

Carbocation Catalyzed Ring Closing Aldehyde-Olefin Metathesis

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Table S1. Optimization of Lewis Acid Catalysed Aldehyde-olefin Ring Closing Metathesis.^[a]

Entry	Catalyst	Solvent	Yield (%) ^[b]		
			5	2a	6a
1	TrBF ₄	DCM	0	71	86
2	FeCl ₃	DCM	0	0	74
3	InCl ₃	DCM	0	14	78
4	BF ₃ ·Et ₂ O	DCM	0	20	100
5	HBF ₄ ·Et ₂ O	DCM	0	0	83
6	AlCl ₃	DCM	64	3	17
8	TrBF ₄	DCE	0	18	26
9	TrBF ₄	CH ₃ CN	91	0	0
10	TrBF ₄	1,4-dioxane	98	0	0
11	TrBF ₄	toluene	89	10	11

[a] Reaction conditions: TrBF₄ was added to **5a** in DCM (0.01 M) for 4 hours at room temperature. [b] Yield was determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy.

Table S2. Evaluation of Olefin Substitution and Carbocation Lewis Acidity on Aldehyde-olefin Metathesis.^[a]

TrBF₄, R = H,
Cat. A, R = OMe
Cat. B, R = Me
Cat. C, R = Ph

Entry	S.M.	R	Catalyst	t (h)	Yield ^[b]		
					S.M.	2a	6
1	7	p-NO ₂	TrBF ₄	2.5	100	0	0
2	8	p-MeO	TrBF ₄	5 min	0	22	26
3	9a	o-Me	TrBF ₄	40 min	0	75	84
4	10	p-Me	TrBF ₄	15 min	0	60	74
5	S1	p-F	TrBF ₄	1.5	0	71	86
6	S2	o-Ph	TrBF ₄	40 min	0	71	80
7	S3	2,4,6-trimethyl	TrBF ₄	3.5	0	65	79
8	S4	1-naphthyl	TrBF ₄	2	0	58	78
9	9a	o-Me	Cat A	29	8	17	78
10	9a	o-Me	Cat B	4	0	76	85
11	9a	o-Me	Cat C	3	0	80	86
12 ^[c]	9a	o-Me	Cat C	8	0	80	86

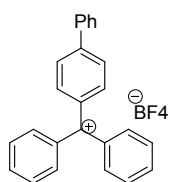
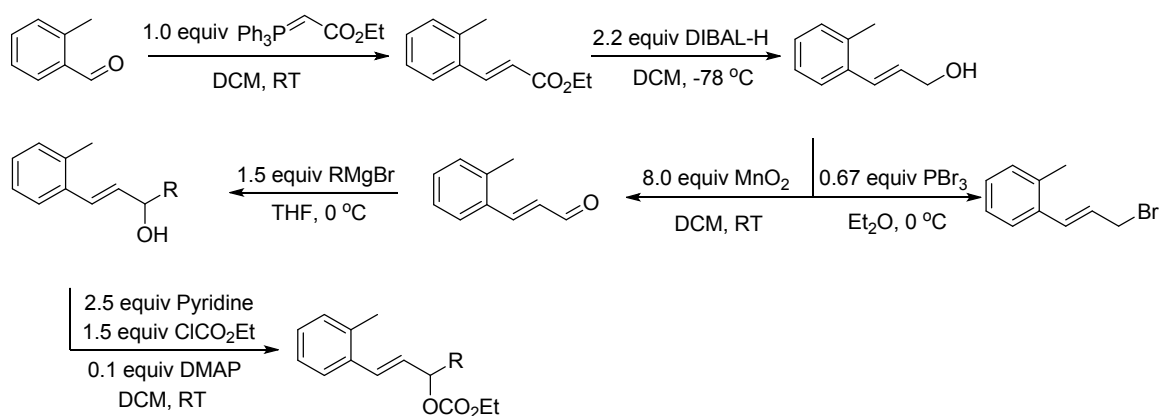
[a] Reaction conditions: TrBF₄ (10 mol%) was added to **7-14** in DCM (0.01 M) for the indicated time at room temperature. [b] Yields were determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy. [c] 5 mol% of **Cat C** was used.

