Supporting Information

One-pot Cascade Michael-Michael-Aldol Condensation for Diastereoselective Synthesis of Nitro-Substituted Cyclohexanes

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I. General Methods and materials:

All of the reactions dealing with air and/or moisture-sensitive reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of nitrogen using oven/flame-dried glassware and standard syringe/septa techniques. Unless otherwise noted, all commercial reagents and solvents were obtained from the commercial provider and used without further purification. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Joel 270 MHz and Varian 600 MHz spectrometers. Chemical shifts were reported relative to internal tetramethylsilane (δ 0.00 ppm) or CDCl₃ (δ 7.26 ppm) for ¹H and CDCl₃ (δ 77.0 ppm) for ¹³C. Flash column chromatography was performed on 230-430 mesh silica gel. Analytical thin layer chromatography was performed with precoated glass baked plates (250µ) and visualized by fluorescence and by charring after treatment with potassium permanganate stain. Melting points were measured on a Mel-Temp 1001D apparatus and uncorrected. HRMS were recorded on LTQ-FTUHRA spectrometer.

Allylic nitro compounds **1a-1e** were synthesized according to the literature: X. Sun, S. Sengupta, J. L. Petersen, H. Wang, J. P. Lewis, X. Shi, *Org. Lett.* **2007**, *9*, 4495-4498.

Representative Procedure for Synthesis of cyclohexane derivatives



The allylic nitro compound **1a** (233 mg, 1 mmol) and L-Proline (23 mg, 0.2 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (5 mL, 0.2 M). To this solution was added the Et₃N (101 mg, 1 mmol) and acrolein **2a** (117 mg, 90%, 1.5 mmol) at room temperature. The resulting mixture was then stirred and checked by TLC. After the reaction had completed, the mixture was diluted with MeOH (10 mL), the solution was passed through a short silica gel column and then treated with NaBH₄ (152 mg, 4 mmol) at 0°C. 15 min later, the solution was quenched with water, neutralized by dilute HCl solution and extracted with EtOAc (40 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was washed with brine and dried over with anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give a residue, the residue was the purified by flash silica gel chromatography to obtain two diasteroisomers **4c** as colorless oil, yield: 92%.



The nitroalkene **6a** (163 mg, 1 mmol) and L-Proline (23 mg, 0.2 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (5 mL, 0.2 M). To this solution was added Et_3N (101 mg, 1 mmol) and MVK **2b** (280 mg, 4 mmol) at room temperature. The resulting mixture was then stirred at room temperature and checked by TLC. When the reaction had completed, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give a residue, the residue was then purified by flash silica gel chromatography to obtain two diasteroisomers **7a** as white solids, yield: 90%.



The nitroalkene **6a** (163 mg, 1 mmol) and L-Proline (23 mg, 0.2 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (5 mL, 0.2 M). To this solution was added the Et_3N (101 mg, 1 mmol) and methyl acrylate (344 mg, 4 mmol) at room temperature. The resulting mixture was then stirred and checked by TLC. After the reaction had completed, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give a residue, the residue was the purified by flash silica gel chromatography to obtain **3a** (298 mg, 0.89 mmol) as white solid, yield: 89%.



To a solution of **3a** (200 mg, 0.6 mmol) in MeOH (40 mL), 1N HCl (6 mL, 6 mmol) and Zn powder (585 mg, 9 mmol) were added at 0 °C. And the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 8 hr. To the mixture, was added NaHCO₃ (aq) until pH > 10, followed by the extraction with CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL x 5). The combined organic layer was washed with brine and then dried over with anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration and evaporation, the residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography with EtOAc/Hexane (1:2, v/v) to get **8a** (140 mg, 0.51 mmol) as a white solid, yield: 85%.



To a solution of **8a** (100 mg, 0.37 mmol) in MeOH (5 mL) was added the NaOH (22 mg, 0.56 mmol) at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for an hour. To this mixture was added 2N HCl (0.5 mL) and then extract with EtOAc (20 mL x 3), the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over with anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to get a colorless solid. To this solid was added Ac₂O (5 mL), the solution was stirred for 3 hr at 110 °C. After returned to room temperature, the solution was poured into water (20 mL) and stirred for half an hour. Then neutralized by NaHCO₃ (aq), followed by extraction with EtOAc (20 mL x 3), the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried with anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to get a residue. The residue can purified by recrystallization (EtOAc/Hexane, 1:5, v/v) or flash silica gel chromatography with EtOAc/Hexane (1:3, v/v) to give **8b** (70 mg, 0.29 mmol) as colorless crystal, yield: 79%.



To a solution of **7a-major** (303 mg, 1 mmol) in MeOH (25 mL), 1N HCl (10 mL, 10 mmol) and Zn powder (975 mg, 15 mmol) were added at 0 °C. And the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 hr. To the mixture was added NaHCO₃ (aq) until pH > 10, followed by the extraction with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL x 5). The combined organic layer was washed with brine and dried over with anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration and evaporation, the residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography with EtOAc/hexane (1:1, v/v) to give **8c** (240 mg, 0.88 mmol) as colorless oil, yield: 88%.



To a solution of **8c** (273 mg, 1 mmol) DMAP (6 mg, 0.05 mmol) and Et_3N (150 mg, 1.5 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL), 2-chloroacetyl chloride (136 mg, 1.2 mmol) was added by

dropwise. The mixture solution was stirred at room temperature and monitored by TLC. The solution was diluted with EtOAc (20 mL), and poured into NaHCO₃ (aq), then extracted with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over with anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration and evaporation, the residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography with EtOAc/Hexane (1:5, v/v) to give **8d** (318 mg, 0.91 mmol) as white solid, yield: 91%.



To a solution of **8d** (50 mg, 0.14 mmol) in MeOH (2 mL) was added the K_2CO_3 (29 mg, 0.21 mmol), the mixture solution was stirred at 50 °C and checked by TLC. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography with EtOAc/Hexane (1:2, v/v) to obtain **8e** (36 mg, 0.12 mmol) as colorless oil, yield: 83%.

