Supplementary Information

Decarboxylative [4+2] Annulation of Arylglyoxylic Acids with Internal Alkynes using the Anodic Ruthenium Catalysis

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(A) Typical Experimental Procedure

(a) General

The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ solvent on a NMR spectrometer using TMS as internal standard. HRMS was measured on an electrospray ionization (ESI) apparatus using time-of-flight (TOF) mass spectrometry. Melting points are uncorrected. The instrument for electrolysis is DC power source (PM3005B) (made in China). Cyclic voltammograms were obtained on a CHI 605E potentiostat. The anode electrode is graphite rod (Φ 6mm×80mm) and cathode electrode is platinum electrodes (1.0×1.0 cm²).

(b) General procedure for the synthesis of compound 3.



To an undivided three-necked bottle (10 mL) were added phenylglyoxylic acid **1a** (0.3 mmol), diphenylacetylene **2a** (0.2 mmol), NaOPiv (2 equiv), $[RuCl_2(p-cymene)]_2$ (5 mol%), and ^tAmOH/H₂O (3:1; 6 mL). The bottle was equipped with platinum electrodes ($1.0 \times 1.0 \text{ cm}^2$) as cathode and graphite rod electrode as anode under air. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 4 mA at 70 °C for 24 h until complete consumption of starting material as monitored by TLC and/or GC-MS analysis. After the reaction was finished, the solution was extracted with EtOAc ($3 \times 10 \text{ mL}$). The combined organic layer was dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired product **3aa**.

(c) H₂¹⁸O experiments.



[MS Spectrum]

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Raw Spectrum 16.695 (scan : 2540)

Background No Background Spectrum

Base Peak m/z 302.15 (Inten : 118,160)

Event# 1

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291.10	34	0.03	297.15	718 0.6	1	303.15	26066	22.06
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293.10	57	0.05	299.15	5412	4.58	305.10	250 0.2	1
294.10	36	0.03	<u>300.15</u>	30334	25.67	1		
295.10	62	0.05	301.15	24604	20.82			
296.10	65	0.06	<u>302.15</u>	118160	100.00			



(d) H/D Exchange Experiment.



(e) Kinetic experiment



To an undivided three-necked bottle (10 mL) were added phenylglyoxylic acid **1a** (0.15 mmol), **[D₅]-1a** (0.15 mmol), Diphenylacetylene **2b** (0.6 mmol, 2 equiv), NaOPiv (2 equiv), [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)]₂ (10 mmol%), and 'AmOH/H₂O = 3:1 (6 mL). The bottle was equipped with platinum electrodes $(1.0 \times 1.0 \text{ cm}^2)$ as cathode and graphite rod electrode as anode under air. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 4 mA at 70 °C for 10 h. After the reaction was finished, the solution was extracted with EtOAc (3×10 mL). The combined organic layer was dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired products **3ad/3ad-d4**.



(f) Cyclic Voltammogram Curves (Figure S1)





Figure S1. Cyclic voltammogram curves. using GC disk as working electrode, Pt slice, and Ag/AgCl as counter and reference electrode at 100 mV/s scan rate: (1) (black) ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M) and MeCN (10 mL); (2) [RuCl₂(p-cymene)]₂ (0.005 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M) and MeCN (10 mL); (3) 1a (0.05 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M) and MeCN (10 mL); (3) 1a (0.05 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M) and MeCN (10 mL); (3) 1a (0.05 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (4) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), [RuCl₂(p-cymene)]₂ (0.005 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (6) 1a (0.05 M), 2a (0.1 M), [RuCl₂(p-cymene)]₂ (0.005 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (6) 1a (0.05 M), 2a (0.1 M), [RuCl₂(p-cymene)]₂ (0.005 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), [RuCl₂(p-cymene)]₂ (0.005 M), NaOPiv (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (6) 1a (0.05 M), 2a (0.1 M), [RuCl₂(p-cymene)]₂ (0.005 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (6) 1a (0.05 M), 2a (0.1 M), [RuCl₂(p-cymene)]₂ (0.005 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), and MeCN (10 mL); (5) 1a (0.05 M), NaOPiv (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), ^{*n*}Bu₄NPF₆ (0.1 M), [*]*

