

## ***Supporting Information***

### **Gold(I)- and Rhodium(III)- Catalyzed Formal Regiodivergent C–H**

#### **Alkynylation of 1-arylpypyrazolones**

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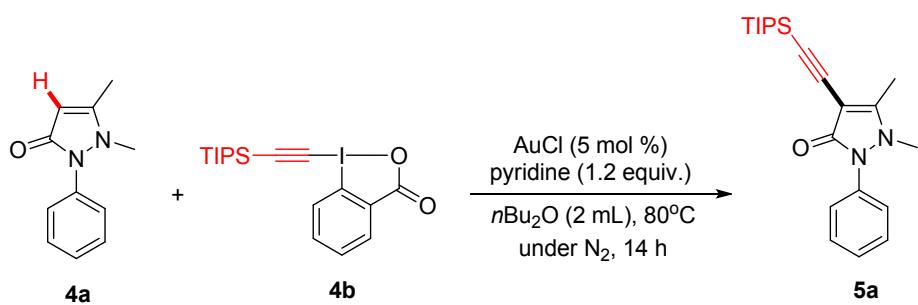
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## I. General Information.

Commercially available reagents were used as received without further purification, unless stated otherwise. Anhydrous solvents were purified and dried by standard procedures. 1-aryl-5-pyrazolones<sup>[1]</sup> and hypervalent iodine alkynes<sup>[2]</sup> were prepared by following literature reports. All reactions were carried out in a nitrogen-filled dry box. All unknown products were characterized by <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy, and high-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS). <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker NMR spectrometer (400 MHz and 100 MHz, respectively) and internally referenced to tetramethylsilane in the NMR solvents indicated. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (300-400 mesh) using ethyl acetate (EA)/petroleum ether (PE) or MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> as eluents.

## II. Optimization Table



Entry	cat. (mol %)	additive (mol %)	solvent	T (°C)	Yield <sup>b</sup> (%)
1	Au(PPh <sub>3</sub> )Cl	-	MeCN	80	23
2	AuCl <sub>3</sub>	-	MeCN	80	10
3	AuCl	TFA	MeCN	80	18
4 <sup>c</sup>	AuCl	Zn(OTf) <sub>2</sub>	MeCN	80	trace
5	AuCl	Pyridine	MeCN	80	60
6	AuCl	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	MeCN	80	21
7	AuCl	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DCM	80	56
8	AuCl	Pyridine	<sup>n</sup> Bu <sub>2</sub> O	80	70

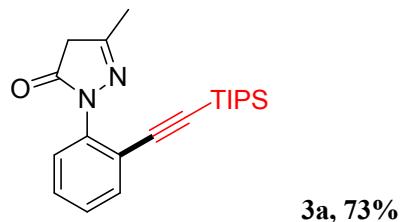
9	AuCl	Pyridine	THF	80	64
<b>10<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>AuCl</b>	<b>Pyridine</b>	<b>"Bu<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>72</b>

<sup>a</sup>Reaction conditions: (1) 1a (0.20 mmol), 2a (0.24 mmol), catalyst (5 mol %), additives (1.2 equiv.) in a solvent (2.0 mL) under N<sub>2</sub> for 14 h. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield after column chromatography. <sup>c</sup>Zn(OTf)<sub>2</sub> (20 mmol %) was used as additive. <sup>d</sup>1.0 mL <sup>"</sup>Bu<sub>2</sub>O was used as solvent.

### III. Experimental Information and Characterization Data

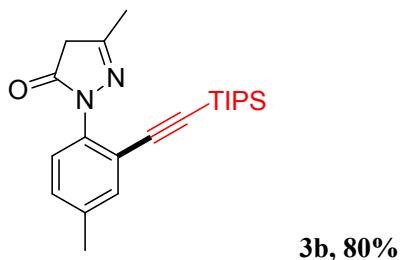
#### 1. Rh(III)-Catalyzed Alkynylation

Representative Procedure for the Rh(III)-Catalyzed Alkynylation (Synthesis of 3). 3-Methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-5-one (**1a**, 0.20 mmol), alkyne (**2a**, 0.24 mmol), [RhCp<sup>\*</sup>Cl<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (0.008 mmol), AgSbF<sub>6</sub> (0.032 mmol), and Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.3 mmol) were added into a pressure tube, to which was then added DCE (2 mL). The mixture was stirred under N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere at 80 °C for 12 hours. After that, the solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (3:1) to afford product **3a** as a colorless oil liquid (51.3 mg, 73%).



3-methyl-1-(2-((trisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-5(4H)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3a** (51.3 mg, 73%) as a colorless oil liquid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.59 – 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.38 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 4.33 (s, 2H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 1.09 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.1, 155.5, 138.0, 134.1, 129.0, 128.1, 126.9, 121.6, 103.0, 96.2, 41.6, 18.5, 17.0, 11.2. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 355.2200, found 355.2198.

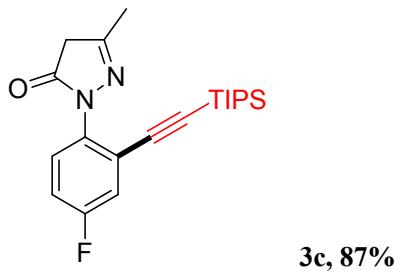


3-methyl-1-(4-methyl-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3b** (36.8 mg, 80%) as a red oil liquid.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.39 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (s, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 1.01 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.2, 155.3, 138.3, 135.5, 134.4, 129.9, 126.9, 121.4, 103.1, 95.5, 41.5, 20.9, 18.5, 17.0, 11.2.

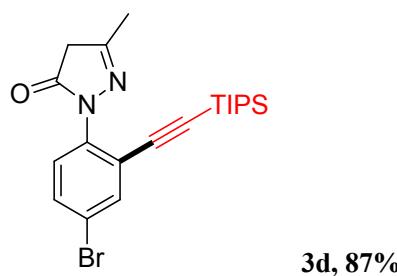
**HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 369.2357, found 359.2356.



1-(4-fluoro-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one

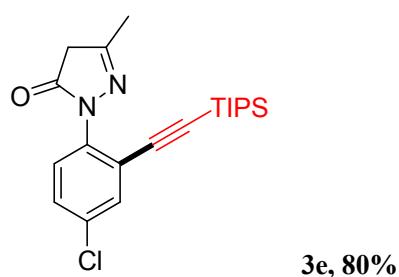
Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3c** (65 mg, 87%) as a red oil liquid.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.27 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.03 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 3.26 (s, 2H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 1.08 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.2, 161.6 (d, *J*<sub>C</sub> - F = 249.0 Hz), 155.6, 134.4 (d, *J*<sub>C</sub> - F = 3.1 Hz), 129.0 (d, *J*<sub>C</sub> - F = 9.4 Hz), 123.7 (d, *J*<sub>C</sub> - F = 10.3 Hz), 120.5 (d, *J*<sub>C</sub> - F = 24.1 Hz), 116.4 (d, *J*<sub>C</sub> - F = 22.8 Hz), 101.8 (d, *J*<sub>C</sub> - F = 2.5 Hz), 97.8, 41.5, 18.6, 17.1, 11.2. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**: δ -112.8. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>30</sub>FN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 373.2106, found 373.2103.



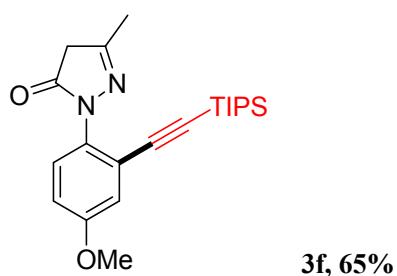
1-(4-bromo-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(*4H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3d** (74.8 mg, 87%) as a brown oil liquid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.64 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), δ 7.42 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 3.27 (s, 2H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 1.02 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 170.9, 155.7, 137.1, 136.6, 132.1, 128.1, 123.2, 121.4, 101.5, 98.2, 41.5, 18.5, 17.5, 11.2. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>30</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 433.1305, found 433.1307.



