Supplementary Information

Hydrofunctionalization of Alkenols Triggered by Addition of Diverse

Radicals to Unactivated Alkenes and Subsequent Remote Hydrogen

Atom Translocation

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General information.

All reactions were carried out under argon using Schlenk techniques. Reagents were purchased at the commercial quality and used without further purification. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on precoated silica gel 60 GF254 plates. Flash column chromatography was performed using Tsingdao silica gel (60, particle size 0.040-0.063 mm). Visualization on TLC was achieved by use of UV light (254 nm) or iodine. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DPX 400 spectrometer at 400 MHz for ¹H NMR, 100 MHz for ¹³C NMR and 376 MHz for ¹⁹F NMR in CDCl3 with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as internal standard. Microwave irradiation experiments were carried out in a dedicated Biotage Initator Robot 8 auto microwave apparatus. The chemical shifts are expressed in ppm and coupling constants are given in Hz. Data for ¹H NMR are recorded as follows: chemical shift (ppm), multiplicity (s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quarter; m, multiplet), coupling constant (Hz), integration. Data for ¹³C NMR are reported in terms of chemical shift (δ , ppm). ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DPX 400 MHz spectrometer (CFCl₃ as an external reference (0 ppm)). Mass spectrometric data were obtained using Bruker Apex IV RTMS.

	OH +	O H-PPh-	oxidant	O PPh ₂
	1A 2b (2.0 equiv)		solvent, argon 4Ab	
entry	Oxidant (X equiv)	T (°C)	solvent	yield $(\%)^b$
1	CuCl (2)	80	CH ₃ CN	No reaction
2	$K_{2}S_{2}O_{8}(2)$	80	CH ₃ CN/H ₂ O (2/1)	$68\% (58\%)^c$
3	$K_{2}S_{2}O_{8}(2)$	80	CH ₃ CN/H ₂ O (2/1)	$68\%^d$
4	$K_{2}S_{2}O_{8}(2)$	80	CH ₃ CN/H ₂ O (2/1)	60% ^e
5	AgOAc (3)	100	DMF	100% (90%) ^c
6	AgNO ₃ (0.5)	100	EtOAc	63%
7	AgNO ₃ (0.5)	100	CH ₃ CN	65%
8	AgNO ₃ (0.5)	100	Toluene	65%
9	AgNO ₃ (0.5)	100	DMF	60%
10	AgNO ₃ (1)	100	CH ₃ CN	70%

Supplementary Table S1. Screening Results of Reaction Conditions for Phosphonylation^{*a*}

^{*a*} Reaction conditions: **1A** (0.2 mmol), **2b** (0.4 mmol), solvent (2.0 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under argon. ^{*b*} Determined by NMR spectroscopy using 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene as an internal standard. ^{*c*} Isolated yield in bracket. ^{*d*} Ag₂SO₄ (0.02 mmol) was added. ^{*e*} Shortening the reaction time to 5 h.

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	+ EtO	OEt solvent, 1	12 h	COOEt	
1,	A 2c	2c		5Ac	
entry	Oxidant (X	2c (X equiv)	Solvent/T(°	yield $(\%)^b$	
	equiv)		C)		
1	Cu(OAc) ₂ (2)	1.5	TFE^{c} (100)	No reaction	
2	$Ag_2CO_3(2)$	3.0	DMF (80)	40% conversion	
				45% yield	
3	$K_{2}S_{2}O_{8}(2)$	1.5	CH ₃ CN/H ₂ O	trace	
			(80)		
4	Mn(OAc) ₃ ·2H ₂ O	1.5	AcOH (80)	100% conversion	
	(3)			14% yield	
5	Mn(OAc) ₃ ·2H ₂ O	1.5	TFE (80)	60% conversion	
	(3)			34% yield	
6	Mn(OAc)3 [·] 2H ₂ O	1.5	TFE (110) ^d	74% conversion	
	(3)			57% yield	
7	Mn(OAc)3 [·] 2H ₂ O	1.8	TFE $(110)^{d}$	100% conversion	
	(3.6)			50% yield	

Supplementary Table S2. Screening Results of Reaction Conditions for Addition of Diethyl Malonate to Alkene^{*a*}

^{*a*} Reaction conditions: **1A** (0.2 mmol), **2c**, solvent (2.0 mL) was heated for 16 h under argon. ^{*b*} Isolated yield. ^{*c*} TFE: 2,2,2-trifluoroethanol. ^{*d*} reaction time: 36 h.

