Supplementary Information

Peroxide- and Transition Metal-free Electrochemical Synthesis of α,β -Epoxy Ketones

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1. General information

Electrochemical reactions were carried out in undivided cells under air. All air- and water-sensitive reactions were carried out under a nitrogen or argon atmosphere with dry solvents under anhydrous conditions, unless otherwise noted. Reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) carried out on 0.25 mm silica gel plates (60F-254) that were analyzed by fluorescence upon 254 nm irradiation or by staining with KMnO₄ (200 mL H₂O of 1.5 g of KMnO₄, 10 g of K₂CO₃, and 1.25 mL of 10% aqueous NaOH). Silica gel (60, particle size 0.040 - 0.063 mm) was used for flash column chromatography. All the chemicals were purchased commercially and used without further purification. Anhydrous THF was distilled from sodium and benzophenone. Yields refer to the isolated yields after silica gel flash column chromatography, unless otherwise stated. NMR spectra were recorded on either a 400 MHz (¹H, 400 MHz; ¹³C, 101 MHz) or 500 MHz (¹H, 500 MHz; ¹³C, 126 MHz) or 600 MHz (¹H, 600 MHz; ¹³C, 151 MHz) Bruker AVANCE III spectrometer. The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad. High-resolution mass spectra (HR-MS) were obtained from a MALDI-TOF mass spectrometer. All the IR spectra were recorded with a FTIR spectrometer.

Table S1. Scope of the ketone substrates



Table S2. Scope of the aldehyde substrates



2. General procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones



The electrolysis was carried out under constant current conditions in an undivided cell under air, with a graphite rodlike anode and cathode (4 mm × 6 cm). Ketone **a** (3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), aldehyde **b** (3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), KI (6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and KOH (0.6 mmol, 0.2 equiv.) were dissolved in a THF (15 mL) / H_2O (15 mL) mixture. Electrolysis was performed at rt (25 °C) with a constant current of 10 mA maintained for 4–12 h. The reaction was monitored by TLC. After electrolysis, electrodes were moved out and washed with ethanol (2 × 50 mL) in an ultrasonic bath. The reaction mixture was extracted by ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic phases were washed by saturated Na₂S₂O₃ aqueous solution (45 mL) followed by saturated NaCl aqueous solution (45 mL) and was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc) of the residue provided the product **c** and **d**.

Phenyl(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (1c, d)

The compound was synthesized from **1a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **1c** (a white solid, 298 mg, 44%) and *cis*-product **1d** (a white solid, 213 mg, 32%). *Trans*-product **1c**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (s, 2H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.50 (s, 2H), 7.47 – 7.33 (m, 5H), 4.31 (s, 1H), 4.09 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.1, 135.5, 134.0, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.3, 125.8, 61.0, 59.4. IR (ATR): 3070, 3041, 3025, 2926, 2852, 1688, 1595, 1452, 1413, 1231, 1180, 1004, 889, 751, 697, 668, 591, 527cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₂NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 247.0735, found: 247.0733. *Cis*-product **1d**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.19 (m, 3H), 4.51 (s, 1H), 4.51 (s, 1H). IR (ATR): 2961, 2926, 2859, 1682, 1452, 1231, 981, 911, 751, 738, 694, 652, 531 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₂NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 247.0735, found: 247.0732.

The assignment for the *trans*- and *cis*-epoxide is based the shielding effects of aromatic ring^{1,2} that lead to the difference of chemical shifts between H_A and H_B . As shown below, H_A of the *trans*-product was influenced by the shielding impact of the neighbouring aromatic ring more than that in the cis-product, which shifts the signal to a more upfield region. In the ¹H NMR spectrum, the signal of H_A and H_B in (±)-**1c** are at 4.09 and 4.31 ppm (the difference is 0.21 ppm), while in (±)-**1d**, the signal of H_A and H_B overlap at 4.49 ppm due to their similar chemical environment. This observation is consistent with analysis of shielding effects and NMR data are consistent with that reported in the literature^{3,4}. In general, the chemical shift differences between H_A and H_B of the *trans*-products are higher than 0.1 ppm (0.14 – 0.31 ppm) and that in the *cis*-product are less than 0.1 ppm (0.00 – 0.09 ppm). For **7c** and **7d**, the chemical shift differences are similar, and they were assigned based on the order of elution in column chromatography (the *trans*-products have higher R_f values in all the cases).



