Supporting Information

Room temperature iron(II)-catalyzed radical cyclization of unsaturated oximes with hypervalent iodine reagents

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1. General Considerations

The starting materials, such as oximes and hydroxysulfonyl iodobenzene reagents, are prepared according to the reported methods, respectively [(a)Y. He, L. Li, Y. Yang, Y. Wang, J. Luo, X. Liu and Y. Liang, *Chem. Commun.*, 2013, **49**, 5687.; (b) E. A. Merritt, V. M. T. Carneiro, L. F. Silva Jr. and B. Olofsson, *J. Org. Chem.* 2010, **75**, 7416]. All the solvents were dried and freshly distilled prior to use. Products were purified by flash chromatography on silica gels, eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (3:1 to 9:1).

2. Typical procedure for the diverse transformations of 3a



(1) A 10 mL reaction tube was charged with **3a** (66.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), NaOPh (46.4 mg, 0.40 mmol), Then acetone (1.0 mL) was added to the resulted mixture. The reaction tube was placed at 80 °C for 6 h. After that, the mixture in reaction tube was detected by TLC. After the reaction was completed, distilled water (10 mL) was added into the mixture, and extracted with dichloromethane (DCM, 3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1 to 9:1), affording the desired product **5a** as a white solid (38.5 mg, 76% yield).



(2) A 10 mL reaction tube was charged with **3a** (66.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), NaSPh (52.9 mg, 0.40 mmol), Then acetone (1.0 mL) was added to the resulted mixture. The reaction tube was placed at 80 °C for 6 h. Then the mixture in reaction tube was

detected by TLC. After the reaction was completed, distilled water (10 mL) was added into the mixture, and extracted with dichloromethane (DCM, 3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1 to 9:1), affording the desired product **5b** as a white solid (47.9 mg, 89 % yield).



(3) A 10 mL reaction tube was charged with **3a** (66.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), KSCN (38.9 mg, 0.40 mmol), Then acetone (1.0 mL) was added to the resulted mixture. The reaction tube was placed at 80 °C for 8 h. Then, the mixture in reaction tube was detected by TLC. After the reaction was completed, distilled water (10 mL) was added into the mixture, and extracted with dichloromethane (DCM, 3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1 to 9:1), affording the desired product **5c** as a white solid (37.5 mg, 86 % yield).



(4) A 10 mL reaction tube was charged with **3a** (66.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), NaBr (41.2 mg, 0.40 mmol), Then acetone (1.0 mL) was added to the resulted mixture. The reaction tube was placed at 80 °C for 8 h. Then, the mixture in reaction tube was detected by TLC. After the reaction was completed, distilled water (10 mL) was added into the mixture, and extracted with dichloromethane (DCM, 3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography

(silica gel, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1 to 9:1), affording the desired product **5d** as a white solid (38.4 mg, 80 % yield).



(5) A 10 mL reaction tube was charged with **3a** (66.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), NaI (60.0 mg, 0.40 mmol), Then acetone (1.0 mL) was added to the resulted mixture. The reaction tube was placed at 80 °C for 10 h. Then, the mixture in reaction tube was detected by TLC. After the reaction was completed, distilled water (10 mL) was added into the mixture, and extracted with dichloromethane (DCM, 3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1 to 9:1), affording the desired product **5e** as a white solid (54.5mg, 95 % yield).

$$\begin{array}{c} N \xrightarrow{0} OTs \\ Ph \end{array} + NaN_3 \xrightarrow{\text{DMF}} Ph \xrightarrow{N \xrightarrow{0} N_3} \\ 3a \end{array}$$

(6) A 10 mL reaction tube was charged with **3a** (66.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), NaN₃ (26.0 mg, 0.30 mmol), Then DMF (1.0 mL) was added to the resulted mixture. The reaction tube was placed at 80 °C for 10 h. Then, the mixture in reaction tube was detected by TLC. After the reaction was completed, distilled water (10 mL) was added into the mixture, and extracted with dichloromethane (DCM, 3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1 to 9:1), affording the desired product **5f** as a white solid (36.0 mg, 89 % yield).

3. Mechanistic studies

(1) **TEMPO** experiment



The reaction was carried out according to typical procedure for the synthesis of **3a**, except TEMPO (62.5 mg, 2.0 equiv) was used. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. Then, the mixture in reaction tube was detected by TLC. After the reaction was completed, distilled water (10 mL) was added into the mixture, and extracted with dichloromethane (DCM, 3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1 to 9:1), affording the product **6** as a white solid (58.2 mg, 92% yield).



(2) The control experiments



The reaction was carried out according to typical procedure for the synthesis of **3a**, except O₂ (balloon) was used. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. Then, the mixture in reaction tube was detected by TLC. After the reaction was completed, distilled water (10 mL) was added into the mixture, and extracted with dichloromethane (DCM, 3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1 to 9:1), affording the product **3a** as a white solid (48.4 mg, 73% yield).



A 10 mL Reaction tube was charged with (*E*)-1-phenylbut-3-en-1-one oxime (**1a**, 32.2 mg, 0.2 mmol), Fe(acac)₂ (2.5 mg, 5 mmol %), DCM/H₂O (v/v =1:1,1.0 mL) and [hydroxy(tosyloxy)iodo]benzene (**2a**, 98.1 mg, 0.25 mmol) was added to the resulted mixture. The reaction tube was placed at room temperature for 6 h. Then, the mixture in reaction tube was detected by TLC. After the reaction was completed, distilled water (10 mL) was added into the mixture, and extracted with dichloromethane (DCM, 3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1 to 9:1), affording the desired product **3a** as a white solid (21.2 mg, 32% yield), as well as **3a**-OH as white solid (15.6 mg, 44% yield).

4. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of the products







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