General procedures

General procedure for radical sulfonylation reaction system



To a flame-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added 1 (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.6 mmol) and $K_2S_2O_8$ (0.4 mmol). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon for three times, and then CH₃CN (0.7 mL) and H₂O (1.4 mL) were added. The tube was stirred at 80 °C for 18 h and then H₂O (5 mL) was added. EtOAc was used to extract the product from the aqueous layer (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated to afford the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography to afford the product **3**.

General procedures for radical phosphonylation reaction system



To a flame-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added 1 (0.2 mmol), **2b** (0.4 mmol) and AgOAc (0.60 mmol). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon for three times, and then DMF (2 mL) were added. The tube was stirred at 80 °C for 12 h. Diethyl ether (50 mL) was added, followed by washing with water (2×5 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated to afford the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography to afford the product **4**.

General procedure for radical reaction with diethyl malonate



To a flame-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added 1 (0.2 mmol), diethyl malonate 2c (0.3 mmol) and Mn(OAc)₃·2H₂O (0.6 mmol). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon for three times, and then 2,2,2-trifluoroethanol (2.0 mL) were added. The tube was stirred at 110 °C for 36 h

and then H_2O (5 mL) was added. EtOAc was used to extract the product from the aqueous layer (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated to afford the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography to afford the product **5**.

1-phenyl-6-tosylhexan-1-one (3Aa)



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 – 7.90 (m, 2H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.66 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.10 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.96 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.91 – 1.57 (m, 4H), 1.51 – 1.43 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.78, 144.66, 136.84, 136.15, 133.10, 129.92, 128.63, 128.08, 127.99, 56.17, 37.93, 27.90, 23.45, 22.70, 21.64. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₃O₃S [M+H]⁺ 331.1368, found 331.1363.

1-(*p*-tolyl)-6-tosylhexan-1-one (3Ba)



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.09 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.92 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.81 – 1.67 (m, 4H), 1.51 – 1.43 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.44, 144.63, 143.84, 136.19, 134.40, 129.91, 129.28, 128.11, 128.07, 56.17, 37.81, 27.91, 23.55, 22.69, 21.62. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₀H₂₅O₃S [M+H]⁺ 345.1524, found 345.1521.

1-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-tosylhexan-1-one (3Ca)



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.13 – 3.05 (m, 2H), 2.92 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 1.80 – 1.67 (m, 4H), 1.51 – 1.43 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.50, 144.69, 139.49, 136.14, 135.13, 129.92, 129.42, 128.96, 128.06, 56.13, 37.91, 27.83, 23.34, 22.65, 21.64. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₂ClO₃S [M+H]⁺ 365.0978, found 365.0973.

1-(3-chlorophenyl)-6-tosylhexan-1-one (3Da)



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.42 – 7.29 (m, 6H), 3.08 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.90 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 1.78 – 1.64 (m, 4H), 1.50 – 1.40 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.11, 144.69, 139.42, 136.10, 131.69, 130.68, 130.51, 129.93, 128.71, 128.07, 126.99, 56.11, 42.35, 27.71, 23.39, 22.64, 21.64. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₂ClO₃S [M+H]⁺ 365.0978, found 365.0971.

1-(2-chlorophenyl)-6-tosylhexan-1-one (3Ea):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (t, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.82 – 7.78 (m, 3H), 7.54 (ddd, J = 8.0, 2.1, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.12 – 3.07 (m, 2H), 2.93 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.81 – 1.68 (m, 4H), 1.51 – 1.42 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.39, 144.69, 138.36, 136.16, 134.90, 133.09, 129.93, 129.90, 128.17, 128.08, 126.08, 56.13, 38.05, 27.81, 23.26, 22.66, 21.64. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₂ClO₃S [M+H]⁺ 365.0978, found 365.0970.

1-(4-bromophenyl)-6-tosylhexan-1-one (3Fa):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 – 7.72 (m, 4H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.08 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.90 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 1.79 – 1.66 (m, 4H), 1.49 – 1.43 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.68, 144.69, 136.18, 135.55, 131.93, 129.90, 129.57, 128.16, 128.04, 56.13, 37.84, 27.81, 23.32, 22.66, 21.64. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₂BrO₃S [M+H]⁺ 409.0473, found 409.0467.

2-methyl-8-tosyloctan-3-one (3Ia):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.11 – 3.04 (m, 2H), 2.61 – 2.51 (m, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H), 2.43 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.78 – 1.68 (m, 2H), 1.60 – 1.50 (m, 2H), 1.41 – 1.32 (m, 2H), 1.08 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 214.33, 144.63, 136.17, 129.89, 128.06, 56.15, 40.87, 39.61, 27.84, 22.95, 22.62, 21.63, 18.23. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₆H₂₅O₃S [M+H]⁺ 297.1510, found 297.1519.