II. Compound Characterization:



5-nitro-6-phenylhept-6-en-2-one (1a). 1a was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as colorless oil, yield: 87%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.33-7.38(m, 5H), 5.59(s, 1H), 5.48-5.57(m, 2H), 2.21-2.58(m, 4H), 2.11(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 206.6, 143.4, 138.4, 128.8, 128.7, 126.7, 118.1, 88.9, 39.2, 30.1, 26.7. HRMS Calculated for C₁₃H₁₅NO₃Na [M+Na]⁺: 256.09441, Found: 256.09446.



Methyl 4-nitro-5-phenylhex-5-enoate (1b). 1b was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as colorless oil, yield: 82%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.30-7.35(m, 5H), 5.50-5.67(m, 3H), 3.65(s, 3H), 2.01-2.62(m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 172.4, 143.3, 138.3, 128.8, 128.7, 126.7, 118.3, 88.9, 52.0, 30.1, 27.9. HRMS Calculated for C₁₃H₁₅NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺ : 272.08933, Found: 272.08918.



6-nitro-7-phenyloct-7-en-3-one (1c). **1c** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as colorless oil, yield: 86% (combined all isomers). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.27-7.39(m, 5H), 5.59(s, 1H), 5.51-5.59(m, 2H), 2.41-2.51(m, 3H), 2.27-2.40(m, 3H), 1.02(t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 209.2, 143.3, 138.3, 128.7, 128.5, 126.8, 117.8, 88.8, 37.7, 36.0, 26.6, 7.6. HRMS Calculated for C₁₄H₁₈NO₃ [M+H]⁺: 248.12812, Found: 248.12815.

4-nitro-1,5-diphenylhex-5-en-1-one and isomer (1d). **1d** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as colorless oil, yield: 83% (combined all isomers). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.97-7.99(m, 0.26H), 7.90-7.92(m, 2H), 7.55-7.61(m, 1.13H), 7.28-7.50(m, 7.65H), 7.15-7.17(m, 0.26H), 5.67(q, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 5.63(s, 1H), 5.61(s, 1H), 3.28-3.31(m, 0.26H), 3.03-3.15(m, 2.26H), 2.62-2.70(m, 1H), 2.48-2.54(m, 1H), 2.20(s, 0.39H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 197.9, 143.5, 138.3, 136.3, 133.4, 128.72, 128.66, 128.5, 127.9, 126.6, 118.1, 89.2, (35.9), 34.4, (31.6), 27.1, (24.6). HRMS Calculated for C₁₈H₁₈NO₃ [M+H]⁺: 294.12812, Found: 294.12813.



4-cyclohexenyl-4-nitro-1-phenylbutan-1-one (1e). 1e was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 10/1) as white solid, yield: 85%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.90-8.01(m, 2H), 7.51-7.63(m, 1H), 7.41-7.50(m, 2H), 5.96(s, 1H), 5.00(dd, *J* = 9.0 Hz, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.90-3.11(m, 2H), 2.50-2.62(m, 1H), 2.26-2.42(m, 1H), 1.93-2.18(m, 4H), 1.46-1.76(m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 198.0, 136.4, 131.9, 131.1, 128.7, 127.9, 92.8, 34.4, 25.3, 25.0, 24.1, 22.2, 21.7. HRMS Calculated for C₁₆H₁₉NO₃Na [M+Na]⁺: 296.12626, Found: 296.12555.



Dimethyl 4-nitro-4-(1-phenylvinyl)heptanedioate (3a). **3a** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as white solid, m. p: 85.5-86.6 °C, yield: 89%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.26-7.30(m, 3H), 7.05-7.07(m, 2H), 5.59(s, 1H), 5.45(s, 1H), 3.65(s, 6H), 2.51-2.57(m, 2H), 2.31-2.40(m, 4H), 2.18-2.26(m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 172.1, 146.1, 138.2, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 120.8, 95.3, 51.8, 28.8, 28.6. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₁NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺ : 358.12411, Found: 358.12422.

Methyl 7-hydroxy-4-nitro-4-(1-phenylvinyl)heptanoate (3b). **3b** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 2/1) as colorless oil, yield: 90%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.28-7.50(m, 3H), 7.07-7.09(m, 2H), 5.63(s, 1H), 5.45(s, 1H), 3.68(s, 3H), 3.60-3.69(m, 2H), 2.57-2.63(m, 1H), 2.21-2.47(m, 4H), 2.04-2.09(m, 1H), 1.51-1.64(m, 2H), 1.35-1.43(m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 172.6, 146.7, 138.7, 128.4, 128.22, 128.15, 120.7, 95.9, 62.0, 52.0, 30.2, 29.0, 28.4, 27.0. HRMS Calculated for C₁₆H₂₁NO₅Na [M+Na]⁺: 330.13119, Found: 330.13128.



(1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitro-5-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexanecarbaldehyde (4a-major). 4a-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) then was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/Hexane (1:5) to get a colorless crystal, m.p: 103.1-104.3 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.80(s, 1H), 7.29-7.35(m, 3H), 7.07-7.10(m, 2H), 5.66(s, 1H), 5.30(s, 1H), 2.75(dt, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.52-2.60(m, 2H), 2.30(s, 1H), 2.21(td, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.06(dd, J = 14.4Hz, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.69(dt, J = 15.0 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.37-1.44(m, 1H), 1.36(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 203.8, 148.7, 138.4, 128.6, 128.2, 128.1, 118.8, 92.8, 68.6, 53.3, 35.9, 29.6, 29.0, 28.5. HRMS Calculated for C₁₆H₂₀NO₄ [M+H]⁺: 290.13869, Found: 290.13879.

4a-major and **4a-minor** are unstable. At the same time, **4a-minor** is hard to be separated to obtain pure product, so in situ reduction the mixture of **4a** by treatment with NaBH₄ give stable **4c**.



