Enantioselective synthesis of trifluoromethyl substituted

cyclohexanones via organocatalytic cascade Michael/Aldol reaction

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1. General methods

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Varian 400 MHz spectrometers. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm downfield from CDCl₃ (δ = 7.26 ppm) for ¹H NMR and relative to the central CDCl₃ resonance (δ = 77.0 ppm) for ¹³C NMR spectroscopy. Coupling constants (*J*) are given in Hz. ESI-HRMS spectrometer was measured with a Thermo Scientific LTQ Orbitrap XL mass spectrometer. Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC analysis on Chiralpak AS-H, AD-H, OD-H and OJ-H columns in comparison with the authentic racemates. Optical rotation data were recorded on Rudolph Autopol I automatic polarimeter. Commercial grade solvents were dried and purified by standard procedures as specified in Purification of Laboratory Chemicals, 4th Ed (Armarego, W. L. F.; Perrin, D. D. Butterworth Heinemann: 1997).

Primary amines C1-C4 were prepared according to literature procedures.¹

2. General procedure for the cascade Michael/aldol reaction

Ethyl 4,4,4-trifluoroacetoacetate **2a** (19.0 μ L, 0.13 mmol), β -naphthyl-substituted cinnamone **1a** (19.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), primary amine **C3** based on quinidine (6.5 mg, 0.02 mmol) and benzoic acid (3.7 mg, 0.03 mmol) were stirred in redistilled 1,2-dichloroethane (1 mL) at room temperature. After due reaction time, the reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether) to afford the desired adduct. Notably, all these diastereomers were readily separable *via* flash chromatography.



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-6-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3aa) (less polar): White solid; 47% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm):

7.86-7.79 (m, 3H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.51-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.96 (br s, 1H), 3.82-3.69 (m, 3H), 3.40 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.84-2.73 (m, 2H), 2.68 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 0.62 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 202.7, 173.5, 136.0, 133.3, 132.9, 128.8, 127.7, 127.6, 126.9, 126.5, 126.3, 124.7, 124.5 (q, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 285.2$ Hz), 76.5 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 29.0$ Hz), 61.7, 49.2, 47.1, 44.8, 43.1, 13.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.3; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₂₀H₂₀F₃O₄ 381.1308, found 381.1309; 95% ee was determined by HPLC on

AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, $t_{major} = 12.747$ min, $t_{minor} = 19.527$ min; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -26.6^\circ$ (c = 0.218, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-6-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3aa') (more polar): White solid; 47% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm):

7.82-7.78 (m, 3H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (dt, J = 13.6, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.92-3.84 (m, 1H), 382-3.74 (m, 1H), 3.69 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (br s, 1H), 2.74-2.65 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 2H), 0.76 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm): 205.5, 169.5, 136.8, 133.0, 132.2, 128.0, 127.8, 127.4, 126.3, 126.1, 126.0, 126.0 (q, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 285.1$ Hz), 125.4, 75.3 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 28.8$ Hz), 60.3, 49.8, 42.3, 40.4, 38.6, 13.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.5; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₂₀H₂₀F₃O₄ 381.1308, found 381.1305; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 15.757 min, t_{minor} = 21.817 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -53.8° (c = 0.346, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-6-phenyl-2-(tri-fluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ab) (less polar): White solid; 45% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): δ = 7.36-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 6.8

Hz, 2H), 4.90 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.57 (dt, J = 11.6, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (dd, J = 15.0, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 0.80 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 Hz, CD₃COCD₃) δ (ppm): 204.2, 174.3, 141.6, 130.2, 129.6, 129.2, 126.7 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 284.9$ Hz), 78.2 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 28.6$ Hz), 62.6, 50.8, 48.2, 46.5, 44.5, 14.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₈F₃O₄ 331.1152, found 331.1150; 96% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 9.830 min, t_{minor} = 14.350 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 21.3° (c = 0.280, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-6-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ab') (more polar): White solid; 53% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.33 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.96-3.83 (m, 3H), 3.57 (t, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (t, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (br s, 1H), 3.24 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (dd, J = 14.4, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 Hz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm): 205.5, 169.5, 139.2, 128.5, 127.31, 127.28, 124.9 (q, ¹J_{C-F} = 285.1 Hz), 75.2 (q, ²J_{C-F} = 28.7 Hz), 60.3, 49.7, 42.2, 40.3, 38.5, 13.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₈F₃O₄ 331.1152, found 331.1158; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 6.897 min, t_{minor} = 18.483 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 56.5° (c = 0.278, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ac) (less polar): White solid; 51% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm): 7.65 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41

(d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (br s, 1H), 4.21 (t, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.81-3.76 (m, 3H), 3.07 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (t, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 0.84 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 Hz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm): 203.9, 169.5, 138.3, 133.0, 129.5, 128.7, 128.4, 127.6, 124.9 (q, ¹ $_{JC-F} = 285.5$ Hz), 75.8 (q, ² $_{JC-F} = 28.5$ Hz), 60.0, 48.6, 46.1, 45.9, 36.6, 13.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.3; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁵ClF₃O₄ 365.0762, found 365.0765; calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁷ClF₃O₄ 367.0732, found 367.0734; 97% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 10.863 min, t_{major} = 12.037 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 22.9° (c = 0.188, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ac') (more polar): White solid; 46% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.43 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26-