2-(3-tosylpropyl)benzaldehyde (3Ja):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.09 (s, 1H), 7.80 – 7.74 (m, 3H), 7.51 (td, J = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (td, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.25 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.16 – 3.10 (m, 4H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.06 – 1.97 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.96, 144.77, 142.62, 136.17, 134.43, 133.96, 133.80, 131.33, 130.01, 128.13, 127.27, 55.73, 31.23, 24.51, 21.73. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₇H₁₉O₃S [M+H]⁺ 303.1042, found 303.1049.

5-methyl-2-(3-tosylpropyl)benzaldehyde (3Ka):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.06 (s, 1H), 7.79 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.57 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.13 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.18 – 3.02 (m, 4H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.05 – 1.90 (m, 2H) ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.09, 144.75, 139.62, 137.06, 136.20, 134.83, 134.73, 133.65, 131.31, 130.00, 128.15, 55.74, 30.78, 24.61, 21.74, 20.87. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₈H₂₁O₃S [M+H]⁺ 317.1198, found 317.1206.

5-fluoro-2-(3-tosylpropyl)benzaldehyde (3La):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.04 (s, 1H), 7.85 – 7.73 (m, 3H), 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.14 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 6.95 (dd, J = 9.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.20 – 3.09 (m, 4H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.08 – 1.95 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.09, 165.59 (d, J = 257.7 Hz), 146.13 (d, J = 8.8 Hz), 144.80, 137.02 (d, J = 10.1 Hz), 136.03, 129.97, 128.04, 118.20 (d, J = 21.7 Hz), 114.32 (d, J = 21.7 Hz), 55.50, 31.02, 24.15, 21.65. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -102.99. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₇H₁₈O₃FS [M+H]⁺ 321.0948, found 321.0955.

1-(2-(3-tosylpropyl)phenyl)ethanone (3Ma):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.73 – 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.42 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 3.10 (m, 2H), 2.94 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.06 – 1.96 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.47, 144.54, 140.72, 137.22, 136.21, 131.90, 131.45, 129.91, 129.87, 128.07, 127.98, 126.52, 55.82, 32.33, 29.58, 24.51, 21.63. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₈H₂₁O₃S [M+H]⁺ 317.1211, found 317.1209.

1-(2-(2-methyl-3-tosylpropyl)phenyl)ethan-1-one (3Na):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 – 7.60 (m, 3H), 7.41 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 7.16 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 3.15 – 3.08 (m, 1H), 3.01 – 2.93 (m, 1H), 2.92 – 2.80 (m, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.29 – 2.19 (m, 1H), 1.11 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.66, 144.29, 139.45, 137.74, 137.01, 132.11, 131.63, 129.88, 129.84, 127.91, 126.57, 61.49, 40.56, 30.89, 29.75, 21.70, 20.02. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₃O₃S [M+H]⁺ 331.1354, found 331.1362.

6-(diphenylphosphoryl)-1-phenylhexan-1-one (4Ab):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.78 – 7.70 (m, 5H), 7.54 – 7.43 (m, 7H), 7.38 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.28 (dd, J = 15.5, 10.4 Hz, 2H), 1.78 – 1.60 (m, 4H), 1.52 – 1.48 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.15, 136.93, 133.82 (d, J_{C-P} = 97.7 Hz), 133.03, 131.74 (d, J_{C-P} = 2.5 Hz), 130.86 (d, J_{C-P} = 9.3 Hz), 128.76 (d, J_{C-P} = 11.5 Hz), 128.52, 128.01, 38.08, 30.42 (d, J_{C-P} = 14.6 Hz), 29.43 (d, J_{C-P} = 71.3 Hz), 23.52, 21.21 (d, J_{C-P} = 3.8 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.03. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₂₆O₂P [M+H]⁺ 377.1670, found 377.1667.

6-(diphenylphosphoryl)-1-(p-tolyl)hexan-1-one (4Bb):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.78 – 7.68 (m, 4H), 7.50 – 7.43 (m, 6H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.88 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.32 – 2.26 (m, 2H), 1.72 – 1.65 (m, 4H), 1.51 – 1.47 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.83, 143.73, 134.44, 132.87 (d, $J_{C-P} = 98.0$ Hz), 131.71 (d, $J_{C-P} = 2.4$ Hz), 130.71 (d, $J_{C-P} = 9.7$ Hz), 129.24, 128.72 (d, $J_{C-P} = 11.5$ Hz), 128.13, 37.96, 30.40 (d, $J_{C-P} = 14.5$ Hz), 29.42 (d, $J_{C-P} = 71.6$ Hz), 23.62, 21.62, 21.21 (d, $J_{C-P} = 3.5$ Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.43. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₅H₂₈O₂P [M+H]⁺ 391.1827, found 391.1823.