(g) Hammett Competition Experiments and Analysis⁷



To an undivided three-necked bottle (10 mL) were added phenylglyoxylic acid 1d (0.15 mmol), 1a (0.15 mmol), Diphenylacetylene 2a (0.2 mmol), NaOPiv (2 equiv), $[RuCl_2(p-cymene)]_2$ (5 mmol%), and 'AmOH/H₂O = 3:1 (6 mL). The bottle was

equipped with platinum electrodes $(1.0 \times 1.0 \text{ cm}^2)$ as cathode and graphite rod electrode as anode under air. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 4 mA at 70 °C for 10 h. After the reaction was finished, the solution was extracted with EtOAc (3×10 mL). The combined organic layer was dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired products **3da** (13.8 mg, 42% yield) and **3aa** (7.7 mg, 26% yield).

To an undivided three-necked bottle (10 mL) were added phenylglyoxylic acid **1b** (0.15 mmol), **1a** (0.15 mmol), Diphenylacetylene **2a** (0.2 mmol), NaOPiv (2 equiv), [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)]₂ (5 mmol%), and 'AmOH/H₂O = 3:1 (6 mL). The bottle was equipped with platinum electrodes ($1.0 \times 1.0 \text{ cm}^2$) as cathode and graphite rod electrode as anode under air. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 4 mA at 70 °C for 10 h. After the reaction was finished, the solution was extracted with EtOAc ($3 \times 10 \text{ mL}$). The combined organic layer was dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired products **3ba** (11.9 mg, 38% yield) and **3aa** (8.9 mg, 30% yield).

$$Br + H = 1a Ph (BuCl_2(p-cymene))_2 (5 mol\%) = C(+)/Pt(-) (1 = 4 mA), NaOPiv (2 equiv) + Ph (2a) (3:1), air, 70 °C, 10h + Ph (2a) (3:1), air, 70 °C, 10h + Ph (2a) (3:1), air, 70 °C, 10h + Ph (3ea) (3ea)$$

To an undivided three-necked bottle (10 mL) were added phenylglyoxylic acid **1e** (0.15 mmol), **1a** (0.15 mmol), Diphenylacetylene **2a** (0.2 mmol), NaOPiv (2 equiv), $[RuCl_2(p-cymene)]_2$ (5 mmol%), and ^tAmOH/H₂O = 3:1 (6 mL). The bottle was equipped with platinum electrodes (1.0×1.0 cm²) as cathode and graphite rod electrode as anode under air. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 4 mA at 70 °C for 10 h. After the reaction was finished, the solution was extracted with EtOAc (3×10 mL). The combined organic layer was dried

with Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired products **3ea** (9.8 mg, 26% yield) and **3aa** (11.6 mg, 39% yield).

To an undivided three-necked bottle (10 mL) were added phenylglyoxylic acid **1g** (0.15 mmol), **1a** (0.15 mmol), Diphenylacetylene **2a** (0.2 mmol), NaOPiv (2 equiv), [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)]₂ (5 mmol%), and 'AmOH/H₂O = 3:1 (6 mL). The bottle was equipped with platinum electrodes ($1.0 \times 1.0 \text{ cm}^2$) as cathode and graphite rod electrode as anode under air. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 4 mA at 70 °C for 10 h. After the reaction was finished, the solution was extracted with EtOAc ($3 \times 10 \text{ mL}$). The combined organic layer was dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired products **3ga** (6.1mg, 19% yield) and **3aa** (12.8mg, 43% yield).

entry	R	[1]/M	[2]/M	$\log(k/k_0)$	σ_{para}
1	OMe	0.025	0.033	0.21	-0.27
2	Me	0.025	0.033	0.10	-0.07
3	Н	0.025	0.033	0	0
4	Br	0.025	0.033	-0.18	0.39
5	CN	0.025	0.033	-0.35	0.56

 σ_{para} values taken from ref. 7



Figure S2. Intermolecular Hammett analysis.