General information

General Experimental Procedure: All reactions are performed in pre-dried solvents under nitrogen atmosphere unless otherwise noticed. All carbocations were dissolved in DCM (0.0625 M) and used as a stock solution. All chemicals and solvents were purchased from Acros, Aldrich, Fluka, Chemtronica or TCI and were used without further purification unless otherwise mentioned. All reactions are performed at room temperature in pre-dried solvents under nitrogen atmosphere unless otherwise noticed. The ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded at 500 or 400 MHz and 125 MHz or 100 MHz, respectively. The chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to CDCl_3 ($\delta = 7.26$) and CD_2Cl_2 ($\delta = 5.30$) for ^1H NMR and relative to the central CDCl_3 resonance ($\delta = 77.0$) and CD_2Cl_2 resonance ($\delta = 54.0$) for ^{13}C NMR. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI) data were recorded by using Thermo Scientific LTQ Orbitrap XL, and samples were infused directly. Flash chromatography was carried out using Merck silica gel 60 (230-400 mesh).

Experiment section

o-Methylcinnamyl bromide and esters were prepared from commercially available chemicals following the similar route as reported.^{1,2}



Procedure for the preparation of $p\text{-PhTrBF}_4$:³ The triarylmethanol (0.1 mmol) was dissolved in diethyl ether (0.5 mL) and cooled to 0°C . Under vigorous stirring a solution of tetrafluoroboric acid in diethyl ether (50 wt%, 0.2 mmol) was added dropwise over 5 min. With each drop a deeply colored precipitate formed. After the solvent had been removed, the precipitate was washed with diethyl ether and dried in vacuum affording the corresponding product as a red solid (20 mg, 50%).

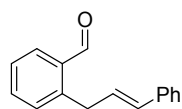
¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 8.22 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 8.18 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.94-7.92 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.87 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 4 H, Ar-H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4 H, Ar-H), 7.62-7.60 (m, 3 H, Ar-H). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 207.2, 157.3, 144.6, 142.7, 142.1, 140.4, 139.4, 137.6, 132.5, 130.9, 130.3, 129.6, 129.1.

General procedure A for the preparation of substrates 5, 7-9, 10a, 11-14:⁴ To a 5-mL Schlenck flask equipped with a stir bar, was added (2-formylphenyl)boronic acid (30.0 mg, 0.2 mmol), 7 mol% of Pd(dba)₂ (8.1 mg, 0.014 mmol), K₂CO₃ (248.8 mg, 1.8 mmol), toluene (1 mL) and *o*-methylcinnamyl bromide (0.24 mmol). The reaction was stirred under reflux until no starting material left. When the mixture was cooled down, Et₂O (5 mL) was added and washed with water, brine and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Concentration and purification by chromatography provided the desired products.

General procedure B for the preparation of substrates 10b-10j:⁵ To a solution of *n*-butylmagnesium bromide (0.25 mL, 1.0 M solution in THF, 0.25 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was added *n*-butyllithium (0.25 mL, 2.0 M solution in cyclohexane, 0.50 mol) at 0 °C, and the mixture was stirred for 10 min. The resulting mixture was cooled to -40 °C and a solution of corresponding substrate (0.5 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was added dropwise. After stirring for 0.5 h at -40 °C, CuCN•2LiCl (0.15 mL, 1.0 M solution in THF, 0.15 mmol) and *o*-methylcinnamyl bromide (0.37 mL, 3.6 mmol) was added sequentially. After stirring for 0.5 h at -40 °C, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The mixture was extracted with diethyl ether, and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Concentration and purification by chromatography provided the desired products.

General procedure C for the preparation of substrates 15:⁶ To 10-mL Schlenck flask equipped with a stir bar, was added 2 mol% of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.90 mg, 0.004 mmol), potassium phosphate (424 mg, 2.0 mmol), (2-formylphenyl)boronic acid (90.0 mg, 0.6 mmol), ester (0.20 mmol) and H₂O (0.2 mL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature until starting material disappeared. Then the mixture was extracted with Et₂O (2.0 mL×4). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and the filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography to afford the desired products.

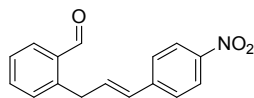
General procedure D for the aldehyde-olefin metathesis: To 50-mL Schlenck flask equipped with a stir bar, was added substrates (0.2 mmol), DCM (20 mL) and 5 mol% of *p*-PhTrBF₄ (3.2 μL, [*p*-PhTrBF₄]_{DCM} = 0.0625 M). The mixture was stirred at room temperature until starting material disappeared. Then one drop of MeOH was added to quench the reaction. Solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography to afford the desired products.



