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Lead(IV) acetate: intriguing reactivity profile

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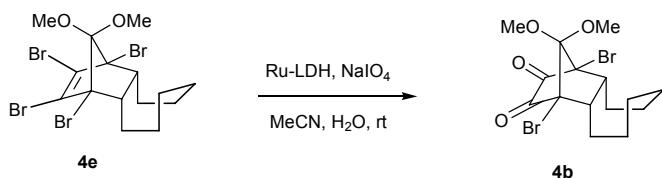
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General Methods

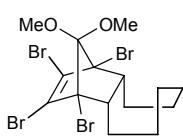
NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz (^1H) and 100 MHz (^{13}C) on a 400 MHz FT-NMR spectrometer. Samples for NMR were made in CDCl_3 and TMS was used as the internal standard. Melting points were recorded on JSGW melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. TLC was performed on silica gel coated on microscopic slides. Visualization of spots was effected by exposure to iodine or spraying with 4% ethanolic H_2SO_4 and charring. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (100-200 mesh), and ethyl acetate-hexane was used as eluent. Solvents and reagents were purified by standard methods. X-ray data were collected on a Bruker SMART APEX diffractometer. The structures were solved using SIR-92¹ and refined using SHELXL-97.²

Procedure for the preparation of compound **4b**



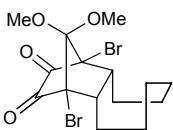
To a stirred solution of **4e** (1 mmol) in acetonitrile (12 mL), were added NaIO_4 , Ru-LDH (0.86 mol% of $\text{RuCl}_3 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$, 40 mg) and distilled H_2O (2 mL) and the mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature until the completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC). The mixture was filtered and the residue was washed with MeCN. The filtrate (along with MeCN washings) was concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude mixture was dissolved in EtOAc (10 mL), washed first with $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ solution (3 mL) and then with brine (3 mL). EtOAc was dried over anhyd. Na_2SO_4 and concentrated to obtain the crude product, which after silica gel column chromatography (hexane and EtOAc) furnished the pure diketone **4b**.

Compound **4e**: yield 91%; white solid; mp 78 – 80 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 3.62 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.54 (dd, 2H, $J = 7.4, 2.1$ Hz), 1.91 (dd, 2H, $J = 11.0, 4.5$ Hz), 1.67 – 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.37 – 1.36 (m, 4H), 1.25 – 1.15 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 124.2 (olefin C, 2C), 111.3 (ketal C), 75.8 (Bridge head C-Br, 2C),



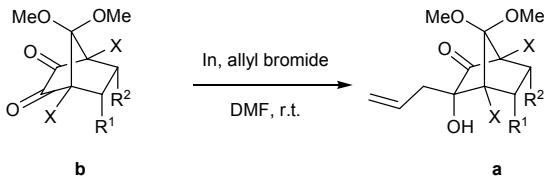
53.1, 52.7 (2C), 51.7, 30.4 (2C), 25.9 (2C), 22.9 (2C); IR (KBr) 2850, 1550, 1450, 1430, 1170 cm⁻¹; Anal. calcd. for C₁₅H₂₀Br₄O₂: C, 32.64; H, 3.65, found: C, 32.79; H, 3.66.

Compound 4b: yield 96%; yellow solid; mp 114 – 116 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ



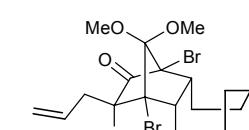
3.73 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.53 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.63 (dd, 2H, *J* = 7.9, 2.6 Hz), 1.74 – 1.62 (m, 4H), 1.33 – 1.30 (m, 4H), 1.21 – 1.05 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 187.4 (C=O, 2C), 101.5 (ketal C), 75.3 (C-Br, 2C), 52.9 (OMe), 52.2 (OMe), 48.2 (2C), 30.2 (2C), 25.6 (2C), 22.8 (2C); IR (KBr) 2850, 1730, 1550, 1450, 1420, 1170 cm⁻¹; Anal. calcd. for C₁₅H₂₀Br₂O₄: C, 42.48; H, 4.75, found: C, 42.49; H, 4.72.

General procedure for the preparation of compounds **4a** and **10a**



A mixture of diketone **b** (1 mmol), indium metal (2 mmol, cut into small pieces) and allyl bromide (4 mmol) in DMF (1.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 6h. After completion of the reaction, as monitored by tlc, the reaction was quenched with few drops of 10% HCl (saturated NH₄Cl was used for acid sensitive substrate **10b**) and extracted with diethyl ether (5x5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhyd. Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography to provide the pure homoallylic alcohols.

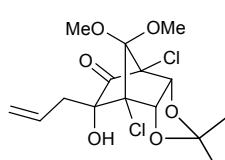
Compound 4a: yield 84%; white solid; mp 82 – 84 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ



6.14 – 6.03 (m, 1H, olefin CH), 5.36 – 5.25 (m, 2H, olefin CH₂), 3.73 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.60 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.91 – 2.83 (m, 2H), 2.76 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable), 2.6 – 2.5 (m, 2H), 1.98 – 1.49 (m, 7H), 1.34 – 1.25 (m, 2H), 1.08 – 1.06 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.0 (C=O), 131.8

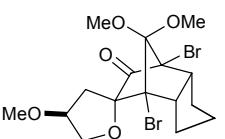
(olefin CH), 122.7 (olefin CH₂), 102.7 (ketal C), 80.9 (C-OH), 76.0 (C-Br), 73.9 (C-Br), 52.2, 51.6, 50.6, 49.5, 43.4, 31.6, 30.8, 25.7, 24.9, 24.4, 22.0; IR (KBr) 2850, 1760, 1450, 1430, 1180 cm⁻¹; Anal. calcd. for C₁₈H₂₆Br₂O₄: C, 46.37; H, 5.62, found: C, 46.49; H, 5.77.

Compound **10a**: yield 80%; white solid; mp 176 – 177 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.13 – 6.06 (m, 1H, olefin CH), 6.04 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable), 5.11 – 5.03 (m, 3H), 4.72 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 3.57 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.74 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.1 Hz), 1.48 (s, 3H, Me), 1.31 (s, 3H, Me); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.4 (C=O), 131.9 (olefin CH), 118.1 (olefin CH₂), 115.4 (ketal C), 105.0 (ketal C), 86.3, 83.0, 80.5, 71.9, 51.8 (OMe), 51.3 (OMe), 40.6, 25.1, 23.1; IR (KBr) 2850, 1770, 1450, 1430, 1180 cm⁻¹; Anal. calcd. for C₁₅H₂₀Cl₂O₆: C, 49.06; H, 5.49; found: C, 49.14; H, 5.61.