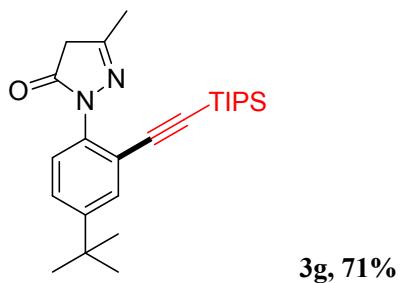
1-(4-chloro-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(*4H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3e** (62 mg, 80%) as a red oil liquid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.55 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 3.33 (s, 2H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 1.08 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 170.9, 155.7, 136.7, 133.6, 133.5, 129.1, 127.9, 122.9, 101.6, 98.0, 41.5, 18.5, 17.0, 11.1. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>30</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 389.1810, found 389.1806.



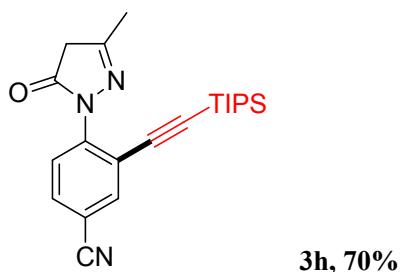
1-(4-methoxy-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3f** (50 mg, 65%) as a light yellow solid. mp 138 – 140 °C. **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.20 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.25 (s, 2H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.01 (m, 21H). **13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.4, 159.1, 155.3, 131.2, 128.6, 123.1, 118.2, 115.4, 102.8, 95.9, 55.6, 41.5, 18.5, 16.99, 11.2. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Si<sup>+</sup>: 385.2306, found 385.2308.



1-(4-(*tert*-butyl)-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3g** (58 mg, 71%) as a light yellow solid. mp 166 – 168 °C. **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.49 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 3.26 (s, 2H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.24 (s, 9H), 1.03 (m, 21H). **13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.2, 155.3, 151.4, 135.6, 130.9, 126.7, 126.5, 121.1, 103.5, 95.2, 41.5, 34.6, 31.1, 18.5, 17.0, 11.2. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 411.2826, found 411.2833.

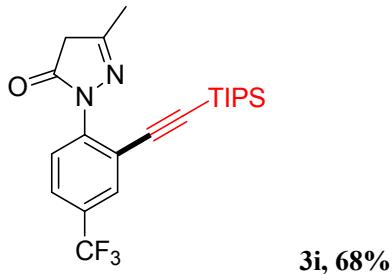


4-(3-methyl-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-1-yl)-3-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)benzonitrile

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3h** (53 mg, 70%) as a red oil liquid.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.84 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (s, 2H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.09 – 1.08 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 170.6, 156.4, 141.5, 138.1, 131.9, 126.6, 121.6, 117.6, 111.4, 101.0, 100.0, 41.6, 18.6, 17.0, 11.2.

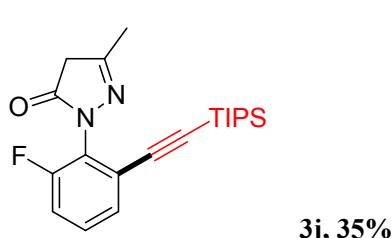
**HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 380.2153, found 380.2152.



3-methyl-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3i** (60 mg, 68%) as a red oil liquid.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.82 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (s, 2H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 1.12 – 1.10 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 170.7, 156.0, 140.8, 131.2 (q, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 11.6 Hz), 130.0 (q, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 32.9 Hz), 126.8, 125.6 (q, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.5 Hz), 123.4 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 270.7 Hz), 121.6, 101.7, 98.7, 41.6, 18.5, 17.1, 11.2. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**: δ -62.8. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 423.2074, found 423.2067.

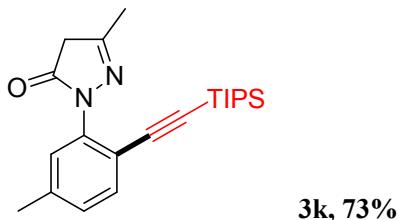


1-(2-fluoro-6-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3j** (26 mg, 35%) as a red oil liquid.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.38 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.17 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 3.37 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 1.09 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.2, 158.4 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 253.0 Hz), 156.2, 130.1 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 9.0 Hz), 129.2 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.5 Hz), 126.17 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 14.0

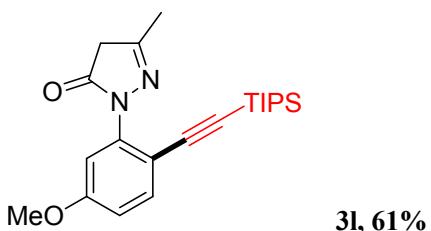
Hz), 125.0 (d,  $J_{C-F}$  = 1.5 Hz), 116.7 (d,  $J_{C-F}$  = 20.3 Hz), 101.6 (d,  $J_{C-F}$  = 4.1 Hz), 97.6, 41.0, 18.5, 17.1, 11.2. **19F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  -118.8. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>30</sub>FN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>:373.2106, found 373.2109.



3-methyl-1-(5-methyl-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-5(*4H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3k** (54 mg, 73%) as a red oil liquid.

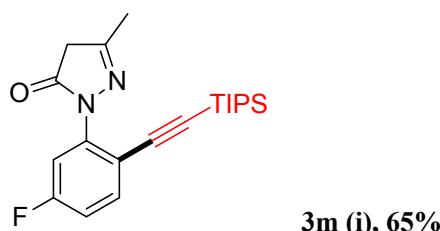
**<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.47 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.11 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (s, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 1.08 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.1, 155.4, 139.6, 137.9, 133.8, 129.0, 127.5, 118.7, 103.1, 95.1, 41.6, 21.2, 18.5, 16.9, 11.2. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>:369.2357, found 369.2355.



1-(5-methoxy-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(*4H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3l** (47 mg, 61%) as a light yellow oil

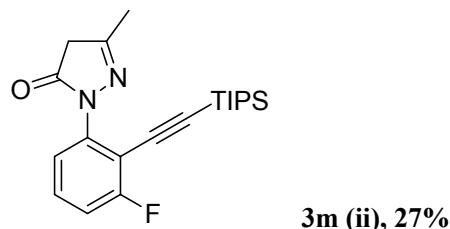
liquid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.50 (d,  $J$  = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d,  $J$  = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (dd,  $J$  = 8.6, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.33 (s, 2H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 1.10 – 1.08 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.9, 160.0, 155.5, 139.3, 135.1, 114.7, 113.8, 112.1, 103.1, 94.1, 55.5, 41.6, 18.6, 17.0, 11.3. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>30</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>:385.2306, found 385.2304.



**3m (i), 65%**

1-(5-fluoro-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(*4H*)-one

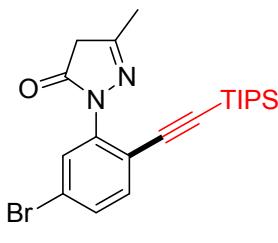
Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3m (i)** (48 mg, 65%) as a red oil liquid.  **$^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )**  $\delta$  7.27 (dd,  $J = 8.8, 5.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd,  $J = 9.1, 2.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.04 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 3.34 (s, 2H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.09 (m, 21H).  **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )**  $\delta$  171.2, 161.6 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 249.0$  Hz), 155.6, 134.4 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 3.1$  Hz), 129.0 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 9.4$  Hz), 123.7 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 10.3$  Hz), 120.5 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 24.1$  Hz), 116.4 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 22.8$  Hz), 101.75 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 2.5$  Hz), 97.8, 41.5, 18.6, 17.1, 11.2.  **$^{19}\text{F NMR}$  (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )**:  $\delta$  -109.0. **HRMS**: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{30}\text{FN}_2\text{OSi}^+$ : 373.2106, found 373.2107.