(h) ¹³C labeling experiment



The synthesis of compound **1a-C-13** is based on the known methods.^{8,9}



To an undivided three-necked bottle (10 mL) were added phenylglyoxylic acid **1a-C-13** (0.3 mmol), Diphenylacetylene **2a** (0.2 mmol), NaOPiv (2 equiv), [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)]₂ (5 mmol%), and ^{*t*}AmOH/H₂O = 3:1 (6 mL). The bottle was equipped with platinum electrodes ($1.0 \times 1.0 \text{ cm}^2$) as cathode and graphite rod electrode as anode under air. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 4 mA at 70 °C for 24 h. After the reaction was finished, the

solution was extracted with EtOAc (3×10 mL). The combined organic layer was dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired products **3aa-C-13** (81% yield).

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Raw Spectrum 16.585 (scan : 2518)

Background No Background Spectrum

Base Peak m/z 299.10 (Inten : 1,731,023)

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(B) Analytical data

3,4-Diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3aa):¹

White solid; mp 171.5-172.9 °C (lit.¹ 172-174 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.42-8.40 (m, 1H), 7.65-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.35-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.17 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.3, 150.9, 138.9, 134.7, 134.3, 132.9, 131.3, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 125.4, 120.4, 116.9; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) *m/z* (%): 298 (M⁺, 100), 270 (22), 221 (35), 165 (28), 105 (86). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.¹

3,4-Di-*m*-tolyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ac):²



3,4-Di-*p*-tolyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ad):²



Light yellow solid; mp 153.3-156.1 °C (lit.² 153-155 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.40-8.38 (m, 1H), 7.63-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 5H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) 162.5, 151.0, 139.3, 139.0, 137.8, 134.6, 131.4, 131.0, 130.2, 129.9, 129.5, 129.1, 128.6, 127.8, 125.4, 120.3, 116.3, 21.4, 21.3; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 326 (M⁺, 100), 298 (46), 235 (23), 178 (18), 119 (50). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.²

3,4-Bis(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ae):



Light yellow solid, mp 164.8-166.1 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.40-8.38 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 5H), 1.38 (s, 9H), 1.26 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.5, 152.0, 151.2, 150.7, 139.4, 134.5,

131.4, 130.8, 130.1, 129.4, 128.8, 127.8, 126.0, 125.5, 124.8, 120.3, 116.4, 34.7 (2C),
31.4, 31.1; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) *m/z* (%): 410 (M⁺, 99), 354 (100), 297 (15), 221 (18),
161 (37); HRMS *m/z* (ESI) calcd for C₂₉H₃₁O₂ [M+H]⁺ 411.2324, found 411.2346.

3,4-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3af):³



Light yellow solid; mp 157.1-158.8 °C (lit.³ 158.4-159.7 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.37 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 3H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H);

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.5, 159.9, 159.3, 150.9, 139.5, 134.6, 132.3, 130.7, 129.4, 127.7, 126.6, 125.4, 125.2, 120.2, 115.4, 114.6, 113.3, 55.3, 55.2; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) *m/z* (%): 358 (M⁺, 100), 330 (94), 315 (157), 135 (56). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.³

3,4-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ag):³



Light yellow solid; mp 171.8-173.3 °C (lit.³ 172.6-173.6 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.40 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.0Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.8, 150.0, 138.2, 135.3, 134.9, 134.5, 132.5 (2C), 131.1, 130.5, 129.8, 129.6, 128.5, 128.4, 125.1, 120.4, 116.1; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 366 (M⁺, 100), 338 (56), 303 (37), 239 (41), 139 (78). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.³

3,4-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ah):²



White solid; mp 151.8-153.9 °C (lit.² 150-152 °C); ¹H NMR $(500 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta 8.37 \text{ (d, } J = 8.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 7.65 \text{ (t, } J = 7.5 \text{$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.12 (m, 3H), 6.91-6.88 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.8, 163.6, 161.9, 161.8, 161.6,