Spectral and analytical data for compounds **c** and **d**:

Compound **1c**: white solid; mp 82 – 84 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.18 – 4.14 (m, 2H), 3.99 – 3.96 (m, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.62 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.54 – 3.50 (m, 1H), 3.34 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.99 – 2.97 (m, 1H), 2.55 – 2.50 (m, 3H), 1.84 – 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.38 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.7 (C=O), 105.8 (ketal C), 92.0, 79.7, 73.3, 72.9 (C-Br), 69.1 (C-Br), 57.1 (OMe), 54.1, 51.8, 51.5, 50.7, 43.0, 26.1, 26.0, 25.5; IR (KBr) 2850, 1760, 1440, 1180, 1050 cm⁻¹; Anal. calcd. for C₁₆H₂₂Br₂O₅: C, 42.31; H, 4.88, found: C, 42.57; H, 4.88; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₁₆H₂₂Br₂O₅+H 452.9913, found 452.9918.



Compound **1d**: white crystals (CH₂Cl₂ / Hexane); mp 126 – 128 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.12 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.3, 4.6 Hz), 4.09 – 4.02 (m, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.62 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.47 – 3.42 (m, 1H), 3.33 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.10 – 2.98 (m, 1H), 2.77 (dd, 1H, *J* = 14.6, 6.8 Hz), 2.48 – 2.46 (m, 1H), 2.30 (dd, 1H, 14.6, 3.4 Hz), 1.89 – 1.85 (m, 1H), 1.73

δ – 1.69 (m, 2H), 1.59 – 1.43 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 202.9 (C=O), 105.7 (ketal C), 92.0, 79.7, 73.8, 72.8 (C-Br), 69.9 (C-Br), 57.1 (OMe), 53.8, 51.9, 51.5, 50.8, 43.6, 26.0, 25.9, 25.4; IR (KBr) 2850, 1760, 1440, 1200, 1060, 960 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{Br}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 42.31; H, 4.88, found: C, 42.39; H, 4.94.

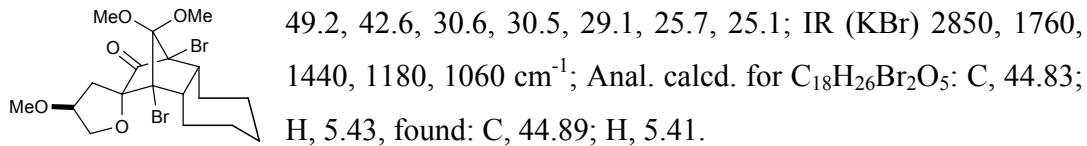
Compound **2c**: white solid; mp 81 – 82 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.14 – 4.09 (m, 2H), 3.98 – 3.94 (m, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.58 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.29 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.0 (dt, 1H, J = 12.0, 6.5 Hz), 2.55 – 2.37 (m, 3H), 2.28 – 2.19 (m, 1H), 1.67 – 1.62 (m, 2H),

δ 1.61 – 1.49 (m, 2H), 1.39 – 1.30 (m, 1H), 1.22 – 1.04 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.0 (C=O), 103.2 (ketal C), 92.1, 80.0, 74.4 (C-Br), 73.6, 71.0 (C-Br), 57.0 (OMe), 52.0 (OMe), 51.7 (OMe), 47.4, 43.6, 42.6, 20.3, 19.8, 19.7, 18.8; IR (KBr) 2850, 1760, 1440, 1180, 1060, 940 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{24}\text{Br}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 43.61; H, 5.17, found: C, 43.44; H, 5.13; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{24}\text{Br}_2\text{O}_5 + \text{H}$ 467.0069, found 467.0068.

Compound **2d**: white solid; mp 108 – 109 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.12 – 4.04 (m, 2H), 3.96 (dd, 1H, J = 8.2, 3.8 Hz), 3.70 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.59 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.32 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.98 (dt, 1H, J = 12.0, 6.6 Hz), 2.79 (dd, 1H, J = 14.4, 6.8 Hz), 2.47 (ddd, 1H,

J = 14.2, 12.4, 4.6 Hz), 2.29 – 2.19 (m, 2H), 1.67 – 1.60 (m, 2H), 1.58 – 1.50 (m, 2H), 1.41 – 1.33 (m, 1H), 1.22 – 1.09 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 202.3 (C=O), 103.1 (ketal C), 92.2, 79.6, 74.3 (C-Br), 73.7, 71.9 (C-Br), 57.2 (OMe), 52.0 (OMe), 51.8 (OMe), 47.0, 43.9, 43.4, 20.3, 19.9, 19.6, 18.6; IR (KBr) 2850, 1760, 1440, 1180, 1060, 940 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{24}\text{Br}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 43.61; H, 5.17, found: C, 43.69; H, 5.41.

Compound **3c**: white solid; mp 94 – 96 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.19 – 4.12 (m, 2H), 3.98 – 3.96 (m, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.62 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.32 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.07 (dd, 1H, J = 12.4, 8.2 Hz), 2.56 – 2.52 (m, 2H), 2.44 – 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.14 – 1.97 (m, 4H), 1.79 – 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.2 – 0.97 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 203.6 (C=O), 102.8 (ketal C), 92.2, 80.1, 75.4 (C-Br), 73.6, 72.2 (C-Br), 57.0 (OMe), 52.1, 51.7, 51.6,



Compound 3d: white solid; mp 88 – 89 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.11 – 4.06 (m, 2H), 3.99 – 3.96 (m, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.61 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.33 (s, 3H, OMe),

3.04 – 2.98 (m, 1H), 2.81 (dd, 1H, J = 14.5, 7.4 Hz), 2.52 (dt, 1H, J = 12.3, 1.9 Hz), 2.23 (dd, 1H, J = 14.3, 4.3 Hz), 2.17 – 2.14 (m, 1H), 2.0 – 1.96 (m, 3H), 1.79 – 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.21 – 0.95 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 201.8 (C=O), 102.8 (ketal C), 92.4, 79.7, 75.2 (C-Br), 73.7, 73.1 (C-Br), 57.2 (OMe), 52.1, 51.7, 51.3, 49.5, 43.4, 30.6, 30.5, 29.1, 25.4, 25.0; IR (KBr) 2850, 1760, 1430, 1180, 1050, 980, 930 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{26}\text{Br}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 44.83; H, 5.43, found: C, 44.85; H, 5.41.