2-Cinnamylbenzaldehyde 5⁷ was prepared according to *general procedure A* as a clear oil (35.5 mg, 80%):

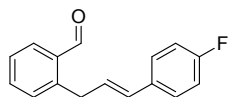
¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.30 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.86 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.6 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.55 (td, *J*₁ = 7.6 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.37 (d,

$J = 7.6$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.33 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.29 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.20 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 6.40-6.39 (m, 2 H, CH = CH), 3.99 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 2 H, CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.4, 142.4, 137.2, 134.0, 133.8, 132.1, 131.6, 131.1, 128.6, 128.5, 127.2, 127.0, 126.1, 35.8.



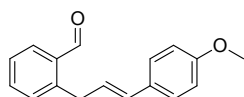
(E)-2-(3-(4-nitrophenyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 7 was prepared according to *general procedure A* as a light yellow solid (28.9 mg, 54%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.23 (s, 1 H, CHO), 8.13 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.86 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.58 (td, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.47 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.43 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.36 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 6.61-6.25 (dt, $J_1 = 15.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 6.44 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 4.04 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2 H, CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.6, 146.7, 143.8, 141.1, 134.1, 133.92, 133.85, 133.5, 131.3, 129.5, 127.3, 126.6, 123.9, 36.2. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for [C₁₆H₁₃NO₃+Na]⁺ 290.0788, found 290.0787.



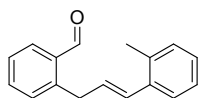
(E)-2-(3-(4-fluorophenyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 8 was prepared according to *general procedure A* as a white solid (30.0 mg, 62%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.28 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.86 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 0.8$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.55 (td, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.43 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.36 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.29-7.27 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.98-6.95 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.37-6.28 (m, 2 H, CH=CH), 3.97 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.4, 162.1 (d, $J = 245.0$ Hz), 142.3, 134.0, 133.8, 133.4 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 132.4, 131.1, 130.3, 128.4 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 127.6 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 127.0, 115.3 (d, $J = 21.3$ Hz), 35.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for [C₁₆H₁₃FO+Na]⁺ 263.0843, found 263.0842.



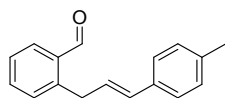
(E)-2-(3-(4-methoxyphenyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 9 was prepared according to *general procedure A* as a light yellow solid (35.3 mg, 46%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.31 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.86 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.54 (td, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.41 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.36 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.26 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.82 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.34 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.25 (dt, $J_1 = 15.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 3.96 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 3.79 (s, 3 H, MeO). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.4, 159.0, 142.8, 134.0, 133.9, 131.9, 131.1, 131.0, 130.0, 127.3, 126.9, 126.4, 113.9, 55.3, 35.7. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for [C₁₇H₁₆O₂+Na]⁺ 275.1043, found 275.1041.



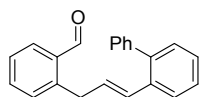
(E)-2-(3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 10a was prepared according to *general procedure A* as a clear oil (35.2 mg, 75%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.32 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.88 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.41-7.38 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.14-7.13 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.27 (dt, *J*₁ = 15.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.8 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.02 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.30 (s, 3 H, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.4, 142.7, 136.4, 135.2, 134.0, 133.9, 132.1, 131.0, 130.2, 130.0, 129.7, 127.2, 127.0, 126.0, 125.6, 36.1, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₁₇H₁₆O+Na]⁺ 259.1093, found 259.1092.



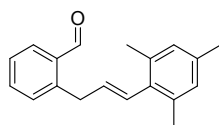
(E)-2-(3-(p-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 11 was prepared according to *general procedure A* as a clear oil (35.0 mg, 74%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.31 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.87 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.40-6.32 (m, 2 H, CH=CH), 3.98 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.33 (s, 3 H, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.4, 142.6, 137.0, 134.4, 134.0, 133.8, 131.9, 131.4, 131.0, 129.2, 127.5, 126.9, 126.0, 35.7, 21.1. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₁₇H₁₆O+Na]⁺ 259.1093, found 259.1092.



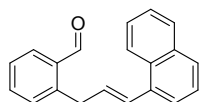
(E)-2-(3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)allyl)benzaldehyde 12 was prepared according to *general procedure A* as a clear oil (47.0 mg, 79%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.27 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.56-7.55 (m, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.51 (td, *J*₁ = 7.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.40-7.27 (m, 10 H, Ar-H), 6.38-6.28 (m, 2 H, CH=CH), 3.90 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.3, 142.6, 140.8, 140.5, 135.3, 133.9, 133.8, 131.8, 131.0, 130.8, 130.0, 129.7, 129.4, 128.0, 127.4, 127.2, 126.90, 126.87, 126.0, 35.9. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₂₂H₁₈O+Na]⁺ 321.1250, found 321.1246.