1-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-(diphenylphosphoryl)hexan-1-one (4Cb):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.75 – 7.71 (m, 4H), 7.55 – 7.36 (m, 8H), 2.89 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.31 – 2.25 (m, 2H), 1.77 – 1.62 (m, 4H), 1.53 – 1.47 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.84, 139.33, 135.20, 132.92 (d, J_{C-P} = 97.2 Hz), 131.72 (d, J_{C-P} = 2.5 Hz), 130.71 (d, J_{C-P} = 9.2 Hz), 129.44, 128.87, 128.75 (d, J_{C-P} = 11.5 Hz), 38.02, 30.42 (d, J_{C-P} = 14.3 Hz), 29.54 (d, J_{C-P} = 71.7 Hz), 23.42, 21.25 (J_{C-P} = 3.6 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.63. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₂₅ClO₂P [M+H]⁺ 411.1281, found 411.1274.

1-(2-chlorophenyl)-6-(diphenylphosphoryl)hexan-1-one (4Eb):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 – 7.86 (m, 1H), 7.79 – 7.69 (m, 5H), 7.51 – 7.42 (m, 7H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.33 – 2.23 (m, 2H), 1.75 – 1.61 (m, 4H), 1.52 – 1.44 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.73, 138.41, 134.88, 132.90, 132.83 (d, $J_{C-P} = 97.7$ Hz), 131.74 (d, $J_{C-P} = 2.5$ Hz), 130.75 (d, $J_{C-P} = 9.2$ Hz), 129.96, 128.75 (d, $J_{C-P} = 11.5$ Hz), 128.08, 126.12, 38.16, 30.34 (d, $J_{C-P} = 14.4$ Hz), 29.31 (d, $J_{C-P} = 71.6$ Hz), 23.32, 21.23 (d, $J_{C-P} = 3.7$ Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.00. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₂₅ClO₂P [M+H]⁺ 411.1281, found 411.1278.

1-(4-bromophenyl)-6-(diphenylphosphoryl)hexan-1-one (4Fb):



(47% yield, 40% starting was recovered); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 – 7.69 (m, 6H), 7.60 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.43 (m, 6H), 2.88 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 2.31 – 2.24 (m, 2H), 1.76 – 1.60 (m, 4H), 1.52 – 1.47 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.00, 135.60, 133.04 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 98.0 Hz), 131.87, 131.71 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 2.6 Hz), 130.72 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 9.9 Hz), 129.55, 128.72 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 11.5 Hz), 128.16, 38.00, 30.32 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 14.5 Hz), 29.52 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 71.6 Hz), 23.41, 21.29 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 3.7 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.49. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₂₅BrO₂P [M+H]⁺ 455.0776, found 455.0772.

4-(6-(diphenylphosphoryl)hexanoyl)benzonitrile (4Gb):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.78 – 7.70 (m, 6H), 7.58 – 7.44 (m, 6H), 2.95 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.38 – 2.25 (m, 2H), 1.80 – 1.65 (m, 4H), 1.57 – 1.46 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.62, 139.82, 132.85 (d, J = 98.3 Hz), 132.50, 131.78 (d, J = 2.7 Hz), 130.74 (d, J = 9.3 Hz), 128.69 (d, J = 11.6 Hz), 128.42, 117.95, 116.26, 38.36, 30.26 (d, J = 14.4 Hz), 29.44 (d, J = 72.0 Hz), 23.21, 21.24 (d, J = 3.8 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.77. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₅H₂₅N₂O₂P [M+H]⁺ 402.1623, found 402.1615.

methyl 4-(6-(diphenylphosphoryl)hexanoyl)benzoate (4Hb):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.11 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.96 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.77 – 7.70 (m, 4H), 7.54 – 7.43 (m, 6H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 2.96 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.34 – 2.23 (m, 2H), 1.78 – 1.63 (m, 4H), 1.55 – 1.45 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.56, 166.23, 140.10, 133.76, 132.93 (d, J = 98.2 Hz), 131.73 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 130.75 (d, J = 9.2 Hz), 129.82, 128.67 (d, J = 11.5 Hz), 127.90, 52.47, 38.43, 30.36 (d, J = 14.4 Hz), 29.48 (d, J = 71.9 Hz), 23.33, 21.28 (d, J = 3.8 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.65. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₆H₂₈O₄P [M+H]⁺ 435.1725, found 435.1719.