Table S3. Chemical shifts of epoxide protons in the literature

Compound	mpound Chemical shifts of epoxide protons in the literature	
1c	4.30, 4.07	3
1d	4.51, 4.49	4
3c	4.30, 4.07	5
4c	4.44, 4.15	6
11c	4.31, 4.00	7
	4.31, 4.01	8
18c	4.32, 4.06	9
21c	4.40, 4.24	10
23c	4.19, 4.00	11
24c	4.26, 4.06	12
25c	4.26, 4.06	13
29c	4.16, 4.02	14

(3-Phenyloxiran-2-yl)(o-tolyl)methanone (2c)

The compound was synthesized from **2a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **2c** (a white solid, 536 mg, 75%). *Trans*-product **2c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.4, 138.9, 135.4, 132.9, 131.9, 129.1, 128.4, 128.1, 126.5, 125.6, 61.7, 59.0, 20.4. IR (ATR): 2967, 2929, 1685, 1452, 1221, 975, 914, 748, 703, 652, 534, 460 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₁₄NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 261.0891, found: 261.0889.

(4-Isobutylphenyl)(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (3c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **3a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrosynthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **3c** (a colorless oil, 463 mg, 55%) and *cis*-product **3d** (a colorless oil, 67 mg, 8%). *Trans*-product **3c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 5H), 7.16 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 4.21 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.84-1.77 (m, 1H), 0.81 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H). ¹³C[¹H] NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.6, 147.7, 134.6, 132.2, 128.5, 127.9, 127.7, 127.3, 124.7, 59.9, 58.2, 44.4, 29.0, 21.2. IR (ATR): 3030, 2969, 2931, 1688, 1451, 1375, 1211, 977, 928, 748, 733, 653, 534, 512, 459 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₉H₂₀NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 303.1361, found: 303.1366. *Cis*-product **3d**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.09 (m, 7H), 4.41 (s, 1H), 4.41 (s, 1H), 2.47 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.86 – 1.75 (m, 1H), 0.83 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 0.80 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C[¹H NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.8, 149.3, 133.3, 133.0, 129.7, 129.4, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 126.5, 60.9, 58.7, 45.5, 30.0, 22.3. IR (ATR): 2965, 2930, 1683, 1449, 1355, 1219, 969, 925, 744, 719, 638, 527, 457 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₉H₂₀NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 303.1361, found: 303.1364. The NMR data of **3c** is consistent with that reported in the literature.⁵

Naphthalen-2-yl(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (4c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **4a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **3c** (a white solid, 469.1 mg, 57%) and cis product **4d** (a white solid, 246.8 mg, 30%). *Trans*-product **4c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.57 (s, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz,

1H), 7.96 – 7.88 (m, 3H), 7.64 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (s, 5H), 4.45 (s, 1H), 4.17 (s, 1H). ¹³C[¹H] NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 135.9, 135.6, 132.8, 132.4, 130.4, 129.7, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 127.9, 127.1, 125.9, 123.6, 61.0, 59.5. IR (ATR): 2929, 2849, 1675, 1461, 1276, 1180, 1122, 889, 751, 710, 591, 470 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₉H₁₄NaO₂ [M+Na]+: 297.0891, found: 297.0895. *Cis*-product **4d**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.46 (s, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (dt, J = 24.0, 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 4.64 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H). ¹³C[¹H] NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.9, 135.8, 133.0, 132.8, 132.3, 130.2, 129.6, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 126.9, 126.4, 123.4, 61.0, 58.8. IR (ATR): 2961, 2923, 2849, 1723, 1685, 1455, 1279, 1125, 914, 822, 754, 700, 591, 473 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₉H₁₄NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 297.0891, found: 297.0894. The NMR data of **4c** is consistent with that reported in the literature.⁶

(4'-Bromo-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (5d)



Br The compound was synthesized from **5a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded only the *cis*-product **5d** (a white solid, 590 mg, 52%). *Cis*-product **5d**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz,4H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 4.52 (s, 1H), 4.51 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.5, 145.1, 134.4, 132.9, 132.1, 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 127.1, 126.4, 122.8, 60.9, 58.7. IR (ATR): 2980, 2926, 1736, 1691, 1605, 1375, 1228, 1045, 981, 914, 815, 732, 700, 665, 534 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₁H₁₅BrNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 401.0153, found: 401.0158.