(1R*,2R*,4R*)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1-methyl-4-nitro-4-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexanol (4c-major). 4c-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 3/1-1/1) as colorless oil, yield: 92% (combined two isomers). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.29-7.32(m, 3H), 7.08-7.11(m, 2H), 5.66(s, 1H), 5.26(s, 1H), 4.21(dd, J = 12.0 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.61(dd, J = 10.8 Hz, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.39-2.58(m, 5H), 2.20(dt, J = 13.8 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.61-1.65(m, 1H), 1.40-1.47(m, 2H), 1.31(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.4, 138.6, 128.7, 128.0, 127.8, 118.3, 94.6, 70.9, 64.1, 41.5, 36.6, 32.9, 29.3, 28.3. HRMS Calculated for C₁₆H₂₂NO₄ [M+H]⁺ : 292.15434, Found: 292.15444.



(1R*,2R*,4S*)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1-methyl-4-nitro-4-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexanol (4c-minor). 4c-minor was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 3/1-1/1) as colorless oil, ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.28-7.32(m, 3H), 7.08-7.11(m, 2H), 5.84(s, 1H), 5.63(s, 1H), 4.11(dd, J = 11.4 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.48(dd, J = 10.8 Hz, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.69(t, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.38-2.50(m, 2H), 2.33(dt, J = 7.8 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.01(br, 2H), 1.61(dt, J = 6.6 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.40-1.50(m, 2H), 1.32(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 144.8, 139.2, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 123.5, 92.4, 70.9, 64.1, 42.5, 37.1, 32.4, 29.0, 28.3. HRMS Calculated for C₁₆H₂₁NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 314.13628, Found: 314.13635.



(1R*,2R*,4R*)-1-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-4-nitro-4-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexanol (4d-major). 4d-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 3/1-1/1) as colorless oil, yield: 85% (combined two isomers). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.28-7.33(m, 3H), 7.09-7.12(m, 2H), 5.66(s, 1H), 5.26(s, 1H), 4.19(dd, J = 10.8 Hz; J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.59(dd, J = 10.8 Hz, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.47-2.60(m, 1H), 2.43-2.46(m, 2H), 2.20(dt, J = 13.8 Hz, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (br, 2H), 1.68-1.75(m, 1H), 1.57-1.64(m, 2H), 1.50-1.55(m, 1H), 1.40(dt, J = 13.8 Hz, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 0.86(t, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.5, 138.9, 128.7, 128.0, 127.8, 118.3, 94.5, 73.1, 63.9, 39.3, 33.2, 33.0, 32.1, 29.1, 7.9. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 328.15193, Found: 328.15215.



(1R*,2R*,4S*)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-4-nitro-1-phenyl-4-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexanol (4d-minor). 4d-minor was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 3/1-1/1) as colorless oil, hard to get purified product, NMR shows some major isomer included. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.30-7.32(m, 3H), 7.09-7.12(m, 2H), 5.85(s, 1H), 5.63(s, 1H), 4.07(dd, J = 10.8 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.43(dd, J = 11.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.74(t, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.32-2.50(m, 3H), 1.37-1.75(m, 7H), 0.88(t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 145.0, (139.3, 128.7, 128.3, 128.1, 128.03, 127.99, 127.8, 123.4, 118.3), 92.2, 73.1, (63.93), 63.89, 40.1, (39.4), (33.2), (33.0), 32.7, 32.4, (32.2), (29.2), 28.9, 8.0. HRMS Calculated for C₂₁H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺ : 376.15193, Found: 376.15185.



2-(hydroxymethyl)-4-nitro-1-phenyl-4-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexanol) (4e). 4e was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 3/1-1/1) as colorless oil, yield: 84% (combined two isomers). Two disastereomers are hard to separated, NMR give dr = 3:1 isomers. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.12-7.38(m, 13H), 5.95(s, 0.33H), 5.74(s, 0.33H), 5.70(s, 1H), 5.30(s, 1H), 3.57(dd, J = 10.2 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.45-3.48(m, 1.33H), 3.26(dd, J = 13.2 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 0.33H), 2.34-2.65(m, 5.32H), 1.66-2.00(m, 3.99H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.5, 146.6, 146.4, 145.1, 139.3, 138.9, 128.7, 128.44, 128.42, 128.1, 127.9, 127.0, 126.9, 124.6, 124.5, 123.7, 118.4, 94.5, (92.2), (75.7), 75.6, 64.4, (42.6), 41.7, (37.5), 36.9, 32.8, (32.3), 29.6, (29.4). HRMS Calculated for C₂₁H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 376.15193, Found: 376.15212.

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(1R*,2R*,4R*,6S*)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,6-dimethyl-4-nitro-4-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexanol (4f-major). 4f-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1-2/1) as colorless oil, yield: 78% (combined two isomers). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.28-7.32(m, 3H), 7.07-7.10(m, 2H), 5.65(s, 1H), 5.24(s, 1H), 4.24(dd, *J* = 11.4 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.61(*J* = 11.4 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.59(s, 2H), 2.50(dt, *J* = 14.4 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.40-2.46(m, 2H), 1.96(dd, *J* = 12.0 Hz, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 1.41-1.51(m, 2H), 1.29(s, 3H), 0.95(d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.4, 138.8, 128.7, 128.0, 127.8, 118.3, 94.4, 72.8, 64.3, 42.4, 37.6, 37.4, 33.0, 24.4, 14.3. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 328.15193, Found: 328.15201.

(1R*,2R*,4S*,6S*)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,6-dimethyl-4-nitro-4-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexanol (4f-minor). 4f-minor was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1-2/1) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.27-7.32(m, 3H), 7.06-7.10(m, 2H), 5.83(s, 1H), 5.61(s, 1H), 4.15(dd, *J* = 10.8 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.48(dd, *J* = 10.8 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.68(t, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.26-2.35(m, 2H), 2.35(t, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.06(s, 3H), 0.92(d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 145.2, 139.2, (128.7), 128.3, 128.1, 128.02, 127.96, 127.8, 123.2, (118.3), (94.4), 92.0, 72.8, 64.4, (64.3), 43.4, (42.4), 38.4, (37.6), (37.4), 37.1, (33.0), 32.4, 24.6, (22.4), 14.3. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₄NO₄ [M+H]⁺: 306.16999, Found: 306.17019.