2-(3-(diphenylphosphoryl)propyl)benzaldehyde (4Jb):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.14 (s, 1H), 7.80 – 7.69 (m, 5H), 7.55 – 7.42 (m, 7H), 7.42 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.29 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 3.17 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 2.42 – 2.34 (m, 2H), 2.01 – 1.89 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.67, 143.59, 133.79, 133.73, 133.39, 132.84 (d, $J_{C-P} = 98.3$ Hz), 131.75 (d, $J_{C-P} = 2.8$ Hz), 131.12, 130.75 (d, $J_{C-P} =$ 9.3 Hz), 128.68 (d, $J_{C-P} = 11.5$ Hz), 126.85, 33.46 (d, $J_{C-P} = 14.9$ Hz), 29.29 (d, $J_{C-P} =$ 71.8 Hz), 23.67 (d, $J_{C-P} = 3.4$ Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.53. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₂H₂₂O₂P [M+H]⁺ 349.1345, found 349.1352.

1-(2-(3-(diphenylphosphoryl)propyl)phenyl)ethanone (4Mb):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 – 7.65 (m, 4H), 7.56 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.32 (m, 6H), 7.28 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 2.98 – 2.86 (m, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.33 – 2.26 (m, 2H), 1.94 – 1.80 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.71, 141.29, 137.44, 133.02 (d, $J_{C-P} = 97.3$ Hz), 131.62 (d, $J_{C-P} = 2.7$ Hz), 131.63, 131.20, 130.70 (d, $J_{C-P} = 9.2$ Hz), 129.49, 128.65 (d, $J_{C-P} = 11.5$ Hz), 126.15, 34.82 (d, $J_{C-P} = 15.5$ Hz), 29.70, 29.31 (d, $J_{C-P} = 70.0$ Hz), 23.52 (d, $J_{C-P} = 3.2$ Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.46. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₃H₂₄O₂P [M+H]⁺

363.1514, found 363.1510.

1-(2-(3-(diphenylphosphoryl)-2-methylpropyl)phenyl)ethan-1-one (4Nb):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.64 – 7.55 (m, 3H), 7.51 – 7.35 (m, 7H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.98 – 2.87 (m, 2H), 2.47 – 2.39 (m, 4H), 2.19 – 2.12 (m, 2H), 1.08 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.16, 140.10, 138.25, 134.56 (d, $J_{C-P} = 97.8$ Hz), 132.80 (d, $J_{C-P} = 97.5$ Hz), 132.14, 131.46 (d, $J_{C-P} = 2.7$ Hz), 131.26, 131.40 (d, $J_{C-P} = 2.7$ Hz), 130.87 (d, $J_{C-P} = 9.1$ Hz), 130.46 (d, $J_{C-P} = 9.2$ Hz), 129.33, 128.61 (d, $J_{C-P} = 3.0$ Hz), 128.50 (d, $J_{C-P} = 3.1$ Hz), 126.21, 42.57 (d, $J_{C-P} = 13.9$ Hz), 35.63 (d, $J_{C-P} = 71.3$ Hz), 30.81 (d, $J_{C-P} = 3.5$ Hz), 29.85, 21.33 (d, $J_{C-P} = 3.0$ Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 31.82. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₂₆O₂P [M+H]⁺ 377.1653, found 377.1665.

10-(diphenylphosphoryl)decan-5-one (4Ob):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75 – 7.67 (m, 4H), 7.52 – 7.42 (m, 6H), 2.33 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.8 Hz, 4H), 2.29 – 2.18 (m, 2H), 1.63 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.56 – 1.46 (m, 4H), 1.42 – 1.32 (m, 2H), 1.31 – 1.21 (m, 2H), 0.87 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.26, 132.98 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 98.0 Hz), 131.71 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 2.6 Hz), 130.73 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 9.9 Hz), 128.65 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 11.5 Hz), 42.57, 42.20, 30.34 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 14.5 Hz), 29.44 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 71.6 Hz), 25.92, 23.05, 22.32, 21.21 (d, *J*_{C-P} = 3.7 Hz), 13.86. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.70. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₂H₃₀O₂P [M+H]⁺ 357.1983, found 357.1977.

diethyl 2-(6-oxo-6-phenylhexyl)malonate (5Ac):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.25 - 4.16 (m, 4H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.96 - 1.90 (m, 2H), 1.80 - 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.48 - 1.37 (m, 4H), 1.28 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.96 - 1.90 (m, 2H), 1.80 - 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.48 - 1.37 (m, 4H), 1.28 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.96 - 1.90 (m, 2H), 1.96 (m, 2H