(3-(Chloromethyl)phenyl)(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (6c, d)

Cl $(-1)^{-1}$ The compounds were synthesized from **6a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **6c** (a colorless oil, 491 mg, 60%) and the *cis*-product **6d** (a pale-yellow oil, 90 mg, 11%). *Trans*-product **6c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 – 7.92 (m, 2H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 5H), 4.59 (s, 2H), 4.30 (s, 1H), 4.06 (s, 1H). ¹³C[¹H] NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.7, 138.5, 135.8, 135.3, 134.0, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 125.8, 61.0, 59.5, 45.4. IR (ATR): 3070, 2926, 1679, 1605, 1445, 1400, 1253, 1173, 1042, 876, 754, 690, 665, 572, 527 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₁₃ClNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 295.0502, found: 295.0505. *Cis*-product **6d**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.03 (m, 3H), 4.42 (s, 1H), 4.42 (s, 1H), 4.39 – 4.35 (m, 2H). ¹³C[¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.6, 138.2, 135.9, 133.7, 132.8, 129.2, 128.5, 128.2, 128.0, 126.4, 60.9, 58.7, 45.3. IR (ATR): 3059, 2913, 1677, 1698, 1431, 1378, 1235, 1156, 1023, 865, 744, 663, 633, 549, 497 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₁₃ClNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 295.0502, found: 295.0506.

(2,4-Dichlorophenyl)(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (7c, d)

(2-Bromophenyl)(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (8c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **8a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **8c** (a yellow solid, 528 mg, 58%) and the *cis*-product **8d** (a yellow oil, 136 mg, 15%). *Trans*-product **8c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 5H), 7.28 (s, 2H), 4.25 (s, 1H), 4.10 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.3, 135.2, 134.1, 132.2, 129.8, 129.1, 128.8, 125.7, 61.0, 59.4. IR (ATR): 3089, 3063, 3035, 2958, 2929, 1675, 1583, 1397, 1241, 1228, 1180, 1065, 1004, 882, 748, 697, 524, 467 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₁BrNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 324.9840, found: 324.9840. *Cis*-product **8d**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (dt, *J* = 35.0, 7.5 Hz, 5H), 4.41 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.3, 134.1, 132.7, 132.0, 129.6, 129.0, 128.5, 128.2, 126.3, 60.8, 58.6. IR (ATR): 3065, 3054, 3029, 2939, 2921, 1669, 1577, 1369, 1224, 1221, 1177, 1059, 996, 874, 744, 687, 512, 457 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₁BrNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 324.9843.

(3-lodophenyl)(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (9c)

The compound was synthesized from **9a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **9c** (a white solid, 725 mg, 69%). *Trans*-product **9c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.35 (s, 1H), 7.96 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 1H), 4.23 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.9, 141.7, 136.1, 134.1, 129.4, 128.1, 127.8, 126.5, 124.7, 93.6, 59.8, 58.5. IR (ATR): 3060, 2929, 2849, 1685, 1560, 1426, 1221, 997, 892, 754, 694, 598, 527 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₁INaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 372.9701, found: 372.9703.

(2-Fluorophenyl)(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (10c)

QMe Q

The compound was synthesized from **10a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **10c** (a white solid, 530 mg, 73%). *Trans*-product **10c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 5H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 4.32 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.1, 163.3, 161.2, 135.6, 135.5, 130.6, 129.0, 128.6, 128.0, 126.6, 125.9, 124.9, 124.8, 124.1, 116.7, 116.5, 63.0, 59.9. IR (ATR): 2964, 2916, 1669, 1605, 1496, 1442, 1404, 1247, 1116, 1071, 1020, 940, 870, 815, 754, 690, 527cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₁FNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 265.0641, found: 265.0639.