2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,2-dimethyl-4-nitro-4-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexanol (**4g**). **4g** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1-1/1) as colorless oil. NMR shows 1:1 ratio isomers (NMR show 2:2:1 ratio for three isomers), yield: 66% (combined two isomers). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.28-7.32(m, 5.7H), 7.06-7.10(m, 3.8H), 5.70(s, 1H), 5.68(s, 0.9H), 5.26(s, 0.9H), 5.23(s, 1H), 3.91(d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 3.25(d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 3.22(s, 1.8H), 2.89(d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.69(dd, *J* = 15.6 Hz, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 1.82-2.62(m, 10.3H), 1.60-1.93(m, 1.9H), 1.57(dt, *J* = 14.4 Hz, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 1.23(s, 3H), 1.18(s, 2.7H), 1.12(s, 3H), 0.64(s, 2.7H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.3, (149.6), 138.9, (138.7), 128.8, 128.7, 128.2, 128.00, 127.96, 127.9, 127.8, (118.8), 118.3, (92.9), 92.1, 75.1, 71.0, 69.8, 65.4, 43.1, 40.2, 37.0, 36.0, 33.9, 32.9, (29.0), 28.8, 25.0, (24.8), 19.7, (19.3). HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 328.15193, Found: 328.15190.



(1R*,2R*,4R*)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,2-dimethyl-4-nitro-4-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexanol (4g-isomer three). 4g-siomer three was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1-1/1) as colorless oil, yield: 16%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.28-7.33(m, 3H), 7.04-7.07(m, 2H), 5.76(s, 1H), 5.22(s, 1H), 3.65(d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.12(d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 2.73(dq, *J* = 15.0 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.54(dd, *J* = 3.0 Hz, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.40(br, 2H), 2.02(td, *J* = 13.2 Hz, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.64-1.71(m, 2H), 1.45(dt, *J* = 13.8 Hz, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.28(s, 3H), 1.03(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 145.0, 138.7, 128.6, 128.1, 128.0, 118.4, 90.5, 73.9, 70.9, 41.0, 93.3, 33.4, 31.2, 23.1, 16.8. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺ : 328.15193, Found: 328.15215.



(1R*,2R*,4R*)-4-cyclohexenyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-4-nitro-1-phenylcyclohexanol (4h-major). 4h-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 3/1) as colorless oil, yield: 83%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.37-7.41(m, 2H), 7.30-7.36(m, 2H), 7.23-7.26(m, 1H), 6.02-6.04(m, 1H), 3.62(dd, *J* = 10.8 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.52(dd, *J* = 10.8 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.64-2.68(m, 1H), 2.53(t, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.31(td, *J* = 13.2 Hz, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.10-2.14(m, 2H), 2.03-2.09(m, 2H), 1.98(dq, *J* = 12.6 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.82(td, *J* = 12.6 Hz, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.74(dq, *J* = 14.4 Hz, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 1.62-1.67(m, 2H), 1.54-1.60(m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 146.7, 136.5, 128.4, 126.9, 125.9, 124.6, 95.6, 75.9, 64.7, 41.8, 37.1, 31.8, 28.4, 25.4, 23.8, 22.7, 21.7. HRMS Calculated for C₁₉H₂₅NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 354.16758, Found: 354.16756.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitro-5-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexyl)ethanone (7a-major or 4b-major). 7a-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as white solid, m.p. 98.2-98.9 °C, yield: 66%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.22-7.36(m, 3H), 6.98-7.09(m, 2H), 5.60(s, 1H), 5.24(s, 1H), 3.40-3.90 (br, 1H), 2.47-2.67(m, 3H), 2.17-2.32(m, 4H), 2.08(t, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 1.69(dq, J = 14.6 Hz, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 1.19-1.33(m, 1H), 1.14(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 214.5, 148.5, 138.3, 128.6, 128.1, 128.0, 118.7, 93.1, 68.3, 52.3, 34.8, 32.1, 31.5, 29.0, 28.2. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₁NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 326.13683, Found: 326.13606.



1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitro-5-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexyl)ethanone (7a-minor or 4b-minor). 7a-minor was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as white solid, m.p: 75.6-77.1 °C, yield: 24%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.32-7.43(m, 3H), 7.16-7.25(m, 2H), 5.92(s, 1H), 5.73(s, 1H), 3.88(d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.24-2.62(m, 5H), 1.69-1.81(m, 4H), 1.37-1.53(m, 1H), 1.17(s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 213.0, 144.0, 138.9, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 124.0, 90.7, 68.5, 52.7, 35.8, 31.0, 30.0, 29.6, 28.0. HRMS Calculated for $C_{17}H_{21}NO_4Na [M+Na]^+$: 326.13683, Found: 326.13608.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-ethyl-2-hydroxy-5-nitro-5-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexyl)propan-1one (**7b-major**). **7b-major** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as white solid, m.p.: 78.7-80.3 °C, yield: 61%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.18-7.42(m, 3H), 6.96-7.14(m, 2H), 5.61(s, 1H), 5.25(s, 1H), 3.79(d, J = 2.5Hz, 1H), 2.06-2.76(m, 8H), 1.75(dt, J = 14.6 Hz, J = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.10-1.54(m, 3H), 1.05(t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.74(t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 217.5, 148.7, 138.3, 128.6, 128.1, 127.9, 118.6, 93.2, 70.9, 50.7, 37.8, 33.6, 32.5, 30.6, 28.8, 7.7, 7.2. HRMS Calculated for C₁₉H₂₅NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 354.16813, Found: 354.16738.



1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-2-ethyl-2-hydroxy-5-nitro-5-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexyl)propan-1one (**7b-minor**). **7b-minor** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as colorless oil, yield: 20%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.30-7.44(m, 3H), 7.15-7.25(m, 2H), 5.92(s, 1H), 5.71(s, 1H), 3.89(d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.28-2.65(m, 5H), 1.88-2.07(m, 2H), 1.75(dt, J = 14.1 Hz, J = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.23-1.55(m, 3H), 0.78-0.92(m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 216.1, 144.2, 139.0, 128.5, 128.24, 128.15, 124.0, 90.7, 71.1, 50.3, 36.4, 33.4, 31.7, 31.4, 29.5, 29.4, 7.9, 7.1. HRMS Calculated for C₁₉H₂₅NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 354.16813, Found: 354.16739.