6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.29, 169.53, 137.01, 132.94, 128.58, 128.04, 61.31, 51.99, 38.37, 28.93, 28.58, 27.20, 23.98, 14.09. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₇O₅ [M+H]⁺ 335.1858, found 335.1857.

diethyl 2-(6-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-oxohexyl)malonate (5Cc):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 4.27 – 4.15 (m, 4H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.92 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.80 – 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.40 (m, 4H), 1.28 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.99, 169.51, 139.36, 135.30, 129.47, 128.89, 61.32, 51.98, 38.34, 28.87, 28.55, 27.16, 23.87, 14.09. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₆O₅Cl [M+H]⁺ 369.1469, found 369.1466.

diethyl 2-(6-(4-bromophenyl)-6-oxohexyl)malonate (5Fc):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.24 – 4.13 (m, 4H), 3.31 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.93 – 1.88 (m, 2H), 1.77 – 1.69 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.38 (m, 4H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.14, 169.49, 135.68, 131.87, 129.58, 128.05, 61.31, 51.95, 38.30, 28.84, 28.53, 27.15, 23.83, 14.09. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₆O₅Br [M+H]⁺ 413.0964, found 413.0955.

diethyl 2-(3-(2-acetylphenyl)propyl)malonate (5Mc):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dt, J = 7.5, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 4.26 – 4.10 (m, 4H), 3.36 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.93 – 2.79 (m, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 1.99 – 1.93 (m, 2H), 1.66 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.25 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.86, 169.47, 141.96, 137.65, 131.52, 131.26, 129.36, 125.97, 61.26, 51.81, 33.69, 29.78, 29.22, 28.65, 14.07. HRMS (APCI) m/z

calcd. for C₁₈H₂₅O₅ [M+H]⁺ 321.1702, found 321.1695.

diethyl 2-(6-oxodecyl)malonate (5Oc)



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.19 (qd, J = 7.1, 1.0 Hz, 4H), 3.30 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 1.88 (dd, J = 15.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.60 – 1.50 (m, 4H), 1.36 – 1.24 (m, 12H), 0.90 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.41, 169.51, 61.30, 51.96, 42.55, 42.53, 28.82, 28.53, 27.12, 25.96, 23.48, 22.36, 14.08, 13.86. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. for C₁₇H₃₁O₅ [M+H]⁺ 315.2171, found 315.2166.

1-phenyl-7-tosylheptan-1-one (7Aa)



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.12 – 3.03 (m, 2H), 2.94 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 1.75 – 1.66 (m, 4H), 1.43 – 1.33 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.12, 144.60, 136.96, 136.24, 133.00, 129.90, 128.60, 128.17, 128.01, 56.30, 38.24, 28.71, 28.17, 23.82, 22.65, 21.62. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₀H₂₅O₃S [M+H]⁺ 345.1524, found 345.1520.

7-(diphenylphosphoryl)-1-phenylheptan-1-one (7Ab):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.78 – 7.64 (m, 4H), 7.55 – 7.34 (m, 9H), 2.89 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.31 – 2.17 (m, 2H), 1.68 – 1.62 (m, 4H), 1.48 – 1.28 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.28, 136.95, 133.12 (d, J_{C-P} = 97.3 Hz), 132.93, 131.61 (d, J_{C-P} = 2.6 Hz), 130.74 (d, J_{C-P} = 9.2 Hz), 128.64 (d, J_{C-P} = 11.6 Hz), 128.56, 127.99, 38.34, 30.83 (d, J_{C-P} = 14.3 Hz), 29.61 (d, J_{C-P} = 71.6 Hz), 28.75, 23.96, 21.33 (d, J_{C-P} = 3.9 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.52. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₅H₂₈O₂P [M+H]⁺ 391.1827, found 391.1824.

diethyl 2-(7-oxo-7-phenylheptyl)malonate (7Ac):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 – 7.94 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 4.23 – 4.16 (m, 4H), 3.32 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.93 – 1.88 (m, 2H), 1.76 – 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.43 – 1.34 (m, 6H), 1.27 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.41, 169.56, 137.06, 132.90, 128.56, 128.03, 61.27, 52.03, 38.48, 29.05, 29.02, 28.67, 27.18, 24.17, 14.08. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₀H₂₉O₅ [M+H]⁺ 349.2015, found 349.2013.