7.24 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.15 (m, 1H), 4.38 (dt, J = 14.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.98-3.77 (m, 2H), 3.59 (t, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (dd, J = 14.6, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 0.91 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 206.8, 169.7, 135.8, 134.0, 130.0, 128.9, 127.5, 127.0, 124.3 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 283.9$ Hz), 76.5 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 29.9$ Hz), 61.0, 47.0,

43.3, 40.6, 36.1, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁵ClF₃O₄ 365.0762, found 365.0766; calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁷ClF₃O₄ 367.0732, found 367.0744; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 7.360 min, t_{minor} = 9.787 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 87.8° (*c* = 0.368, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ad) (less polar): White solid; 48% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm):

7.34-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 1H), 4.84 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.97-3.85 (m, 2H), 3.56 (td, J = 12.2, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.71-2.59 (m, 3H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 202.2, 173.2, 140.7, 134.7, 130.2, 128.2, 127.7, 125.9, 124.4 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 285.3$ Hz), 76.4 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 29.1$ Hz), 61.9, 49.1, 46.8, 44.7, 42.5, 13.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.3; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁵CIF₃O₄ 365.0762, found 365.0765; calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁷CIF₃O₄ 367.0732, found 367.0734; 95% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 7.777 min, t_{major} = 10.957 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 20.4° (*c* = 0.186, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ad') (more polar): White solid; 48% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm):

7.31-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.14-7.10 (m, 1H), 3.95 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (dt, J = 14.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (t, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (br s, 1H), 3.23 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (dd, J = 14.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 0.98 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 207.4, 169.7, 140.8, 134.6, 129.9, 127.9, 127.6, 125.6, 124.3 (q, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 283.9$ Hz), 76.4 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 29.9$ Hz), 61.2, 49.8, 43.2, 40.9, 39.4, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁵ClF₃O₄ 365.0762, found 365.0769; calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁷ClF₃O₄ 367.0732, found 367.0740; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 8.640 min, t_{minor} = 22.067 min; [α]_D²⁵= -56.1° (c = 0.180, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoro methyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ae) (less polar): White solid; 49% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.32

(d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.81 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.56 (td, J = 12.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.68-2.57 (m, 3H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 202.3, 173.2, 137.2, 133.9, 129.1, 128.9, 124.4 (q, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 285.1$ Hz), 76.4 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 28.9$ Hz), 61.9, 49.3, 46.9, 44.7, 42.3, 13.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.3; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁵ClF₃O₄ 365.0762, found 365.0767; calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁷ClF₃O₄ 367.0732, found 367.0734; 96% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 10.110 min, t_{major} = 13.047 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 21.4° (c = 0.154, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ae') (more polar): White solid; 49% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.31

(d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.00-3.79 (m, 4H), 3.55 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (dd, J = 14.2, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 0.97 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 207.2, 169.7, 137.2, 133.5, 128.9, 128.7, 124.2 (q, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 283.9$ Hz), 76.4 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 29.8$ Hz), 61.1, 49.9, 43.3, 41.0, 39.1, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁵ClF₃O₄ 365.0762, found 365.0765; calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇³⁷ClF₃O₄ 367.0732, found 367.0734; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (70/30), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 5.430 min, t_{minor} = 9.880 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 58.0° (c = 0.262, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane- 1-carboxylate (3af) (less polar): White solid; 49% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.22

(dd, J = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 4.83 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H),

3.57 (td, J = 12.2, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.69-2.57 (m, 3H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 202.4, 173.3, 162.3 (d, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 245.9$ Hz), 134.5 (d, ⁴ $J_{C-F} = 3.3$ Hz), 129.2 (d, ³ $J_{C-F} = 8.0$ Hz), 124.5 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 285.1$ Hz), 115.8 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 21.4$ Hz), 76.4 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 29.0$ Hz), 61.9, 49.5, 47.2, 44.7, 42.2, 13.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4, -113.8; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇F₄O₄ 349.1057, found 349.1057; 96% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 10.943 min, t_{major} = 14.413 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 18.1° (c = 0.574, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3af') (more polar): White solid; 49% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.18

(dd, J = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.97-3.86 (m, 3H), 3.71 (br s, 1H), 3.52 (t, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (dd, J = 14.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 0.94 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 207.2, 169.7, 162.1 (d, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 245.2$ Hz), 134.5 (d, ${}^{4}J_{C-F} = 3.2$ Hz), 128.9 (d, ${}^{3}J_{C-F} = 8.0$ Hz), 124.3 (q, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 283.9$ Hz), 115.6 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 21.3$ Hz), 76.4 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 29.9$ Hz), 61.1, 50.1, 43.3, 41.2, 39.0, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.5, -114.7; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇F₄O₄ 349.1057, found 349.1055; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (70/30), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 5.930 min, t_{minor} = 13.833 min; [α]_D²³ = -21.5° (c = 0.130, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(4-bromophenyl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ag) (less polar): White solid; 44% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.48

(d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.81 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.55 (td, J = 12.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.68-2.58 (m, 3H), 0.88 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 202.2, 173.2, 137.7, 132.0, 129.3, 124.4 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 285.0$ Hz), 121.9, 76.4 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 29.0$ Hz), 61.9, 49.2, 46.9, 44.7, 42.3, 13.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇⁷⁹BrF₃O₄ 409.0257, found 409.0255; calcd. for $C_{16}H_{17}^{81}BrF_{3}O_{4}$ 411.0236, found 411.0233; 96% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 10.237 min, t_{major} = 13.597 min; $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$ = -25.8° (*c* = 0.260, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(4-bromophenyl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ag') (more polar): White solid; 53% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.47

