Supporting Information for

Au(I)-Catalyzed Expeditious Access to Naphtho[2,3-*c*]furan-1(3-*H*)-ones from Readily Available Propargylic Ynoates

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1. General Information

Ethyl acetate (ACS grade), hexanes (ACS grade), dichloromethane (ACS grade) were purchased from Fisher Scientific and used without further purification. ACS grade 1,2-dichloroethane were purchased from Acros Organics and used directly. Commercially available reagents were used without further purification. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) using Silicycle precoated silica gel plates. Flash column chromatography was performed over Silicycle silica gel (230-400 mesh). ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian 400 MHz spectrometer. Unity plus spectrometer, using residue solvent peaks as internal standards (CDCl₃, ¹H: 7.26 ppm; ¹³C: 77.00 ppm).Mass spectra were recorded with Waters micromass ZQ detector using electrospray method.

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2. Synthesis of Compound 1

General Procedure A: Preparation of Propargylic Ynoates 1:

Taking substrate **1a** for example: To a solution of the propargylic alcohol (2 mmol) and acid (2.2 mmol, 1.1 eq) in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) was added catalytic amount DMAP. The solution was cooled in an ice-water bath and treated with EDCI (2.2 mmol, 1.1 eq). The ice-water bath was removed, and the reaction was stirred at room temperature overnight. The urea formed during the reaction was filtered off and the residue after concentration was purified through silica gel flash column chromatography (eluents: EtOAc and hexanes) to give the desired substrate **1a**.

1,3-diphenylprop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1a)



Compound **1a** was obtained as yellow oil in 96% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67 – 7.63 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 1.96 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.36, 136.22, 131.77, 129.09, 128.80, 128.62, 128.17, 127.83, 121.77, 87.69, 86.91, 84.67, 71.93, 67.36, 3.69.

1-(2-bromophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1b)



Compound **1b** was obtained as yellow oil in 87% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.19 (m, 5H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.10, 135.36, 133.11, 131.95, 130.72, 129.94, 128.99, 128.28, 127.82, 123.52, 121.76, 88.21, 87.10, 83.83, 71.85, 66.92, 3.95.

1-(3-bromophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1c)



Compound **1c** was obtained as yellow oil in 86% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75 (t, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.27, 138.49, 132.28, 131.94, 130.90, 130.27, 129.07, 128.31, 126.52, 122.68, 121.62, 88.24, 87.44, 84.03, 71.84, 66.55, 3.91.

1-(4-bromophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1d)



Compound 1d was obtained as yellow oil in 91% yield according to general procedure A.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 – 7.43 (m, 6H), 7.33 (m, 3H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ152.34, 135.41, 131.90, 129.64, 129.05, 128.31, 123.40, 121.64, 88.10, 87.33, 84.14, 71.84, 66.76, 3.92.

1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1e)



Compound **1e** was obtained as yellow oil in 71% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 4H), 7.24 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 6.93 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 2.5, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.78, 152.48, 137.73, 131.91, 129.80, 128.93, 128.30, 121.88, 120.22, 114.85, 113.39, 87.75, 87.11, 84.66, 72.01, 67.35, 55.32, 3.89.

1-(2-fluorophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1f)



Compound **1f** was obtained as yellow oil in 89% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.22 (td, *J* = 7.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 8.3, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.17 (d, *J* = 250.8 Hz), 152.14, 131.95, 131.19 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 129.73 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 129.01, 128.29, 124.41, 123.59 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz), 121.73, 115.75 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 87.88, 87.11, 83.65, 71.86, 61.52 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz), 3.90

1-(2-bromo-4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1g)



Compound **1g** was obtained as yellow oil in 81% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.42 – 7.27 (m, 4H), 7.12 (td, J = 8.3, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (s, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.66 (d, J = 253.4 Hz), 152.01, 131.58 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 131.28 (d, J = 8.9 Hz), 129.09, 128.31, 123.86 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 121.58, 120.38 (d, J = 24.8 Hz), 115.01 (d, J = 21.2 Hz), 88.42, 87.26, 83.63, 71.74, 66.24, 3.95.

1-(2-bromo-4-methylphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1h)



Compound **1h** was obtained as yellow oil in 86% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.40 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.17, 141.28, 133.52, 132.37, 131.93, 129.73, 128.99, 128.63, 128.31, 123.28, 121.81, 88.05, 87.00, 84.12, 71.94, 66.82, 20.87, 3.91.