**3m (ii), 27%**

1-(3-fluoro-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(*4H*)-one

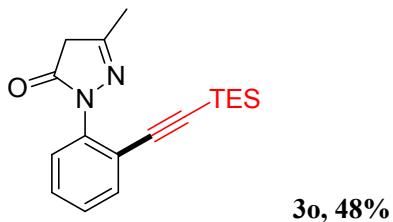
Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3m (ii)** (20 mg, 27%) as a red oil liquid.  **$^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )**  $\delta$  7.36 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.20 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.10 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 3.35 (s, 2H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.10 (m, 21H).  **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )**  $\delta$  170.1, 164.0 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 253.4$  Hz), 155.7, 139.5 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 3.2$  Hz, 1H), 129.4 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 9.4$  Hz), 122.3 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 3.5$  Hz), 115.1 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 21.3$  Hz), 110.8 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 17.8$  Hz), 102.8 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 4.0$  Hz), 95.9, 41.6, 18.5, 17.1, 11.2.



1-(5-bromo-2-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(*4H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3n** (61 mg, 68%) as a red oil liquid.

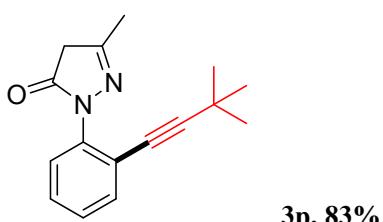
**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.55 (d, *J* = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 3.33 (s, 2H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 1.08 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 170.7, 155.8, 139.0, 135.0, 131.1, 129.8, 122.2, 120.3, 102.1, 97.7, 41.5, 18.5, 17.0, 11.2. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>30</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>:433.1305, found 433.1305.



3-methyl-1-(2-((triethylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-5(*4H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3o** (26 mg, 48%) as a red oil liquid.

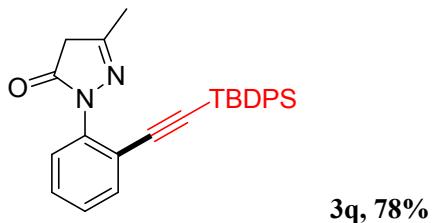
**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 3.36 (s, 2H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 1.07 (t, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 9H), 0.63 (q, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 6H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.0, 155.4, 138.2, 133.9, 129.1, 128.0, 126.8, 121.2, 103.3, 97.4, 41.6, 17.0, 7.4, 4.3. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>30</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>:313.1731, found 313.1732.



1-(2-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-yn-1-yl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(*4H*)-one

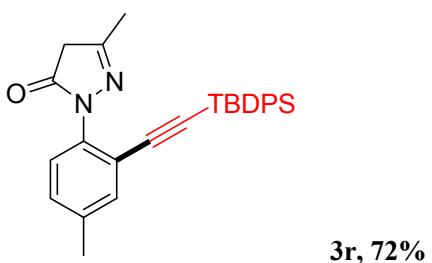
Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3p** (68 mg, 83%) as a light yellow

solid. mp 90 – 92 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.49 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.38 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.27 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 3.37 (s, 2H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 9H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.1, 155.3, 137.9, 133.1, 126.7, 121.8, 103.9, 95.7, 41.6, 30.8, 28.1, 17.0. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup>: 255.1492, found 255.1491.



1-(2-((*tert*-butyldiphenylsilyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3q** (68 mg, 78%) as a light yellow solid. mp 102 – 104 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.85 – 7.82 (m, 4H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.37 – 7.34 (m, 4H), 3.12 (s, 2H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.12 (s, 9H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.2, 155.7, 138.6, 135.6, 133.9, 133.2, 129.6, 129.5, 128.1, 127.7, 126.9, 121.0, 105.2, 95.1, 41.4, 27.0, 18.6, 16.8. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>30</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 437.2044, found 437.2038.

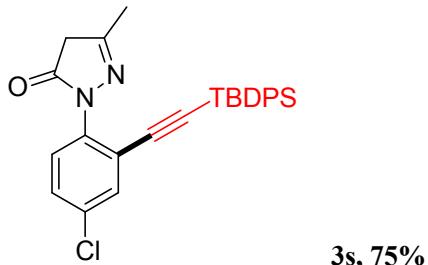


1-(2-((*tert*-butyldiphenylsilyl)ethynyl)-4-methylphenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3r** (65 mg, 72%) as a light yellow solid. mp 82 – 84 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.84 – 7.82 (m, 4H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 6H), 7.32 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 3.11 (s, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.12 (s, 9H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.4, 155.6, 138.4, 135.7, 134.3, 133.3, 130.5,

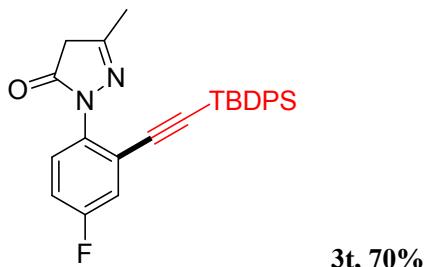
129.6, 127.8, 127.0, 120.9, 119.0, 105.4, 94.6, 41.4, 27.7, 21.1, 18.7, 16.9. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>

calculated for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 451.2200, found 451.2200.



1-(2-((*tert*-butyldiphenylsilyl)ethynyl)-4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3s** (70 mg, 75%) as a light yellow solid. mp 96 – 98 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.82 – 7.80 (m, 4H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, 8H), 3.11 (s, 2H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.12 (s, 9H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.1, 156.1, 137.2, 135.6, 133.7, 133.5, 132.9, 129.7, 129.6, 128.0, 127.9, 122.4, 103.7, 97.0, 41.4, 27.0, 18.7, 16.9. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>28</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 471.1654, found 471.1651.



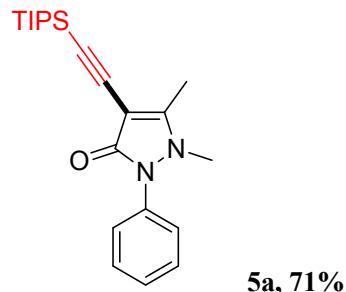
1-(2-((*tert*-butyldiphenylsilyl)ethynyl)-4-fluorophenyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 3:1) yielded **3t** (63 mg, 70%) as a light yellow solid. mp 130 – 132 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.81 – 7.79 (m, 4H), 7.44 – 7.37(m, 8H), 7.17 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 3.09 (s, 2H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.11 (s, 9H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 171.3, 161.6 (d, *J*<sub>C - F</sub> = 249.2 Hz), 155.9, 135.6, 135.0 (d, *J*<sub>C - F</sub> = 3.1 Hz), 132.9, 129.7, 129.0 (d, *J*<sub>C - F</sub> = 9.3 Hz), 127.8, 123.1 (d, *J*<sub>C - F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 120.4 (d, *J*<sub>C - F</sub> = 24.3 Hz), 117.0 (d, *J*<sub>C - F</sub> = 22.8 Hz), 103.8, 96.7, 41.3, 27.0, 18.6, 16.9. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**: δ -112.5. **HRMS:**

$[M+H]^+$  calculated for  $C_{21}H_{30}BrN_2OSi^+$ : 455.1949, found 455.1945.

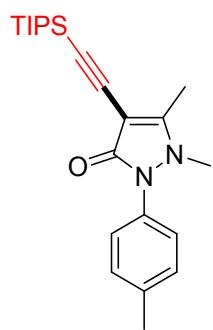
## 2. Au(I)-Catalyzed Alkynylation

Representative procedures for the Au(I)-Catalyzed Alkynylation (Synthesis of Product 5). 2,3-Dimethyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5-one (**4a**, 0.20 mmol), alkynes (**2a**, 0.24 mmol), AuCl (0.010 mmol), and pyridine (0.24 mmol) were added into a pressure tube, to which was added  $^nBu_2O$  (1 mL). The mixture was stirred under  $N_2$  atmosphere at 80 °C for 14 hours. After that, the combined mixture was washed with saturated aqueous solution of  $Na_2CO_3$  and was extracted with Ethyl acetate (3\*40 mL). then dried over anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ , filtered and evaporated in vacuo. the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (2:1) to afford product **5a** as a white solid (52 mg, 71 %).