(d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.01-3.81 (m, 3H), 3.51 (t, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (s, 1H), 3.60 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (dd, J = 14.4, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 0.98 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 207.6, 169.7, 137.7, 131.8, 129.0, 124.3 (q, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 283.8$ Hz), 121.6, 76.4 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 29.8$ Hz), 61.2, 49.8, 43.2, 40.9, 39.2, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇⁷⁹BrF₃O₄ 409.0257, found 409.0261; calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇⁸¹BrF₃O₄ 411.0236, found 411.0256; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 10.280 min, t_{minor} = 20.227 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 64.4° (c = 0.246, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-6-(*p*-tolyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ah) (less polar): White solid; 45% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.14

(d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.89 (br s, 1H), 3.86 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.52 (td, *J* = 12.0, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 0.83 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 202.9, 173.5, 137.8, 135.7, 129.5, 127.4, 124.5 (q, ¹*J*_{C-F} = 285.2 Hz), 76.5 (q, ²*J*_{C-F} = 29.0 Hz), 61.7, 49.5, 47.2, 44.7, 42.5, 21.0, 13.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: $[M+H]^+$ calcd. for C₁₇H₂₀F₃O₄ 345.1308, found 345.1304; 96% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 9.570 min, t_{major} = 13.937 min; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -30.7° (*c* = 0.296, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-6-(*p*-tolyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl) cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ah') (more polar): White solid; 45%

yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.98-3.80 (m, 4H), 3.56 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (dd, J = 14.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 0.94 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 207.8, 169.9, 137.3, 135.7, 129.3, 127.2, 124.4 (q, ¹ $_{JC-F} = 284.2$ Hz), 76.5 (q, ² $_{JC-F} = 30.0$ Hz), 60.9, 50.2, 43.3, 41.3, 39.4, 21.0, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₇H₂₀F₃O₄ 345.1308, found 345.1309; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 9.607 min, t_{minor} = 20.573 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 65.4° (*c* = 0.246, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ai) (less polar): White solid; 41% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm):

7.15 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.87 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.52 (dt, J = 11.6, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.69-2.58 (m, 3H), 0.86 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 202.9, 173.5, 159.2, 130.7 128.6, 124.5 (q, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 285.2$ Hz), 114.2, 76.4 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 28.8$ Hz), 61.7, 55.3, 49.6, 47.4, 44.7, 42.1, 13.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₇H₂₀F₃O₅ 361.1257, found 361.1258; 98% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 13.100 min, t_{major} = 23.867 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -31.1° (*c* = 0.254, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ai') (more polar): White solid; 41% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm):

7.13 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.98-3.81 (m, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.52 (t, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (br s, 1H), 2.61 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (dd, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 0.97 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 207.9, 169.9, 158.9, 130.7, 128.3, 124.3 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 284.9$ Hz), 114.0, 76.4 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 28.7$

Hz), 61.0, 55.3, 50.2, 43.3, 41.4, 39.0, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.5; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₇H₂₀F₃O₅ 361.1257, found 361.1256; 95% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 10.553 min, t_{minor} = 14.653 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 59.5° (*c* = 0.242, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-6-(naphthalen-1-yl)-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl) cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3aj) (less polar): White solid; 59% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 8.07 (d,

 $J = 8.4 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, 7.86 \text{ (d, } J = 8.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, 7.80 \text{ (d, } J = 8.4 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 7.61 \text{ (d, } J = 6.8 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 7.56-7.49 \text{ (m, } 3\text{H}), 4.95 \text{ (d, } J = 2.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 4.63 \text{ (td, } J = 12.6, 4.4 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 3.69 \text{ (q, } J = 7.0 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 3.54 \text{ (d, } J = 12.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 2.92 \text{ (dd, } J = 15.0, 1.8 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 2.81 \text{ (ddd, } J = 15.0, 4.2, 2.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 2.72 \text{ (dd, } J = 14.8, 2.4 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 2.70 \text{ (d, } J = 13.6 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 0.61 \text{ (t, } J = 7.2 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H}); {}^{13}\text{C} \text{ NMR} (100 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta \text{ (ppm)}: 202.9, 173.3, 135.1, 133.9, 130.9, 128.8, 128.3, 127.4 \text{ (q, } {}^{1}J_{C-F} = 285.4 \text{ Hz}), 126.7, 126.0, 125.1, 124.3, 122.3, 76.7 \text{ (q, } {}^{2}J_{C-F} = 28.9 \text{ Hz}), 61.8, 48.8, 47.7, 44.8, 35.8, 13.1; {}^{19}\text{F} \text{ NMR} (376 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta \text{ (ppm)}: -81.3; \text{ESI-HRMS: [M+H]^+ calcd. for C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_3\text{O}_4 381.1308, found 381.1309; 92\% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/$ *i* $-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 8.283 \text{ min, } t_{minor} = 11.070 \text{ min; } [\alpha]_D^{25} = 6.4^{\circ} (c = 0.264, \text{CHCl}_3).$



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-6-(naphthalen-1-yl)-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3aj') (more polar): White solid; 40% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 8.07 (d,