1-(2-bromo-5-chlorophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1i)



Compound **1i** was obtained as yellow oil in 82% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.38 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.87, 137.21, 134.17, 133.94, 131.99, 130.69, 129.78, 129.16, 128.32, 121.48, 121.09, 88.54, 87.55, 83.16, 71.67, 66.33, 3.96.

3-phenyl-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1j)



Compound **1j** was obtained as yellow oil in 88% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.52 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.27, 140.24, 131.95, 131.28 (q, *J* = 32.7 Hz), 129.17, 128.36, 128.21, 125.77 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 124.94, 122.76, 121.56, 88.46, 87.58, 83.94, 71.79, 66.64, 3.89.

1-phenylbut-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1k)



Compound 1k was obtained as yellow oil in 72% yield according to general

procedure A.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 6.45 (q, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.91 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.58, 136.78, 129.00, 128.61, 127.81, 86.64, 84.75, 75.18, 72.11, 67.48, 3.86, 3.82.

1-phenylnon-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (11)



Compound **11** was obtained as yellow oil in 82% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 6.50 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (td, *J* = 7.2, 2.1 Hz, 2H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 1.55 (dt, *J* = 14.8, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.46 – 1.22 (m, 6H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 8.3Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.27, 140.24, 131.95, 131.28 (q, J = 32.7 Hz), 129.17, 128.36, 128.21, 125.77 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 124.94, 122.76, 121.56, 88.46, 87.58, 83.94, 71.79, 66.64, 3.89.

3-cyclohexyl-1-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1m)



Compound **1m** was obtained as yellow oil in 84% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.55 (dt, *J* = 8.4, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 7.46 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.54 – 2.32 (m, 1H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.86 – 1.78 (m, 2H), 1.77 – 1.67 (m, 2H), 1.58 – 1.45 (m, 3H), 1.41 – 1.24 (m, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.59, 136.95, 128.95, 128.57, 127.93, 93.12, 86.52, 75.93, 72.21, 67.51, 32.30, 32.28, 29.09, 25.83, 24.76, 3.85.

1,5-diphenylpent-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1n)



Compound **1n** was obtained as yellow oil in 95% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 6.46 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (td, *J* = 7.4, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 1.98 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.56, 140.29, 136.56, 128.97, 128.56, 128.49, 128.39, 127.87, 126.32, 88.27, 86.66, 76.76, 72.09, 67.38, 34.62, 21.06, 3.88.

7-(benzyloxy)-1-phenylhept-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (10)



Compound **10** was obtained as yellow oil in 91% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43 – 7.26 (m, 8H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 4.49 (s, 2H), 3.49 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (td, *J* = 6.8, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 1.96 (s, 3H), 1.75 – 1.61 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.55, 138.51, 136.76, 128.96, 128.58, 128.33, 127.85, 127.58, 127.48, 88.84, 86.59, 76.17, 72.81, 71.81, 69.66, 67.45, 28.82, 25.08, 18.66, 3.86.

1-phenyl-5-((tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-yl)oxy)pent-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1p)

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Compound **1p** was obtained as yellow oil in 88% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 7.44 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (t, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.96 – 3.76 (m, 2H), 3.62 – 3.42 (m, 2H), 2.58 (td, *J* = 7.0, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.89 – 1.43 (m, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.51, 136.56, 129.00, 128.57, 127.85, 98.66, 98.62, 86.69, 86.00, 76.90, 72.05, 67.29, 65.23, 65.20, 62.02, 30.47, 25.38, 20.38, 19.23, 3.85.

6-((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-1-phenylhex-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1q)



Compound **1q** was obtained as yellow oil in 86% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (dt, J = 6.9, 4.1 Hz, 3H), 6.49 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (td, J = 7.1, 2.1 Hz, 2H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.78 – 1.70 (m, 2H), 0.90 (s, 9H), 0.06 (s, 6H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.50, 136.78, 128.96, 128.57, 127.81, 88.67, 86.53,

76.17, 72.12, 67.40, 61.41, 31.31, 25.91, 18.28, 15.25, 3.78, -5.39.