1,5-dimethyl-2-phenyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(2*H*)-one

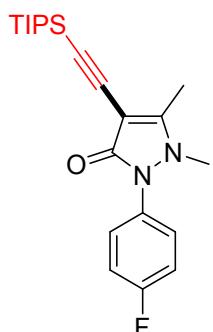
Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5a** (52 mg, 71%) as a white solid. mp 182 – 184 °C. **1H NMR** (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.45 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.10 (m, 21H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  164.5, 157.5, 134.7, 129.1, 127.0, 124.4, 96.7, 95.6, 95.5, 35.4, 18.7, 12.3, 11.2. **HRMS:**  $[M+H]^+$  calculated for  $C_{22}H_{33}N_2OSi^+$ : 369.2357, found 369.2355.



**5b, 70%**

1,5-dimethyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(2*H*)-one

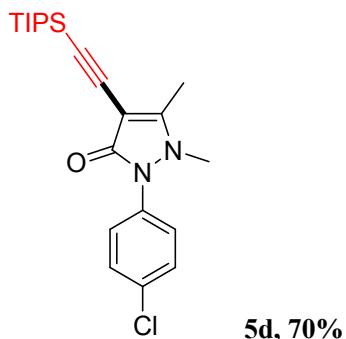
Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5b** (53 mg, 70%) as a white solid. mp 178 – 180 °C. **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.19 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 3.11 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.10 (m, 2H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.5, 156.8, 137.2, 129.8, 124.9, 97.0, 95.4, 95.3, 35.2, 21.1, 18.7, 12.3, 11.3. **HRMS**: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 383.2313, found 383.2313.



**5c, 72%**

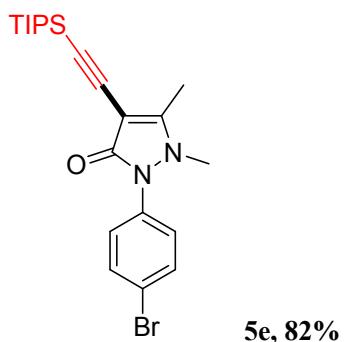
2-(4-fluorophenyl)-1,5-dimethyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(2*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5c** (56 mg, 72%) as a white solid. mp 156 – 158 °C. **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.14 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 3.11 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.10 (m, 2H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.8, 161.4 (d, *J*<sub>C - F</sub> = 247.3 Hz), 157.7, 130.9 (d, *J*<sub>C - F</sub> = 3.0 Hz), 126.5 (d, *J*<sub>C - F</sub> = 8.6 Hz), 116.1 (d, *J*<sub>C - F</sub> = 23.0 Hz), 96.6, 95.8, 95.6, 35.4, 18.7, 12.4, 11.3. **19F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -114.2. **HRMS**: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>32</sub>FN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 387.2262, found 387.2265.



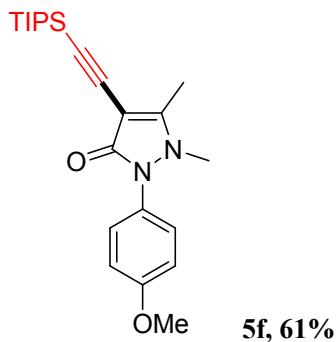
2-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,5-dimethyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1H-pyrazol-3(2H)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5d** (56 mg, 70%) as a white solid. mp 138 – 140 °C. **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.41 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.11 (m, 21H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.6, 158.6, 133.4, 132.4, 129.3, 125.2, 96.3, 96.2, 96.0, 35.7, 18.7, 12.4, 11.2. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>32</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 403.1964, found 403.1964.



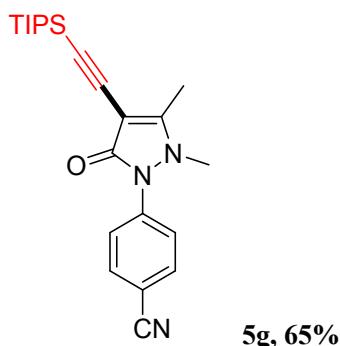
2-(4-bromophenyl)-1,5-dimethyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1H-pyrazol-3(2H)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5e** (73 mg, 82%) as a white solid. mp 158 – 160 °C. **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.57 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.11 (m, 21H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.6, 158.8, 134.0, 132.3, 125.4, 120.3, 96.4, 96.3, 96.1, 35.9, 18.7, 12.5, 11.3. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>32</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 447.1462, found 447.1461.



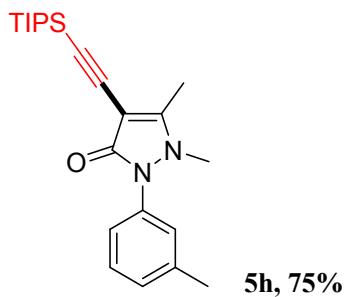
2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,5-dimethyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(*2H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5f** (49 mg, 61%) as a white solid. mp 128 – 130 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.10 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.10 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 164.5, 158.9, 155.9, 127.3, 127.0, 114.5, 97.0, 95.1, 94.7, 55.5, 34.9, 18.7, 12.2, 11.2. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>32</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 399.2462, found 399.2462.



4-(2,3-dimethyl-5-oxo-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-1-yl)benzonitrile

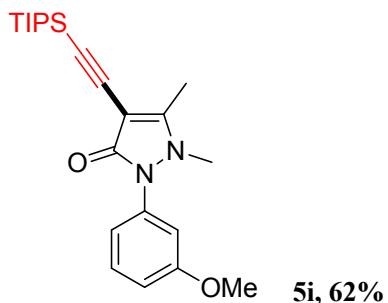
Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5g** (51 mg, 65%) as a white solid. mp 188 – 190 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.10 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 164.6, 161.1, 139.0, 133.1, 122.9, 118.4, 109.4, 97.4, 96.9, 95.6, 36.7, 18.7, 12.7, 11.2. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 394.2311, found 394.2311.



1,5-dimethyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(2*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5h** (57.3 mg, 75%) as a white solid.

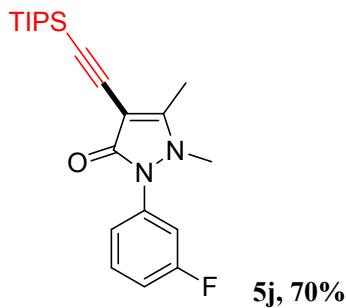
mp 110 – 112 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.28 (dd, *J* = 14.3, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.11 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 164.5, 157.1, 139.1, 134.6, 128.9, 127.9, 125.4, 121.5, 96.8, 95.4, 95.3, 35.3, 21.3, 18.6, 12.2, 11.2. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 383.2513, found 383.2513.



2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1,5-dimethyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(2*H*)-one

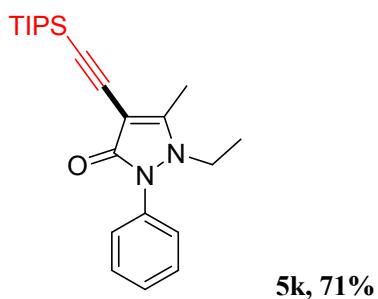
Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5i** (50 mg, 62%) as a white solid. mp

124 – 126 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.29 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.93-6.92 (m, 1H), 6.87-6.81 (m, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.11 (m, 21H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 164.6, 160.2, 157.8, 135.9, 129.8, 116.3, 113.1, 110.0, 96.8, 95.8, 95.6, 55.5, 35.6, 18.7, 12.4, 11.3. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 399.2462, found 399.2465.