Compound 4c: colorless viscous liquid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.18 – 4.11 (m, 1H), 4.08 – 4.03 (m, 1H), 3.92 – 3.89 (m, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.56 (s, 3H, OMe),

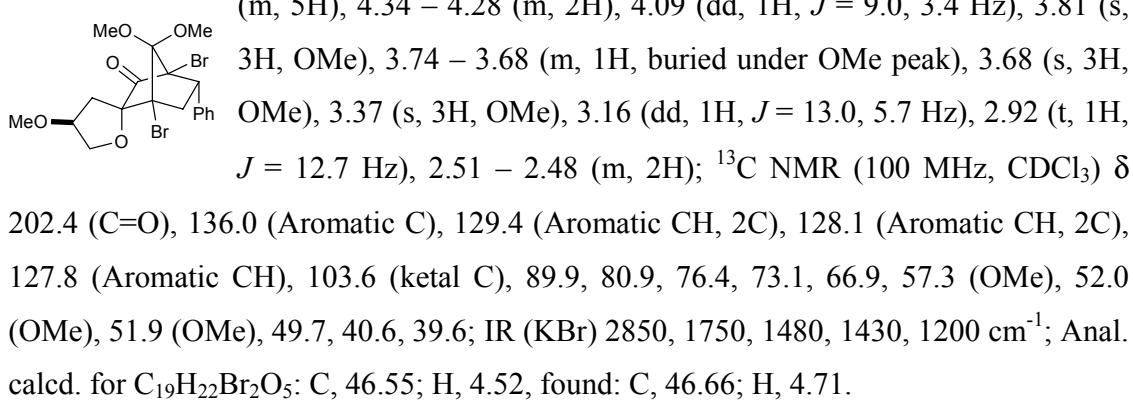
3.28 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.85 – 2.79 (m, 1H), 2.52 – 2.44 (m, 2H), 2.34 (dd, 1H, J = 14.2, 6.6 Hz), 1.93 – 1.75 (m, 3H), 1.69 – 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.59 – 1.47 (m, 2H), 1.36 – 1.23 (m, 2H), 1.12 – 1.01 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 203.1 (C=O), 102.3 (ketal C), 91.6, 80.3, 76.2 (C-Br), 73.5, 73.3 (C-Br), 56.9 (OMe), 52.1, 51.7, 50.0, 49.0, 42.1, 31.4, 30.6, 25.7, 24.9, 24.4, 21.6; IR (neat) 2850, 1750, 1440, 1240, 1180, 1060, 940 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{28}\text{Br}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 45.99; H, 5.69, found: C, 45.76; H, 5.69.

Compound 4d: white solid; 110 – 112 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.10 – 4.02 (m,

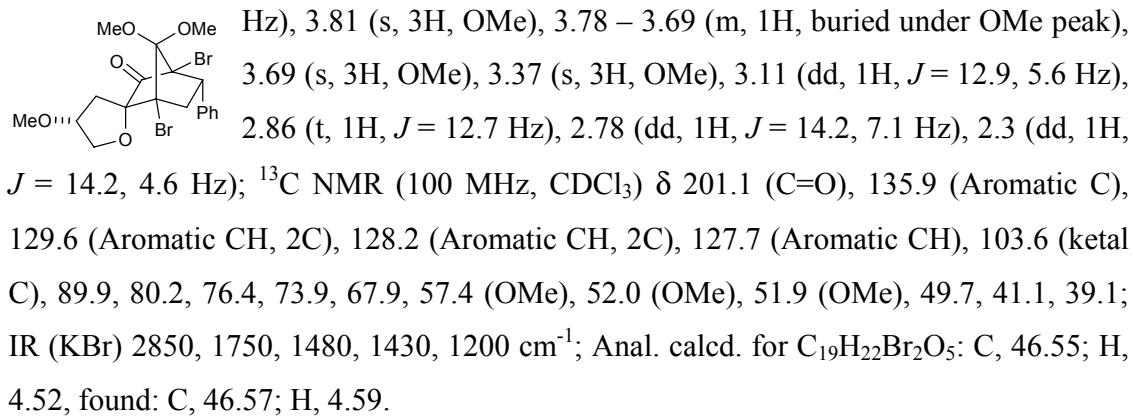
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1770, 1440, 1180, 1080 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{28}\text{Br}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 45.99; H, 5.69, found: C, 45.86; H, 5.71.

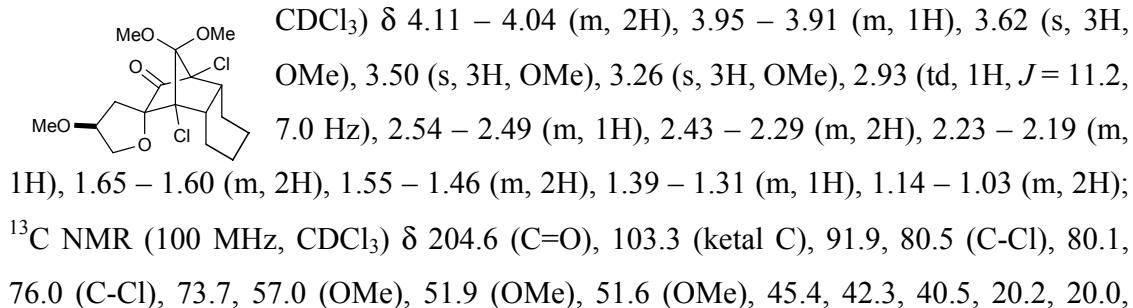
Compound 5c: colorless solid; mp 90 – 92 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.35 – 7.26



Compound 5d: colorless solid; mp 98 – 99 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.35 – 7.23



Compound 6c : white crystals (CH_2Cl_2 / Hexane); mp 87 – 88 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz,

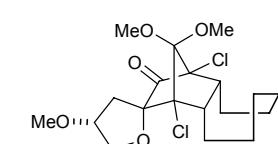
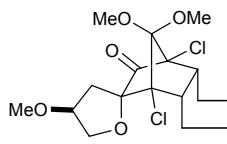
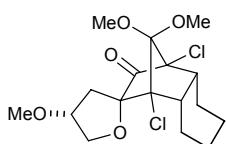


19.4, 18.3; IR (KBr) 2850, 1760, 1440, 1180, 1060 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{24}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 53.83; H, 6.38, found: C, 53.79; H, 6.55; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{24}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_5 + \text{H}$ 379.1079, found 379.1073.

Compound 6d: colorless liquid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.09 – 4.04 (m, 2H), 4.0 – 3.97 (m, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.56 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.34 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.98 – 2.91 (m, 1H), 2.87 – 2.82 (m, 1H), 2.52 – 2.43 (m, 1H), 2.29 – 2.20 (m, 1H), 2.21 (dd, 1H, $J = 14.4, 4.2$ Hz), 1.73 – 1.67 (m, 2H), 1.59 – 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.32 (m, 1H), 1.27 – 1.09 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 202.5 (C=O), 103.1 (ketal C), 91.9, 80.4 (C-Cl), 79.8, 76.8 (C-Cl), 73.7, 57.2 (OMe), 51.8 (OMe), 51.6 (OMe), 44.8, 42.5, 41.3, 20.2, 19.9, 19.2, 18.0; IR (neat) 2850, 1740, 1440, 1200, 1060, 960 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{24}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 53.83; H, 6.38, found: C, 53.85; H, 6.63.

