

## Supporting Information

### Highly enantioselective intermolecular carbene insertion to C-H and Si-H bonds catalyzed by a chiral iridium(III) complex of D<sub>4</sub>-Symmetric Halterman porphyrin ligand

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## General Methods

Reagents were obtained commercially and used without further purification unless indicated otherwise. All anhydrous solvents used in the reactions were dried and freshly distilled. NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub> on a Bruker AM300 spectrometer at 25 °C with TMS as an internal standard. Mass spectra were obtained on a HP5989A spectrometer (EI), an IonSpec 4.7 Tesla FTMS spectrometer (MALDI), or a Bruker Daltonics FTMS-7 spectrometer (ESI). Optical rotations were measured on a Perkin-Elmer 341MC polarimeter. IR spectra were recorded, using KBr discs, on a Bio-Rad FTS-185 machine. X-ray diffraction data were collected on Bruker SMART APEX CCD with graphite monochromatized MoK $\alpha$  radiation. All the  $\alpha$ -substituted  $\alpha$ -diazoacetates were also prepared according to the reported procedures.<sup>1</sup>

## Synthesis of iridium porphyrin complexes 1 and 2

Porphyrins were prepared according to the reported method.<sup>2</sup>

Complexes **1** and **2** were prepared according to the method as follows: A mixture of porphyrin ligand (0.2 mmol) and [Ir(cod)Cl<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (1.5-2 eq.) in 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene (20 mL) was heated to 190°C until the porphyrin ligand disappeared (monitored by TLC), then the mixture was purified by silica gel column and [Ir(por)(CO)Cl] was obtained as a red powder solid. This red solid was treated with NaBH<sub>4</sub> and MeI to afford the complex **1** or **2**<sup>3</sup>

[Ir(TTP)(CO)Cl] (yield: 68%)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.94 (s, 8H), 8.16 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 8.09 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 7.57 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 8H), 2.71 (s, 12H);

<sup>13</sup>C NMR(75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 141.25, 138.40, 137.78, 135.04, 134.53, 134.27, 131.88, 127.78, 127.52, 122.20, 21.62;

IR (KBr): 2058, 2045, 1358, 1179, 1074, 1025, 1018, 797, 713 cm<sup>-1</sup>;

MS(MALDI) m/z(relative intensity): 863[M-CO-Cl], 898[M-CO]

HRMS(MALDI) For [C<sub>49</sub>H<sub>36</sub>N<sub>4</sub>OCl<sup>191</sup>Ir<sup>+</sup>]: Calcd. 922.21781; Found: 922.2164  $\pm$  0.004;

Element analyses calcd for: C: 63.66%, H: 3.92%; Found C: 64.05%, H: 4.42%.

UV-Vis( $\lambda_a$ )([C]  $\approx$  2\*10<sup>-6</sup>M): 421nm ;

[Ir(TTP)Me] (yield : 70%)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.51 (s, 8H), 8.01 (t,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 8H), 7.51 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 8H), 2.68 (s, 12H), -6.30(s, 3H);

MS(MALDI) m/z: 877[M], 862[M-15];

HRMS(MALDI)For C<sub>49</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>4</sub><sup>191</sup>Ir<sup>+</sup>: Calcd.874.27751; Found.874.2771  $\pm$  0.004;

IR(KBr): 3022, 2918, 1354, 1308, 1071, 1012, 799, 720 cm<sup>-1</sup>;

[Ir((-)-D\*<sub>4</sub>-por)(CO)Cl] (yield: 83%)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.75 (s, 8H), 7.38 (s, 4H), 3.59 (br, 4H), 3.54 (s, 4H), 2.77 (s, 4H), 2.71 (s, 4H), 2.03-1.85 (m, 16H), 1.45-1.07 (m, 32H);

IR(KBr): 2962, 2870, 2047, 1447, 1297, 1107, 797, 705  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

MS(MALDI)  $m/z$ : 1334[M-CO-Cl], 1370[M-CO];

HRMS (MALDI) For  $\text{C}_{85}\text{H}_{76}\text{N}_4\text{OCl}^{191}\text{Ir}^+$ : Calcd.1394.5308; Found.1394.5340  $\pm 0.005$ ;

UV-Vis( $\lambda$ )([C]  $\approx 2 \times 10^{-6}\text{M}$ ): 423 nm;