(2-Methoxyphenyl)(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (11c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **11a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **11c** (a white solid, 511 mg, 67%) and the *cis*-product **11d** (a yellow solid, 99 mg, 13%). *Trans*-product **11c**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.83 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.38 (tt, J = 8.2, 4.0 Hz, 5H), 7.05 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (s, 1H), 4.01 (s, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.8, 159.6, 136.4, 134.9, 130.6, 128.7, 128.5, 125.9, 125.7, 121.0, 111.5, 64.5, 59.8, 55.6. IR (ATR): 3066, 2980, 2932, 1672, 1592, 1484, 1461, 1436, 1285, 1250, 1209, 1154, 1026, 898, 774, 754, 742, 700, 652, 595, 502 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₁₅O₃ [M+H]⁺: 255.1021, found: 255.1024. *Cis* product **11d**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.38 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.22 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 6.95 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 4.56 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.8, 159.3, 134.7, 133.6, 130.6, 128.0, 127.9, 126.6, 125.7, 120.8, 111.5, 64.0, 59.2, 55.6. IR (ATR): 2942, 2839, 1669, 1595, 1484, 1464, 1442, 1285, 1244, 1205, 1157, 1023, 981, 908, 748, 697, 646 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₁₅O₃ [M+H]⁺: 255.1023. The NMR data of **11c** is consistent with that reported in the literature.^{7,8}

(2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-6-yl)(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (12c)

The compound was synthesized from **12a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 15:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **12c** (a white solid, 575 mg, 72%). *Trans*-product **12c**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (s, 1H), 7.86 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.35 (m, 5H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.24 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.1, 165.2, 135.7, 130.5, 128.9, 128.2, 125.7, 109.4, 77.4, 77.1, 76.9, 72.4, 60.8, 59.1, 28.9. IR (ATR): 3469, 2983, 2932, 1730, 1679, 1455, 1375, 1253, 1154, 1087, 930, 847, 751, 700, 585, cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₇H₁₄NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 289.0841, found: 289.0840.

Benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl(3-phenyloxiran-2-yl)methanone (13c)

The compound was synthesized from **13a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 10:1) afforded the *trans*-product **13c** (an orange solid, 595 mg, 74%). *Trans*-product **13c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 5H), 6.82 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 4.22 – 4.21 (m, 1H), 4.05 – 4.04 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.9, 152.6, 148.4, 135.5, 130.3, 129.0, 128.7, 125.8, 125.0, 108.1, 107.9, 102.1, 60.8, 59.2. IR (ATR): 2913, 1739, 1656, 1599, 1490, 1429, 1346, 1247, 1116, 1033, 930, 886, 815, 636, 559, 508, 419 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₁₂NaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 291.0633, found: 291.0635.

Ethyl 4-(3-phenyloxirane-2-carbonyl)benzoate (14c, d)

O The compounds were synthesized from **14a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 10:1) afforded the *trans*-product **14c** (a white solid, 533 mg, 60%) and the *cis*-product **14d** (a colorless oil, 80 mg, 9%). *Trans*-product **14c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.14 (t, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 4H), 4.41 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.29 (s, 1H), 4.09 (s, 1H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 165.5, 138.4, 135.2, 135.0, 130.0, 129.2, 128.8, 128.2, 125.8, 61.6, 61.2, 59.5, 14.2. IR (ATR): 2996, 2913, 1711, 1685, 1410, 1362, 1276, 1106, 1020, 854, 767, 697, 591 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₈H₁₆NaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 319.0946, found: 319.0950. *Cis*-product **14d**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 4.56 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.41 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 165.5, 138.4, 135.2, 135.0, 130.0, 129.2, 128.3, 126.9, 1228, 1109, 1017, 892, 774, 754, 700, 598 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₈H₁₆NaO₄ [M+Na], 6102, 2774, 754, 700, 598 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₈H₁₆NaO₄ [M+Nz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 165.5, 138.4, 135.2, 135.0, 129.9, 129.2, 128.8, 128.2, 125.8, 61.6, 61.2, 59.5, 14.2. IR (ATR): 2983, 2932, 1717, 1688, 1269, 1228, 1109, 1017, 892, 774, 754, 700, 598 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₈H₁₆NaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 319.0946, found: 319.0949.