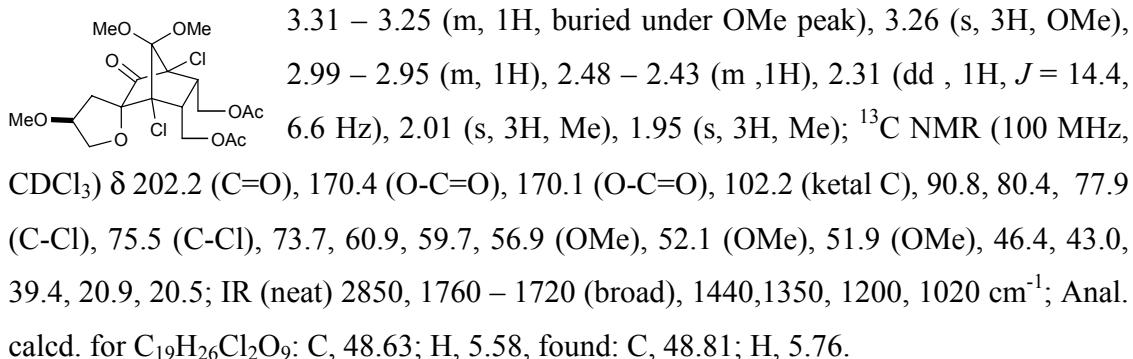
Compound 7c: colorless viscous liquid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.13 – 4.10 (m, 1H), 4.04 (dd, 1H, $J = 9.3, 4.8$ Hz), 3.91 – 3.88 (m, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.51 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.28 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.79 – 2.72 (m, 1H), 2.50 – 2.45 (m, 2H), 2.29 (dd, 1H, $J = 14.4, 6.8$ Hz), 1.89 – 1.81 (m, 3H), 1.70 – 1.67 (m, 2H), 1.58 – 1.50 (m, 2H), 1.32 – 1.25 (m, 2H), 1.09 – 1.03 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 203.7 (C=O), 102.4 (ketal C), 91.3, 81.1 (C-Cl), 80.3, 77.2 (C-Cl), 73.6, 56.9 (OMe), 51.9 (OMe), 51.5 (OMe), 48.6, 48.3, 39.9, 31.4, 30.6, 25.7, 25.0, 23.8, 20.7; IR (neat) 2850, 1770, 1440, 1200, 1050, 960 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{28}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 56.02; H, 6.93, found: C, 55.89; H, 6.77.

Compound 7d: white solid; mp 104 – 105 $^\circ\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.07 – 4.02 (m, 1H), 3.99 (dd, 1H, $J = 9.0, 5.4$ Hz), 3.66 (dd, 1H, $J = 9.0, 4.4$ Hz), 3.66 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.52 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.31 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.77 (dd, 1H, $J = 14.4, 7.1$ Hz), 2.72 – 2.67 (m, 1H), 2.49 – 2.44 (m, 1H), 2.14 (dd, 1H, $J = 14.4, 4.6$ Hz), 1.99 – 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.81 – 1.67 (m, 4H), 1.58 – 1.46 (m, 2H), 1.38 – 1.22 (m, 2H), 1.12 – 1.02 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 201.8 (C=O), 102.3 (ketal C), 91.5, 81.2 (C-Cl), 80.1, 78.4 (C-Cl), 73.9, 57.1 (OMe),

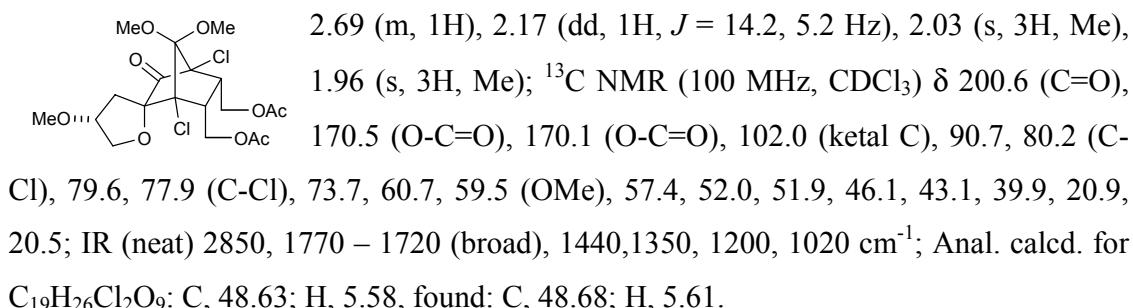


51.9 (OMe), 51.6 (OMe), 48.6, 48.2, 40.9, 31.4, 30.6, 25.7, 25.0, 23.8, 20.5; IR (KBr) 2850, 1770, 1440, 1200, 1050, 960 cm⁻¹; Anal. calcd. for C₁₉H₂₈Cl₂O₅: C, 56.02; H, 6.93, found: C, 56.12; H, 6.84.

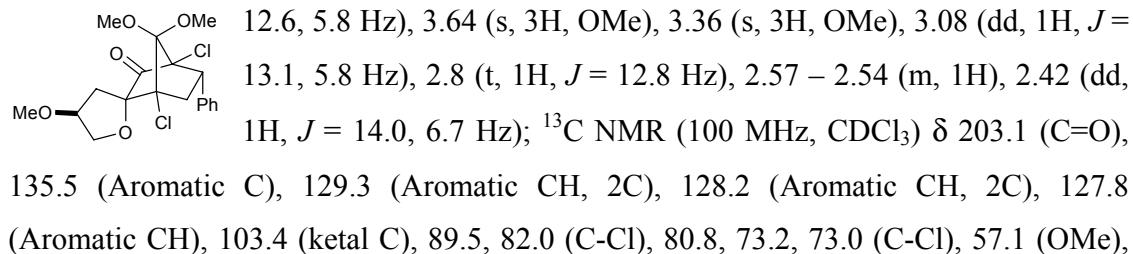
Compound **8c**: colorless viscous liquid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.48 – 4.39 (m, 2H), 4.18 – 4.07 (m, 3H), 4.02 – 3.96 (m, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.53 (s, 3H, OMe),



Compound **8d**: colorless viscous liquid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.47 – 4.41 (m, 2H), 4.22 – 4.10 (m, 2H), 4.08 – 4.01 (m, 2H), 3.89 – 3.86 (m, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.54 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.32 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.26 – 3.2 (m, 1H), 3.01 – 2.97 (m, 1H), 2.75 –



Compound **9c**: white solid; mp 120 – 122 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 – 7.25 (m, 5H), 4.32 – 4.23 (m, 2H), 4.11 – 4.08 (m, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.7 (dd, 1H, *J* =