J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (dt, J = 13.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.90-3.74 (m, 4H), 3.65 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 2H), 3.48 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (dd, J = 14.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (dd, J = 14.0, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 0.77 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 208.6, 169.8, 134.2, 133.9, 130.9, 129.1, 128.3, 126.9, 125.8, 125.0, 124.4 (q, ¹ $_{JC-F} = 283.8$ Hz), 123.5, 122.2, 76.7 (q, ² $_{JC-F} = 29.8$ Hz), 60.8, 48.5, 43.9, 41.4, 34.7, 13.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.3; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₂₀H₂₀F₃O₄ 381.1308, found 381.1307; 95% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{maior} = 5.920 min, t_{minor} = 7.757 min; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -121.6° (c = 0.334, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(furan-2-yl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl) cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ak) (less polar): White solid; 46% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.39 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.29 (dd, *J* =

3.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 4.86 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.71 (dt, J = 12.4, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.84-2.77 (m, 2H), 2.70 (ddd, J = 15.2, 4.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (dd, J = 15.2, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 1.07 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 202.3, 173.6, 151.7, 142.7, 124.4 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 285.2$ Hz), 110.2, 107.3, 76.1 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 29.0$ Hz), 62.0, 47.8, 44.6, 44.2, 36.5, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.3; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₄H₁₆F₃O₅ 321.0944, found 321.0948; 96% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 10.600 min, t_{major} = 12.030 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -37.7° (*c* = 0.236, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-(furan-2-yl)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl) cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3ak') (more polar): White solid; 50% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.36 (app s, 1H), 6.30 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz,

1H), 6.09 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (dt, J = 13.6, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (dd, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.29 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 2H), 1.08 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 206.5, 169.7, 152.8, 142.1, 124.3 (q, $J_{C-F} = 283.4$ Hz), 110.2, 106.4, 76.2 (q, $J_{C-F} = 31.5$ Hz), 61.2, 47.4, 43.3, 40.0, 34.1, 13.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.5; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₄H₁₆F₃O₅ 321.0944, found 321.0947; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 4.810 min, t_{major} = 6.150 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -60.4° (c = 0.264, CHCl₃).



= 4.4 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (dd, J = 4.8, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.02-3.90 (m, 3H), 3.19 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.87-2.81 (m, 2H), 2.70 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (dd, J = 15.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 0.97 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 201.8, 173.3, 142.3, 126.7, 125.7, 125.0, 124.3 (q, ¹ J_{C-F} = 285.2 Hz), 76.1 (q, ² J_{C-F} = 29.2 Hz), 61.9, 51.0, 48.0, 44.6, 38.3, 13.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.2; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₄H₁₆F₃O₄S 337.0716, found 337.0718; 94% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 12.353 min, t_{major} = 14.537 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -15.6° (c = 0.256, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-6-(thiophen-2-yl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3al') (more polar): White solid; 44% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.22 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t, *J* =

4.4 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (td, J = 13.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.03-3.96 (m, 2H), 3.55-3.44 (m, 3H), 3.35 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.71 (dd, J = 14.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 1.04 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 207.0, 169.8, 142.3, 126.8, 124.7, 124.5, 124.2 (q, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 284.0$ Hz), 76.2 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 30.0$ Hz), 61.3, 50.3, 43.1, 42.7, 35.6, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₄H₁₆F₃O₄S 337.0716, found 337.0719; 98% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 5.110 min, t_{major} = 5.883 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 33.2° (*c* = 0.226, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-6-methyl-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl) cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3am) (less polar): White solid; 45% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 4.68 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.32-4.24 (m, 2H),

2.74-2.69 (m, 2H), 2.55-2.43 (m, 3H), 2.13 (t, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 1.33 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.07 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 203.3, 174.3, 124.5 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 285.2$ Hz), 76.5 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 28.8$ Hz), 62.1, 49.8, 47.5, 44.6, 31.7, 19.5, 13.9; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₁H₁₆F₃O₄ 269.0995, found 269.0991; after derivation to compound **6m**, 99% ee was determined by HPLC on IC-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 7.023 min, t_{minor} = 11.190 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 12.1°



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-6-methyl-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl) cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3am') (more polar): White solid; 50% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 4.19 (q, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.04 (br s, 1H), 3.29 (d,

J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.78-2.62 (m, 2H), 2.53 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 208.1, 170.4, 124.4 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 283.8$ Hz), 76.4 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 29.7$ Hz), 61.2, 48.5, 44.1, 42.9, 29.5, 18.2, 14.0; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.7; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₁H₁₆F₃O₄ 269.0995, found 269.0996; after derivation to compound **6m'**, 99% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (95/5), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 6.243 min, t_{major} = 12.167 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -7.6° (c = 0.170, CHCl₃).



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Ethyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-6-butyl-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl) cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3an) (less polar): White solid; 47% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 4.66 (br s, 1H), 4.27 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H),

2.82 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (dd, J = 14.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.41-2.38 (m, 1H), 2.07 (t, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 1.37-1.24 (m, 9H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 203.7, 174.4, 124.5 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 285.2$ Hz), 76.5 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 28.7$ Hz), 62.0, 48.5, 44.7, 44.5, 35.9, 33.0, 27.4, 22.4, 13.8, 13.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₄H₂₂F₃O₄ 311.1465, found 311.1469; after derivation to compound **6n**, 95% ee was determined by HPLC on IC-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 5.743 min, t_{minor} = 9.017 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -7.0° (*c* = 0.242, CHCl₃).