1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-hydroxy-5-nitro-2-phenyl-5-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexyl)(phenyl) methanone (7c-major). 7c-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 10/1) as white solid, m.p: 163.2-164.8 °C, yield: 72%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.91-7.93(m, 2H), 7.55-7.59(m, 1H), 7.43-7.46(m, 2H), 7.30-7.36(m, 5H), 7.17-7.21(m, 2H), 7.09-7.13(m, 3H), 5.66(s, 1H), 5.30(s, 1H), 5.12(d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.21(dd, J = 12.6 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.93(dt, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.71(dq, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.47-2.58(m, 2H), 1.90(dq, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.67-1.75(m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 204.6, 148.8, 146.3, 138.4, 135.5, 134.2, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.0, 124.4, 118.8, 93.8, 73.2, 46.5, 36.9, 33.8, 29.9. HRMS Calculated for C₂₇H₂₅NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 450.16813, Found: 450.16712.



1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-2-hydroxy-5-nitro-2-phenyl-5-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexyl)(phenyl) methanone (7c-minor). 7c-minor was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 10/1-3/1) as colorless oil, yield: 10%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.41-7.48(m, 6H), 7.33-7.35(m, 2H), 7.09-7.23(m, 7H), 6.08(s, 1H), 5.88(s, 1H), 5.40(s, 1H), 3.85(dd, J = 12.0 Hz, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.73-2.84(m, 4H), 1.88-1.92(m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 204.4, 146.2, 144.6, 139.4, 135.4, 133.8, 129.0, 128.7, 128.6, 128.41, 128.35, 127.9, 127.0, 124.9, 124.4, 90.7, 73.4, 46.4, 37.8, 32.4, 30.6. HRMS Calculated for C₂₇H₂₅NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 450.16813, Found: 450.16723.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-5-cyclohexenyl-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitrocyclohexyl)ethanone

(**7d-major**). **7d-major** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as white solid, m.p: 129.5-130.8 °C, yield: 74%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.84(m, 1H), 3.81(d, *J* = 2.4Hz, 1H), 2.50-2.64(m, 2H), 2.43(dq, *J* = 14.4 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.20(s, 3H), 1.83-2.18(m, 6H), 1.37-1.35(m, 5H), 1.03-1.26(m, 1H), 1.09(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 214.4, 135.5, 125.9, 94.0, 68.3, 52.6, 31.2, 31.1, 27.6, 25.1, 23.5, 22.4, 21.3. HRMS Calculated for C₁₅H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺ : 304.15248, Found: 304.15180.



1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-5-cyclohexenyl-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitrocyclohexyl)ethanone (7d-minor). 7d-minor was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as white solid, m.p: 54.2-55.1 °C, yield: 14%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ

6.17(m, 1H), 3.85(d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.15-2.60(m, 7H), 2.25(s, 3H), 1.94-2.05(m, 1H), 1.52-1.77(m, 5H), 1.22-1.38(m, 1H), 1.17(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 213.2, 131.3, 130.6, 92.2, 68.6, 53.5, 36.0, 30.9, 29.8, 27.4, 25.8, 24.1, 222.6, 21.4. HRMS Calculated for C₁₅H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 304.15248, Found: 304.15177.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-5-cyclohexenyl-2-ethyl-2-hydroxy-5-nitrocyclohexyl)propan-1-one (7e-major). 7e-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as white solid, m.p: 91.8-92.9 °C, yield: 71%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.80(m, 1H), 3.70(d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.29-2.67(m, 5H), 1.80-2.13(m, 6H), 1.61(dt, J = 13.6 Hz, J = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.14-1.54(m, 6H), 1.07(dt, J = 13.6 Hz, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 0.95(t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.72(t, J = 8.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 217.2, 135.5, 125.7, 93.9, 70.8, 50.5, 37.4, 33.4, 31.4, 30.5, 27.4, 25.1, 23.4, 22.3, 21.3, 7.5, 6.9. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₇NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 332.18378, Found: 332.18303.



1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-5-cyclohexenyl-2-ethyl-2-hydroxy-5-nitrocyclohexyl)propan-1-one (7e-minor). 7e-minor was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 6/1) as colorless oil, yield: 13%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.14(t, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82(d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.10-2.69(m, 9H), 1.88-2.02(m, 2H), 1.08-1.78(m, 8H), 1.02(t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.81(t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 216.3, 131.2, 130.6, 92.1, 71.0, 51.5, 37.2, 33.3, 31.7, 30.2, 27.1, 25.8, 24.0, 22.5, 21.4, 7.6, 7.1. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₇NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 332.18378, Found: 332.18305.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-5-cyclohexenyl-2-hydroxy-5-nitro-2-phenylcyclohexyl)(phenyl)methanone (7f-major). 7f-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 6/1) as white solid, m.p: 133.1-134.6 °C, yield: 82%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.96-7.98(m, 2H), 7.56-7.60(m, 1H), 7.45-7.48(m, 2H), 7.35-7.38(m, 2H), 7.19-7.22(m, 2H), 7.09-7.13(m, 1H), 5.98(m, 1H), 5.17(d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.20(dd, J = 12.6 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.96(dt, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.70(dq, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.48(td, J = 13.2 Hz, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.39(dd, J = 13.2 Hz, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 1.96-2.12(m, 4H), 1.89(dq, J = 13.0 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.51-1.71(m, 5H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 204.8, 146.5, 135.7, 135.5, 134.2, 129.0, 128.5, 128.3, 126.9, 126.5, 124.4, 94.7, 73.5, 46.6, 37.0, 32.9, 28.5, 25.4, 23.8, 22.6, 21.5. HRMS Calculated for C₂₅H₂₇NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 428.18378, Found: 428.18291.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitro-5-(prop-1-en-2-yl)cyclohexyl)ethan-

one (7g-major). 7g-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 10/1) as white solid, m.p.: 62.6-62.9 °C, yield: 65%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.11(s, 1H), 5.06(q, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.85(d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.56-2.69(m, 2H), 2.51(dq, J = 14.6 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.26(s, 3H), 1.99-2.24(m, 2H), 1.64-1.78(m, 4H), 1.17-32(m, 1H), 1.15(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 214.2, 142.5, 114.7, 93.7, 68.2, 52.5, 34.8, 31.2, 31.1, 28.1, 28.0, 27.9. HRMS Calculated for C₁₂H₁₉NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 264.12118, Found: 264.12043.