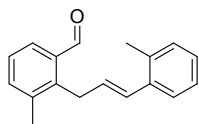
(E)-2-(3-mesitylallyl)benzaldehyde 13 was prepared according to *general procedure A* as a clear oil (36.0 mg, 68%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.36 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.57 (td, *J*₁ = 7.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.45-7.40 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.85 (s, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.33 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.27 (dt, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.03 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.27 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.23 (s, 6 H, 2×CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.3, 142.8, 135.9, 135.7, 134.0, 133.94, 133.87, 133.2, 131.8, 130.9, 129.4, 128.4, 126.9, 36.1, 20.9, 20.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₁₉H₂₀O+Na]⁺ 287.1406, found 287.1406.



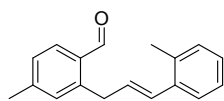
(E)-2-(3-(naphthalen-1-yl)allyl)benzaldehyde 14 was prepared according to *general procedure A* as a light yellow solid (44.0 mg, 81%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.36 (s, 1 H, CHO), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.58 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.52-7.40 (m, 5 H, Ar-H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.42 (dt, *J*₁ = 15.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.12 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.5, 142.4, 135.1, 134.0, 133.9, 133.6, 132.4, 131.8, 131.1, 129.0, 128.4, 127.6, 127.0, 125.9, 125.7, 125.6, 123.8, 123.7, 36.2. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₂₀H₁₆O+Na]⁺ 295.1093, found 295.1093.



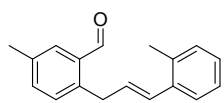
(E)-3-methyl-2-(3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 10b was prepared according to *general procedure B* as a clear oil (76.0 mg, 61%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.32 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.36-7.31 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.12-7.10 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.18 (dt, *J*₁ = 15.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.02 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.44 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.22 (s, 3 H, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.8, 140.3, 138.3, 136.5, 136.0, 135.0, 134.3, 130.1, 129.8, 129.2, 129.1, 127.1, 126.7, 126.0, 125.5, 31.4, 19.7, 19.3. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₁₈H₁₈O+Na]⁺ 273.1250, found 273.1254.



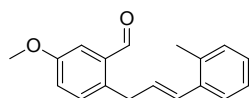
(E)-4-methyl-2-(3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 10c was prepared according to *general procedure B* as a clear oil (84.0 mg, 67%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.25 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.40-7.39 (m, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.17 (s, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.25 (dt, *J*₁ = 15.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.8 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 3.98 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.41 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.30 (s, 3 H, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.1, 145.0, 142.6, 136.4, 135.1, 132.5, 131.7, 131.6, 130.2, 130.0, 129.5, 127.7, 127.2, 126.0, 125.6, 36.1, 21.8, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₁₈H₁₈O+H]⁺ 251.1430, found 251.1429.



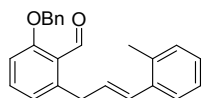
(E)-5-methyl-2-(3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 10d was prepared according to *general procedure B* as a clear oil (62.6 mg, 50%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.29 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.67 (s, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.39-7.35 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.13-7.11 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.60 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.24 (dt, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 3.96 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.41 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.29 (s, 3 H, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.5, 140.0, 136.7, 136.5, 135.1, 134.8, 133.7, 132.3, 131.0, 130.3, 130.1, 129.4, 127.1, 126.0, 125.6, 35.7, 20.8, 19.7. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₁₈H₁₈O+Na]⁺ 273.1250, found 273.1252.



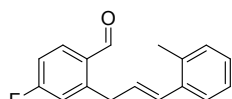
(E)-5-methoxy-2-(3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 10e was prepared according to *general procedure B* as a yellow oil (60.0 mg, 45%):

Yellow oil: $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): 10.32 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.40 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.38-7.37 (m, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.28 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.14-7.11 (m, 4 H, Ar-H), 6.57 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.24 (dt, $J_1 = 15.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 3.93 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 3.87 (s, 3 H, OCH_3), 2.28 (s, 3 H, CH_3). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): 191.7, 158.5, 136.3, 135.1, 135.0, 134.6, 132.2, 130.5, 130.1, 129.4, 127.2, 126.0, 125.5, 121.0, 114.1, 55.5, 35.0, 19.7. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for $[\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2 + \text{Na}]^+$ 289.1199, found 289.1197.