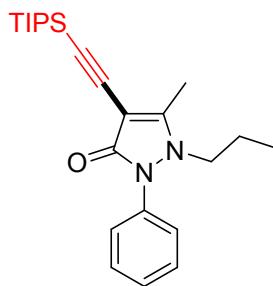
2-(3-fluorophenyl)-1,5-dimethyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(*2H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5j** (54 mg, 70%) as a white solid. mp 136 – 138 °C. **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.14 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.00 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.11 (m, 21H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.7, 162.9 (d, J<sub>C - F</sub> = 247.1 Hz), 159.1, 136.4 (d, J<sub>C - F</sub> = 10.2 Hz), 130.3 (d, J<sub>C - F</sub> = 9.1 Hz), 119.3 (d, J<sub>C - F</sub> = 3.2 Hz), 113.6 (d, J<sub>C - F</sub> = 21.1 Hz), 111.2 (d, J<sub>C - F</sub> = 24.9 Hz), 96.4, 96.3, 96.1, 36.0, 18.7, 12.5, 11.3. **19F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -111.2. **HRMS**: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>32</sub>FN<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 387.2262, found 387.2259.



1-ethyl-5-methyl-2-phenyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(*2H*)-one

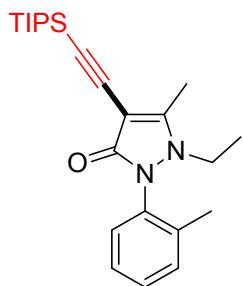
Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5k** (54 mg, 71%) as a white solid. mp 132 – 134 °C. **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.43 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 3.63 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.10 (m, 21H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 165.2, 156.6, 134.7, 129.1, 126.9, 124.5, 96.9, 96.8, 95.6, 42.7, 18.7, 12.3, 11.4, 11.3. **HRMS**: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 383.2510, found 383.2510.



**5l, 56%**

5-methyl-2-phenyl-1-propyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(2*H*)-one

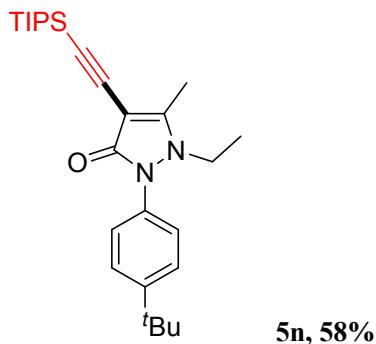
Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5l** (44 mg, 56%) as a white solid. mp 118 – 120 °C. **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.45 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 3.54 (t, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.40 – 1.32 (m, 2H), 1.13 – 1.08 (m, 2H), 0.74 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 165.2, 156.3, 134.7, 129.1, 127.1, 124.7, 96.9, 95.5, 95.3, 49.0, 20.6, 18.7, 12.3, 11.3, 10.9. **HRMS**: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 397.2670, found 383.2510.



**5m, 53%**

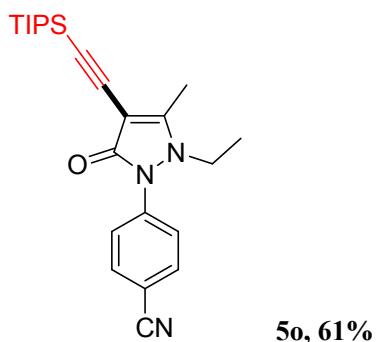
1-ethyl-5-methyl-2-(*o*-tolyl)-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(2*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5m** (42 mg, 53%) as a white solid. mp 148 – 150 °C. **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.53 – 3.48 (m, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.12 (m, 2H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.8, 154.6, 137.0, 133.6, 131.4, 128.8, 127.4, 126.6, 97.3, 94.9, 94.8, 41.8, 18.7, 18.0, 12.5, 11.9, 11.3. **HRMS**: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 397.2667, found 397.2667.



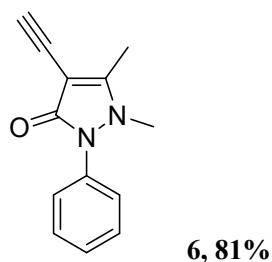
2-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-1-ethyl-5-methyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3(2*H*)-one

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5n** (51 mg, 58%) as a white solid. mp 112 – 114 °C. **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.45 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 3.63 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.32(s, 3H), 1.12 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H). **13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 165.2, 156.0, 150.1, 132.0, 126.1, 124.3, 97.0, 96.6, 95.4, 42.5, 34.6, 31.3, 18.7, 12.1, 11.5, 11.3. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>43</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 439.3139, found 439.3139.



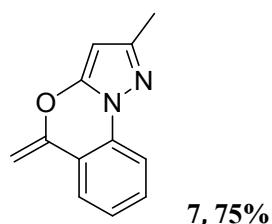
4-(2-ethyl-3-methyl-5-oxo-4-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-1-yl)benzonitrile

Isolation by column chromatography (EA/PE = 2:1) yielded **5o** (43 mg, 61%) as a white solid. mp 144 – 146 °C. **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.10 (m, 2H). **13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 165.1, 160.0, 138.9, 133.1, 123.1, 118.3, 109.5, 98.5, 96.8, 95.6, 43.5, 18.6, 12.4, 11.2, 10.7. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OSi<sup>+</sup>: 408.2466, found 408.2462.



4-ethynyl-1,5-dimethyl-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazol-3(*2H*)-one

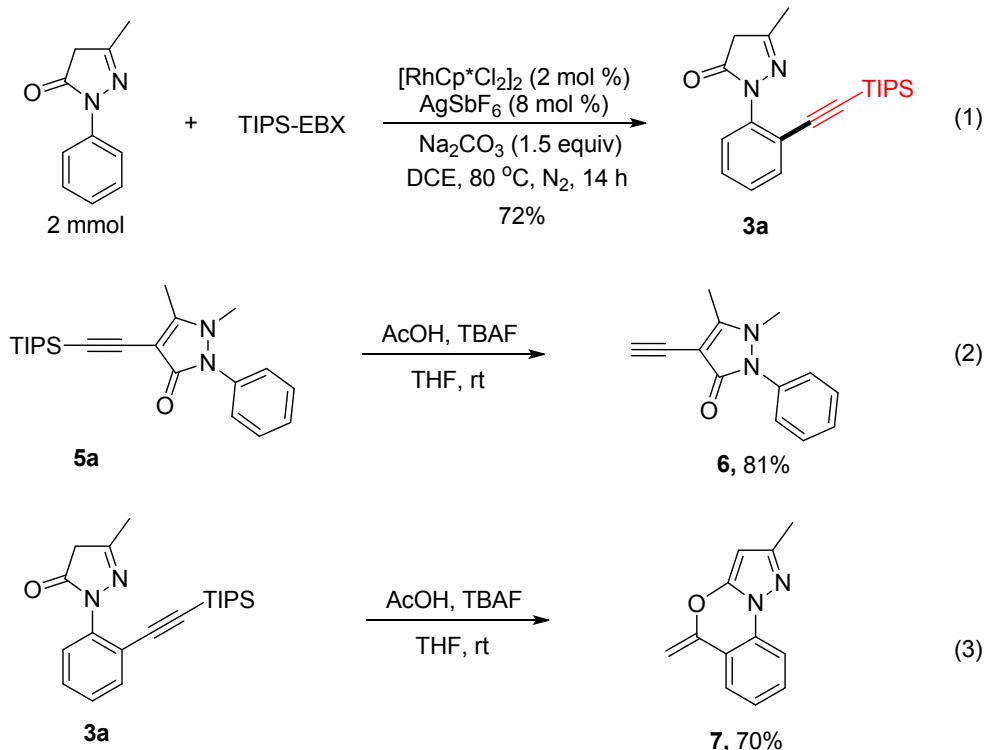
Compound **6** was obtained as a white solid (86.3 mg, 81%, 0.5 mmol) by following a reported procedure. mp 137 – 139 °C. **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.46 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 3.22 (s, 1H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H). **13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 164.4, 157.1, 134.3, 129.1, 127.2, 124.9, 92.8, 81.9, 74.1, 35.0, 12.0. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup>: 199.0866, found 199.0866.



