 128.69, 128.41, 121.78, 113.59,

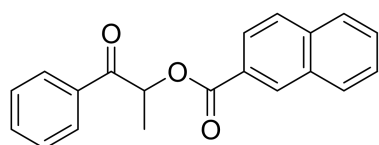
71.55, 55.32, 17.09.



1-oxo-1-phenylpropan-2-yl 3,4-dimethoxybenzoate (**3ag**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.07 – 7.92 (m, 2 H), 7.73 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.64 – 7.34 (m, 4 H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.16 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.91 (s, 3 H), 3.89 (s, 3 H), 1.64 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.96, 165.74, 153.29, 148.61, 134.52, 133.51, 128.75, 128.48, 124.02, 121.90, 112.13, 110.25, 71.72, 56.01, 55.96, 17.16.

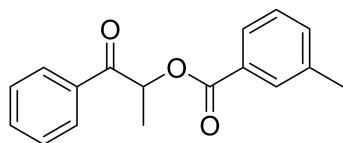


1-oxo-1-phenylpropan-2-yl 4-nitrobenzoate (**3ah**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.40 – 8.15 (m, 4 H), 7.99 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.62 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.25 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.70 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.94, 164.09, 150.70, 134.90, 134.11, 133.84, 130.96, 130.96, 128.90, 128.45, 123.53, 72.78, 17.25.

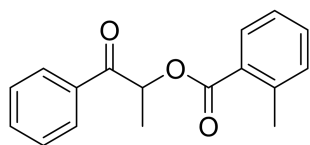


1-oxo-1-phenylpropan-2-yl 2-naphthoate (**3ai**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.67 (s, 1 H), 8.17 – 7.77 (m, 6 H), 7.68 – 7.38 (m, 5 H), 6.27 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.72 (d, J = 7.0

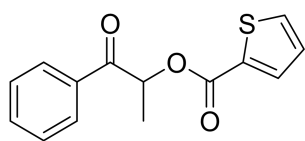
Hz, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.79, 166.12, 135.68, 134.50, 133.58, 132.43, 131.50, 129.41, 128.80, 128.65, 128.53, 128.38, 128.19, 127.76, 126.72, 126.66, 125.30, 72.01, 17.27.



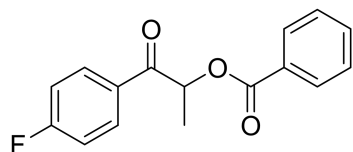
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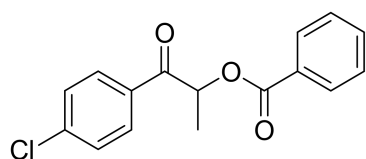
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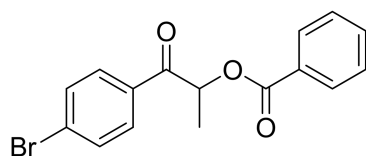
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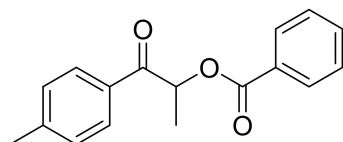
1-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-oxopropan-2-yl benzoate (**3ba**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.11 - 8.04 (m, 4 H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.18 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 6.17 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.69 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.22, 167.15, 165.97, 164.67, 133.35, 131.27, 131.17, 130.86, 130.83, 129.84, 129.37, 128.41, 116.09, 115.89, 71.75, 17.10.



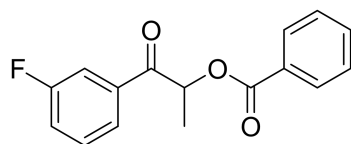
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1-(4-bromophenyl)-1-oxopropan-2-yl benzoate (**3da**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.07 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.86 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.67 - 7.55 (m, 3 H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.12 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.66 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.82, 165.90, 133.40, 133.18, 132.12, 130.00, 129.84, 129.31, 128.44, 71.83, 17.04.

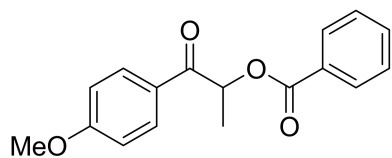


1-oxo-1-(p-tolyl)propan-2-yl benzoate (**3ea**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.11 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.93 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.30 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2 H), 6.21 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.43 (s, 3 H), 1.68 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.13, 165.94, 144.37, 133.16, 131.80, 129.79, 129.53, 129.41, 128.57, 128.29, 71.83, 21.60, 17.18.