150.3, 138.6, 134.8, 133.0, 132.9, 131.3, 131.2, 130.1, 130.0, 129.7, 128.9 (2C), 128.3, 125.1, 120.4, 116.5, 116.3, 115.8, 115.24, 115.1; ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -110.75, -112.82; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 334 (M⁺, 100), 306 (71), 123 (72), 95 (61). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.²

3,4-Di(thiophen-2-yl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ai):¹



Yellow solid, mp 184.7-185.4 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.15-7.12 (m, 2H), 6.97 (t, J = 4.0 Hz 1H); ¹³C NMR

(125 MHz, CDCl₃) & 161.2, 148.2, 139.7, 135.0, 134.6, 133.7, 130.8, 130.0, 129.5

(2C), 129.0, 128.4, 128.0, 127.0, 125.2, 119.7, 107.2; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) *m/z* (%): 310 (M⁺, 81), 282 (100), 253 (63), 221 (28), 111 (31). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.¹

4-Methyl-3-phenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3aj):²

White solid; mp 90.8-92.1 °C (lit.² 92-94 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.38 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.82-7.79 (m, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.42 (m, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.6, 151.2,

138.8, 134.8, 133.3, 129.8, 129.5, 129.4, 128.3, 128.0, 123.4, 120.8, 109.2, 13.6; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 236 (M⁺, 94), 208 (100), 178 (21), 105 (36), 77 (54). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.²

4-Cyclopropyl-3-phenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ak):⁴

Light yellow solid; mp 116.5-117.4 °C (lit.⁴ 115-117 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82-7.78 (m, 1H), 7.75-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.43 (m, 3H), 1.94-1.89 (m, 1H), 0.96-0.93 (m, 2H), 0.20-0.17 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.5, 153.5, 139.7, 134.5, 133.2, 129.5 (2C), 129.4, 127.9, 124.6, 120.6, 114.6, 10.0, 9.1; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 262 (M⁺, 77), 233 (22), 217 (54), 185 (64), 105 (100). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁴

4-Cyclopropyl-3-((8R,9S,13S,14S)-13-methyl-17-oxo-7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16,17-d ecahydro-6*H*-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-3-yl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3al):^{1b}



White solid; mp 220.2-221.9 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55-7.51 (m, 3H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.99-2.97 (m, 2H), 2.56- 2.46 (m, 2H), 2.40-2.35 (m, 1H),

2.21-2.06 (m, 3H), 2.01 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 1.94-1.91 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.60 (m, 2H), 1.59-1.49 (m, 4H), 1.02-0.88 (m, 5H), 0.27-0.21 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 221.0, 162.6, 153.6, 141.2, 139.9, 136.1, 134.5, 130.6, 129.8, 129.5, 127.7, 127.1, 124.7, 124.5, 120.5, 114.2, 50.6, 48.0, 44.6, 38.0, 35.9, 31.6, 29.4, 26.5, 25.6, 21.6, 13.9, 10.2, 10.1, 9.2. The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.^{1b}

4-(4-Cyclopropyl-1-oxo-1*H*-isochromen-3-yl)benzyl-3-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)(met hyl)amino)-2-methylpropanoate (3am):^{1b}



(R)-1-tert-Butyl

pyrrolidine-1,2-dicarboxylate (3an):1b

Light yellow oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.34 Boc, N (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.78-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.78-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.29-2.20 (m, 1H), 2.01-1.86 (m, 4H), 1.49-1.47 (m, 4H), 1.39-1.37 (m, 5H), 0.98-0.96 (m, 2H), 0.21-0.18 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.1, 172.8, 162.3, 153.8, 152.9, 139.6, 137.2, 136.9, 134.6, 133.2, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 128.0, 127.9, 127.5, 127.2, 124.6, 120.6, 114.9, 114.8, 80.0, 79.9, 66.1, 66.1, 59.2, 58.9, 46.6, 46.4, 30.9, 30.0, 28.5, 28.3, 24.4, 23.7, 10.0, 9.0. The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.^{1b}

4-(4-Cyclopropyl-1-oxo-1*H*-isochromen-3-yl)benzyl-2-((3r,5r,7r)-adamantan-1-yl))acetate (3ao):^{1b}