**[Ir((-)-D\*<sub>4</sub>-por)Me]** (yield: 80%)

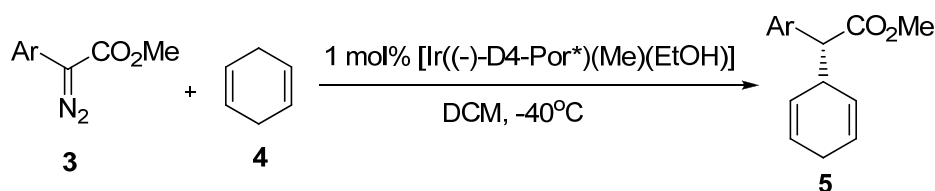
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.37 (d,  $J = 3.9$  Hz, 4H), 8.34 (d,  $J = 3.9$  Hz, 4H), 7.33 (s, 4H), 3.55 (br, 8H), 2.82 (s, 4H), 2.78 (s, 4H), 1.99-1.97 (m, 8H), 1.91-1.85(m, 1H), 1.42-1.37(m, 24H), 1.19-1.13(m, 8H)-6.11(s, 3H);

MS(MALDI)  $m/z$ : 1349[M], 1334[M-15];

HRMS(MALDI) For  $\text{C}_{85}\text{H}_{79}\text{N}_4^{191}\text{Ir}^+$ : Calcd: 1346.59051; Found: 1346.5919  $\pm 0.005$ ;

IR(KBr): 2960, 2919, 2868, 1298, 1106, 1016, 796, 710  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

### Procedure for asymmetric C-H bond insertion of cyclohexa-1,4-diene with methyl aryldiazoacetate catalyzed by [Ir((-)-D<sub>4</sub>-Por\*)(Me)(EtOH)] 2



To a solution of **3** (0.4 mmol) and cyclohexa-1,4-diene (4 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (4 mL), after stirring 10 minutes at  $-40^\circ\text{C}$  catalyst **2** (1 mol%) was added. The reaction was stirred for 24 hours at  $-40^\circ\text{C}$  and then purified by chromatography on a silica gel column with dichloromethane/petroleum ether (1:5) as eluent to yield the product **5a-5g**.

**5a** (*R*)-methyl 2-(cyclohexa-2,5-dienyl)-2-phenylacetate; 90%, HPLC (OJ-H, 100:1 hexane/2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 11.6 min (major) and 13.6 min (minor), 95% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{28} -58.4$  ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); Lit.<sup>[4]</sup>[94% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{21} -108.8$  ( $c = 1.1$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ )];

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.34-7.27 (m, 5H), 5.83-5.66 (m, 3H), 5.28-5.23 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.48-3.40 (m, 2H), 2.63-2.59 (m, 2H);

MS(EI)  $m/z$ (relative intensity): 226(M-2, 17), 167(100), 77(87), 105(87), 150(81), 118(53), 79(50), 107(42), 165(42);

IR(film): 3030, 1736, 1454, 1435, 1273, 1159, 735, 698  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

**5b** (*R*)-(methyl 2-(cyclohexa-2,5-dienyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetate); 94%, HPLC (Sino-AD, 98:2/hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 9.9 min (major) and 10.5 min (minor), 96% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{28} -126.7$  ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); Lit.<sup>[4]</sup>[90% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{21} -126.1$  ( $c = 1.18$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ )];

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.25 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 5.81-5.66 (m, 3H), 5.30-5.26 (m, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.43-3.34 (m, 2H), 2.62-2.59 (m, 2H);

MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 180(100), 165(61), 121(54), 77(27), 148(25), 151(22), 79(18), 135(18);

IR(film): 3030, 1733, 1610, 1512, 1251, 1179, 1157, 1035, 829cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**5c** (*R*)-(methyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(cyclohexa-2,5-dienyl)acetate); 91%, HPLC (AD-H, 98:2/hexane:2-propanol; 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 8.3 min (major) and 8.8 min (minor), 96% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{28} -72.7$  ( $c = 1.0$ , CDCl<sub>3</sub>);

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.46 (d,  $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d,  $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 5.82-5.65 (m, 3H), 5.29-5.25 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.45-3.38 (m, 2H), 2.60-2.57 (m, 2H);

MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 228(100), 230(98), 79(70), 77(57), 196(36), 198(35), 134(32), 89(31);

IR(film): 3029, 1736, 1488, 1269, 1192, 1159, 1103, 1012cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**5d** (*R*)-methyl 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(cyclohexa-2,5-dienyl)acetate; 82%, colorless oil, HPLC (OD-H, 200:1/hexane:2-propanol, 0.9 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 13.6 min (minor) and 21.4 min (major), 98% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -129.1$  ( $c = 1.2$ , CDCl<sub>3</sub>); Lit.<sup>[4]</sup>[95% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{21} -138.5$  ( $c = 1.52$ , CHCl<sub>3</sub>)];

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.31-7.25(m, 4H), 5.83-5.66(m, 3H), 5.29-5.25(m, 1H), 3.69(s, 3H), 3.47-3.39(m, 2H), 2.61-2.59(m, 2H);

MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 260(3), 184(100), 79(48), 77(46), 152(44), 186(29), 139(28), 165(27);

IR(neat): 3445, 3031, 1736, 1491, 1269, 1158, 1091, 1016, 700 cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**5e** (*R*)-methyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-(cyclohexa-2,5-dienyl)acetate; 90%, HPLC (Sino-AD, 98:2/hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 6.6 min (major) and 7.1 min (minor), 86% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{28} -72.7$  ( $c = 1.0$ , CDCl<sub>3</sub>); Lit.<sup>[4]</sup>[99% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{21} -158.6$  ( $c = 0.39$ , CHCl<sub>3</sub>)];

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.43-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 3H), 5.84-5.66 (m, 3H), 5.29-5.24 (m, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.48-3.38 (m, 2H), 2.62-2.60 (m, 2H);

MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 262(10), 201 (100), 165(93), 184(68), 166(63), 152(61), 139(44), 77(42), 79(40);

IR(film): 3031, 1736, 1477, 1433, 1267, 1192, 1159, 692, 681cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**5f** (*R*)-(methyl 2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2-(cyclohexa-2,5-dienyl)acetate); 85%, colorless oil, HPLC (IC, 95:5/hexane:2-propanol, 0.4 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 11.7 min (minor) and 12.2 min(major), 95% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -121.1$  ( $c = 1.0$ , CDCl<sub>3</sub>);

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.83-7.78 (m, 4H), 7.52-7.45 (m, 3H), 5.85-5.65 (m, 3H), 5.28-5.25 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.60 (br, 2H), 2.62 (br, 2H);

MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 276(21), 200(100), 217(93), 168(84), 141(62), 155(50), 215(44), 202(41);

IR(neat): 3440, 3025, 1730, 1507, 1235, 1159, 1016, 814, 752, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>;

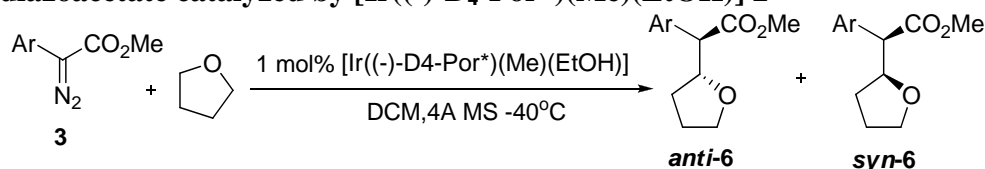
**5g** (*R*)-(methyl 2-(thiophen-3-yl)-2-(cyclohexa-2,5-dienyl)acetate); 62%, colorless oil, HPLC (OB-H, 100:1/hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 22.0

min (major) and 24.7 min (minor), 96% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$  -69.2 ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ );  
 $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.36-7.09 (m, 3H), 5.82-5.63 (m, 3H), 5.40-5.35 (m, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.60-3.40 (m, 2H), 2.62-2.59 (m, 2H);  
MS(EI)  $m/z$ (relative intensity): 232(M, 1), 173(100), 111(46), 129(20), 45(19), 171(16), 113(14), 174(13);  
IR(neat): 3445, 3107, 1737, 1497, 1436, 1224, 1163, 1081, 1013, 770, 703  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

### Procedure of the gram-scale reaction

In a oven dried Schlenk tube, the catalyst (0.01 mol%) and cyclohexa-1,4-diene (2 mL) was added. The red solution was stirred at 0°C for 20 minutes, then diazo compound (1.96 g) in cyclohexa-1,4-diene (1 mL) was added by syringe pump for 1 hour followed by stirring at 0°C until color of solution became red. Then the reaction mixture was filtrated and evaporated to afford the product. Yield: 96%, ee: 96%.

### Procedure for asymmetric C-H bond insertion of THF with methyl aryldiazoacetate catalyzed by $[\text{Ir}((-)\text{-D}_4\text{-Por}^*)(\text{Me})(\text{EtOH})] \mathbf{2}$



To a solution of **3** (0.4 mmol) and THF (4 mmol) and 4Å MS (160 mg) in anhydrous dichloromethane (4 mL), after stirring 10 minutes at -40°C catalyst **2** (1 mol%) was added. The reaction was stirred for 24 hours at -40°C; the *anti/syn* ratio was determined by analysis of the crude reaction mixture with  $^1\text{H NMR}$  spectroscopy. Further purification of the mixture by chromatography on a silica gel column with ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (1:10) as eluent to give the major product *anti-6* (**6a-6h**).

