Supporting Information:

Highly Efficient and Selective Hydroboration of Terminal and Internal Alkynes Catalysed by a Cobalt(II) Coordination Polymer

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Experimental Details

General Considerations. Unless specified otherwise, all reactions were carried out under a dry N_2 atmosphere using standard glove-box and Schlenk techniques. Anhydrous grade solvents and reagents used were obtained from Aldrich or Fisher Scientific and stored over 4 Å molecular sieves. All chemicals of analytical grade including the alkene substrates and additives are used as received from Aldrich, Alfa Aesar, Acros or Fisher Scientific without further purification. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were obtained at room temperature on a Bruker AV 500 or 600 MHz NMR spectrometer, with chemical shifts (δ) referenced to the residual solvent signal. GC-MS analysis was obtained using a Shimadzu GCMS-QP2010S gas chromatograph mass spectrometer (column: SHRX1-5MS, thickness: 0.25 m, diameter: 0.25 mm, length: 30.0 m; conditions: 30-200 °C, 10 °C/min, injection temperature: 100 °C; solvent cutoff: 3 min). Co(tpy)Cl₂ and **1** were prepared according to literature procedures.¹

General Procedure for 1-Catalyzed Alkyne Hydroboration. In a glovebox under N_2 atmosphere, cobalt catalyst 1 (0.11 mg, 0.25 µmol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 5 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. Alkynes (1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for indicated time periods (10-30 min) and then the reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH_2Cl_2 (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was first analyzed by GC-MS (dilute solution in CH_2Cl_2) to determine the yield and selectivity of desired alkenylboronates. The reaction mixture was then evaporated under reduced pressure and the product was purified through a SiO₂ column chromatography using ethyl acetate/hexane as an eluent. The pure alkenylboronate products were characterized by ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectroscopies.

Mercury-poisoning Experiment for Hydroboration of Phenylacetylene. In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO/Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 5 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min and then Hg (~0.5 g) was added. Alkynes (1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 min and then the reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS using hexamethylbenzene as an internal standard and 84% yield of **2a** was observed.

Chemoselective Hydroboration of Alkyne vs. Alkene. In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO/Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 5 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. Styrene (104 mg, 1.0 mmol), phenylacetylene (102 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (128 mg, 1.0 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 min and then the reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS using hexamethylbenzene as an internal standard. The results show 88% conversion of phenylacetylene and >95% recycle of styrene.

Deuterium-Labeling Experiment. In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 5 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. Phenylacetylene-D1 (103 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol, 1.1 eq.) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for additional 10 min. The reaction was exposed to the air and quenched with aq. NaHCO₃, and then extracted with Et₂O. The product was isolated (201 mg, 86%) by column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. The product was characterized by ¹H, ²H and ¹³C NMR spectroscopies.



Catalytic reactions and characterization details



Chemical Formula: C₁₄H₁₉BO₂ Molecular Weight: 230.1140 **2a**²: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. Phenylacetylene (102 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and

adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Colorless oil of **2a** was isolated. Yield: 189 mg (82%). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H), 1.32 (s, 12H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.8, 137. 8, 129.3, 128.9, 127.4, 83.7, 25.2 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 230 (calc. 230).



Chemical Formula: C₁₈H₂₇BO₂ Molecular Weight: 286.2220

2b³: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 4-tert-Butylphenylacetylene (158 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a

column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Colorless oil of **3c** was isolated. Yield: 172 mg (60%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.17 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 24H, overlapping) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.4, 149.7, 135.0, 127.1, 125.8, 83.6, 35.0, 31.6, 25.1 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 286 (calc. 286).



Chemical Formula: C₁₄H₁₈BFO₂ Molecular Weight: 248.1044

2c²: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 4-Fluorophenylacetylene (120 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude

reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Yellowish oil of **2c** was isolated. Yield: 154 mg (62%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.51 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, 1H), 7.07 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 6.07 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H), 1.31 (s, 12H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.1, 161.9, 148.2, 128.7 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 115.6 (d, *J* = 21.7 Hz), 83.4, 24.8 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 248 (calc. 248).



Chemical Formula: C₁₄H₁₈BFO₂ Molecular Weight: 248.1044

2d³: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 2-Fluorophenylacetylene (120 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 20 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the

reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Yellowish oil of **2d** was isolated. Yield: 184 mg (74%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 – 7.52 (m, 2H, overlapping), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.15 – 7.09 (m, 1H, overlapping), 7.07 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 6.24 (d, *J* = 18.7 Hz, 1H), 1.31 (s, 12H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.8, 159.8, 141.4 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 130.3 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 127.5 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 125.4 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz), 124.2 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 115.9 (d, *J* = 22.1 Hz), 83.5, 24.9 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 248 (calc. 248).