3.34 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (t, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 2.55-2.49 (m, 2H),

2.35 (dd, J = 15.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.35-1.25 (m, 9H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 208.2, 170.4, 124.5 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 284.0$ Hz), 76.4 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 29.7$ Hz), 61.1, 47.0, 43.3, 42.8, 34.6, 32.8, 28.8, 22.5, 14.0, 13.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.6; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₄H₂₂F₃O₄ 311.1465, found 311.1466; after derivation to compound **6n**², 99% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (95/5), 1.0 mL/min, UV 254 nm, t_{minor} = 5.090 min, t_{major} = 10.680 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -4.9° (c = 1.072, CHCl₃).



Methyl (1*R*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-6-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl) cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3bb) (less polar): White solid; 58% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.36-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz,

2H), 4.77 (br s, 1H), 3.61-3.54 (m, 1H), 3.37 (s, 3H), 3.27 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (dd, J = 14.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 214.0, 202.8, 138.7, 129.4, 128.3, 127.5, 124.7 (q, $1J_{C-F} = 285.4$ Hz), 77.6 (q, J = 28.8 Hz), 53.9, 46.8, 45.1, 43.7, 33.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.5; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₅H₁₆F₃O₄ 317.0995, found 317.0999; 94% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 12.403 min, t_{major} = 18.223 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -41.3° (c = 0.092, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*S*, 2*S*, 6*S*)-2-hydroxy-4-oxo-6-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl) cyclohexane-1-carboxylate (3bb') (more polar): White solid; 41% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 7.2

Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.88 (dt, J = 14.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (t, J = 14.2 Hz, 2H), 3.50 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 3.26 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (dd, J = 14.4, 4.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm): 205.3, 170.1, 139.3, 128.6, 127.4, 127.1, 124.9 (q, ${}^{1}J_{C-F} = 285.1$ Hz), 75.2 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 28.6$ Hz), 51.7, 49.9, 42.2, 40.4, 38.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.7; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₅H₁₆F₃O₄ 317.0995, found 317.0998; 98% ee was determined by HPLC on AS-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 8.377 min, t_{minor} = 17.613 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 71.2° (*c* = 0.198, CHCl₃).

3. General procedure for the cascade Michael/aldol condensation

Ethyl 4,4,4-trifluoroacetoacetate **2a** (19.0 μ L, 0.13 mmol), β -naphthyl-substituted cinnamone **1a** (19.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), quinine-derived **C1** (6.5 mg, 0.02 mmol) and trifluoroacetic acid (3.0 μ L, 0.04 mmol) were successively added to a 4 mL vial. After dissolved in toluene (1 mL), the resulting mixture was stirred at 40 °C for due time, and then the reaction mixture was directly subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether) to afford the corresponding products **3** and **4**.



cyclohex-2-ene-1-carboxylate (4aa): Colourless oil; 52% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.87-7.80 (m, 3H), 7.63 (s,

Ethyl (1R, 6R)-6-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-oxo-2-(trifluoromethyl)

1H), 7.53-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.36 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 3.91-3.83 (m, 1H), 3.78-3.70 (m, 1H), 3.62 (dd, J = 16.6, 14.2 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (dd, J = 16.8, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 0.71 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 197.2, 168.2, 143.0 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 31.0$ Hz), 135.8, 133.2, 132.8, 130.4 (q, ³ $J_{C-F} = 4.8$ Hz), 128.5, 127.8, 127.6, 126.5, 126.3, 125.7, 125.3, 122.5 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 272.9$ Hz), 62.8, 61.6, 46.1, 42.6, 37.6, 13.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -69.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₂₀H₁₈F₃O₃ 363.1203, found 363.1206; 89% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (70/30), 1.0 mL/min, UV 254 nm, t_{major} = 8.450 min, t_{minor} = 21.387 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -30.6° (c = 0.098, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*R*)-5-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,2,5,6-tetrahydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-carboxylate (4ab): Colourless oil; 58% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.39-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.61

(s, 1H), 3.97-3.89 (m, 2H), 3.87-3.79 (m, 1H), 3.76-3.69 (m, 2H), 3.53-3.44 (m, 1H), 2.67 (dd, J = 16.8, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 0.89 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 197.2, 168.1, 142.9 (q, ² $_{J_{C-F}} = 31.8$ Hz), 138.3, 130.3 (q, ³ $_{J_{C-F}} = 4.8$ Hz), 128.7, 128.0, 127.1, 122.4 (q, ¹ $_{J_{C-F}} = 272.9$ Hz), 61.5, 46.2, 42.4, 37.4, 13.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -69.5; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₆F₃O₃ 313.1046, found 313.1048; 92% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 7.876 min, t_{minor} =

12.867 min; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -15.9^\circ$ (*c* = 0.434, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*R*)-3'-chloro-5-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,2,5,6-tetrahydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-carboxylate (4ad): Colourless oil; 51% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.31 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H),

7.21 (s, 1H), 7.14-7.09 (m, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 4.01-3.95 (m, 1H), 3.93-3.86 (m, 1H), 3.72-3.66 (m, 2H), 3.47-3.38 (m, 1H), 2.66 (dd, J = 16.6, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 196.5, 167.9, 142.7 (q,² $J_{C-F} = 32.0$ Hz), 140.4, 134.7, 130.3 (q,³ $J_{C-F} = 4.8$ Hz), 130.1, 128.2, 127.4, 125.4, 122.3 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 273.0$ Hz), 61.8, 45.9, 42.1, 37.3, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -69.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₅³⁵ClF₃O₃ 347.0656, found 347.0659; calcd. for C₁₆H₁₅³⁷ClF₃O₃ 349.0627, found 347.0629; 96% ee was determined by HPLC on OJ-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 7.760 min, t_{minor} = 10.320 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -31.8° (*c* = 0.088, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*R*)-4'-bromo-5-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,2,5,6-tetrahydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-carboxylate (4ag): Colourless oil; 55% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H),