**6a** Methyl 2-phenyl-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)acetate; 82%, colorless oil, dr=10:1, HPLC (OD-H, 99:1/hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 250 nm) retention times of 21.8 min (major) and 23.6 min (minor), 90% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{28}$  -37.3 ( $c = 0.2$ ,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ );  
 $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.37-7.26 (m, 5H), 4.57-4.49 (m, 1H), 3.96-3.80 (m, 2H), 3.71 (s, 1H), 3.54 (d,  $J = 10.2\text{Hz}$ , 1H), 1.93-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.75-1.64 (m, 1H), 1.49-1.37 (s, 1H);  
MS(EI)  $m/z$ (relative intensity): 220(M, 0.7), 71(100), 150(36), 43(25), 91(22), 176(18), 118(14), 77(9), 90(8);  
IR(neat): 2951, 1739, 1455, 1434, 1205, 1160, 1111, 1067, 701  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

**6b** Methyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)acetate; 96%, colorless oil, dr >20:1, HPLC (OB-H, 98:2/hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 19.5 min (minor) and 23.6 min (major), 97% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$  -42.8( $c = 1.2$ ,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ );  
 $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.45 (d,  $J = 8.7\text{Hz}$ , 2H), 7.24 (d,  $J = 8.7\text{Hz}$ , 2H), 4.50-4.43 (m, 1H), 3.95-3.82 (m, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.52-3.48 (d,  $J = 9.9\text{Hz}$ , 1H),

1.88-1.81 (m, 2H), 1.76-1.68 (m, 1H), 1.44-1.37 (m, 1H);  
MS(ESI) m/z(relative intensity): 299(M+1), 321(M+Na)  
IR(film): 2967, 2854, 1732, 1488, 1204, 1160, 1100, 1009, 817, 760, 506 cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**6c** Methyl 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)acetate; 86%, colorless oil, dr=16.9:1, HPLC (OB-H, 98:2/hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 21.4 min (minor) and 26.8 min (major), 97% ee; [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -42.1(c = 1.1, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.29-7.26 (m, 4H), 4.50-4.42 (m, 1H), 3.94-3.79 (m, 2H), 3.70(s, 3H), 3.51 (d, *J* = 9.6Hz, 1H), 1.92-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.76-1.65 (m, 1H), 1.46-1.34 (m, 1H);

MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 254(M, 0.5), 71(100), 43(51), 41(17), 125(13), 184(12), 89(8), 152(7);

IR(neat): 2952, 2873, 1739, 1492, 1206, 1161, 1069, 1016, 824, 732, 514cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**6d** Ethyl 2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-p-tolylacetate; 74%, colorless oil, dr=14.6:1, HPLC (PC-2, 95:5/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 13.0 min (minor) and 14.4 min (major), 95% ee; [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -33.1(c = 1.0, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.24 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.54-4.46 (m, 1H), 4.25-4.08 (m, 2H), 3.95-3.79 (m, 2H), 3.47 (d, *J* = 9.6Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.89-1.79 (m, 2H), 1.74-1.66 (m, 1H), 1.48-1.39 (m, 1H), 1.22 (t, *J* = 7.2Hz, 3H);

<sup>13</sup>C NMR(100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  173.0, 137.6, 133.3, 129.6, 128.5, 80.9, 68.7, 61.1, 57.5, 29.7, 25.7, 21.3, 14.3;

MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 248(M, 0.5), 71(100), 178(65), 43(40), 105(24), 132(12), 175(12), 41(11);

HRMS-EI Calcd for [C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>3</sub>] 248.1412; Found: 248.1408;

IR(neat): 2978, 2872, 1735, 1514, 1202, 1158, 1069, 1032, 822, 758, 512 cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**6e** Methyl 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)acetate; 22%, colorless oil, dr=2.5:1, HPLC (OB-H, 98:2/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.5 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 24.8 min (minor) and 30.3 min (major), 92% ee; [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -45.8(c = 1.0, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.27 (d, *J* = 8.7Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.7Hz, 2H), 4.52-4.44 (m, 1H), 3.95-3.81 (m, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.47 (d, *J* = 9.9Hz, 1H), 1.90-1.65 (m, 3H), 1.48-1.39 (m, 1H);

MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 250(M, 2), 71(100), 180(84), 121(27), 43(24), 148(15), 165(14), 135(12);

IR(neat): 2952, 2873, 1737, 1622, 1514, 1253, 1160, 1067, 1034, 831, 753, 532 cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**6f** Methyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)acetate; 86%, colorless oil, dr=13.7:1, HPLC (PA-2, 95:5/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.3 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 37.3min (major) and 48.4min (minor), 81% ee; [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -32.6(c = 1.1, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.36 (s, 1H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 3H), 4.52-4.44 (m, 1H),

3.95-3.80 (m, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.50 (d,  $J = 9.9\text{Hz}$ , 1H), 1.91-1.69 (m, 3H), 1.58-1.39 (m, 1H);