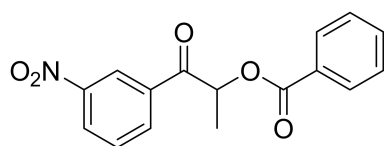


1-(3-fluorophenyl)-1-oxopropan-2-yl benzoate (**3ga**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.10 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.80 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.71 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.49 - 7.45 (m, 3 H), 7.34 - 7.28 (m, 1 H), 6.14 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.68 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.71, 165.94, 164.07, 161.63, 161.21,

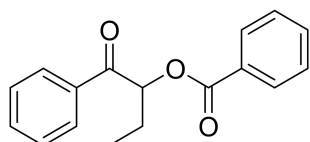
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1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-oxopropan-2-yl benzoate (**3fa**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.09 – 8.10 (m, 2 H), 7.99 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.57 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.44 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.95 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2 H), 6.18 (q, J = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.87 (s, 3 H), 1.66 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.11, 165.96, 163.95, 133.27, 130.85, 129.86, 129.63, 128.38, 127.22, 114.06, 71.79, 55.51, 17.41.

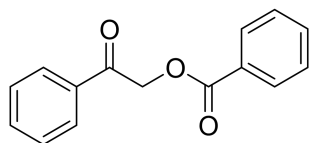


1-(3-nitrophenyl)-1-oxopropan-2-yl benzoate (**3ha**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.85 (s, 1 H), 8.45 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1 H), 8.32 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.08 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.71 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 6.13 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.71 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.08, 165.98, 133.57, 130.05, 129.87, 129.69, 128.97, 128.44, 127.70, 123.30, 72.10, 16.99.

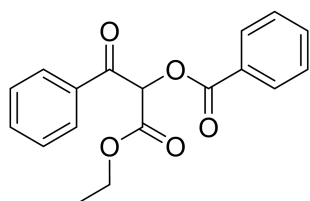


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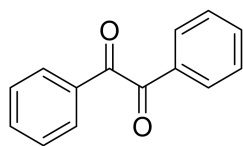
$J = 5.4$ Hz, 1 H), 2.14 - 1.99 (m, 2 H), 1.11 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.33, 166.14, 134.90, 133.52, 133.25, 129.80, 129.01, 128.79, 128.40, 128.37, 24.91, 9.93.



2-oxo-2-phenylethyl benzoate (**3ja**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.16 - 8.12 (m, 2 H), 7.99 - 7.97 (m, 2 H), 7.66 - 7.58 (m, 2 H), 7.54 - 7.46 (m, 4 H), 5.59 (s, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.28, 166.26, 134.04, 133.53, 130.45, 130.15, 129.05, 128.76, 128.65, 127.98, 66.65.

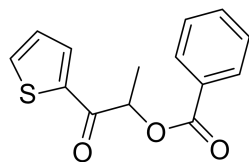


1-ethoxy-1,3-dioxo-3-phenylpropan-2-yl benzoate (**3ka**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.11 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 4 H), 7.67 - 7.60 (m, 2 H), 7.55 - 7.45 (m, 4 H), 6.55 (s, 1 H), 4.31 (q, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2 H), 1.27 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 189.77, 165.24, 165.12, 134.31, 134.21, 133.80, 130.24, 129.31, 128.83, 128.57, 128.47, 74.90, 62.51, 13.95.

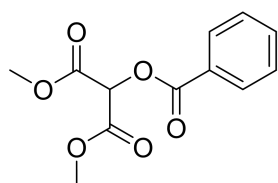


benzil (**3la'**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03 - 7.89 (m, 2 H), 7.65 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1

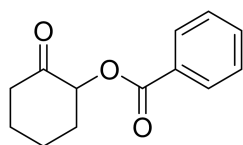
H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 194.55, 134.87, 132.97, 129.87, 129.00, 129.00, 77.33, 77.01, 76.69.



1-oxo-1-(thiophen-2-yl)propan-2-yl benzoate (**3ma**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.10 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 7.87 (t, J = 3.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.69 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.60- 7.56 (m, 1 H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.16 – 7.15 (m, 1 H), 5.97 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.71 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 189.75, 165.99, 140.57, 134.56, 133.47, 132.87, 130.03, 128.60, 127.94, 126.30, 72.94, 17.75.



dimethyl 2-(benzoyloxy)malonate (**3na**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.14 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.62 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 5.81 (s, 1 H), 3.88 (s, 6 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.07, 164.92, 133.91, 130.24, 128.51, 128.31, 71.84, 53.35.



2-oxocyclohexyl benzoate (**3oa**). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.09 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H), 5.41 (q, J = 8.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.57 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.51 - 2.41 (m, 2 H), 2.15 - 2.11 (m, 1 H), 2.04 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1 H),

1.96 - 1.83 (m, 2 H), 1.75 – 1.61 (m, 1 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.33, 165.57,

133.14, 129.86, 129.68, 128.32, 76.68, 40.74, 33.19, 27.19, 23.77.