7.10 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 4.01-3.93 (m, 1H), 3.90-3.82 (m, 1H), 3.71-3.65 (m, 2H), 3.47-3.38 (m, 1H), 2.64 (dd, J = 16.0, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 196.6, 167.9, 142.8 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 32.0$ Hz), 137.4, 131.9, 130.3 (q, ³ $J_{C-F} = 4.7$ Hz), 128.8, 122.3 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 273.0$ Hz), 122.0, 61.8, 45.9, 41.9, 37.3, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -69.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₅⁷⁹BrF₃O₃ 391.0151, found 391.0154; calcd. for C₁₆H₁₅⁸¹BrF₃O₃ 393.0131, found 313.0135; 96% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 7.737 min, t_{minor} = 10.890 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 21.6° (c = 0.278, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*R*)-4'-methyl-5-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,2,5,6-tetrahydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-carboxylate (4ah): Colourless oil; 55% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 3.99-3.91 (m, 1H), 3.89-3.81 (m, 1H), 3.70-3.65 (m, 2H), 3.50-3.41 (m, 1H), 2.67-2.62 (m, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 197.4, 168.2, 143.0 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 31.8$ Hz), 137.7, 135.3, 130.3 (q, ³ $J_{C-F} = 4.8$ Hz), 129.4, 126.9, 122.4 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 272.9$ Hz), 61.6, 46.2, 42.1, 37.5, 21.0, 13.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -69.5; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₇H₁₈F₃O₃ 327.1203, found 327.1203; 92% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 8.197 min, t_{minor} = 11.483 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -29.7° (*c* = 0.232, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 2*R*)-4'-methoxy-5-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,2,5,6tetrahydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-carboxylate (4ai): Colourless oil; 69% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm):

7.13 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 4.01-3.93 (m, 1H), 3.90-3.82 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.69-3.62 (m, 2H), 3.47-3.39 (m, 1H), 2.66-2.61 (m, 1H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 197.4, 168.3, 159.2, 143.0 (q, ² $_{C-F} = 31.8$ Hz), 130.4, 130.3 (q, ³ $_{J-F} = 4.7$ Hz), 128.2, 122.5 (q, ¹ $_{J-F} = 272.8$ Hz), 114.1, 61.6, 55.3, 46.4, 41.8, 37.8, 13.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -69.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₇H₁₈F₃O₄ 343.1152, found 343.1152; 91% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 8.010 min, t_{major} = 9.170 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -29.7° (*c* = 0.564, CHCl₃).



Ethyl (1*R*, 6*R*)-4-oxo-6-(thiophen-2-yl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)cyclohex- 2ene-1-carboxylate (4al): Colourless oil; 49% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.28 (dd, J = 5.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (dd, J = 5.2, 3.6 Hz,

1H), 6.93 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 4.05-3.91 (m, 3H), 3.80 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (dd, J = 17.2, 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (dd, J = 17.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.01 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 196.2, 167.9, 142.6 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 32.1$ Hz), 141.7, 130.3 (q, ³ $J_{C-F} = 4.8$ Hz), 126.9, 124.88, 124.85, 122.3 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 272.9$ Hz), 61.9, 46.6, 38.9, 38.1, 13.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -69.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₄H₁₄F₃O₃S 319.0610, found 319.0611; 84% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0

mL/min, UV 210 nm, $t_{minor} = 7.697 \text{ min}$, $t_{major} = 8.257 \text{ min}$; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -20.0^{\circ}$ (c = 0.170, CHCl₃).



(t, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (d, J = 17.6 Hz, 1H), 2.36-2.33 (m, 1H), 1.48-1.33 (m, 6H), 1.27 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 197.7, 168.5, 143.6 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 31.6$ Hz), 130.2 (q, ³ $J_{C-F} = 5.2$ Hz), 122.5 (d, ¹J = 272.8 Hz), 61.8, 43.2, 39.4, 37.7, 32.9, 28.5, 22.5, 14.1, 13.9; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -69.8; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₄H₂₀F₃O₃ 293.1359, found 293.1354; 90% ee was determined by HPLC on IC-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (95/5), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 5.760 min, t_{major} = 7.067 min; [α]_D²⁵ = 21.8° (c = 0.752, CHCl₃).

4. General procedure for the syntheses of 5 and 5'

m-CPBA (20.4 mg, 0.8 mmol) was added to a solvent of **3ab** (66.1 mg, 0.2 mmol) in DCE (2 mL). The mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 120 h and then cooled to room temperature. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether) to afford the desired lactone **5**.

Ethyl (3R, 4R, 5R)-5-hydroxy-7-oxo-3-phenyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)oxepane-4-carboxylate (5) :



White solid; 50% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.36-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 4.57 (dd, J = 13.2, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (dd, J = 13.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (d, J = 13.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (d, J = 13.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (d, J = 13.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (d, J = 13.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (d, J = 13.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2

14.0 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 2H), 0.74 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 173.2, 167.9, 137.1, 129.1, 128.4, 127.7, 124.8 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 286.6$ Hz), 73.1 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 28.2$ Hz), 70.5, 61.8, 52.6, 45.4, 38.0, 13.1; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -80.7; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₈F₃O₅ 347.1101, found 347.1107; 97% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 7.843 min, t_{minor} = 9.650 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -45.4° (c = 0.438, CHCl₃).