Chemical Formula: C₁₄H₁₈BBrO₂ Molecular Weight: 309.0100

2e²: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 4-Bromophenylacetylene (180 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution.

The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Yellowish oil of **2d** was isolated. Yield: 185 mg (60%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, 1H), 6.15 (dd, *J* = 18.4, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 1.31 (s, 12H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.1, 136.4, 133.6, 131.8, 131.7, 128.6, 123.0, 83.6, 24.9 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 309 (calc. 309). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)



Chemical Formula: C₁₅H₂₁BO₃ Molecular Weight: 260.1400

2f²: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 4-Methoxyphenylacetylene (132 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude

reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Yellowish oil of **2d** was isolated. Yield: 161 mg (62%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.02 (d, *J* = 17.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 12H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.3, 149.1, 133.6, 128.5, 114.0, 113.9, 83.2, 55.2, 24.8 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 260 (calc. 260).



Chemical Formula: C₁₆H₂₃BO₄ Molecular Weight: 290.1660 $2g^4$: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst 1 (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 3,5-Dimethoxyphenylacetylene (162 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂

Molecular Weight: 290.1660 (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Yellowish oil of **2g** was isolated. Yield: 189 mg (65%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 (d, J = 18.3 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (s, 2H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 6.13 (d, J = 18.4 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 6H), 1.30 (s, 12H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.8, 149.4, 139.5, 105.0, 101.3, 83.4, 55.3, 24.8 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 290 (calc. 290). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-d)



Chemical Formula: C₁₄H₂₅BO₂ Molecular Weight: 236.1620

2h²: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. Ethynylcyclohexane (108 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 5 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air

and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Colorless oil of **2h** was isolated. Yield: 213 mg (90%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.55 (dd, J = 18.2, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (d, J = 18.2 Hz, 1H), 2.08 – 1.91 (m, 1H), 1.74 – 1.66 (m, 4H), 1.64 – 1.59 (m, 1H), 1.24 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 14H, overlapping), 1.14 – 1.02 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.9, 115.2, 83.0, 43.3, 31.9, 26.2, 26.0, 24.8 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 236 (calc. 236).



Chemical Formula: C₁₂H₂₃BO₂ Molecular Weight: 210.1240 **2i**²: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 1-Hexyne (82 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 5 min. The

reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Colorless oil of **2i** was isolated. Yield: 172 mg (82%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.63 (dt, *J* = 17.9, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.18 – 2.11 (m, 2H), 1.39 (q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.35 – 1.30 (m, 2H), 1.26 (s, 12H), 0.91 – 0.85 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.2, 83.3, 35.9, 30.7, 25.1, 22.6, 14.3 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 210 (calc. 210).



Chemical Formula: C₁₂H₂₃BO₂ Molecular Weight: 210.1240

 $2j^2$: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst 1 (0.11 mg, 0.25 µmol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 3,3-Dimethyl-1-butyne (82 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 5 min.

The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Colorless oil of **2j** was isolated. Yield: 168 mg (80%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.63 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, 1H), 1.26 (s, 12H), 1.01 (s, 9H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.5, 83.1, 35.1, 28.9, 24.9 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 210 (calc. 210).



Chemical Formula: C₁₁H₂₃BO₂Si Molecular Weight: 226.1980

 $2k^3$: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst 1 (0.11 mg, 0.25 µmol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. Trimethylsilylacetylene (98 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 5 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction

solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Colorless oil of **2k** was isolated. Yield: 192 mg (85%). ¹H NMR (5600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.12 (d, *J* = 21.8 Hz, 1H), 6.24 (d, *J* = 21.8 Hz, 1H), 1.28 (s, 12H), 0.07 (s, 9H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 83.5, 24.9, -1.71 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 226 (calc. 226).



Chemical Formula: C₁₁H₁₉BO₂ Molecular Weight: 194.0810

21³: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. Ethynylcyclopropane (132 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The

reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 5 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Colorless oil of **21** was isolated. Yield: 167 mg (86%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.06 (dd, *J* = 17.8, 9.3 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (d, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 1H), 1.51 (dt, *J* = 8.8, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 0.86 – 0.73 (m, 2H), 1.25 (s, 12H), 0.53 (dd, *J* = 4.6, 2.1 Hz, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.6, 82.9, 24.8, 17.1, 7.9 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 194 (calc. 194).



2m³: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 3-Hexyne (82 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air

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and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Colorless oil of **2m** was isolated. Yield: 185 mg (88%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.25 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (m, 4H, overlapping), 1.25 (s, 12H), 0.99 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.1, 83.0, 24.8, 21.7, 21.6, 15.0, 13.9 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 210 (calc. 210).