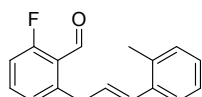
(E)-2-(benzyloxy)-6-(3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 10f was prepared according to *general procedure B* as a light yellow solid (80.0 mg, 47%):

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): 10.75 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.45-7.34 (m, 8 H, Ar-H), 7.13-7.11 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.95 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 6.66 (d, $J = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.18 (dt, $J_1 = 15.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.0$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 5.18 (s, 2 H, CH_2), 3.95 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.32 (s, 3 H, CH_3). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): 192.2, 162.4, 144.1, 136.7, 136.2, 135.1, 134.7, 130.09, 130.06, 129.1, 128.7, 128.2, 127.3, 126.9, 125.9, 125.6, 123.32, 123.26, 110.9, 70.7, 37.2, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for $[\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2 + \text{Na}]^+$ 365.1512, found 365.1514.



(E)-4-fluoro-2-(3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 10g was prepared according to *general procedure B* as a clear oil (76.3, 60%):

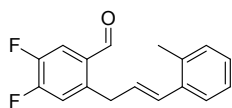
$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): 10.24 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.89 (dd, $J_1 = 8.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.40 (t, $J = 4.3$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.16-7.14 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 7.11-7.08 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.65 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.22 (dt, $J_1 = 15.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.01 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.31 (s, 3 H, CH_3). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): 190.7, 165.9 (d, $J = 255.0$ Hz), 146.2 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 136.1, 135.2, 135.0 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz), 130.44 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 130.35, 130.2, 128.7, 127.4, 126.1, 125.6, 117.7 (d, $J = 22.5$ Hz), 114.1 (d, $J = 21.3$ Hz), 35.9 (d, $J = 1.3$ Hz), 19.7. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{FO} + \text{Na}]^+$ 277.0999, found 277.0998.



(E)-2-fluoro-6-(3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 10h was prepared according to *general procedure B* as a white solid (100.0 mg, 79%):

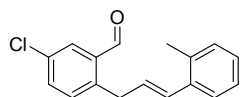
$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): 10.57 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.53-7.48 (m, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.40 (t, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.17 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 7.08-7.05 (m, 1 H, Ar-H), 6.67 (d, $J = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.18 (dt, $J_1 = 15.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.0$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 3.98

(d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.32 (s, 3 H, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 189.0 (d, $J = 11.3$ Hz), 166.3 (d, $J = 256.3$ Hz), 144.6, 136.5, 135.3 (d, $J = 11.3$ Hz), 135.1, 130.2, 129.7, 129.2, 127.2, 126.6 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 126.0, 125.6, 122.1 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz), 114.3 (d, $J = 21.3$ Hz), 36.8 (d, $J = 1.3$ Hz), 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for [C₁₇H₁₅FO+Na]⁺ 277.0999, found 277.0999.



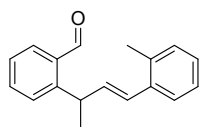
(E)-4,5-difluoro-2-(3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 10i was prepared according to *general procedure B* as a light yellow solid (78.0 mg, 57%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.24 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.71 (dd, $J_1 = 10.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.39 (t, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.20 (dd, $J_1 = 10.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.3$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.17-7.15 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.63 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.18 (dt, $J_1 = 16.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 3.96 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.30 (s, 3 H, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 189.2, 153.7 (dd, $J_1 = 256.9$ Hz, $J_2 = 13.1$ Hz), 149.2 (dd, $J_1 = 123.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 12.5$ Hz), 140.6 (dd, $J_1 = 6.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.8$ Hz), 135.9, 135.2, 128.6, 127.5, 126.1, 125.5, 119.7 (d, $J = 17.5$ Hz), 119.6 (dd, $J_1 = 17.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.5$ Hz), 115.5 (d, $J = 18.8$ Hz), 35.0, 19.7. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for [C₁₇H₁₄FO₂+Na]⁺ 295.0905, found 295.0904.