MS(EI)  $m/z$ (relative intensity): 254(M, 0.3), 71(100), 43(27), 41(9), 89(7), 125(7), 152(5), 72(4);

IR(neat): 2952, 2873, 1739, 1596, 1433, 1205, 1162, 1069, 1021, 707, 686  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

**6g** Methyl 2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)acetate; 76%, colorless oil,  $dr=9.3:1$ , HPLC (OD-H, 100:1/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.5 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 50.0 min (major) and 70.9 min (minor), 92% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -65.2$ ( $c = 0.56$ ,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ );

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.84-7.80 (m, 4H), 7.51-7.46 (m, 3H), 4.69-4.61 (m, 1H), 3.99-3.83 (m, 2H), 3.71-3.69 (m, 4H), 1.92-1.64 (m, 3H), 1.54-1.44 (m, 1H);

MS(EI)  $m/z$ (relative intensity): 270(M, 4), 71(100), 200(76), 43(31), 141(28), 168(28), 139(18), 140(15);

IR(neat): 3058, 2953, 2865, 1728, 1598, 1435, 1322, 1198, 1156, 1070, 827, 750  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

**6h** Methyl 2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-(thiophen-3-yl)acetate; 23%, colorless oil,  $dr >20:1$ , HPLC (PC-2, 95:5/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 14.7 min (minor) and 15.6 min (major), 91% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -60.2$ ( $c = 0.8$ ,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ );

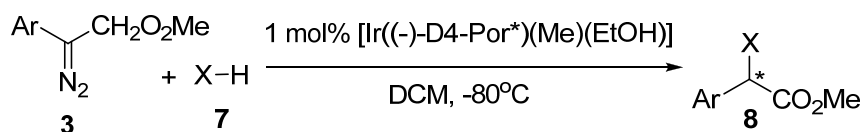
$^1\text{H}$  NMR(300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.29-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.10-7.09 (m, 1H), 4.50-4.43 (m, 1H), 3.98-3.78 (m, 2H), 3.72-3.69 (m, 4H), 1.87-1.71 (m, 3H), 1.52-1.45 (m, 1H);

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR(100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  173.0, 136.1, 127.6, 126.1, 123.0, 80.7, 68.8, 53.3, 52.4, 29.9, 25.7;

MS(EI)  $m/z$ (relative intensity): 226(M, 1), 71(100), 43(43), 156(28), 41(15), 97(14), 124(9), 45(7);

IR(neat): 3103, 2951, 2873, 1737, 1435, 1327, 1198, 1163, 1067, 1022, 842, 779  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

### Procedure for asymmetric Si-H bond insertion of THF with methyl aryldiazoacetate catalyzed by $[\text{Ir}((-)\text{-D}_4\text{-Por}^*)(\text{Me})(\text{EtOH})] \mathbf{2}$



To a solution of **3** (0.4 mmol) and  $\text{Et}_3\text{SiH}$  or  $\text{PhMe}_2\text{SiH}$  (0.48 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (4 mL), after stirring 10 minutes at  $-80^\circ\text{C}$  the catalyst **2** (1 mol%) was added. The reaction was stirred for 24 hours at  $-80^\circ\text{C}$  and then purified by a silica gel column chromatography with dichloromethane /petroleum ether (1:5) as eluent to yield the product **8**.

**8a** Methyl 2-(dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-2-phenylacetate; 92%, colorless oil, HPLC (AD-H, 99:1/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.6 mL/min, 230 nm) retention times of 11.0 min (minor) and 13.8 min (major), 72% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -16.8$ ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );

<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.39-7.30 (m, 5H), 7.22-7.13 (m, 5H), 3.60 (s, 1H), 3.55 (s, 3H), 0.35 (s, 3H), 0.32 (s, 3H);  
MS(ESI) (m/z): 302(M+18);  
IR(neat): 3025, 2950, 1716, 1600, 1496, 1351, 1250, 1198, 1148, 1072, 814, 700, 501cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**8b** Methyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)acetate; 93%, colorless oil, HPLC (PA-2, 90:10/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 7.6 min (minor) and 9.0 min (major), 91% ee; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -17.6 (c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.42-7.31 (m, 7H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.58-3.56 (m, 3H), 0.34 (s, 3H), 0.33 (s, 3H);  
MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 362(M, 2), 135(100), 196(51), 198(50), 89(19), 136(14), 43(13), 105(12);  
IR(neat): 3022, 2959, 1710, 1488, 1456, 1331, 1161, 1117, 1072, 1009, 864, 815, 702, 507cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**8c** Methyl 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)acetate; 75%, colorless oil, HPLC (PA-2, 90:10/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 6.2 min (minor) and 7.1 min (major), 78% ee; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -19.2(c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.40-7.33 (m, 5H), 7.19-7.11 (m, 4H), 3.58-3.56 (m, 4H), 0.34 (s,3H), 0.33 (s, 3H);  
MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 318(M, 0.1), 43(100), 129(13), 171(7), 41(5), 69(4), 111(4), 42(3);  
IR(neat): 3050, 2951, 1721, 1491, 1337, 1297, 1267, 1152, 1117, 1092, 1014, 864, 811, 702, 510cm<sup>-1</sup>;  
IR(neat): 3049, 2950, 1720, 1429, 1314, 1250, 1220, 1141, 1117, 914, 815, 700cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**8d** methyl 2-phenyl-2-(triethylsilyl)acetate; 75%, colorless oil, HPLC (PC-1, 80:20/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 4.6 min (major) and 6.0 min (minor), 75% ee; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>28</sup> 23.4(c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.5Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 7.8Hz, 3H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 7.2Hz, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.53 (s, 1H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.8Hz, 9H), 0.59 (q, *J* = 7.8Hz, 6H);  
MS(ESI) m/z(relative intensity): 265(M+1), 287(M+Na);  
IR(film): 2953, 2877, 1725, 1350, 1278, 1197, 1147, 787, 701cm<sup>-1</sup>;