2-methyl-5-methylene-5*H*-benzo[*d*]pyrazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]oxazine

Compound **7** was obtained as a white solid (225 mg, 75%, 1.42 mmol) by following a reported procedure. mp 122 – 124 °C. **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.10 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H). **13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ 150.9, 150.6, 148.4, 132.0, 130.9, 124.9, 124.1, 115.8, 113.7, 89.6, 87.4, 14.5. **HRMS:** [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup>: 199.0866, found 199.0866.

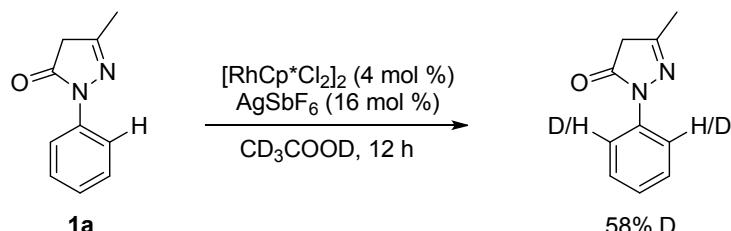
#### IV. Derivatization



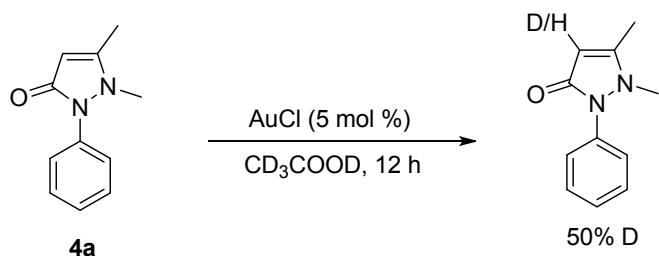
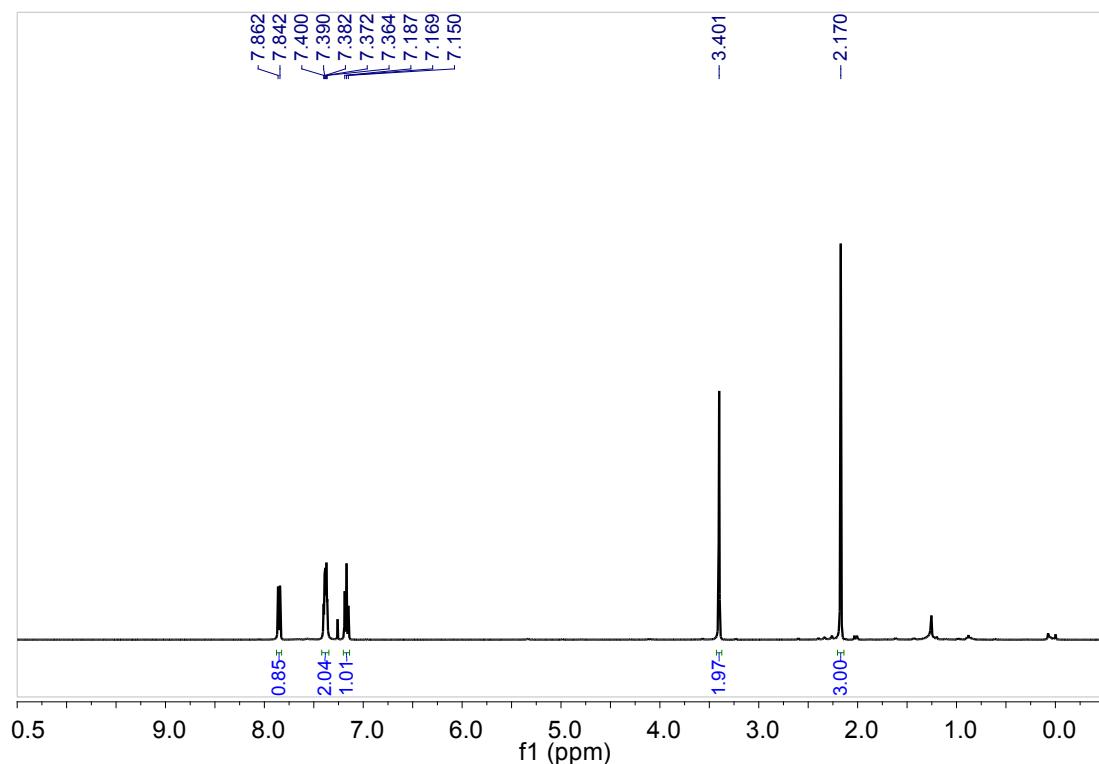
Notably, this method is found to be scalable. Product **3a** could be obtained in 72% yield when the reaction is scaled up to 2 mmol under a reduced (2 mol %) loading of the Rh(III) catalyst. To further demonstrate the synthetic utility of the products, the derivatization of **3a** and **5a** was then carried out. Desilylation of **5a** by treatment with TBAF/AcOH at room temperature produces **6** in 81% yield. Interestingly, when **3a** was subjected to the same reaction condition, a cyclization of the desilylated intermediate occurred to afford **7** in 70% yield.