White solid; mp 135.1-136.6 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82-7.79 (m, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H),
7.53 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H),

5.17 (s, 2H), 2.16 (s, 2H), 1.99-1.96 (m, 3H), 1.94-1.91 (m, 1H), 1.72-1.70 (m, 3H), 1.65-1.62 (m, 9H), 0.97-0.95 (m, 2H), 0.21-0.18 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 162.4, 153.0, 139.7, 137.5, 134.6, 132.9, 129.7, 129.5, 127.9, 127.6, 124.6, 120.6, 114.8, 65.4, 48.9, 42.4, 36.7, 33.0, 28.6, 10.0, 9.1; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 468 (M⁺, 8), 450 (9), 292 (18), 274 (100), 246 (30). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.^{1b}

(R)-4-(4-Cyclopropyl-1-oxo-1*H*-isochromen-3-yl)benzyl-2-(6-methoxynaphthalen -2-yl)propanoate (3ap):



Light yellow oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.30 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76

(t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.67 (m,

3H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.27 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.14-7.10 (m, 2H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 3.94 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 1.85-1.79 (m, 1H), 1.62 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.89-0.85 (m, 2H), 0.13-0.10 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.4, 162.3, 157.7, 153.0, 139.6, 137.3, 135.5, 134.5, 133.8, 132.9, 129.6, 129.4, 129.3, 128.9, 127.9, 127.2, 127.1, 126.3, 126.1, 124.6, 120.6, 119.1, 114.8, 105.7, 77.4, 65.9, 55.3, 45.5, 18.5, 10.0, 9.0; HRMS *m*/*z* (ESI) calcd for C₃₃H₂₉O₅ [M+H]⁺ 505.2015, found 505.2027.

4-(4-Cyclopropyl-1-oxo-1*H*-isochromen-3-yl)benzyl-2-(4-isobutylphenyl)propano ate (3aq):



Light yellow oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.31 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (t, J

= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.17 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 2H), 3.79 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.91-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.54 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.95-0.91 (m, 2H), 0.90 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 6H), 0.18-0.15 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.5, 162.3, 153.0, 140.7, 139.7, 137.4, 134.5, 132.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 127.9, 127.3, 127.0, 124.6,

120.6, 114.7, 65.8, 45.2, 45.1, 30.2, 22.4, 18.4, 10.1, 9.1; HRMS *m/z* (ESI) calcd for C₃₂H₃₃O₄ [M+H]⁺ 481.2379, found 481.2361.

2-Isopropyl-5-methylcyclohexyl-4-(4-cyclopropyl-1-oxo-1*H*-isochromen-3-yl)ben zoate (3ar):^{1b}



Light yellow oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.35-8.33 (m, 1H), 8.12-8.11 (m, 3H), 7.85-7.81 (m, 3H), 7.57-7.54 (m, 1H), 5.00-4.95 (m, 1H), 2.19-2.16 (m, 1H), 2.01-1.93 (m, 2H), 1.76 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 2H), 1.62-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.18-1.11 (m, 2H),

1.00-0.94 (m, 9H), 0.84-0.81 (m, 3H), 0.21-0.19 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.7, 162.1, 152.3, 139.4, 137.2, 134.7, 131.3, 129.6, 129.5, 129.0, 128.3, 124.7, 120.7, 115.9, 75.2, 47.2, 41.0, 34.3, 31.5, 26.5, 23.6, 22.1, 20.8, 16.6, 10.2, 10.1, 9.1; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) *m*/*z* (%): 444 (M⁺, 8), 307 (48), 289 (100), 261 (35), 138 (35). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.^{1b}

3,4-diethyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3as):⁵

White solid; mp 58.3-60.1 °C (lit.⁵ 59-64 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.0Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.68-2.60 (m, 4H), 1.29 (t, J = 8.0Hz, 3H), 1.21 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.0, 155.0, 137.8, 134.6, 129.9, 127.1, 122.5, 120.9, 113.1, 24.1, 19.3, 14.4, 12.6; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 202 (M⁺, 100), 187 (94), 259 (32), 131 (87), 115 (44). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁵