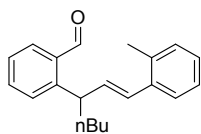
(E)-5-chloro-2-(3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 10j was prepared according to *general procedure B* as a yellow oil (60.0 mg, 45%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.27 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.84 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.52 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.37 (t, $J = 4.3$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.15-7.11 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.61 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.21 (dt, $J_1 = 16.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 3.97 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.29 (s, 3 H, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 190.8, 140.9, 136.1, 135.2, 135.0, 133.9, 133.2, 132.5, 131.1, 130.2, 130.1, 129.3, 127.4, 126.1, 125.5, 35.4, 19.7. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for [C₁₇H₁₅ClO+Na]⁺ 293.0704, found 293.0704.



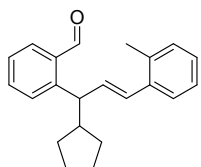
(E)-2-(4-(o-tolyl)but-3-en-2-yl)benzaldehyde 15a was prepared according to *general procedure C* as a clear oil (32.1 mg, 64%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.39 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.85 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.48 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.42-7.39 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, $J = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.18 (dd, $J_1 = 16.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.3$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.80-4.75 (m, 1 H, CH), 2.31 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.53 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3 H, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.5, 148.3, 136.5, 135.8, 135.2, 134.0, 133.3, 132.1, 130.2, 127.9, 127.4, 127.2, 126.6, 126.0, 125.5, 36.6, 21.4, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for [C₁₈H₁₈O+Na]⁺ 273.1250, found 273.1252.



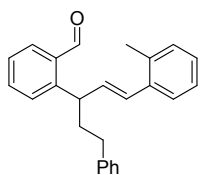
(E)-2-(1-(o-tolyl)hept-1-en-3-yl)benzaldehyde 15b was prepared according to *general procedure C* as a clear oil (40.0 mg, 68%):

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): 10.40 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.85 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.48 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.15-7.11 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.62 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.23 (dt, $J_1 = 15.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.8$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.60 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2), 2.29 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 1.91-1.79 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 1.43-1.26 (m, 4 H, $2 \times \text{CH}_2$), 0.88 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): 192.5, 147.7, 136.5, 135.2, 134.9, 134.0, 133.6, 131.9, 130.2, 128.4, 128.1, 127.2, 126.5, 126.0, 125.5, 42.5, 36.1, 29.9, 22.7, 19.8, 14.0. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for $[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{24}\text{O} + \text{Na}]^+$ 315.1719, found 315.1720.



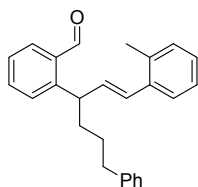
(E)-2-(1-cyclopentyl-3-(o-tolyl)allyl)benzaldehyde 15c was prepared according to *general procedure C* as a clear oil (51.2 mg, 84%):

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): 10.42 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.83 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.53 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.38-7.36 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.13-7.10 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.61 (d, $J = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.24 (dd, $J_1 = 15.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.42 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.42-2.34 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.28 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 1.96-1.90 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 1.73-1.68 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 1.65-1.59 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 1.53-1.41 (m, 3 H, CH_2 and one proton of CH_2). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): 192.5, 147.5, 136.6, 135.2, 134.7, 133.9, 133.7, 131.7, 130.2, 128.60, 128.57, 127.1, 126.3, 125.9, 125.5, 48.4, 45.4, 31.6, 31.4, 25.2, 25.1, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for $[\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{24}\text{O} + \text{Na}]^+$ 327.1719, found 327.1715.



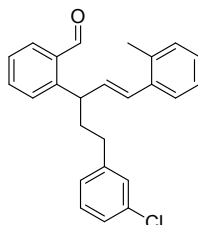
(E)-2-(5-phenyl-1-(o-tolyl)pent-1-en-3-yl)benzaldehyde 15d was prepared according to *general procedure C* as a clear oil (51.1 mg, 75%):

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): 10.29 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.86 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.59 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.52 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.42-7.39 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.29 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.21-7.14 (m, 6 H, Ar-H), 6.67 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.26 (dd, $J_1 = 15.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.8$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.66 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.77-2.72 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.69-2.63 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 1.96-1.84 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 2.26-2.13 (m, 2 H, CH_2). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): 192.4, 147.0, 141.8, 136.4, 135.3, 134.3, 134.0, 133.6, 132.1, 130.2, 128.9, 128.42, 128.38, 128.0, 127.3, 126.7, 126.02, 125.95, 125.5, 42.0, 37.9, 33.9, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for $[\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{24}\text{O} + \text{Na}]^+$ 363.1719, found 363.1719.