## V. Mechanism Studies

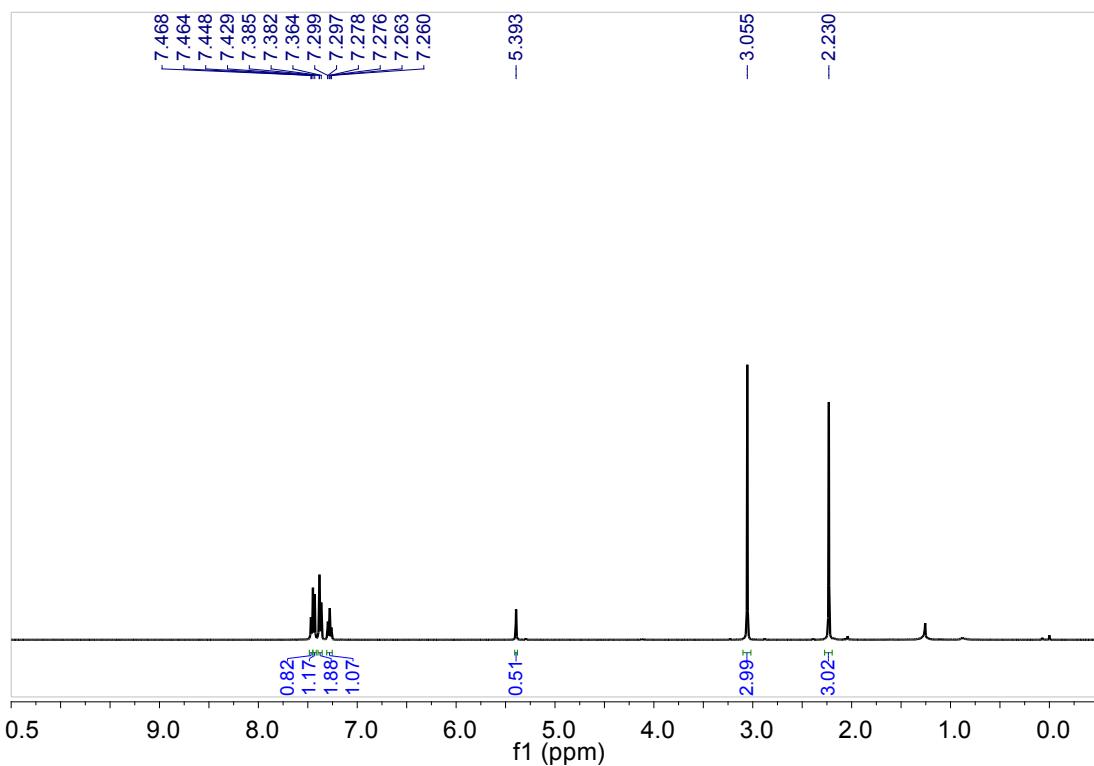
### 1. H/D exchange of the substrate



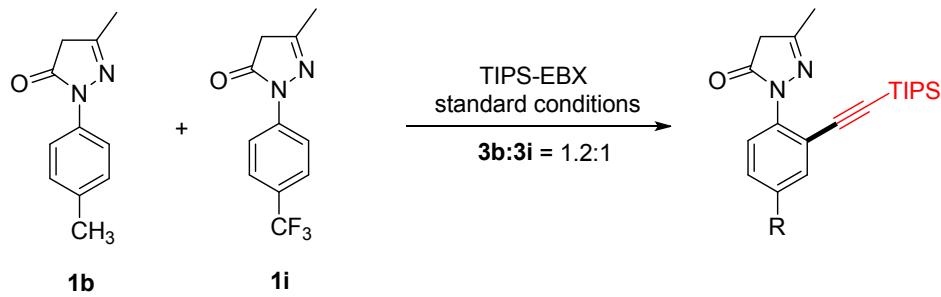
3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5-one (**1a**, 0.2 mmol),  $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (0.008 mmol),  $\text{AgSbF}_6$  (0.032 mmol) were added into a pressure tube. The resulting mixture was dissolved in DCE (2 mL) and was stirred for seconds under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere, to which was added  $\text{HOAc-}d_4$  (0.4 mmol). The mixture was stirred under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere at 80 °C for 12 hours. After that, the solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (5:1) to afford residue starting material, which was characterized by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectroscopy. The *ortho* C-H of nitrone was partially deuterated (58% D).



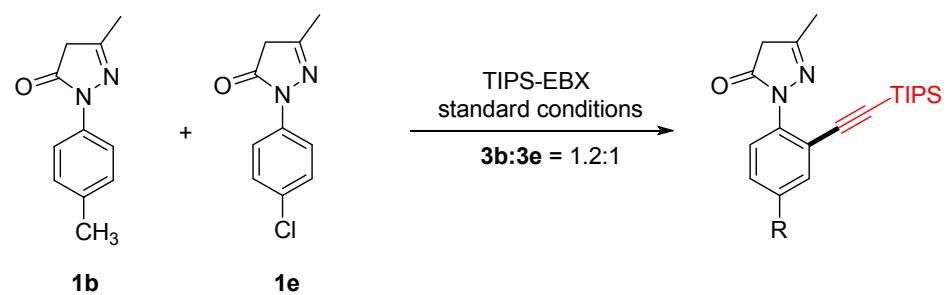
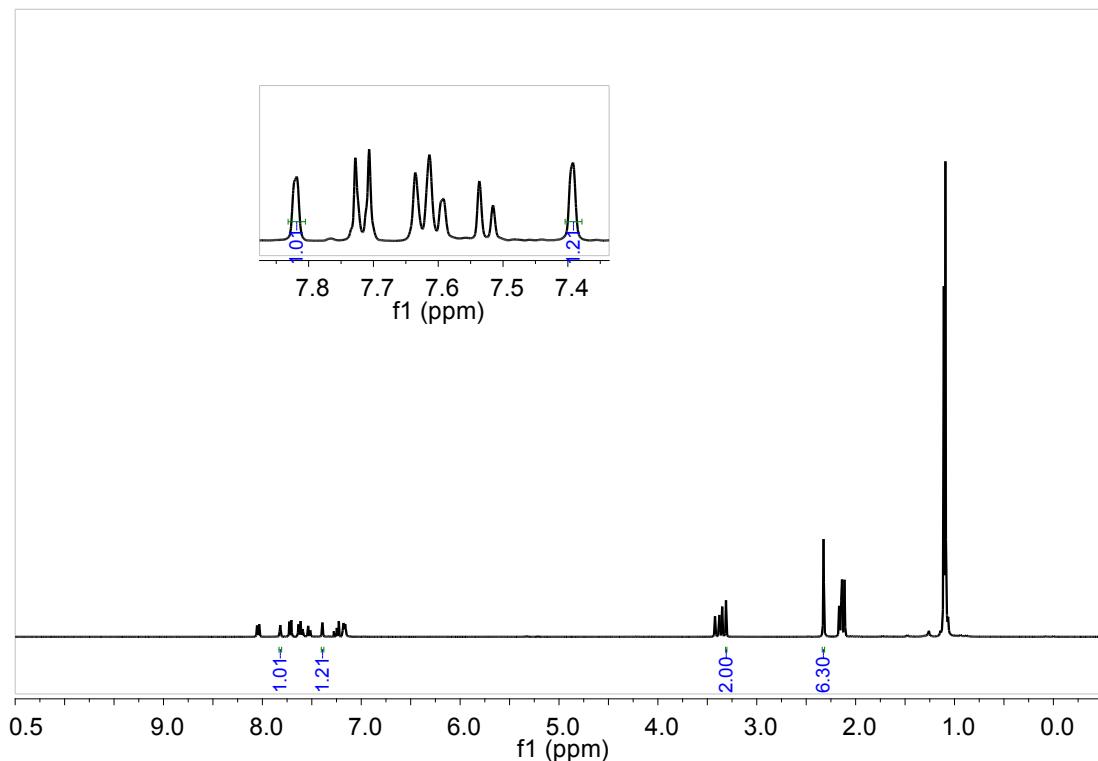
2,3-dimethyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-5-one (**4a**, 0.2 mmol), AuCl (0.010mmol), were added into a pressure tube. The resulting mixture was dissolved in  $^n\text{Bu}_2\text{O}$  (1 mL) and was stirred for seconds under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere, to which was added HOAc-*d*<sub>4</sub> (0.4 mmol). The mixture was stirred under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere at 80 °C for 14 hours. After that, the solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using ethyl MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20:1) to afford residue starting material, which was characterized by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy. The 4-site C-H of heterocyclic was partially deuterated (50% D).