**8e** methyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(triethylsilyl)acetate; 93%, colorless oil, HPLC (PA-2, 95:5/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 6.2 min (minor) and 7.5 min (major), 91% ee; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> 31.6(c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.7Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.7Hz, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.49 (s, 1H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.8Hz, 9H), 0.61-0.53 (m, 6H);  
<sup>13</sup>C NMR(100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 173.5, 136.0, 131.4, 130.4, 119.6, 51.7, 42.5, 7.3, 2.9;  
MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 198(100), 196(98), 87(66), 89(62), 117(50), 115(34), 59(32), 61(18);



IR(neat): 3020, 2953, 2878, 1724, 1488, 1434, 1337, 1296, 1266, 1197, 1151, 1077, 1010, 825, 710 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

**8f** methyl 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(triethylsilyl)acetate, 94%, colorless oil, HPLC (PA-2, 90:10/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 6.0 min (minor) and 6.8 min (major), 82% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$  27.2 (c = 1.1,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.31-7.23 (m, 4H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.51 (s, 1H), 0.90 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 9H), 0.61-0.53 (m, 6H);

MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 298(M, 3), 152(100), 87(59), 59(46), 89(40), 154(36), 117(29), 61(24);

IR(neat): 2954, 2878, 1724, 1491, 1434, 1380, 1296, 1267, 1198, 1150, 1092, 1014, 830, 711, 508 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;

**8g** methyl 2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2-(triethylsilyl)acetate; 92%, colorless oil, HPLC (PA-2, 90:10/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 6.7 min (minor) and 7.6 min (major), 75% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$  26.8 (c = 1.0,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.81-7.75 (m, 4H), 7.52-7.40 (m, 3H), 3.71 (br, 4H), 0.92 (t,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 9H), 0.65-0.57 (m, 6H);

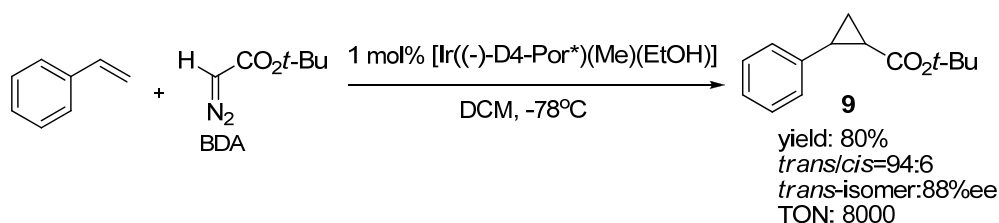
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR(100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  173.7, 134.1, 133.4, 131.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 126.4, 125.8, 125.1, 51.4, 42.8, 7.1, 2.7;

MS(EI) m/z(relative intensity): 314(M, 8), 168(100), 87(20), 140(19), 89(13), 59(12), 139(12), 169(12);

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### Cyclopropanation of styrene with diazoacetate catalyzed by $[\text{Ir}((-)\text{-D}_4\text{-Por}^*)(\text{Me})(\text{EtOH})] \mathbf{2}$



To a solution of styrene (4 mmol) and catalyst **2** (1 mol%) in anhydrous dichloromethane (4 mL), BDA (0.4 mmol) was added in a period of 1.5 h by syringe pump, the reaction was further stirred for 10 minutes after addition was complete and then purified by a silica gel column chromatography with ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (1:500) as eluent to yield the product **9**.