7g-minor

1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitro-5-(prop-1-en-2-yl)cyclohexyl)ethanone (**7g-minor**). **7g-minor** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 10/1) as colorless oil, yield: 15%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.18(s, 1H), 5.12(q, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 2.69-2.86(m, 3H), 2.46(s, 1H), 2.32(s, 3H), 1.53-2.00(m, 8H), 1.18(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 210.6, 142.5, 115.2, 93.5, 71.1, 55.3, 38.4, 32.4, 32.2, 30.4, 21.5, 21.4, 18.7. HRMS Calculated for C₁₂H₁₉NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 264.12118, Found: 264.12051.

1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-ethyl-2-hydroxy-5-nitro-5-(prop-1-en-2-yl)cyclohexyl)propan-1one (7h-major). 7h-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 10/1) as white solid, m.p: 112.3-113.9 °C, yield: 60%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.16(s, 1H), 5.10(q, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.70-2.82(m, 4H), 2.44-2.53(m, 1H), 2.17(br, 1H), 2.02(dd, J = 13.2 Hz, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 1.96(td, J = 3.6 Hz, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 1.77(d, J = 0.6 Hz, 3H), 1.66(dt, J = 4.2 Hz, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 1.55-1.63(m, 1H), 1.28-1.40(m, 2H), 1.03(t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.87(t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 212.9, 142.6, 115.2, 93.6, 72.8, 55.5, 37.8, 32.5, 32.3, 29.9, 24.4, 18.7, 7.4, 6.8. HRMS Calculated for C₁₄H₂₄NO₄ [M+H]⁺: 270.16999, Found: 270.17004.



1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-2-ethyl-2-hydroxy-5-nitro-5-(prop-1-en-2-yl)cyclohexyl)propan-1one (**7h-minor**). **7h-minor** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 10/1) as white solid, m.p: 77.6-78.9 °C, yield: 12%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.34(s, 1H), 5.32(s, 1H), 2.68-2.74(m, 2H), 2.35-2.62(m, 4H), 2.05-2.23(m, 3H), 1.81(d, J = 0.6 Hz, 3H), 1.64-1.71(m, 1H), 1.42-1.52(m, 2H), 1.04(t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.87(t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 212.1, 140.1, 118.5, 91.8, 72.8, 54.4, 36.4, 31.8, 31.0, 28.8, 27.1, 18.9, 7.5, 6.7. HRMS Calculated for C₁₄H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 292.15193, Found: 292.15205.

1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-hydroxy-5-nitro-2-phenyl-5-(prop-1-en-2-yl)cyclohexyl)phenylmethanone (7i-major). 7i-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 10/1) as white solid, m.p.: 141.8-142.7 °C, yield: 77%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.95-7.97(m, 2H), 7.58-7.61(m, 1H), 7.45-7.49(m, 2H), 7.35-7.38(m, 2H), 7.19-7.23(m, 2H), 7.10-7.14(m, 1H), 5.21(s, 1H), 5.17(d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 5.13(q, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.95(dt, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.72(dq, J = 14.4 Hz, J =3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.54(td, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.45(dd, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.92(dq, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.83(s, 3H), 1.67-1.74(m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 204.7, 146.4, 142.6, 135.4, 134.2, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 127.0, 124.4, 115.2, 94.4, 73.4, 46.4, 37.0, 32.9, 28.8, 18.7. HRMS Calculated for C₂₂H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 388.15193, Found: 388.15213.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitro-5-(1-p-tolylvinyl)cyclohexyl)ethanone (7**j-major**). 7**j-major** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as colorless oil, yield: 63%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.11(d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.95(d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.59(s, 1H), 5.24(s, 1H), 3.86(d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.49-2.69(m, 3H), 2.04-2.36(m, 8H), 1.66-1.76(m, 1H), 1.20-1.35(m, 1H), 1.16(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 214.5, 148.5, 137.7, 135.4, 128.7, 128.4, 118.4, 93.3, 68.3, 52.6, 34.9, 32.1, 31.5, 29.0, 28.2, 21.1. HRMS Calculated for C₁₈H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 340.15248, Found: 340.15170.



1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitro-5-(1-p-tolylvinyl)cyclohexyl)ethanone (7**j-minor**). 7**j-minor** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as colorless oil, yield: 21%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.17(d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.07(d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.88(s, 1H), 5.69(s, 1H), 3.88(d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.33-2.60(m, 8H), 1.81(s, 3H), 1.74(dt, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 1.36-1.52(m, 1H), 1.17(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 213.1, 143.9, 138.2, 136.0, 129.1, 128.0, 123.6, 90.9, 68.5, 52.8, 35.9, 31.0, 30.2, 29.5, 28.1, 21.1. HRMS Calculated for C₁₈H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 340.15248, Found: 40.15169.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitro-5-(1-(4-nitrophenyl)vinyl)cyclohexyl) ethanone (**7k-major**). **7k-major** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 8/1) as white solid, m.p: 106.9-108.1 °C, yield: 62%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.16(d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.24(d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 5.74(s, 1H), 5.33(s, 1H), 3.69(br, 1H), 2.64(dd, J = 12.6 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.59(dt, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.52(dq, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.22-2.28(m, 4H), 2.11(t, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.71(dt, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.28(td, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.16(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 214.0, 147.7, 146.9, 145.0, 129.7, 123.4, 120.4, 92.6, 68.2, 52.5, 34.8, 32.1, 31.6, 29.1, 28.1. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₁N₂O₆ [M+H]⁺: 349.13941, Found: 349.13966.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitro-5-(1-(4-nitrophenyl)vinyl)cyclohexyl) ethanone (7k-minor). 7k-minor was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, v/v, 50/1) as colorless oil, yield: 25%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.24(d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.40(d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.03(s, 1H), 5.79(s, 1H), 3.79(br, 1H), 2.49-2.56(m, 2H), 2.44(dq, J = 13.8 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.33-2.40(m, 2H), 1.75(dt, J =14.4 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.34(td, J = 12.6 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.19(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 212.1, 147.7, 145.5, 142.8, 129.3, 125.9, 123.8, 90.5, 68.4, 53.1, 35.8, 31.1, 30.5, 29.1, 28.1. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₁N₂O₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 371.12136, Found: 371.12125.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-5-(1-(4-chlorophenyl)vinyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitrocyclohexyl)ethanone (**7l-major**). **7l-major** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as white solid, m.p. 78.6-79.9 °C, yield: 65%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.29(d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.00(d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.65(s, 1H), 5.28(s, 1H), 3.85(d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.48-2.71(m, 3H), 2.26(s, 3H), 2.00-2.34(m, 2H), 1.67-1.78(m, 1H), 1.20-1.35(m, 1H), 1.17(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 214.3, 147.5, 136.6, 134.1, 129.9, 128.3, 119.4, 92.9, 68.2, 52.6, 34.8, 32.0, 31.6, 29.0, 28.2. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₀ClNO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 360.09786, Found: 360.09710.