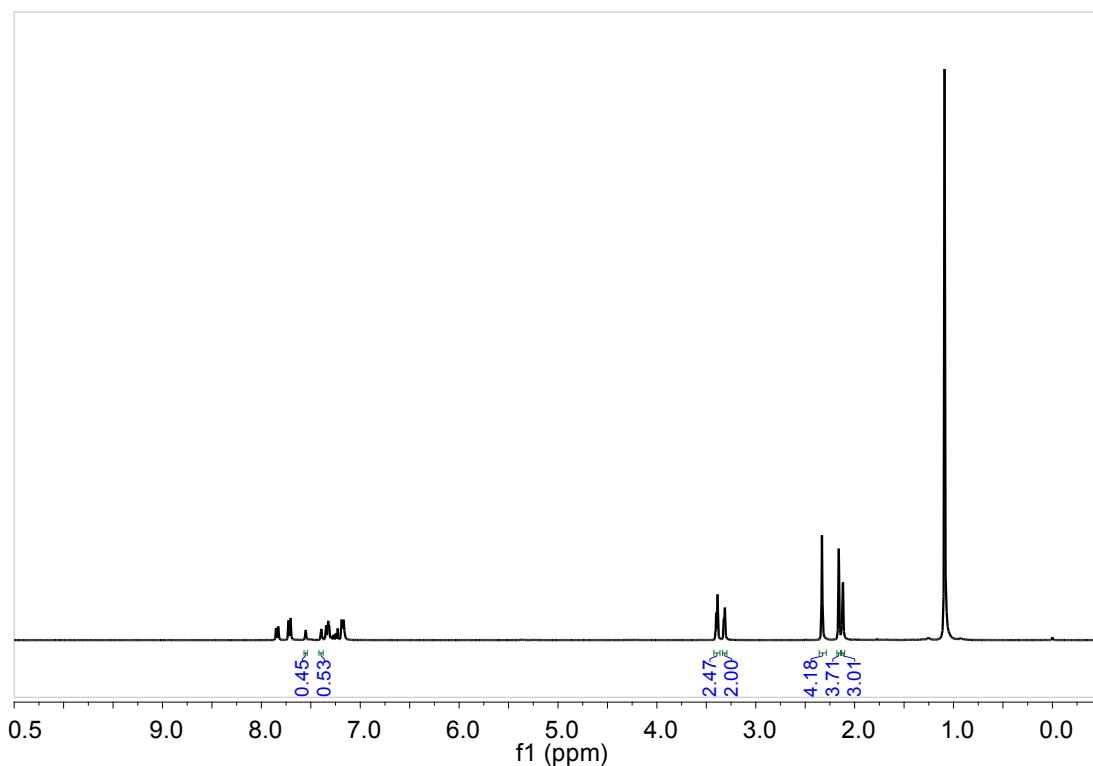
## 2. Competition Reactions



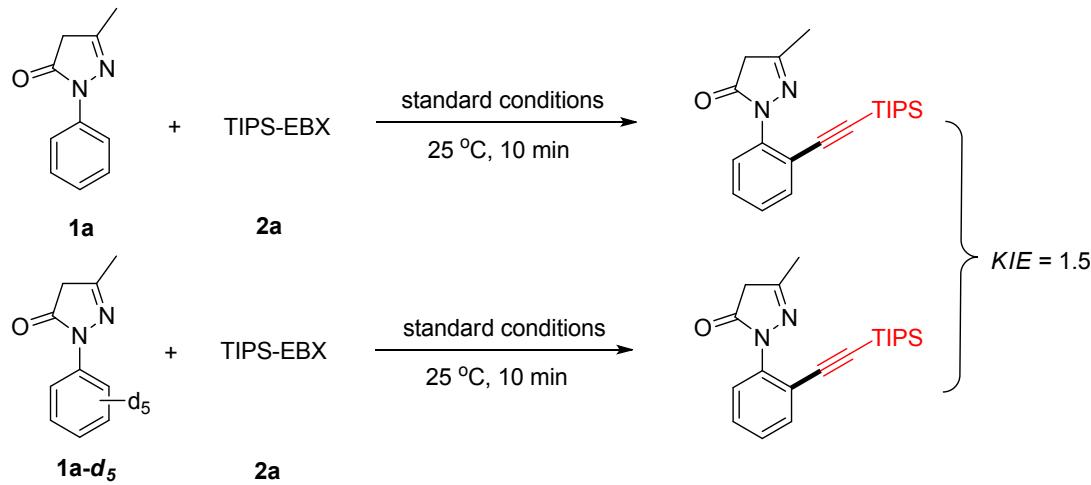
**1b** (0.2 mmol), **1i** (0.2 mmol), TIPS-EBX (0.24 mmol),  $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (0.008 mmol),  $\text{AgSbF}_6$  (0.032 mmol) were added into a pressure tube. The resulting mixture was dissolved in DCE (2 mL) and was stirred for seconds under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere. The mixture was stirred under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere at 80 °C for 14 hours. After that, the solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (3:1) to afford the mixture of **1b** and **1i**, which was characterized by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectroscopy.  $\text{3b:3i} = 1.2:1$ .



**1b** (0.2 mmol), **1e** (0.2 mmol), TIPS-EBX (0.24 mmol),  $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (0.008 mmol),  $\text{AgSbF}_6$  (0.032 mmol) were added into a pressure tube. The resulting mixture was dissolved in DCE (2 mL) and was stirred for seconds under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere. The mixture was stirred under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere at 80 °C for 14 hours. After that, the solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (3:1) to afford the mixture of **1b** and **1e**, which was characterized by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectroscopy.  $\text{3b:3e} = 1.2:1$ .

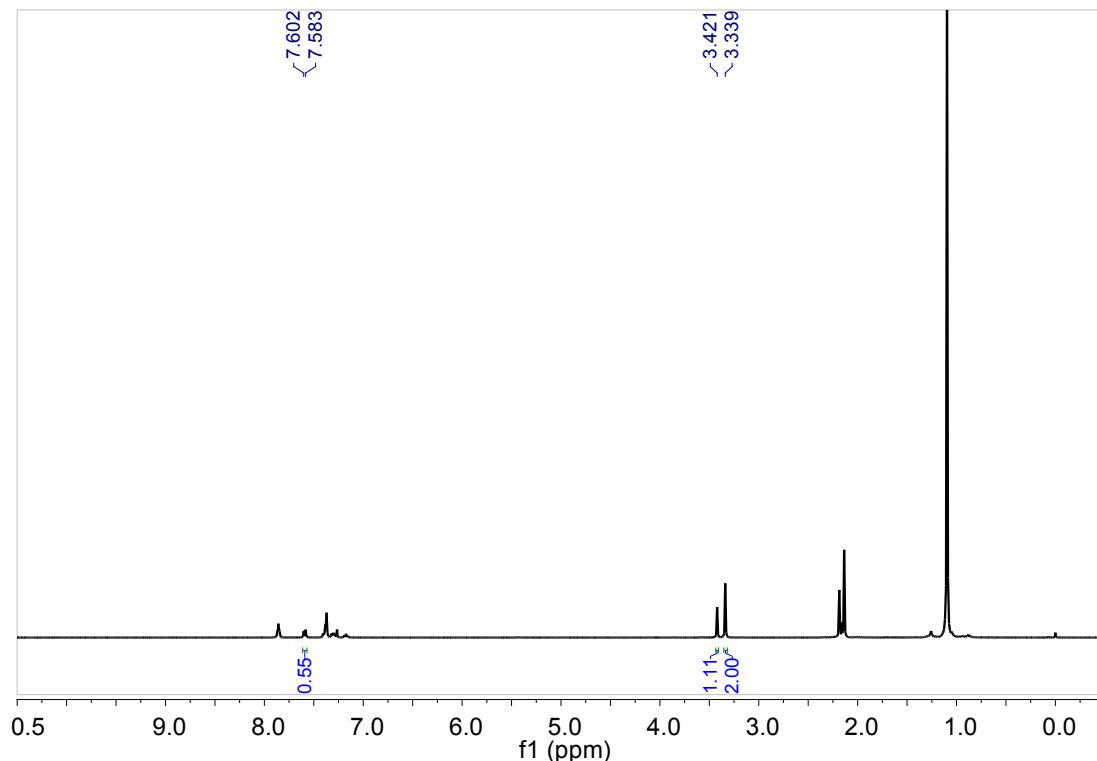


### 3. Kinetic effect experiment

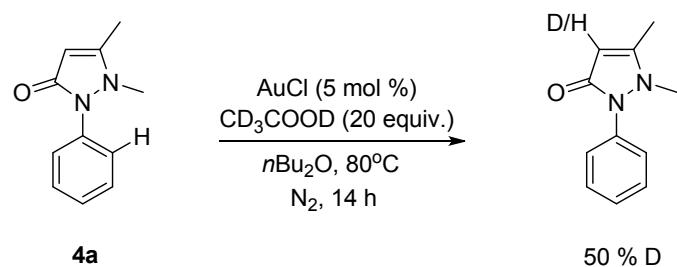


Two pressure tubes were separately charged with **1a** (0.2 mmol) and **1a-d<sub>5</sub>** (0.2 mmol), and to each tube was added,  $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (0.008 mmol),  $\text{AgSbF}_6$  (0.032 mmol),  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  (0.3 mmol). Each resulting mixture was dissolved in DCE (2 mL) and was stirred for seconds under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere, to each of which was added TIPS-EBX (0.24 mmol). The two reaction mixtures were stirred side by side in an oil bath preheated at 25 °C for 10 min. After that, the reaction was

quenched in an ice bath and pentane was rapidly added to each tube. The two mixtures were combined and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude product **3a** and **3a-d<sub>5</sub>** for 64% (NMR yield). The KIE value was determined to be  $k_H/k_D = 1.5$  on the basis of <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.



#### 4. Mechanistic Consideration under Au-Catalyzed Conditions



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## VII. NMR Spectra