1-phenyl-3-(*m*-tolyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1s)



Compound **1s** was obtained as yellow oil in 71% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.18 (dd, J = 17.9, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.99 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.52, 137.97, 136.38, 132.47, 129.77, 129.16, 128.96, 128.70, 128.15, 127.97, 121.71, 87.98, 86.90, 84.33, 72.04, 67.52, 21.15, 3.88.

1-phenyl-3-(o-tolyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl but-2-ynoate (1t)



Compound **1t** was obtained as yellow oil in 71% yield according to general procedure **A**.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 7.47 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 1.99 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.55, 140.72, 136.42, 132.24, 129.43, 129.16, 128.89, 128.70, 127.98, 125.48, 121.70, 88.55, 86.85, 86.83, 72.05, 67.68, 20.67, 3.89.

1,3-diphenylprop-2-yn-1-yl hex-2-ynoate (1y)



Compound 1y was obtained as yellow oil in 86% yield according to general procedure

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¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 2.31 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.61 (dd, *J* = 14.5, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.01 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.65, 136.38, 131.91, 129.16, 128.87, 128.70, 128.25, 127.99, 121.94, 90.93, 87.74, 84.79, 72.79, 67.42, 20.98, 20.69, 13.48..

1,3-diphenylprop-2-yn-1-yl 3-phenylpropiolate (1z)



Compound 1z was obtained as yellow oil in 88% yield according to general procedure A.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.63 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.49 – 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.35 (m, 5H), 6.84 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.95, 136.26, 133.06, 131.96, 130.80, 129.32, 128.97, 128.80, 128.57, 128.31, 128.10, 121.88, 119.40, 88.00, 87.55, 84.68, 80.27, 67.80.

3. Synthesis of Compound 2

General Procedure B: Au(I)-catalyzed formation of Naphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)ones



Taking substrate **2a** for example: To a solution of **1a** in DCE (0.1 M) was added the Au catalyst, NaBAr^F₄, and 4Å MS. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 2 hours. The resulting mixture was concentrated and the residue was purified through silica gel flash column chromatography (eluents: EtOAc and hexanes) to give the

desired product 2a.

9-methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2a)



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Compound **2a** was obtained as a white solid in 95% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.27 (dd, J = 6.3, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dq, J = 6.8, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.49 – 7.31 (m, 5H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 3.19 (s, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.86, 143.47, 139.33, 137.65, 135.96, 133.02, 129.11, 128.90, 128.82, 128.57, 127.05, 126.73, 125.52, 120.02, 119.73, 81.26, 12.55. **HRMS** m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₉H₁₄O₂Na [M+Na⁺], 297.0886, found 297.0882.

5-bromo-9-methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2b)



Compound **2b** was obtained as a white solid in 88% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.41 (m, 5H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 3.28 (s, 1H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.15, 144.78, 139.78, 137.27, 134.69, 134.58, 132.81, 129.35, 129.09, 127.17, 126.98, 125.49, 123.77, 119.47, 81.57, 12.86. **HRMS** m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₉H₁₄BrO₂Na [M+Na⁺], 374.9991, found 374.9998.

6-bromo-9-methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2c) and 8-bromo-9methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2c')



Compound **2c** was obtained as a white solid in 86% combined yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.48, 170.44, 144.71, 143.87, 141.78, 139.58, 138.88, 137.26, 137.00, 134.88, 131.62, 131.56, 130.80, 130.18, 129.42, 129.24, 128.97, 128.45, 127.18, 127.00, 126.96, 123.30, 122.22, 121.68, 121.03, 120.43, 118.84, 81.16, 80.22, 18.01, 12.53.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₉H₁₄BrO₂Na [M+Na⁺], 374.9991, found 374.9998.

7-bromo-9-methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2d)



Compound 2d was obtained as a white solid in 71% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.41 (d, J = 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.53 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.30 (m, 5 H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 3.14 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.38, 143.95, 138.40, 137.29, 134.35, 134.25, 131.93, 130.30, 129.24, 128.97, 127.96, 127.00, 121.18, 120.97, 119.75, 81.26, 12.53.
HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₉H₁₄BrO₂Na [M+Na⁺], 374.9991, found 374.9998.