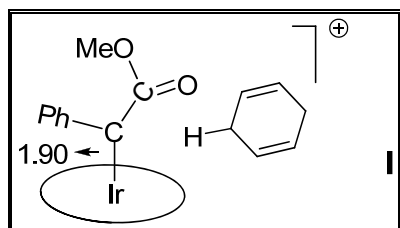
**9** (*trans*)-*tert*-butyl 2-phenylcyclopropanecarboxylate

80%, colorless oil, HPLC (OD-H, 99:1/Hexane:2-propanol, 0.7 mL/min, 214 nm) retention times of 7.3 min (minor) and 7.9 min (major), 88% ee;

$^1\text{H}$  NMR(300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.29-7.07 (m, 5H), 2.47-2.40 (m, 1H), 1.86-1.80 (m, 1H),

1.60-1.52 (m, 1H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 1.26-1.20 (m, 1H);  
(*cis*)-*tert*-butyl 2-phenylcyclopropanecarboxylate  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR(300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.26-7.20 (m, 5H), 2.57-2.49 (m, 1H), 1.99-1.94 (m, 1H), 1.65-1.63 (m, 1H), 1.25-1.20 (m, 1H), 1.13 (s, 9H);  
IR(film): 3030, 2979, 1728, 1714, 1392, 1367, 1171, 1148, 1079, 697cm<sup>-1</sup>;  
MS(EI) m/z (relative intensity): 218(M<sup>+</sup>, 2), 162(92), 144(33), 127(10), 117(100), 107(19), 91(15);

**Cartesian coordinates, total free energies (Hartree/Particle) of the stationary points found for intermolecular carbene insertion reaction pathway of I and II to the 1,4-cyclohexadiene at the B3LYP/6-31G(d):LANL2DZ level by G09 soft package.<sup>6</sup>**



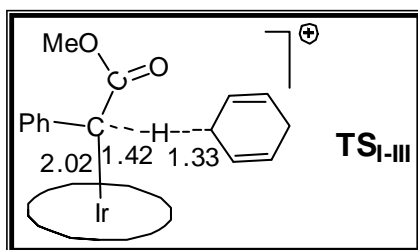
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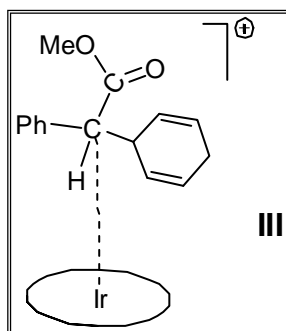
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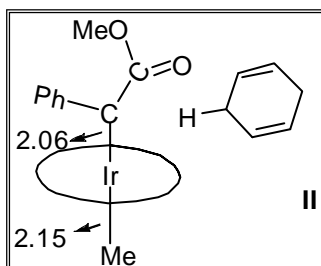
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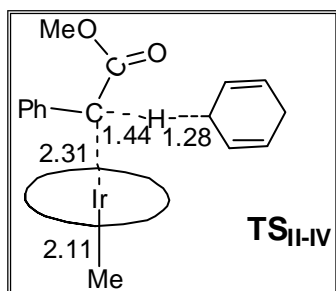
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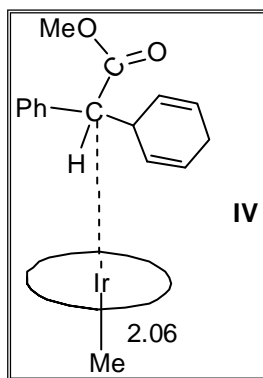
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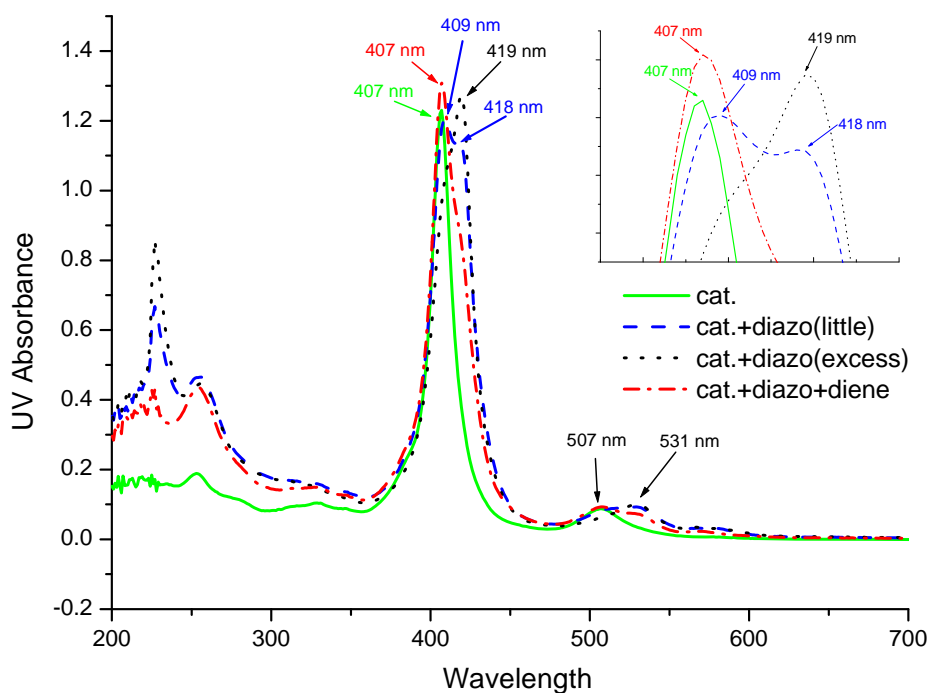
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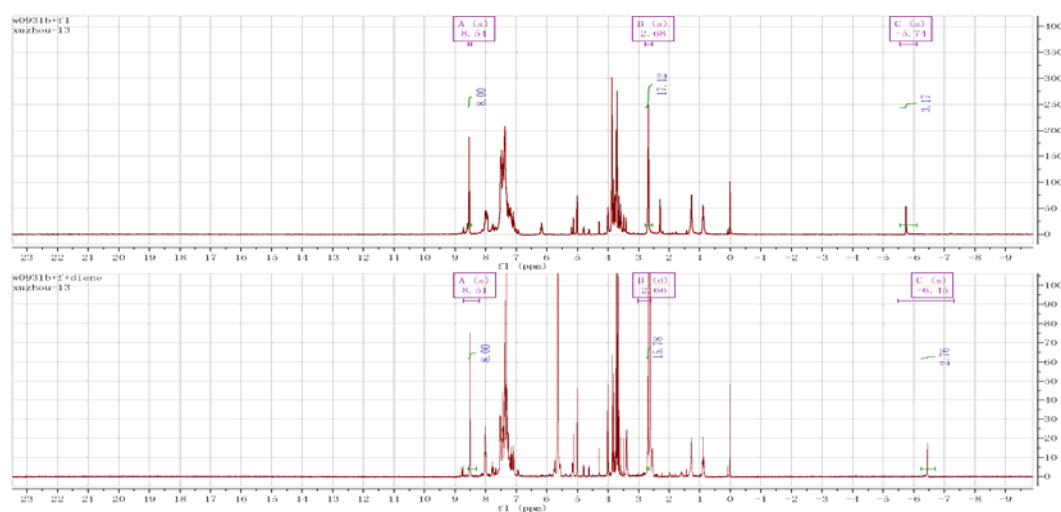
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## UV and $^1\text{H}$ NMR experiment