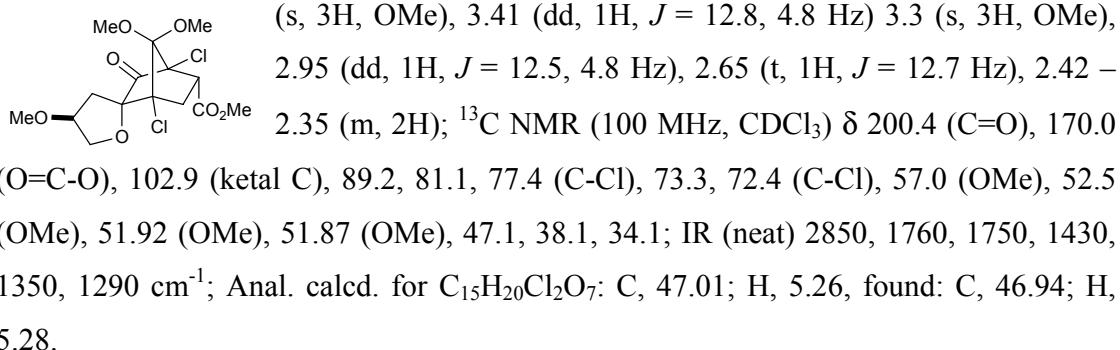
51.8 (OMe), 51.7 (OMe), 48.3, 38.4, 37.2; IR (KBr) 2850, 1760, 1480, 1430, 1200 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{22}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 56.87; H, 5.53, found: C, 57.06; H, 5.43.

Compound 9d: colorless viscous liquid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.34 – 7.22 (m, 5H), 4.22 – 4.14 (m, 2H), 4.11 – 4.08 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.71 – 3.64 (m, 1H, partially buried under OMe peak), 3.62 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.35 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.0 (dd, 1H, $J = 12.9, 5.6$ Hz), 2.81 – 2.70 (m, 2H), 2.24 (dd, 1H, $J = 14.3, 4.1$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 201.4 (C=O), 135.5 (Aromatic C), 129.5 (Aromatic CH, 2C), 128.3 (Aromatic CH, 2C), 127.7 (Aromatic CH), 103.4 (ketal C), 89.6, 82.1, 80.3, 74.01, 73.96, 57.3 (OMe), 51.86 (OMe), 51.81 (OMe), 48.4, 39.0, 36.9; IR (neat) 2850, 1770, 1480, 1430, 1200 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{22}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_5$: C, 56.87; H, 5.53, found: C, 56.89; H, 5.51.

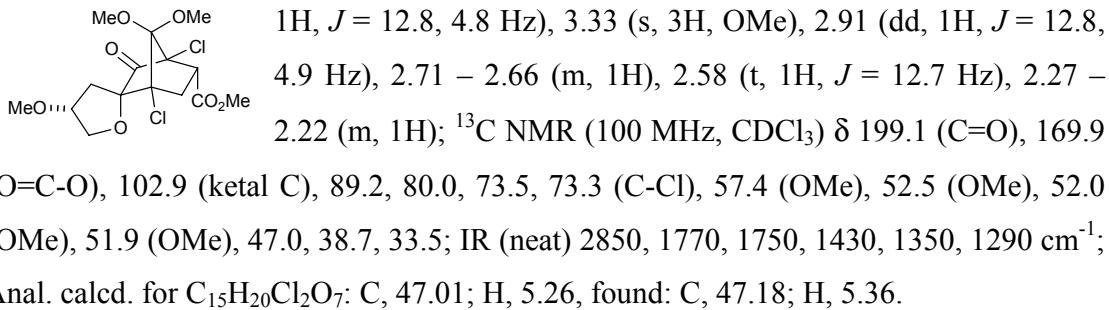
Compound 10c: white crystals (CH_2Cl_2 / Hexane); mp 124 – 125 $^\circ\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.08 (d, 1H, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 4.75 (d, 1H, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 4.17 – 4.13 (m, 2H), 4.03 – 4.02 (m, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.56 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.29 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.49 – 2.47 (m, 2H), 1.5 (s, 3H, Me), 1.3 (s, 3H, Me); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.7 (C=O), 115.5 (ketal C), 105.2 (ketal C), 90.8, 84.1, 81.0, 79.2, 78.0 (C-Cl), 73.6 (C-Cl), 73.0, 57.2 (OMe), 52.1 (OMe), 51.5 (OMe), 41.6, 24.9, 24.5; IR (KBr) 2850, 1770, 1440, 1360, 1250, 1180, 1110 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_7$: C, 48.38; H, 5.58, found: C, 48.49; H, 5.67.

Compound 10d: white solid; mp 136 – 138 $^\circ\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.05 (d, 1H, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 4.76 (d, 1H, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 4.18 – 4.15 (m, 1H), 4.06 – 4.0 (m, 2H), 3.62 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.56 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.32 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.78 (dd, 1H, $J = 14.4, 7.3$ Hz), 2.24 – 2.2 (m, 1H), 1.51 (s, 3H, Me), 1.29 (s, 3H, Me); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.9 (C=O), 115.5 (ketal C), 105.2 (ketal C), 90.9, 83.9, 81.3, 79.3, 78.0 (C-Cl), 74.1 (C-Cl), 73.7, 57.4 (OMe), 52.1 (OMe), 51.6 (OMe), 41.7, 24.9, 24.5; IR (KBr) 2850, 1760, 1440, 1360, 1260, 1180 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_7$: C, 48.38; H, 5.58, found: C, 48.42; H, 5.59.

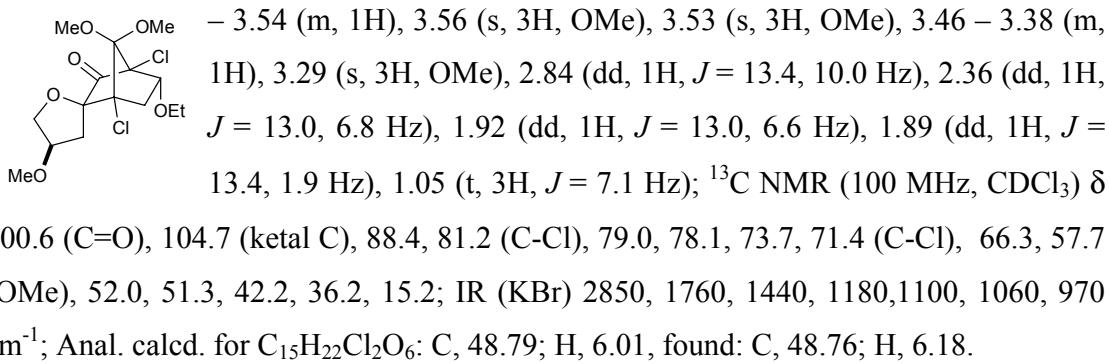
Compound **11c**: colorless liquid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.24 – 4.22 (m, 1H), 4.05 (dd, 1H, $J = 9.6, 4.8$ Hz), 3.98 – 3.95 (m, 1H), 3.7 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.69 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55



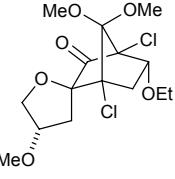
Compound **11d**: colorless liquid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.13 – 4.06 (m, 2H), 3.94 – 3.89 (m, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.66 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.39 (dd,