6-methoxy-9-methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-*c*]furan-1(3*H*)-one (2e) and 8methoxy-9-methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-*c*]furan-1(3*H*)-one (2e')



Compounds **2e** and **2e**' were obtained as a white solid in 91% combined according to general procedure **B**.

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.03, 171.01, 160.09, 159.61, 144.65, 144.04, 142.18, 139.12, 138.61, 137.99, 137.80, 137.72, 129.06, 129.03, 128.86, 128.39, 127.11, 127.03, 127.00, 125.75, 121.14, 119.97, 119.68, 119.35, 118.30, 118.05, 106.39, 105.98, 81.08, 80.32, 55.42, 55.39, 17.11, 12.59.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₂₀H₁₆O₃Na [M+Na⁺], 327.0992, found 327.0995.

5-fluoro-9-methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2f)



Compound **2f** was obtained as a white solid in 81% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.63 – 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.27 (m, 6H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 3.19 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.49, 158.93 (d, *J* = 252.5 Hz), 143.82 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 139.29 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 137.28, 134.57 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 129.22, 128.98, 126.97, 126.45 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 126.37 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz), 121.40 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz), 120.92, 112.63 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 112.14 (d, *J* = 19.9 Hz), 81.40, 12.84.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₉H₁₃O₂BFNa [M+Na⁺], 315.0792, found 315.0791.

5-bromo-7-fluoro-9-methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2g)



Compound **2g** was obtained as a white solid in 96% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.87 (dd, J = 10.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, J = 10.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.31 (m, 5H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 3.13 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ170.04, 159.70 (d, *J* = 251.3 Hz).144.12 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 138.83 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 137.01, 134.77 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 131.82, 129.34, 129.05, 127.05, 124.56 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz), 123.33 (d, *J* = 28.2 Hz), 121.79, 119.38 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 109.17 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 81.46, 12.80.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₉H₁₂O₂BrFNa [M+Na⁺], 392.9897, found 392.9894.

5-bromo-7,9-dimethyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2h)



Compound **2h** was obtained as a white solid in 91% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.44 – 7.32 (m, 5H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 3.16 (s, 3H), 2.56 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.51, 143.80, 138.78, 137.33, 137.08, 134.78, 134.51, 132.83, 129.19, 128.96, 127.07, 124.49, 123.29, 120.88, 119.09, 81.44, 21.65, 12.72.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for $C_{20}H_{15}O_2BrNa$ [M+Na⁺], 389.0148, found 389.0143.

5-bromo-8-chloro-9-methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2i)



Compound **2i** was obtained as a white solid in 90% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.11 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (m, 5H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 3.56 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.99, 145.26, 142.11, 136.90, 136.75, 133.91, 132.35, 132.17, 130.41, 129.38, 129.09, 127.01, 123.07, 122.63, 120.64, 80.52, 17.81. HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₉H₁₂O₂BrClNa [M+Na⁺], 408.9601, found 408.9603.

9-methyl-3-phenyl-7-(trifluoromethyl)naphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2j)



Compound 2j was obtained as a white solid in 69% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.7, 1H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.46 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.13, 145.70, 140.48, 137.09, 132.08, 130.01, 129.34, 129.02, 128.63 (q, J = 32.7 Hz), 126.99, 125.36, 124.09 (q, J = 3.0 Hz), 123.28 (q, J = 4.6 Hz), 122.64, 121.38, 121.38, 119.80, 81.27, 12.58.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₂₀H₁₃O₂F₃Na [M+Na⁺], 365.0760, found 365.0761.

3,9-dimethylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2k)



Compound 2k was obtained as a white solid in 61% yield according to general $$_{\rm S17}$$

procedure B.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.66 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 5.80 – 5.42 (m, 1H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 1.70 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.82, 145.04, 139.26, 135.90, 132.94, 128.71, 128.48, 126.54, 125.53, 120.38, 118.12, 77.26, 77.00, 76.75, 76.16, 21.22, 12.46.
HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₂O₂Na [M+Na⁺], 235.0730, found 235.0731.

3-hexyl-9-methylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2l)



Compound **21** was obtained as a white solid in 92% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.26 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.71 – 7.55 (m, 3H), 5.55 (dd, J = 7.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.15 (s, 3H), 2.20 – 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.93 – 1.72 (m, 1H), 1.70 – 1.15 (m, 8H), 0.89 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.04, 143.94, 139.18, 135.84, 132.95, 128.72, 128.44, 126.48, 125.52, 120.77, 118.25, 79.84, 35.58, 31.62, 29.06, 24.69, 22.55, 14.03, 12.47.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₉H₂₂O₂Na [M+Na⁺], 305.1512, found 305.1514.