1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-5-(1-(4-chlorophenyl)vinyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitrocyclohexyl) ethanone (7l-minor). **7l-minor** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as colorless oil, yield: 18%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.36(d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.14(d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.93(s, 1H), 5.72(s, 1H), 3.86(d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.30-2.55(m, 5H), 1.88(s, 3H), 1.75(dt, J = 14.3 Hz, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.31-46(m, 1H), 1.18(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 212.7, 143.1, 137.3, 134.4, 129.5, 128.7, 124.6, 90.7, 68.5, 52.8, 35.8, 31.0, 30.3, 29.3, 28.0. HRMS Calculated for $C_{17}H_{20}CINO_4Na$ [M+Na]⁺: 360.09786, Found: 360.09715.

OH COCH3 NO₂ Н 7m-major

1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-5-cyclopentenyl-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitrocyclohexyl)ethanone (7m-major). 7m-major was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as colorless oil, yield: 61%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.73-5.79(m, 1H), 3.82(d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.44-2.72(m, 3H), 1.95-2.36(m, 9H), 1.72-1.87(m, 2H), 1.62(dq, J = 14.6 Hz, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.09-1.25(m, 1H), 1.10(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 214.2, 142.1, 129.6, 91.1, 68.4, 52.5, 34.7, 32.3, 31.4, 31.2, 31.0, 28.2, 28.1, 22.7. HRMS Calculated for C₁₄H₂₁NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 290.13683, Found: 290.13612.



7m-minor

1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-5-cyclopentenyl-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitrocyclohexyl)ethanone (7m-minor). 7m-minor was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 5/1) as colorless oil, yield: 15%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.77-5.85(m, 1H), 2.57-2.89(m, 3H), 1.95-2.35(m, H), 1.71-1.89(m, 2H), 1.61(dq, *J* = 14.4 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.01-1.27(m, 1H), 1.12(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 210.7, 142.1, 130.1, 90.9, 71.2, 55.3, 38.3, 32.6, 32.5, 32.2, 31.2, 30.7, 22.8, 21.4. HRMS Calculated for C₁₄H₂₁NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 290.13683, Found: 290.13616.



7n-major

1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-(1-(naphthalen-2-yl)vinyl)-5-nitrocyclohex-yl) ethanone (**7n-major**). **7n-major** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 10/1) as white solid, m.p: 133.9-134.8 °C, yield: 64%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77-7.85(m, 3H), 7.48-7.56(m, 3H), 7.21(d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.72(s, 1H), 5.37(s, 1H), 3.81(br, 1H), 2.60-2.71(m, 3H), 2.36(td, *J* = 13.8 Hz, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.23(s, 3H), 2.19(t, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 1.73(dt, *J* = 14.4 Hz, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.31(td, J) = 1

J = 13.8 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.17(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 214.3, 148.7, 135.9, 132.8, 132.7, 128.0, 127.73, 127.65, 127.5, 126.43, 126.38, 126.3, 119.1, 93.2, 68.3, 52.7, 34.9, 32.3, 31.5, 29.2, 28.2. HRMS Calculated for C₂₁H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 376.15193, Found: 376.15208.



1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-(1-(naphthalen-2-yl)vinyl)-5-nitrocyclohex-yl)ethanone (7n-minor). 7n-minor was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 10/1) as colorless oil, yield: 18%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.81-7.86(m, 3H), 7.67(s, 1H), 7.50-7.54(m, 2H), 7.30(dd, J = 6.4 Hz, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.00(s, 1H), 5.82(s, 1H), 3.82(br, 1H), 2.40-2.61(m, 5H), 1.76(dt, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.69(s, 3H), 1.49(td, J = 13.8 Hz, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.19(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 212.9, 144.2, 136.4, 133.0, 132.8, 128.2, 127.9, 127.6, 127.3, 126.8, 126.6, 125.9, 124.4, 91.0, 68.5, 52.9, 35.9, 31.2, 30.1, 29.6, 28.1. HRMS Calculated for C₂₁H₂₃NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 376.15193, Found: 376.15207.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-5-(1-(furan-2-yl)vinyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitrocyclohexyl)ethanone (**7o-major**). **7o-major** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 8/1) as light-yellow solid, m. p: > 70 °C decomp, yield: 56%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.29-7.38(m, 1H), 6.29-6.43(m, 2H), 5.77(s, 1H), 5.43(s, 1H), 3.91(d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.81-2.91(m, 1H), 2.73(td, *J* = 2.7 Hz, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.41-2.58(m, 2H), 2.19-2.31(m 4H), 1.73(td, *J* = 3.8 Hz, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 1.34-1.68(m, 1H), 1.98(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 214.5, 150.3, 142.65, 142.56, 138.0, 115.6, 111.3, 108.7, 92.3, 68.7, 52.7, 34.8, 32.4, 31.7, 29.2, 28.5. HRMS Calculated for C₁₅H₁₉NO₅Na [M+Na]⁺: 316.11609, Found: 316.11538.