2-(4-tosylbutyl)benzaldehyde (7Ba):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.16 (s, 1H), 7.88 – 7.74 (m, 3H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.23 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 3.09 (m, 2H), 3.04 – 2.99 (m, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.88 – 1.76 (m, 2H), 1.74 – 1.62 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.79, 144.67, 143.97, 136.16, 133.83, 133.64, 131.13, 129.93, 129.89, 128.10, 126.81, 56.09, 32.31, 30.29, 22.60, 21.65. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₈H₂₁O₃S [M+H]⁺ 317.1199, found 317.1206.

2-(4-(diphenylphosphoryl)butyl)benzaldehyde (7Cb):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (ddd, J = 11.4, 8.1, 1.6 Hz, 4H), 7.67 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.41 (m, 6H), 7.36 (td, J = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 7.19 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 2.37 – 2.27 (m, 2H), 1.77 – 1.66 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.01, 142.15, 137.59, 133.07 (d, $J_{C-P} = 98.2$ Hz), 131.65 (d, $J_{C-P} = 2.8$ Hz), 131.52, 131.27, 130.79 (d, $J_{C-P} = 9.3$ Hz), 129.29, 128.63 (d, $J_{C-P} = 11.6$ Hz), 125.86, 33.53, 32.88 (d, $J_{C-P} = 14.8$ Hz), 29.82, 29.11, 21.48 (d, $J_{C-P} = 3.9$ Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.73. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₂₆O₂P [M+H]⁺ 377.1658, found 377.1665.

diethyl 2-(4-(2-formylphenyl)butyl)malonate (7Bc):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.27 (s, 1H), 7.84 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 4.21 (qd, J = 7.1, 1.2 Hz, 4H), 3.34 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.08 – 3.02 (m, 2H), 2.01 – 1.89 (m, 2H), 1.72 – 1.61 (m, 2H), 1.50 – 1.38 (m, 2H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.40, 169.50, 145.12, 133.78, 133.66, 132.13, 131.01, 126.55, 63.24, 51.92, 32.28, 31.68, 28.51, 27.17, 14.08. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₈H₂₅O₅P [M+H]⁺ 321.1689, found 321.1697.

Mechanistic Studies:



Procedure: To a flame-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added **1A** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.6 mmol) and K₂S₂O₈ (0.4 mmol) and additive (0.4 mmol). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon for three times, and then CH₃CN (0.7 mL) and H₂O (1.4 mL) were added. The tube was stirred at 80 °C for 18 h and then H₂O (5 mL) was added. EtOAc was used to extract the product from the aqueous layer (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated to afford the crude product. When TEMPO was used as the additive, the ¹H NMR yield of **3Aa** is 22%. When *p*-benzoquinone was used as the additive, no **3Aa** was observed and **1A** was recovered.



Procedure: To a flame-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added [**D**₁]-1**A** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.6 mmol) and K₂S₂O₈ (0.4 mmol). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon for three times, and then CH₃CN (0.7 mL) and H₂O (1.4 mL) were added. The tube was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h and then H₂O (5 mL) was added. EtOAc was used to extract the product from the aqueous layer (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated to afford the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography to afford the product [**D**₁]-3Aa (27%) and 35% starting material [**D**₁]-1A was recovered.

Compound [D1]-3Aa:



(35% starting recovered, 27% yield) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 – 7.89 (m, 2H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.96 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.78 – 1.69 (m, 3H), 1.50 – 1.44 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.77, 144.66,

136.85, 136.18, 133.09, 129.92, 128.63, 128.08, 127.99, 56.10, 37.94, 27.81, 23.42, 22.36 (t, J = 20 Hz), 21.64. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₂DO₃S [M+H]⁺ 332.1432, found 332.1428.



Procedure: To a flame-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added [**D**₁]-**1A** (0.2 mmol), **1P** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (1.2 mmol) and K₂S₂O₈ (0.8 mmol). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon for three times, and then CH₃CN (0.7 mL) and H₂O (1.4 mL) were added. The tube was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h and then H₂O (5 mL) was added. EtOAc was used to extract the product from the aqueous layer (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated to afford the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography to afford **3Pa** (12%) and [**D**₁]-**3Aa** (16%). Meanwhile, about 35% [**D**₁]-**1A** was recovered.

1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-tosylhexan-1-one (3Pa):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.15 – 3.06 (m, 2H), 2.91 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (s, 3H), 1.81 – 1.68 (m, 4H), 1.50 – 1.44 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.38, 163.47, 144.64, 136.18, 130.26, 129.96, 129.91, 128.08, 113.74, 56.18, 55.49, 37.57, 27.95, 23.67, 22.69, 21.62. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₂₀H₂₅O₄S [M+H]⁺ 361.1474, found 361.1470.