(3-Phenyloxiran-2-yl)(4-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)phenyl)methanone (15c, d)



The compounds were synthesized from **15a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **15c** (a colorless oil, 551 mg, 66%) and the *cis*-product **15d** (a colorless oil, 175 mg, 21%). *Trans*-product **15c**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 – 7.39 (m, 5H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.77 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 4.26 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.4, 162.0, 135.6, 130.7, 129.2, 129.0, 128.7, 125.8, 115.0, 77.5, 76.4, 60.9, 59.2, 55.9. IR (ATR): 3290, 3063, 2983, 2929, 1736, 1679, 1599, 1423, 1225, 1173, 1004, 882, 751, 694, 598, 511 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₈H₁₄NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 301.0841, found: 301.0841. *Cis*-product **15d**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 4.46(dd, *J* = 2.4, 15 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.4, 161.7, 133.1, 130.4, 129.3, 128.4, 128.1, 126.4, 114.8, 77.5, 76.3, 60.8, 58.6, 55.8. IR (ATR): 3294, 2980, 1733, 1685, 1599, 1228, 1167, 1020, 985, 700, 537 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₈H₁₄NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 301.0841, 129.3, 128.4, 128.1, 126.4, 114.8, 77.5, 76.3, 60.8, 58.6, 55.8. IR (ATR): 3294, 2980, 1733, 1685, 1599, 1228, 1167, 1020, 985, 700, 537 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₈H₁₄NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 301.0841, found: 301.0841.

4-(3-Phenyloxirane-2-carbonyl)benzonitrile (16c)

NC¹ The compound was synthesized from **16a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 15:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **16c** (a pale-yellow oil, 456 mg, 61%). *Trans*-product **16c**:¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.12 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (s 3H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.5, 2H), 4.24 (s, 1H), 4.10 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.3, 138.2, 134.8, 132.7, 129.3, 128.9, 125.7, 117.6, 117.2, 77.3, 77.0, 76.7, 61.3, 59.5. IR (ATR): 3051, 2926, 2849, 2232, 1685, 1416, 1228, 1010, 892, 758, 697, 547, 518 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₁₁NNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 272.0687, found: 272.0691.

tert-Butyl (4-(3-phenyloxirane-2-carbonyl)phenyl)carbamate (17c)

synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 8:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **17c** (a white solid, 916 mg, 90%). *Trans*-product **17c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.61 (s, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 34.0, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.45 – 7.38 (m, 5H), 4.70 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 1.46 (s, 9H). ¹³C(¹H) NMR (126 MHz, DMSO) δ 193.3, 140.6, 136.1, 129.8, 129.0, 126.8, 123.9, 122.6, 117.5, 79.9, 60.5, 58.9, 28.5. IR (ATR): 3351, 2977, 2935, 1730, 1666, 1535, 1496, 1304, 1231, 1157, 1074, 786, 754, 722, 697, 674, 655, 527cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₀H₂₂NO₄ [M+H]⁺: 340.1549, found: 340.1547.

The compound was synthesized from **17a** and **1b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical

Phenyl(3-(p-tolyl)oxiran-2-yl)methanone (18c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **1a** and **18b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **18c** (a white solid, 458 mg, 64%) and the *cis*-product **18d** (a white solid, 57 mg, 8%). *Trans*-product **18c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.22 (m, 4H), 4.32 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.2, 139.1, 135.5, 133.9, 132.4, 129.4, 128.8, 128.3, 125.8, 61.0, 59.5, 21.3. IR (ATR): 2958, 2929, 1727, 1675, 1452, 1234, 1071, 886, 754, 687, 668, 527, 403 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. forC₁₆H₁₄NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 261.0891, found: 261.0893. *Cis*-product **18d**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.49 (s, 1H), 4.49 (s, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.1, 138.2, 135.5, 133.6, 129.9, 128.7, 128.1, 126.3, 61.0, 58.8, 21.1. IR (ATR): 3479, 2919, 2855, 1685, 1448, 1238, 988, 921, 809, 764, 703, 658, 533, 489 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₁₄NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 261.0891, found: 261.0890. The NMR data of **18c** is consistent with that reported in the literature.⁹

(3-(4-Isobutylphenyl)oxiran-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (19c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **1a** and **19b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtoAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **19c** (a colorless oil, 505 mg, 60%) and the *cis*-product **19d** (a colorless oil, 67 mg, 8%). *Trans*-product **19c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.31 (s, 1H), 4.05 (s, 1H), 2.50 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.91-1.83 (m, 1H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 6H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.2, 142.9, 135.5, 133.9, 132.7, 129.5, 128.8, 128.3, 125.6, 61.0, 59.5, 45.1, 30.2, 22.3. IR (ATR): 3029, 2979, 2891, 1752, 1683, 1622, 1256, 1218, 978, 909, 883, 752, 694, 688, 527, 489 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₉H₂₀NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 303.1361, found: 303.1363. *Cis*-product **19d**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.49 (s, 1H), 2.36 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.81-1.73 (m, 1H), 0.81 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 6H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.3, 142.1, 135.7, 133.6, 130.3, 129.0, 128.9, 128.6, 128.1, 126.2, 61.0, 58.8, 45.0, 30.2, 22.3. IR (ATR): 3021, 2951, 2875, 1744, 1668, 1616, 1233, 1203, 969, 911, 852, 721, 683, 661, 503, 470 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₉H₂₀NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 303.1361, found: 303.1365.