3,4-Dibutyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3at):²



Colourless oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32-8.30 (m, 1H), 7.75-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.44 (m, 1H), 2.62-2.57 (m, 4H), 1.73-1.67 (m, 2H), 1.57-1.38 (m, 6H), 1.10-0.94 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.0, 154.2, 138.0, 134.6,

129.8, 127.0, 122.6, 120.8, 112.3, 31.9, 30.6, 30.0, 25.9, 22.9, 22.5, 14.0, 13.9; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 258 (M⁺, 44), 215 (48), 173 (100), 145 (23), 131 (21). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.²

6-Methyl-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ba):¹



6-(tert-Butyl)-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ca):²



White solid; mp 158.2-162.4 °C (lit.² 161-163 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.34-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 2H),

7.22-7.15 (m, 4H), 1.23 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.2, 158.6, 150.9, 138.7, 134.5, 133.2, 131.3, 129.4, 129.3, 129.0, 128.8, 128.1, 127.9, 126.0, 121.8, 118.1, 117.3, 35.5, 30.9; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 354 (M⁺, 100), 326 (13), 298 (36), 105 (69). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.²

6-Methoxy-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3da):¹

White solid; mp 176.8-178.1 °C (lit.¹ 178-180 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.34 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.37 (m, 3H), 7.33-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.17 (m, 3H), 7.07-7.05 (m, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.7, 162.1, 151.5, 141.2, 134.4, 133.0, 131.9, 131.2, 129.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.2, 127.8, 116.8, 115.7, 113.7, 108.5, 55.5; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 328 (M⁺, 100), 300 (20), 251 (33), 152 (26), 105 (61). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.¹

6-Bromo-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ea):¹



140.4, 133.6, 132.6, 131.5, 131.2, 131.1, 130.5, 129.3 (3C), 128.5, 128.1, 128.0, 119.1, 116.0; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) *m/z* (%): 378 (M²⁺, 38), 376 (M⁺, 41), 348 (6), 299 (20), 163 (38), 105 (100). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.¹

6-Chloro-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3fa):⁶



White solid; mp 169.4-172.1 °C (lit.⁶ 168-170 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.32-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 3H); ¹³C

NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.5, 152.2, 141.7, 140.4, 133.6, 132.6, 131.3, 131.1, 129.3 (3C), 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 125.0, 118.7, 116.1; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) *m/z* (%): 332

 $(M^+, 94)$, 304 (21), 255 (30), 163 (24), 105 (100). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁶

1-Oxo-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromene-6-carbonitrile (3ga):¹

Light yellow solid; mp 176.8-178.5 °C (lit.¹ 176-178 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.48 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.74-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.45 (m, 4H), 7.34-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.20 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.7, 152.8, 139.5, 132.9, 132.1, 131.0, 130.5, 130.2, 129.7 (2C), 129.6, 129.3, 128.9, 128.1, 123.0, 118.2, 117.7, 115.7; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 323 (M⁺, 100), 295 (28), 246 (27), 105 (78). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.¹

7-Methyl-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ha):¹

White solid; mp 169.1-172.5 °C (lit.¹ 171-173 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (s, 1H), 7.45-7.38 (m, 4H), 7.33-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.5, 150.1, 138.5, 136.4, 136.0, 134.5, 133.0, 131.2, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.1, 127.9, 125.4, 120.43, 116.9, 21.3; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 312 (M⁺, 100), 284 (23), 235 (39), 178 (21), 105 (78). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.¹

8-Methyl-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ia):¹

White solid; mp 142.5-143.9 °C (lit.¹ 143-144 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 3H), 7.32-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 3H), 7.19-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.6, 150.6, 143.5, 140.5, 135.0, 133.7, 133.0, 131.4, 131.1, 129.1 (2C), 128.8, 128.0, 127.8, 123.7, 118.9, 117.0, 23.60; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) *m/z* (%): 312 (M⁺, 100), 284 (29), 235 (21), 178 (26), 105
(82). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.¹