Chemical Formula: C₁₄H₂₇BO₂ Molecular Weight: 238.1780

2n²: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 4-Octyne (110 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and

adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Colorless oil of **2n** was isolated. Yield: 155 mg (65%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.28 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.11 – 2.06 (m, 4H), 1.43 – 1.37 (m, 2H), 1.37 – 1.31 (m, 2H), 1.23 (s, 12H), 0.90 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.86 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.3, 83.2, 30.96, 30.89, 25.0, 23.6, 22.7, 14.41, 14.37 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 238 (calc. 238).



Chemical Formula: C₂₀H₂₃BO₂ Molecular Weight: 306.2120

2o²: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 μ mol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. Diphenylacetylene (178 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was

analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. White solid of **20** was isolated. Yield: 168 mg (55%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.17 – 7.12 (m, 3H), 7.11 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 12H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.5, 130.3, 129.2, 128.6, 128.2, 127.9, 126.6, 84.1, 25.1 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 306 (calc. 306).



2p + **2p'**(1:1): In a glovebox under N_2 atmosphere, cobalt catalyst **1** (0.11 mg, 0.25 µmol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 4-Ethylphenyl-4methoxyphenylacetylene (238 mg, 1.0 mmol) and

pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. A mixture of **2p** + **2p'** as white solid was isolated. Yield: 306 mg (84%). ¹H NMR (**2p** or **2p'**, 600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28 (s, 2H), 7.12-7.08 (m, 2H, overlapping), 7.03-7.00 (m, 2H, overlapping), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.65 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.30 (s, 12H), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.5, 130.3, 129.2, 128.6, 128.2, 127.9, 126.6, 84.1, 25.1 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 364 (calc. 364). ¹H NMR (**2p'**, 600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 (s, 1H), 7.12-7.08 (m, 4H, overlapping), 7.03-7.00 (m, 2H, overlapping), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.56 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.30 (s, 12H), 1.18 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (**2p** + **2p'**, 151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.9, 158.0, 143.7, 142.8, 142.5, 141.9, 137.8, 134.5, 132.9, 131.5, 130.00, 129.96, 129.8, 128.7, 127.8, 127.4, 113.7, 113.2, 83.66, 83.61, 55.1, 28.6, 24.8, 15.4, 15.2 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 364 (calc. 364).



 $2q + 2q' (2.5:1)^2$: In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst 1 (0.11 mg, 0.25 µmol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 1-Phenylpropyne (116 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (141 mg, 1.1 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture

was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. A mixture of 2q + 2q' as white solid was isolated. Yield: 127 mg (52%). ¹H NMR (2q + 2q', 500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.30 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 6.79 – 6.73 (m, 1H), 2.03 (s, 1H, H^{C=CH}-2q'), 1.80 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, H^{C=CH}-2q), 1.35 (s, 5H, H^{Bpin}-2q'), 1.30 (s, 12H, H^{Bpin}-2q). ¹³C NMR (2q + 2q', 126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.1, 142.7, 140.1, 138.2, 129.7, 129.4, 128.4, 128.1, 127.4, 126.2, 83.84, 83.76, 25.18, 25.08, 16.34, 16.26 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 244 (calc. 244).



 3^5 : In a glovebox under N₂ atmosphere, cobalt catalyst 1 (0.11 mg, 0.25 µmol, 0.025 mol%) and KO'Bu (0.56 mg, 1 mol%) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 3.8 mL glass vial equipped with a stir bar. The mixture was stirred for 1 min. 1-Hexyne (82 mg, 1.0 mmol) and pinacolborane (256 mg, 2.0 mmol) were then added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 min. The reaction was quenched by exposing the reaction solution to air and adding CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) to the solution. The crude reaction mixture was analyzed by GC-MS and then purified through

a column chromatography (silica gel) using ethyl acetate/hexane (1:20, v/v) as an eluent. Colorless oil of **3** was isolated. Yield: 196 mg (58%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.50 (q, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.28-1.21 (m, 6H), 1.20 (s, 12H), 1.19 (s, 12H), 0.82 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, H^{CH3}), 0.68 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, H^{CH}) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 83.1, 32.5, 32.1, 25.9, 25.1, 24.8, 22.8, 14.3 ppm. GC-MS (m/z): 338 (calc. 338).

Copies of NMR spectra for isolated products.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃):



¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃):



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)











































































¹H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, CDCl₃):












¹H NMR spectrum (600 MHz, CDCl₃):













¹H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, CDCl₃):







16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 -1 -2 -3 f1 (ppm)





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