Compound **13c**: white crystals (CH_2Cl_2 / Hexane); mp 86 – 88 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.28 – 4.22 (m, 2H), 3.98 (dd, 1H, $J = 10.0, 1.9$ Hz), 3.84 – 3.81 (m, 1H), 3.63



Compound **13d**: colorless viscous liquid; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.18 – 4.15 (m, 1H), 4.06 – 4.01 (m, 2H), 3.97 (dd, 1H, $J = 9.8, 1.8$ Hz), 3.64 – 3.6 (m, 1H), 3.56 (s, 3H,


 OMe), 3.53 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.43 – 3.37 (m, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.83 (dd, 1H, J = 13.5, 10.0 Hz), 2.28 – 2.24 (m, 1H), 2.15 – 2.09 (m, 1H), 1.91 (dd, 1H, J = 13.6, 1.8 Hz), 1.04 (t, 3H, J = 7.1 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.7 (C=O), 104.7 (ketal C), 88.7, 81.5 (C-Cl), 80.1, 78.2, 75.3, 72.7 (C-Cl), 66.3, 56.7 (OMe), 52.0 (OMe), 51.3 (OMe), 41.9, 35.8, 15.2; IR (neat) 2850, 1760, 1440, 1250, 1100, 1080, 970 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{22}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_6$: C, 48.79; H, 6.01, found: C, 48.88; H, 6.25.

Compound 14c: white solid; mp 120 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.26 – 4.22 (m, 2H), 3.87 – 3.85 (m, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.58 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.57 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.3 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.25 (dd, 1H, J = 12.4, 4.8 Hz), 2.71 (t, 1H, J = 3.6 Hz), 2.69 – 2.65 (m, 1H), 2.17 (dd, 1H, J = 13.3, 4.7 Hz), 2.0 (dd, 1H, J = 13.1, 5.8 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 201.9 (C=O), 171.4 (O=C-O), 104.7 (ketal C), 88.9, 79.3, 78.1 (C-Cl), 74.0, 71.1 (C-Cl), 57.6 (OMe), 52.8 (OMe), 52.4 (OMe), 51.1 (OMe), 46.1, 36.8, 35.8; IR (KBr) 2850, 1770, 1730, 1440, 1350, 1290 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_7$: C, 47.01; H, 5.26, found: C, 47.05; H, 5.43.

Compound 14d: white crystals (CH_2Cl_2 / Hexane); mp 124 – 125 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.20 – 4.17 (m, 1H), 4.11 – 4.08 (m, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.63 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.60 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.33 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.28 (dd, 1H, J = 12.3, 4.8 Hz), 2.69 (t, 1H, J = 12.9 Hz), 2.63 (dd, 1H, J = 13.2, 2.2 Hz), 2.28 – 2.22 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.9 (C=O), 171.3 (O=C-O), 104.6 (ketal C), 89.1, 80.0, 78.3 (C-Cl), 75.4, 72.4 (C-Cl), 56.7 (OMe), 52.8 (OMe), 52.3 (OMe), 51.1 (OMe), 46.1, 36.3, 35.3; IR (KBr) 2850, 1780, 1710, 1430, 1360, 1290 cm^{-1} ; Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_7$: C, 47.01; H, 5.26, found: C, 47.26; H, 5.37.

X-ray crystal structure of **1d:** White crystals (CH_2Cl_2 / Hexane). $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{Br}_2\text{O}_5$, $M_r = 454.16$, $0.18 \times 0.15 \times 0.13 \text{ mm}^3$, monoclinic, space group $\text{P}121/\text{n}1$ with $a = 8.9742 (8) \text{ \AA}$, $b = 17.9301 (16) \text{ \AA}$, $c = 10.6917 (10) \text{ \AA}$, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 106.031 (2)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 1653.5 (3) \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z = 4$, $\rho_{\text{calcd.}} = 1.824 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, $F(000) = 912$, Absorption coefficient = 4.925 mm^{-1} , $\text{Mo}_{\text{k}\alpha}$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$, $T = 100 \text{ K}$, Number of measured and independent reflections = $10726 / 4062$, $R_{\text{int.}} = 0.0533$, $R_1 = 0.048$, $wR_2 = 0.0980$, maximum and minimum residual electron density is 1.512 and -1.341 e\AA^{-3} , respectively.

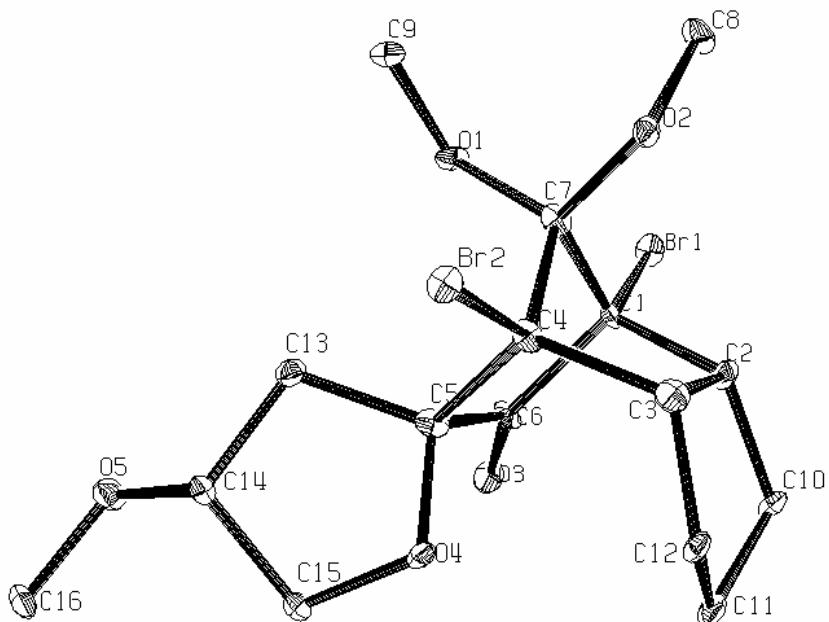


Fig. S1 X-ray crystal structure of **1d** (ORTEP diagram). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at 30% probability level for non-hydrogen atoms. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

X-ray crystal structure of 6c: White crystals (CH_2Cl_2 / Hexane). $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{24}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_5$, $M_r = 379.26$, $0.18 \times 0.15 \times 0.13 \text{ mm}^3$, orthorhombic, space group Pca21 with $a = 11.5727(9)$ Å, $b = 11.7784(10)$ Å, $c = 25.579(2)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 90^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 3486.6(5)$ Å 3 , $Z = 8$, $\rho_{\text{calcd.}} = 1.445 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, $F(000) = 1600$, Absorption coefficient = 0.397 mm^{-1} , Mo $_{\text{k}\alpha}$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å, $T = 100$ K, Number of measured and independent reflections = 22182 / 7292, $R_{\text{int.}} = 0.0482$, $R_1 = 0.0494$, $wR_2 = 0.1069$, maximum and minimum residual electron density is 0.486 and -0.470 eÅ $^{-3}$, respectively.