Ehyl (3R, 4S, 5R)-5-hydroxy-7-oxo-3-phenyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)oxepane-4-carboxylate (5'):



White solid; 45% yield purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.32-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.06 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 5.68 (dd, J = 12.8, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (br s, 1H), 4.38 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.95-3.77 (m, 3H), 3.28 (d, J = 4.0

Hz, 1H), 3.03 (dd, J = 14.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 0.90 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 170.8, 170.3, 138.5, 128.8, 127.6, 127.4, 124.5 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 285.4$ Hz), 72.2 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 29.2$ Hz), 67.2, 61.0, 51.7, 41.7, 36.8, 13.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.4; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₆H₁₈F₃O₅ 347.1101, found 347.1109; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (80/20), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 4.883 min, t_{major} = 5.740 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -99.7° (c = 0.302, CHCl₃).

5. General procedure for the syntheses of 6 and 6'

After **3am** (53.6 mg, 0.2 mmol) and malononitrile (16.5 mg, 0.25 mmol) were dissolved in MeOH (1 mL), DABCO (4.5 mg, 0.04 mmol) was added in one portion at room temperature. Once **3am** was completely consumed as detected by TLC after 20 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether) to afford the desired adduct.

Ethyl (1R, 2R, 6R)-4-(dicyanomethylene)-2-hydroxy-6-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl) cyclo-



2.34-2.23 (m, 1H), 2.11 (t, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 1.31 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.12 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 174.0, 173.6, 124.4 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 285.6$ Hz), 110.9, 110.7, 87.5, 75.9 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 28.6$ Hz), 62.4, 49.8, 40.2, 37.6, 33.1, 19.3, 13.9; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.3; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₄H₁₆F₃N₂O₃ 317.1108, found 317.1109; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on IC-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 7.023 min, t_{minor} = 11.190 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -43.6° (c = 0.762, CHCl₃).



(t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.08 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 178.7, 170.0, 124.3 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 284.2$ Hz), 111.2, 111.0, 86.2, 75.7 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 29.6$ Hz), 61.5, 48.6, 36.5, 35.4, 30.4, 18.1, 14.0; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.3; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₄H₁₆F₃N₂O₃ 317.1108, found 317.1106; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (95/5), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{minor} = 6.243 min, t_{major} = 12.167 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -1.5° (c = 0.522, CHCl₃).



0.8 Hz, 1H), 2.25-2.17 (m, 1H), 2.07 (t, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 1.47-1.23 (m, 9H), 0.90 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 174.5, 173.7, 124.4 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 285.6$ Hz), 110.9, 110.8, 87.5, 76.0 (q, ² $J_{C-F} = 28.6$ Hz), 62.4, 48.3, 37.8, 37.6, 37.4, 32.7, 27.3, 22.5, 13.8, 13.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.3; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₇H₂₂F₃N₂O₃ 359.1577, found 359.1583; 95% ee was determined by HPLC on IC-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (90/10), 1.0 mL/min, UV 210 nm, t_{major} = 5.743 min, t_{minor} = 9.017 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -30.6° (*c* = 1.104, CHCl₃).



1H), 3.33 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (dd, J = 15.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (t, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 2.34-2.29 (m, 1H), 1.34-1.24 (m, 9H), 0.89 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 179.1, 170.1, 124.4 (q, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 284.4$ Hz), 111.2, 111.0,

86.1, 75.6 (q, ${}^{2}J_{C-F} = 29.7$ Hz), 61.4, 46.8, 35.7, 35.5, 35.3, 32.6, 28.6, 22.4, 13.9, 13.8; ${}^{19}F$ NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): -81.3; ESI-HRMS: [M+H]⁺ calcd. for C₁₇H₂₂F₃N₂O₃ 359.1577, found 359.1570; 99% ee was determined by HPLC on OD-H column, hexane/*i*-propanol (95/5), 1.0 mL/min, UV 254 nm, t_{minor} = 5.090 min, t_{major} = 10.680 min; [α]_D²⁵ = -11.4° (*c* = 0.140, CHCl₃).

6. X-ray crystallographic analysis of 3ac (CCDC 1973697)



Identification code	lq-0903-2
Empirical formula	$C_{16}H_{16}ClF_3O_4$
Formula weight	364.74
Temperature/K	297.60(10)
Crystal system	orthorhombic
Space group	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁
a/Å	5.6493(2)
b/Å	14.4444(7)
c/Å	21.6781(9)
α/°	90
β/°	90
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	1768.95(14)
Ζ	4
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.370
µ/mm ⁻¹	2.351
F(000)	752.0
Crystal size/mm ³	$0.7\times0.5\times0.4$

Radiation	$CuK\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184)$
2Θ range for data collection/	° 10.204 to 144.884
Index ranges	$-4 \le h \le 6, -16 \le k \le 17, -25 \le l \le 26$
Reflections collected	9792
Independent reflections	3423 [$R_{int} = 0.0337$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0281$]
Data/restraints/parameters	3423/0/240
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.034
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0765, wR_2 = 0.1951$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0830, wR_2 = 0.2084$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å-	³ 0.48/-0.80
Flack parameter	0.012(12)