Procedure: The solution of the catalyst  $[\text{Ir}(\text{TTP})\text{Me}]$  was diluted to  $\sim 10^{-7}\text{M}$ , which gave the green UV spectrum; when **3a** ( $\sim 1$  eq.) was added the Soret band partly shifted as indicated by the blue UV spectrum; When excess methyl 2-diazo-2-phenylacetate (10 eq.) was added, the black curve was observed and the Soret band fully shifted. Finally, when excess cyclohexa-1,4-diene (15 eq.) was added, the red UV spectrum was obtained and the Soret band shifted back to the initial position.



Procedure: The solution of  $[\text{Ir}(\text{TTP})\text{Me}]$  (4 mg) in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  and the solution of **3a** (10

eq.) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> was separately placed in the NMR tube at -60°C for 5 minutes, then was mixed at this temperature followed by putting into NMR instrument promptly. The coordinated methyl peak shifted from -6.30 ppm to -5.71 ppm. When excess cyclohexa-1,4-diene was added, the peak shifted back to -6.45 ppm.

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**Figure S1** X-ray crystal structure of [Ir((-)-D<sub>4</sub>-Por\*)(Me)(EtOH)] **2** (CCDC 790901 for **2** contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via [www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data\\_request/cif](http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif))

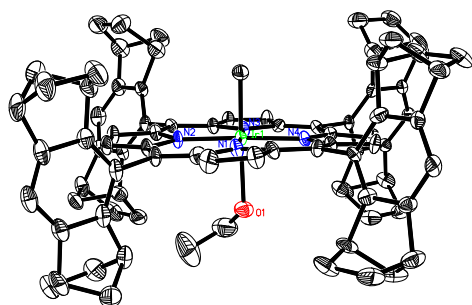


Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for cd201129.

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	102.4440(10)°	.	
	c = 14.3172(8) Å	• = 90°	.
Volume	3871.5(4) Å <sup>3</sup>		

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Z	2
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Independent reflections	14421 [R(int) = 0.0347]
Completeness to theta = 26.00°	99.6 %
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Max. and min. transmission	0.96 and 0.80
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	14421 / 20 / 865
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