3-cyclohexyl-9-methylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2m)



Compound **2m** was obtained as a white solid in 80% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.24 (dd, J = 8.3, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.99 – 7.83 (m, 1H),

7.72 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 5.39 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 2H), 3.13 (s, 4H), 1.98 (ddd, *J* = 15.0, 8.0, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.91 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 1.83 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 1.74 – 1.63 (m, 2H), 1.47 – 1.07 (m, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.04, 143.94, 139.18, 135.84, 132.95, 128.72, 128.44, 126.48, 125.52, 120.77, 118.25, 79.84, 35.58, 31.62, 29.06, 24.69, 22.55, 14.03, 12.47.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₉H₂₀O₂Na [M+Na⁺], 303.1356, found 303.1354.

9-methyl-3-phenethylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2n)



Compound **2n** was obtained as a white solid in 88% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.28 – 8.22 (m, 1H), 7.91 – 7.85 (m, 1H), 7.68 – 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.35 – 7.15 (m, 5H), 5.53 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 2.96 – 2.79 (m, 2H), 2.49 – 2.36 (m, 1H), 2.11 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.94, 143.58, 140.78, 139.38, 135.84, 132.99, 128.72, 128.55, 128.55, 128.53, 126.57, 126.19, 125.53, 120.61, 118.27, 78.77, 37.50, 31.18, 12.49.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₂₁H₁₈O₂Na [M+Na⁺], 325.1199, found 325.1194.

9-methyl-3-phenethylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2o)



Compound 20 was obtained as a white solid in 76% yield according to general

procedure B.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.70 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.36 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 5.53 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.54 – 4.46 (m, 2H), 3.55 – 3.43 (m, 2H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 2.14 (ddd, *J* = 14.4, 8.0, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 1.89 – 1.80 (m, 1H), 1.76 – 1.59 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.95, 143.71, 139.19, 138.46, 135.81, 132.93, 128.72, 128.44, 128.33, 127.62, 127.51, 126.50, 125.49, 120.66, 118.29, 79.65, 72.91, 69.95, 35.32, 29.41, 21.63, 12.45.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₂₄H₂₄O₃Na [M+Na⁺], 383.1618, found 383.1614.

9-methyl-3-(2-((tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-yl)oxy)ethyl)naphtho[2,3-*c*]furan-1(3*H*)one (2p)



Compound **2p** was obtained as a white solid in 91% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.08 – 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.70 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 5.74 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 4.22 – 3.38 (m, 5H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 2.51 – 2.35 (m, 1H), 2.03 (ddd, *J* = 14.5, 9.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.85 – 1.67 (m, 2H), 1.67 – 1.44 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.89, 170.87, 143.78, 143.76, 139.28, 139.26, 135.87, 135.84, 132.97, 128.78, 128.75, 128.48, 126.54, 125.50, 125.50, 120.56, 120.51, 118.56, 118.52, 99.74, 98.62, 77.06, 76.86, 63.52, 63.01, 62.78, 62.15, 36.18, 36.07, 30.70, 30.57, 25.40, 25.39, 19.80, 19.37, 12.46.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₂₀H₂₂O₄Na [M+Na⁺], 349.1410, found 349.1412.

3-(3-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)propyl)-9-methylnaphtho[2,3-*c*]furan-1(3*H*)one (2q)



Compound **2q** was obtained as a white solid in 80% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 – 8.22 (m, 1H), 8.00 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.68 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 5.60 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.86 – 3.44 (m, 2H), 3.15 (s, 3H), 2.29 – 2.22 (m, 1H), 2.04 – 1.87 (m, 1H), 1.84 – 1.64 (m, 2H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.06 (s, 3H), 0.05 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.97, 143.78, 139.22, 135.85, 132.97, 128.75, 128.46, 126.52, 125.51, 120.75, 118.37, 79.65, 62.45, 32.05, 27.81, 25.94, 18.32, 12.47, -5.33.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₂₂H₃₀O₃SiNa [M+Na⁺], 393.1856, found 393.1857.