7. X-ray crystallographic analysis of 3al' (CCDC 1973712)



α/°	90
β/°	103.086(6)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	1540.78(16)
Z	4
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.450
µ/mm ⁻¹	2.323
F(000)	696.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.5 imes 0.4 imes 0.2
Radiation	$CuK\alpha$ ($\lambda = 1.54184$)
2Θ range for data collection/	° 8.504 to 146.662
Index ranges	$-21 \le h \le 21, -6 \le k \le 6, -19 \le l \le 19$
Reflections collected	8038
Independent reflections	2763 [$R_{int} = 0.0615$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0476$]
Data/restraints/parameters	2763/1/201
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.052
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0831, wR_2 = 0.2220$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0851, wR_2 = 0.2261$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å-	³ 0.59/-0.51
Flack parameter	0.02(3)

8. Reference

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9. NMR spectra and HPLC chromatograms of products























Integration Results							
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.
1		16.097	525.627	258.600	49.14	52.14	n.a.
2		21.843	543.979	237.400	50.86	47.86	n.a.
Total:			1069.606	496.000	100.00	100.00	



Integration Results							
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.
1		15.757	1992.206	1019.377	99.50	99.12	n.a.
2		21.817	10.026	9.101	0.50	0.88	n.a.
Total:			2002.232	1028.478	100.00	100.00	

























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Integration Results							
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.
1		7.460	138.157	382.854	49.17	57.88	n.a.
2		9.727	142.802	278.552	50.83	42.12	n.a.
Total:			280.960	661.406	100.00	100.00	



Integration Results								
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount	
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.	
1		7.360	1202.179	2235.219	99.58	99.57	n.a.	
2		9.787	5.022	9.682	0.42	0.43	n.a.	
Total:			1207.201	2244.902	100.00	100.00		







































Integration Results								
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount	
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.	
1		5.413	466.895	1573.380	50.06	62.10	n.a.	
2		9.780	465.817	960.250	49.94	37.90	n.a.	
Total:		ing and a second se	932.711	2533.630	100.00	100.00		







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No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.
1		5.917	494.140	1311.236	49.75	64.59	n.a.
2		13.673	499.072	718.805	50.25	35.41	n.a.
Total:			993.212	2030.041	100.00	100.00	











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Total:

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Integration Results								
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount	
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.	
1		10.573	79.179	221.792	49.48	51.64	n.a.	
2		12.347	80.834	207.677	50.52	48.36	n.a.	
Total:			160.013	429.469	100.00	100.00		



Integration Results								
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount	
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.	
1		10.600	25.404	68.630	2.24	3.24	n.a.	
2		12.030	1108.243	2047.450	97.76	96.76	n.a.	
Total:			1133.648	2116.080	100.00	100.00		

































86.284

172.412

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Total:

50.05

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Integration Results								
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount	
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.	
1		5.110	4.488	14.431	0.98	1.13	n.a.	
2		5.883	455.499	1259.104	99.02	98.87	n.a.	
Total:			459.987	1273.535	100.00	100.00		









































































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Total:

1205.713

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Integ	Integration Results									
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %	Relative Height %	Amount n.a.			
1		7.713	298.710	1278.968	58.09	58.32	n.a.			
2		8.283	215.483	913.905	41.91	41.68	n.a.			
Total:	5		514.193	2192.873	100.00	100.00				



Integration Results									
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount		
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.		
1		7.697	28.705	122.029	7.88	7.96	n.a.		
2		8.257	335.510	1411.506	92.12	92.04	n.a.		
Total:			364.215	1533.534	100.00	100.00			













Chromatogram								
250	2 IPA20%-60min-自	动 #105 [manipulated]	yhz-bv-	ph-xia-xxt-od		UV_VIS_1 W	VL:210 nm	
200 200 150 (NYW) 90 to 0 50 0 -50		Ph CO ₂ Et		1 - 7.703) ^{2 - 9.370}			
	0.0 2.0	4.0	6.0 Tim	8.0 e [min]	10.0	12.0	14.0 14.6	
Integ	ration Results							
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount	
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.	
1		7.703	77.869	215.053	50.37	52.49	n.a.	
2		9.370	76.717	194.680	49.63	47.51	n.a.	
Total:			154.585	409.733	100.00	100.00	1.	

















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Integr	ntegration Results									
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount			
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.			
1		7.107	261.656	708.954	50.49	53.84	n.a.			
2		11.203	256.619	607.863	49.51	46.16	n.a.			
Total:			518.276	1316.817	100.00	100.00				



Integr	Integration Results									
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount			
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.			
1		7.023	1107.417	2698.715	99.45	99.40	n.a.			
2		11.190	6.161	16.168	0.55	0.60	n.a.			
Total:			1113.577	2714.883	100.00	100.00	29310 Car.			















Integr	ation Results						
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.
1		5.783	329.299	888.155	50.46	51.25	n.a.
2		9.020	323.347	844.941	49.54	48.75	n.a.
Total:			652.646	1733.096	100.00	100.00	12.1.1.1

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Integration Results								
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time	Area	Height	Relative Area	Relative Height	Amount	
		min	mAU*min	mAU	%	%	n.a.	
1		5.743	662.293	1847.513	97.48	97.45	n.a.	
2		9.017	17.090	48.332	2.52	2.55	n.a.	
Total:			679.383	1895.845	100.00	100.00		