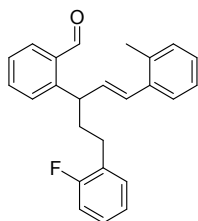
(E)-2-(6-phenyl-1-(o-tolyl)hex-1-en-3-yl)benzaldehyde 15e was prepared according to *general procedure C* as a clear oil (55.3 mg, 78%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.36 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.28-7.25 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.19-7.12 (m, 6 H, Ar-H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.21 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.67 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.66 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.28 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.96-1.84 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.80-1.72 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 1.71-1.62 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.5, 147.3, 142.2, 136.4, 135.2, 134.6, 134.0, 133.6, 132.4, 130.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.2, 126.5, 126.0, 125.7, 125.5, 42.3, 35.80, 35.77, 29.3, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₂₆H₂₆O+Na]⁺ 377.1876, found 377.1874.



(E)-2-(5-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-(o-tolyl)pent-1-en-3-yl)benzaldehyde 15f was prepared according to *general procedure C* as a clear oil (51.0 mg, 68%):

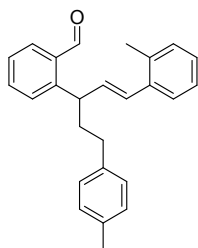
¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.28 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.43-7.39 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.22-7.13 (m, 6 H, Ar-H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.25 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.69 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.75-2.69 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.66-2.60 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.31 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.21-2.10 (m, 2 H, CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.5, 146.8, 143.9, 136.3, 135.3, 134.2, 134.04, 134.00, 133.6, 132.8, 130.2, 129.7, 129.1, 128.5, 127.9, 127.4, 126.8, 126.6, 126.1, 126.0, 125.5, 42.1, 37.7, 33.6, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₂₅H₂₃ClO+Na]⁺ 397.1330, found 397.1327.



(E)-2-(5-(2-fluorophenyl)-1-(o-tolyl)pent-1-en-3-yl)benzaldehyde 15g was prepared according to *general procedure C* as a clear oil (56.6 mg, 79%):

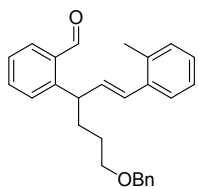
¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.31 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.42-7.39 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.16-7.13 (m, 5 H, Ar-H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.01 (t, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.26 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.70 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, CH),

2.82-2.76 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.72-2.66 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.31 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.24-2.12 (m, 2 H, CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.4, 161.1 (d, *J* = 243.8 Hz), 146.8, 136.4, 135.3, 134.1, 134.0, 133.6, 132.4, 130.6 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 130.2, 129.0, 128.7 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz), 128.0, 127.7 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 127.3, 126.7, 126.0, 125.6, 124.0 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 115.3 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz), 42.2, 36.3, 27.4 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₂₅H₂₃FO+Na]⁺ 381.1625, found 381.1625.



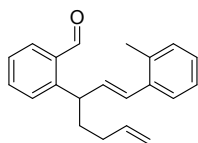
(E)-2-(1-(o-tolyl)-5-(p-tolyl)pent-1-en-3-yl)benzaldehyde 15h was prepared according to *general procedure C* as a clear oil (62.4 mg, 88%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.30 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.86 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.42-7.39 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.26 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.64 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.73-2.67 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.65-2.59 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.32 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.30 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.24-2.11 (m, 2 H, CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.3, 147.1, 138.6, 136.4, 135.4, 135.3, 134.4, 134.0, 133.6, 131.9, 130.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.3, 128.0, 127.3, 126.6, 126.0, 125.5, 42.0, 38.0, 33.4, 21.0, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₂₆H₂₆O+Na]⁺ 377.1876, found 377.1874.



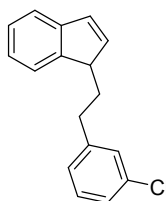
(E)-2-(6-(benzyloxy)-1-(o-tolyl)hex-1-en-3-yl)benzaldehyde 15i was prepared according to *general procedure C* as a clear oil (50.0 mg, 65%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.36 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.35-7.32 (m, 4 H, Ar-H), 7.29-7.27 (m, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.22 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.65 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, CH), 4.49 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 3.50 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.28 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.03-1.89 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.78-1.70 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 1.68-1.61 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.5, 147.2, 138.5, 136.4, 135.2, 134.5, 134.0, 133.6, 132.3, 130.2, 128.6, 128.3, 128.1, 127.6, 127.5, 127.2, 126.6, 126.0, 125.5, 72.9, 70.1, 42.2, 32.8, 27.8, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₂₇H₂₈O₂+Na]⁺ 407.1982, found 407.1977.