3-(2-hydroxyethyl)-9-methylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2r)



Compound **2r** was obtained as a white solid in 79% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.57 (dtd, *J* = 16.5, 6.8, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 5.67 (dd, *J* = 9.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (ddd, *J* = 10.8, 8.3, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (dt, *J* = 10.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 2.33 (tdd, *J* = 8.5, 5.6, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.92 (ddt, *J* = 14.6, 9.8, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 1.72 (br, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.70, 143.57, 139.49, 135.84, 132.97, 128.74, 128.58, 126.63, 125.50, 120.23, 118.38, 77.20, 59.13, 38.46, 12.47.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₁₅H₁₄O₃Na [M+Na⁺], 265.0835, found 265.0837.

9-methyl-3-(*m*-tolyl)naphtho[2,3-*c*]furan-1(3*H*)-one (2s)



Compound **2s** was obtained as a white solid in 80% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.26 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 11.5, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 3.18 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.89, 143.61, 139.24, 138.74, 137.57, 135.98, 133.01, 129.87, 128.83, 128.74, 128.51, 127.52, 126.67, 125.50, 124.16, 120.07, 119.69, 81.34, 21.35, 12.53.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for $C_{20}H_{16}O_2Na$ [M+Na⁺], 311.1043, found 311.1041.

9-methyl-3-(o-tolyl)naphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2t)



Compound **2t** was obtained as a white solid in 68% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 2.53 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.93, 143.10, 139.36, 137.09, 135.93, 135.29, 133.05, 131.08, 129.18, 128.85, 128.58, 127.55, 126.72, 126.37, 125.56, 120.81, 119.75, 79.10, 19.45, 12.55.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₂₀H₁₆O₂Na [M+Na⁺], 311.1043, found 311.1041.

3-phenyl-9-propylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2y)



Compound **2y** was obtained as a white solid in 78% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (dd, J = 6.3, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.85 – 7.81 (m, 1H), 7.64 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.28 (m, 5H), 6.46 (d, J = 0.6 Hz, 1H), 3.77 – 3.66 (m, 2H), 1.82 (dd, J = 15.1, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.12 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.43, 144.18, 143.59, 137.71, 136.39, 132.28, 129.08, 128.96, 128.89, 128.44, 127.04, 126.62, 125.52, 119.84, 119.74, 81.21, 28.07, 24.78, 14.32.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₂₁H₁₈O₂Na [M+Na⁺], 325.1199, found 325.1195.

3,9-diphenylnaphtho[2,3-c]furan-1(3H)-one (2z)



Compound 2z was obtained as a white solid in 84% yield according to general procedure **B**.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (s, 1H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 11.1, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.53 – 7.35 (m, 8H), 6.53 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.00, 143.61, 142.15, 137.58, 136.33, 134.35, 132.87, 130.17, 130.01, 129.17, 128.94, 128.69, 128.36, 128.27, 128.08, 128.07, 128.03, 127.06, 126.92, 121.38, 119.73, 81.14.

HRMS m/z (ESI) Calcd for C₂₄H₁₆O₂Na [M+Na⁺], 359.1043, found 359.1048.

4. X-ray of compound 2f

The data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre (CCDC 1855919) via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.



Figure S1. Ortep drawing of compound 2f.

Table S1: Crystallographic Details for	2f
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Complex.	2f
empirical formula	$C_{19} H_{13} F O_2$
formula weight	292.29
temperature, K	103(2)
radiation (Mo Kα), Å	0.71073
crystal system	Monoclinic
space group	P 21/c
a, Å	7.508(15)
b, Å	12.35(2)
c, Å	14.70(3)
α, °	90
β, °	91.40(8)
γ, °	90
<i>V</i> , Å ³	1363(5)
Ζ	4
<i>F</i> (000)	608
crystal size, mm	0.25x 0.20 x 0.10

θ range, °	3.26 to 25.99
indep reflns	13551 / 2613 [R(int) = 0.1266]
data-restraints-params	2613/0/199
GOF on F^2	0.636
final R ($I > 2\sigma(I)$)	$R_1 = 0.0590, wR_2 = 0.1623$
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.1454, wR_2 = 0.2243$
peak and hole, e.Å ⁻³	0.184 and -0.288







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