Large scale preparation and transformations



To a flame-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added **1A** (7.2 mmol), **2a** (21.6 mmol) and K₂S₂O₈ (14.4 mmol). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon for three times, and then CH₃CN (20 mL) and H₂O (40 mL) were added. The tube was stirred at 80 °C for 18 h and then H₂O (50 mL) was added. EtOAc was used to extract the product from the aqueous layer (3×40 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated to afford the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography to afford 1.7 g product of **3Aa** (70%).

Transformation of 3Ma



Compound **3Ma** was obtained by following the reported sulfonylation procedure. **Procedure:** To a solution of *t*-BuOK (74 mg, 0.66 mmol) in anhydrous THF (8 mL) was added a solution of **3Ma** (70 mg, 0.22 mmol) in THF dropwisely. The reaction was stirred 4 h and quenched with water (5 mL). EtOAc was used to extract the product from the aqueous layer (3×20 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated to afford the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography to afford the product **8** in 73% yield.



4-methyl-3-tosyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalene (8): (73% isolated yield); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.15 (m, 1H), 2.82 – 2.75 (m, 2H), 2.71 – 2.68 (m, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.92, 142.49, 139.29, 136.77, 135.26, 135.10, 129.75, 129.66, 127.40, 127.06, 126.90, 125.26, 28.37, 24.78, 21.61, 15.70. HRMS (APCI) m/z calcd. for C₁₈H₁₉O₂S [M+H]⁺ 299.1106, found 299.1100.

NMR Spectra:

















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 $\begin{array}{c} 10.042\\ 7.824\\ 7.783\\ 7.778\\ 7.776\\ 7.776\\ 7.776\\ 7.776\\ 7.776\\ 7.776\\ 7.776\\ 7.736\\ 7.736\\ 7.736\\ 7.736\\ 7.736\\ 7.7346\\ 7.7346\\ 7.7346\\ 7.7346\\ 7.7346\\ 7.7346\\ 7.7346\\ 7.7346\\ 7.7346\\ 7.7346\\ 7.2348\\ 7.2346\\ 6.902\\ 6.9$













7.82 7.75 7.71 7.71 7.71 7.71 $\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} & \begin{array}{c} 2.90 \\ \hline 2.87 \\ 2.87 \\ \hline 2.87 \\ \hline 2.28 \\ \hline 1.69 \\ \hline 1.49 \end{array}$





 $\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} 2.90\\ 2.87\\ 2.87\\ 2.27\\ 2.27\\ 2.27\\ 1.71\\ 1.69\\ 1.69\\ 1.61\\$











Lowest Frequency Nucleus Acquired Size

Spectral Size

-1535.4 1H 16025



130 110 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -110 -130 -150 -170 -190 -210 -230 fi(ppm)







xq-8-cn-p.2.fid

140 120 100 80 60 40 20 0 -20 -40 -60 -80 -100 -120 -140 -160 -180 -200 -220 -240 fl (ppm) 88.18 88.19 88.19 88.19 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 88.10 10





150 130 110 90 70 50 30 10 -10 -30 -50 -70 -90 -110 -130 -150 -170 -190 -210 -230 -25 f1 (ppm)

10.139 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.775 7.770 7.740 7.750 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.740 7.770 7.740 7.740 7.770 7.740 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.770 7.7000 7.7000 7.7000 7.7000 7.7000 7.7000 7.7000 7.7000









 $\begin{array}{c} 7.7.2\\ 7.7.17\\ 7.7.16\\ 7.7.69\\ 7.7.69\\ 7.7.69\\ 7.669\\ 7.662\\ 7.66$









130 110 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -110 -130 -150 -170 -190 -210 -230 fi(ppm)

7.95 7.95 7.95 7.55 7.49 7.45

























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9.5 9.0 8.5 8.0 7.5 7.0 6.5 6.0 5.5 5.0 4.5 4.0 3.5 3.0 2.5 2.0 1.5 1.0 0.5 0.0 -0.5 f1 (ppm)



140 120 100 80 60 40 20 0 -20 -40 -60 -80 -100 -120 -140 -160 -180 -200 -220 -240 f1 (ppm)

 $\begin{array}{c} -10.269\\ -1.0269\\ -7.5846\\ -7.8840\\ -7.5846\\ -7.5816\\ -7.5752\\ -7.592\\ -7.578\\ -7.578\\ -7.578\\ -7.578\\ -7.586\\ -7.528\\$



210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 f1 (ppm)





--3.88 --3.83 -3.12 -3.12 -2.47 -2.47 -2.47 -1.75 -1.68 -1.68 -1.68 -1.44 -1.44





110 100 f1 (ppm)

90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10

140 130

120

210 200 190 180 170 160 150