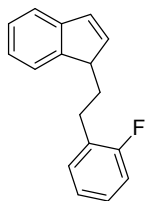
(E)-2-(1-(o-tolyl)hepta-1,6-dien-3-yl)benzaldehyde 15j was prepared according to *general procedure C* as a clear oil (8.7 mg, 15%):

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 10.39 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.58 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.41-7.38 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.22 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 5.88-5.80 (m, 1 H, CH=), 5.02-4.98 (m, 2 H, =CH₂), 4.65 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.29 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.18-2.07 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 2.02-1.89 (m, 2 H, CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 192.4, 147.2, 138.1, 136.4, 135.3, 134.4, 134.0, 133.6, 132.0, 130.2, 128.8, 128.0, 127.3, 126.6, 126.0, 125.5, 115.2, 41.8, 35.3, 31.7, 19.8. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₂₁H₂₂O+Na]⁺ 313.1563, found 313.1563.



1-(2-fluorophenethyl)-1H-indene 16f was prepared according to *general procedure D* as a clear oil (58.9 mg, 83%):

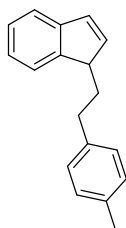
¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.23-7.16 (m, 4 H, Ar-H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 6.86 (dd, *J*₁ = 5.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.0 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 6.56 (dd, *J*₁ = 5.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.5 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 3.54 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.70-2.64 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.62-2.56 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.29-2.20 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 1.91-1.84 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 147.2, 144.3, 138.5, 134.1, 131.4, 129.6, 128.5, 126.61, 126.55, 126.0, 124.8, 122.8, 121.1, 49.8, 33.0, 32.9. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): *m/z* calcd for [C₁₇H₁₅Cl+H]⁺ 255.0935, found 255.0933.



1-(3-chlorophenethyl)-1H-indene 16g was prepared according to *general procedure D* as a clear oil (38.6 mg, 81%):

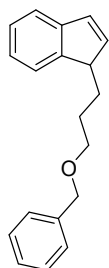
¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.22-7.15 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.01 (t, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 6.86 (dd, *J*₁ = 5.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.0 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 6.61 (dd, *J*₁ = 5.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.5 Hz, 1 H, CH=), 3.53 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.79-2.73 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.69-2.63 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.28-2.21 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 1.89-1.82 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 161.1 (d, *J* = 242.5 Hz), 147.3, 144.3, 138.7, 131.3, 130.5 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 129.0 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz), 127.6 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 126.5, 124.8,

123.9 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 122.8, 121.1, 115.2 (d, $J = 22.5$ Hz), 50.0, 31.8, 26.8 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz). HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for $[C_{17}H_{15}F+H]^+$ 239.1231, found 239.1231.



1-(4-methylphenethyl)-1H-indene 16h was prepared according to *general procedure D* as a clear oil (38.0 mg, 81%):

1H -NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 7.44 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.37 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.27 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.21 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.10 (s, 4 H, Ar-H), 6.85 (dd, $J_1 = 5.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.0$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 6.60 (dd, $J_1 = 5.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 3.53 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.72-2.60 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 2.33 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 2.26-2.19 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 1.87-1.80 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2). ^{13}C -NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 147.6, 144.3, 139.2, 138.9, 135.3, 131.1, 129.1, 128.2, 126.5, 124.7, 122.8, 121.0, 50.0, 33.4, 33.2, 21.0. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for $[C_{18}H_{18}+H]^+$ 235.1481, found 235.1481.



1-(3-(benzyloxy)propyl)-1H-indene 16i was prepared according to *general procedure D* as a clear oil (42.3 mg, 80%):

1H -NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 7.42 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.36-7.33 (m, 5 H, Ar-H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.19 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 6.81 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 6.54 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH=), 4.49 (s, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.51-3.46 (m, 3 H, CH_2 and one proton of CH_2), 1.78-1.70 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 1.69-1.59 (m, 2 H, CH_2). ^{13}C -NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 147.6, 144.3, 139.1, 138.6, 131.0, 128.4, 127.6, 127.5, 126.4, 124.7, 122.9, 121.0, 72.9, 70.4, 50.1, 28.0, 27.5. HRMS (FTMS + p NSI): m/z calcd for $[C_{19}H_{20}O+H]^+$ 287.1406, found 287.1407.

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