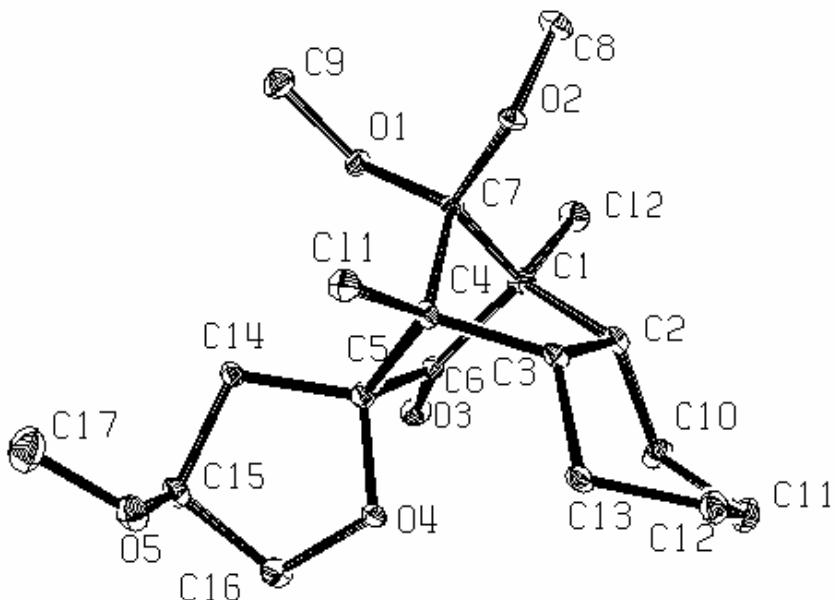


Fig. S2 X-ray crystal structure of **6c** (ORTEP diagram). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at 30% probability level for non-hydrogen atoms. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

X-ray crystal structure of 10c: White crystals (CH_2Cl_2 / Hexane). $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_7$, $M_r = 397.24$, $0.19 \times 0.07 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}^3$, monoclinic, space group $\text{P}121/\text{c}1$ with $a = 8.2163 (7) \text{ \AA}$, $b = 8.1296 (7) \text{ \AA}$, $c = 26.697 (2) \text{ \AA}$, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 94.502 (2)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 1777.7 (3) \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z = 4$, $\rho_{\text{calcd.}} = 1.484 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, $F(000) = 832$, Absorption coefficient = 0.401 mm^{-1} , $\text{Mo}_{\text{k}\alpha}$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$, $T = 100 \text{ K}$, Number of measured and independent reflections = 11386 / 4356, $R_{\text{int.}} = 0.0502$, $R_1 = 0.0595$, $wR_2 = 0.1500$, maximum and minimum residual electron density is 0.674 and -0.685 e\AA^{-3} , respectively.

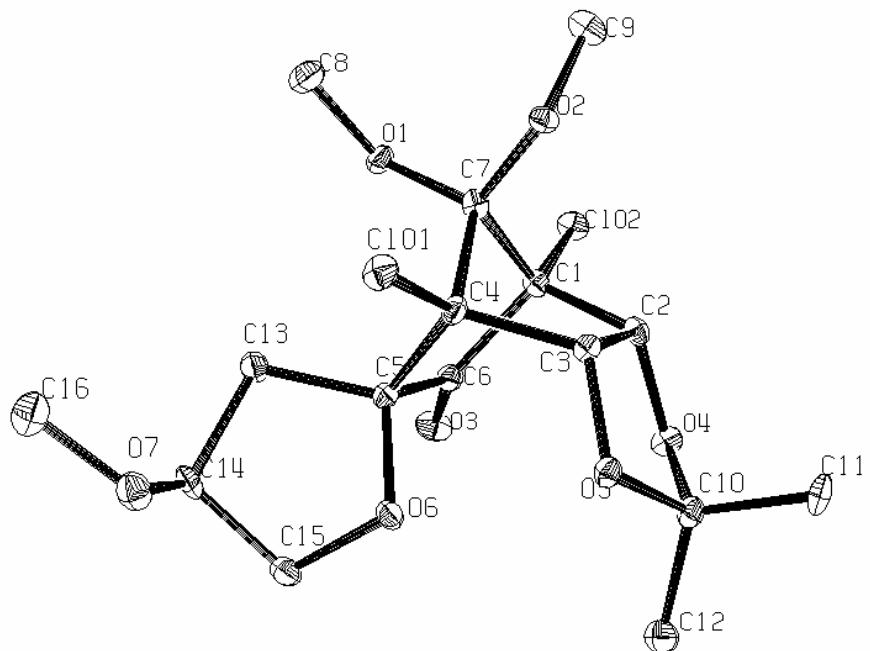


Fig. S3 X-ray crystal structure of **10c** (ORTEP diagram). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at 30% probability level for non-hydrogen atoms. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

X-ray crystal structure of 13c: White crystals (CH_2Cl_2 / Hexane). $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{22}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_6$, $M_r = 369.23$, $0.10 \times 0.08 \times 0.06 \text{ mm}^3$, trigonal, space group R-3 with $a = 34.375 (2) \text{ \AA}$, $b = 34.375 (2) \text{ \AA}$, $c = 7.2354 (6) \text{ \AA}$, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 90^\circ$, $\gamma = 120^\circ$, $V = 7404.0 (9) \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z = 18$, $\rho_{\text{calcd.}} = 1.491 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, $F(000) = 3492$, Absorption coefficient = 0.422 mm^{-1} , $\text{Mo}_{\text{K}\alpha}$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$, $T = 100 \text{ K}$, Number of measured and independent reflections = 16448 / 4096, $R_{\text{int.}} = 0.0415$, $R_1 = 0.0475$, $wR_2 = 0.1242$, maximum and minimum residual electron density is 0.717 and -0.585 e\AA^{-3} , respectively.