1-((1S*,2R*,5S*)-5-(1-(furan-2-yl)vinyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-nitrocyclohexyl)ethanone (**70-minor**). **70-minor** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 8/1) as light-yellow oil, yield: 20%. ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.41(s, 1H), 6.40(d, J = 9.7 Hz, 2H), 6.11(s, 1H), 5.8(s, 1H), 3.88(d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 2.40-2.76(m, 5H), 2.03(s, 3H), 1.80(td, J = 14.1 Hz, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.41-1.56(m, 1H), 1.19(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 213.0, 150.8, 142.6, 142.5, 133.6, 121.8, 111.1, 109.0, 90.6, 68.7, 53.2, 36.1, 30.9, 30.5, 29.3, 28.0. HRMS Calculated for C₁₅H₁₉NO₅Na [M+Na]⁺: 316.11609, Found: 316.11537.



Methyl 3-(5-oxo-2-(1-phenylvinyl)pyrrolidin-2-yl)propanoate (8a). 8a was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 3/1) as white solid, yield: 91%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.46(s, 1H), 7.29-7.34(m, 3H), 7.21-7.23(m, 2H), 5.38(s, 1H), 5.16(m, 1H), 3.63(s, 3H), 2.31-2.44(m, 5H), 2.07-2.14(m, 2H), 1.93-1.99(m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 177.6, 173.5, 152.1, 140.2, 128.2, 128.1, 127.6, 1115.4, 65.4, 51.7, 34.1, 33.2, 30.0, 29.1. HRMS Calculated for C₁₆H₂₀NO₃ [M+H]⁺: 274.14377, Found: 274.14383.



Tetrahydro-7a-(1-phenylvinyl)-6*H***-pyrrolizine-3,5-dione (8b). 8b** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 2/1) as white solid, m.p.: 141.2-143.0 °C, yield: 83%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35-7.39(m, 5H), 5.52(s, 1H), 5.40(s, 1H), 2.68-2.76(m, 2H), 2.55-2.61(m, 4H), 2.13-2.18(m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.4, 148.0, 138.2, 128.6, 128.2, 127.6, 115.4, 72.0, 34.5, 31.1. HRMS Calculated for C₁₅H₁₅NO₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 264.09950, Found: 264.09953.



1-((1S*,2R*,5R*)-5-amino-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-5-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclohexyl)ethanone (8c). **8c** was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 2/1) as colorless oil, yiled: 88%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.22-7.29(m, 3H), 7.11-7.14(m, 2H), 5.28(s, 1H), 4.84(s, 1H), 3.86(br, 1H), 3.09(dd, J = 13.2 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.15(s, 3H), 2.09(td, J = 13.2 Hz, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.98(t, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.67(td, J = 10.2 Hz, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.44-1.50(m, 2H), 1.28-1.33(m, 1H), 1.17(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 216.4, 159.2, 141.4, 129.0, 127.6, 126.7, 111.9, 69.1, 53.7, 52.3, 35.0, 34.0, 31.4, 31.1, 28.6. HRMS Calculated for C₁₇H₂₄NO₂ [M+H]⁺ : 274.18016, Found: 274.18012.



8d was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 1/1) as white solid, m.p: 154.2-155.9 °C, yield: 91%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.24-7.28(m, 3H), 7.08-7.11(m, 2H), 6.24(s, 1H), 5.36(s, 1H), 5.04(s, 1H), 3.95(d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.94(d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.87(d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.90(dt, J = 13.2 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.56(dd, J = 13.2 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.18(s, 3H), 2.09(td, J = 13.8 Hz, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.98(t, J = 13.8Hz, 1H), 1.71(dq, J = 13.8 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.60(dq, J = 14.4 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.37(tt, J = 13.8 Hz, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.18(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 215.2, 165.3, 152.5, 140.6, 128.7, 127.7, 127.1, 114.9, 68.4, 58.9, 52.8, 42.9, 34.4, 32.2, 30.8, 29.8, 28.5. HRMS Calculated for C₁₉H₂₅ClNO₃ [M+H]⁺ : 350.15175, Found: 350.15174.



8e was purified by flash silica gel chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc, v/v, 2/1) as colorless oil, yield: 83%. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.27-7.32(m, 3H), 7.17-7.23(m, 2H), 5.44(s, 1H), 5.10(s, 1H), 4.65(d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.98(d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.04(s, 1H), 2.53-2.58(m, 1H), 2.28(ddd, *J* = 13.2 Hz, *J* = 4.8 Hz, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.98(d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 1.86-1.94(m, 2H), 1.74-1.81(m, 1H), 1.57-1.64(m, 1H), 1.28(s, 3H), 1.25(s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 172.2, 150.2, 140.2, 129.1, 127.7, 127.3, 115.1, 106.7, 71.9, 71.4, 67.2, 51.4, 42.8, 35.8, 29.3, 27.3, 25.5. HRMS Calculated for C₁₉H₂₄NO₃Na [M+H]⁺: 314.17507, Found: 314.17518.


























































































































































































































































IV 1D and 2D NMR spectra data for 4c-minor and 8e.








































V.ORTEP Drawing of the crystal structures



Figure 1. Perspective view of the molecular structure of **7g-major** with the atom labeling scheme. The CMe=CH₂ substituent containing carbons C(7)-C(9) exhibits a two-site rotational disorder. The thermal ellipsoids are scaled to enclose 30% probability.



Figure 2. Perspective view of the molecular structure of **4a-major** with the atom labeling scheme. The thermal ellipsoids are scaled to enclose 30% probability.



Figure 3. Perspective view of the molecular structure of **7a-minor** with the atom labeling scheme. The thermal ellipsoids are scaled to enclose 30% probability.



Figure 4. Perspective view of the molecular structure of **7f-major** with the atom labeling scheme. The thermal ellipsoids are scaled to enclose 30% probability.



Figure 5. Perspective view of the molecular structure of **8b** with the atom labeling scheme. The thermal ellipsoids are scaled to enclose 30% probability.