6,8-Dimethyl-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ja):¹

White solid; mp 157.4-159.1 °C (lit.¹ 158-160 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40-7.38 (m, 3H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.12 (s, 1H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.6, 150.7, 144.6, 143.4, 140.6, 135.1, 133.2, 132.4, 131.4, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.0, 127.8, 123.7, 116.9, 116.6, 23.4, 21.9; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) *m/z* (%): 326 (M⁺, 100), 298 (24), 193 (27), 105 (80). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.¹

5,7-Dimethyl-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ka):⁵

White solid; mp 168.5-169.9 °C (lit.⁵ 165-166 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.17 (s, 1H), 7.30-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.19-7.14 (m, 4H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.72 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.0, 150.7, 140.4, 138.2, 137.3, 135.5, 133.8, 133.5, 131.8, 129.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.9, 127.6, 121.6, 117.3, 23.2, 21.0; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) *m/z* (%): 326 (M⁺, 100), 298 (23), 193 (37), 105 (98). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁵

5,7-Dimethoxy-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3la):⁶



130.7, 129.5, 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 126.7, 122.9, 122.1, 115.5, 106.9, 102.1, 55.9, 55.8;

LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 358 (M⁺, 100), 315 (14), 253 (71), 105 (52). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁶

4,5-Diphenyl-7*H*-thieno[2,3-c]pyran-7-one (3ma):²

Light yellow solid; mp 147.5-149.6 °C (lit.² 146-148 °C); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.34 (m, 5H), 7.28-7.25 (m, 3H), 7.22-7.19 (m, 2H), 6.96 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.2, 153.4, 149.5, 136.3, 134.9, 132.4, 130.3, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.2, 128.0, 125.2, 122.8, 115.9; LRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z (%): 304 (M⁺, 100), 276 (17), 227 (40), 171 (20), 105 (52). The analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.²

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(D) Spectra

3,4-Diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3aa):



3,4-Di-*m*-tolyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ac):



3,4-Di-*p*-tolyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ad):



3,4-Bis(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ae):



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3,4-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3af):



3,4-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ag):



3,4-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ah):





3,4-Di(thiophen-2-yl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ai):



4-Methyl-3-phenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3aj):



4-Cyclopropyl-3-phenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ak):



4-Cyclopropyl-3-((8R,9S,13S,14S)-13-methyl-17-oxo-7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16,17-d

ecahydro-6*H*-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-3-yl)-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3al):



4-(4-Cyclopropyl-1-oxo-1*H*-isochromen-3-yl)benzyl-3-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)(met

hyl)amino)-2-methylpropanoate (3am):



pyrrolidine-1,2-dicarboxylate (3an):



4-(4-Cyclopropyl-1-oxo-1H-isochromen-3-yl)benzyl-2-((3r,5r,7r)-adamantan-1-yl



100 90 80 70 fl (ppm) -10

(R)-4-(4-cyclopropyl-1-oxo-1*H*-isochromen-3-yl)benzyl-2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-

2-yl)propanoate (3ap):



4-(4-Cyclopropyl-1-oxo-1*H*-isochromen-3-yl)benzyl-2-(4-isobutylphenyl)propano

ate (3aq):



2-Isopropyl-5-methylcyclohexyl-4-(4-cyclopropyl-1-oxo-1*H*-isochromen-3-yl)ben

zoate (3ar):



3,4-Diethyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3as):



fl (ppm)

3,4-Dibutyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3at):



6-Methyl-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ba):



90 f1 (ppm)

6-(*tert*-Butyl)-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ca):



f1 (ppm)

6-Methoxy-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3da):



6-Bromo-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ea):



6-Chloro-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3fa):





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f1 (ppm)

1-Oxo-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromene-6-carbonitrile (3ga):



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7-Methyl-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ha):



8-Methyl-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ia):











90 f1 (ppm)

6,8-Dimethyl-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ja):

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5,7-Dimethyl-3,4-diphenyl-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (3ka):

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90 80 f1 (ppm)

4,5-Diphenyl-7*H*-thieno[2,3-c]pyran-7-one (3ma):

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