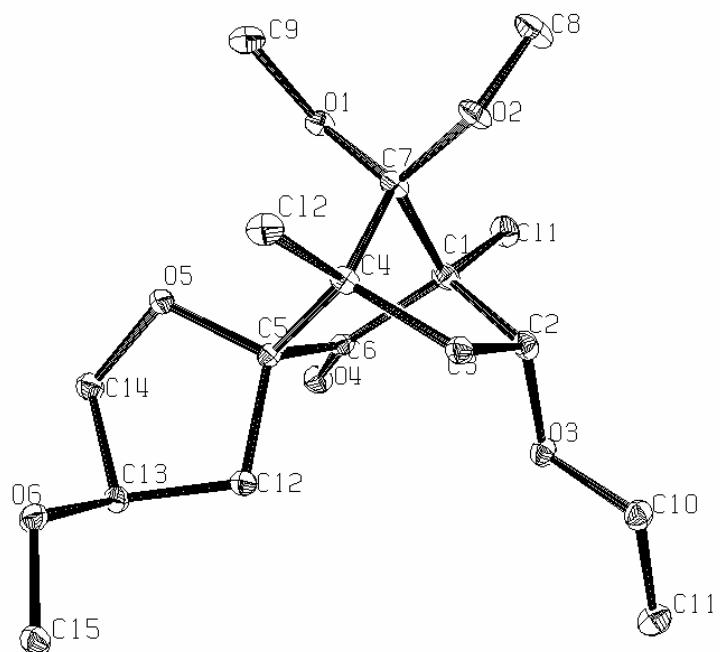


Fig. S4 X-ray crystal structure of **13c** (ORTEP diagram). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at 30% probability level for non-hydrogen atoms. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

X-ray crystal structure of 14d: White crystals (CH_2Cl_2 / Hexane). $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_7$, $M_r = 383.21$, $0.13 \times 0.07 \times 0.06 \text{ mm}^3$, monoclinic, space group P121/c1 with $a = 7.3266$ (6) Å, $b = 21.5800$ (17) Å, $c = 11.0281$ (9) Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 101.9950$ (10) $^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 1705.6$ (2) Å 3 , $Z = 4$, $\rho_{\text{calcd.}} = 1.492 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, $F(000) = 800$, Absorption coefficient = 0.415 mm $^{-1}$, Mo $\text{k}\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å, $T = 100$ K, Number of measured and independent reflections = 11005 / 4161, $R_{\text{int.}} = 0.0299$, $R_1 = 0.0502$, $wR_2 = 0.1117$, maximum and minimum residual electron density is 0.644 and -0.668 eÅ $^{-3}$, respectively.

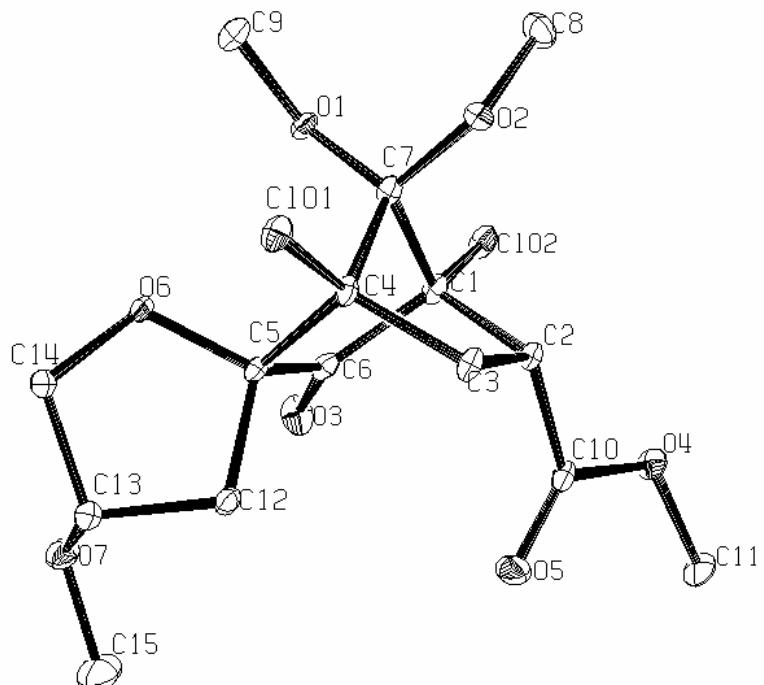
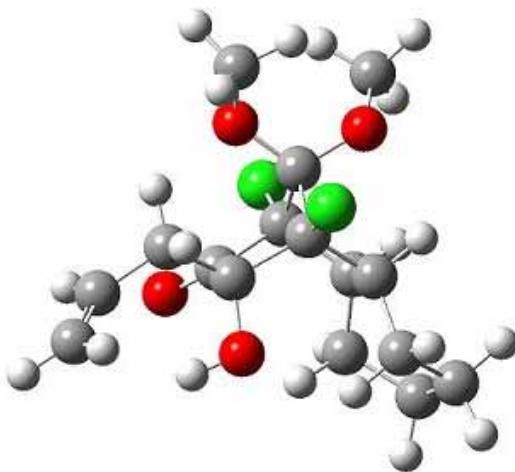


Fig. S5 X-ray crystal structure of **14d** (ORTEP diagram). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at 30% probability level for non-hydrogen atoms. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

Computational details

All theoretical calculations were performed with GAUSSIAN-03,³ using the density functional/Hartree-Fock hybrid model BeckeLYP⁴ and the basis set 6-31G(d). Reported compounds are optimized as being true minima by the absence of negative eigenvalues in the vibrational frequency analysis.

Cartesian Coordinates of Compound **6a**.

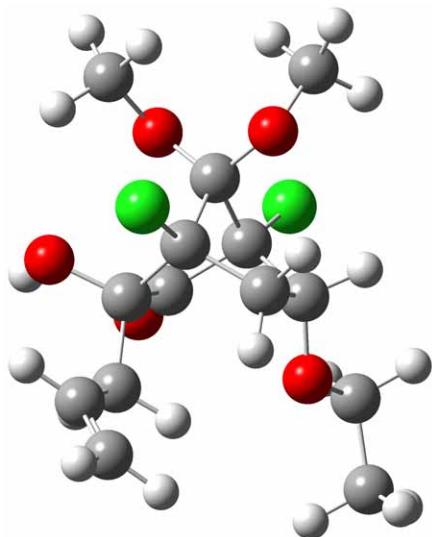


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Cartesian Coordinates of Compound **13a**.



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20	6	4.715978	0.876595	-0.471829
21	6	3.616419	-0.170804	-0.430912
22	1	0.451587	1.597192	-1.680442

23	1	-0.242508	0.192284	-2.509695
24	1	1.564852	-1.096223	-1.748353
25	1	-0.057241	-3.545727	-1.604564
26	1	-1.438487	-3.663433	-0.483346
27	1	-1.724505	-3.556484	-2.245658
28	1	-3.401778	-1.870290	-0.123088
29	1	-3.326678	-2.396100	1.584547
30	1	-3.379695	-0.650520	1.187138
31	1	1.070153	2.419593	0.258075
32	1	0.394916	2.650543	1.858025
33	1	-1.260679	1.001501	2.643504
34	1	-1.765172	3.586635	0.711930
35	1	-1.047693	5.262832	-0.921026
36	1	0.619756	4.470292	-1.029397
37	1	5.686414	0.412678	-0.264408
38	1	4.537659	1.650906	0.281441
39	1	4.760536	1.355288	-1.455412
40	1	3.784226	-0.949030	-1.191261
41	1	3.581435	-0.662679	0.548360

$$E(RB+HF-LYP) = -1841.95516431 \text{ a.u.}$$

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