(3-(4-Cyclopropylphenyl)oxiran-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (20c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **1a** and **20b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **20c** (a colorless oil, 500 mg, 63 %) and the *cis*-product **20d** (a colorless oil, 119 mg, 15 %). *Trans*-product **20c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.21 (s, 1H), 3.95 (s, 1H), 1.86 – 1.80 (m, 1H), 0.93 – 0.89 (m, 2H), 0.63 (q, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.2, 145.3, 135.5, 133.9, 132.4, 128.8, 128.3, 126.0, 125.8, 61.0, 59.4, 15.3, 9.5, 9.5. IR (ATR): 3050, 3021, 2860, 1749, 1682, 1642, 1261, 1210, 954, 809, 764, 681, 574 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₈H₁₆NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 287.1048, found: 287.1044. *Cis*-product **20d**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.48 (s, 1H), 1.82 – 1.76 (m, 1H), 0.90 (q, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2H), 0.61 (q, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.48 (s, 1H), 1.82 – 1.76 (m, 1H), 0.90 (q, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2H), 0.61 (q, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.0, 143.3, 134.5, 132.6, 128.7, 127.6, 127.1, 125.4, 124.4, 60.0, 57.8, 14.1, 8.2. IR (ATR): 3045, 3012, 2869, 1723, 1668, 1619, 1233, 1203, 969, 925, 742, 661, 530 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₈H₁₆NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 287.1048, found: 287.1045.

(3-(Naphthalen-2-yl)oxiran-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone(21c, d)



The compounds were synthesized from **1a** and **21b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **21c** (a white solid, 461 mg, 56%) and the *cis*-product **21d** (a white solid, 230 mg, 28%). *Trans*-product **21c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 7.90 – 7.87 (m, 4H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.42 (m, 5H), 4.43 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.0, 135.5, 134.0, 133.6, 133.1, 132.9, 128.9, 128.4, 127.8, 126.6, 125.9, 122.4, 61.2, 59.7. IR (ATR): 2961, 2923, 2852, 1679, 1455, 1231, 988, 831, 758, 748, 687, 643, 473 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₉H₁₄NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 297.0891, found: 297.0889. *Cis*-product **21d**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 – 7.84 (m, 3H), 7.78 – 7.70 (m, 3H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, 5H), 4.68 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.9, 135.4, 133.7, 133.2, 132.8, 130.4, 128.7, 127.6, 126.2, 126.1, 123.7, 61.2, 58.9. IR (ATR): 2959, 2923, 2848, 1669, 1447, 1228, 988, 826, 745, 739, 678, 633, 469 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₉H₁₄NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 297.0891, found: 297.0891, found: 297.0894. The NMR data of **21c** is consistent with that reported in the literature.¹⁰

(3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-3-yl)oxiran-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (22c)

The compound was synthesised from **1a** and **22b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **22c** (a white solid, 694 mg, 77%). *Trans*-product **22c**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 5H), 7.48 (dt, *J* = 15.0, 7.8 Hz, 5H), 7.40 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 4.38 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.0, 141.9, 140.4, 136.1, 135.5, 134.1, 129.3, 128.9, 128.4, 127.9, 127.7, 127.2, 124.7, 124.5, 61.0, 59.4. IR (ATR): 3057, 2929, 2855, 1733, 1685, 1595, 1455, 1231, 1007, 876, 761, 694, 617 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₁H₁₆NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 323.1048, found: 323.1052.

(3-(3-fluorophenyl)oxiran-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (23c)



The compound was synthesized from **1a** and **24b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **24c** (a yellow solid, 545 mg, 75%). *Trans*-product **23c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.07 – 7.04 (m, 2H), 4.27 (s, 1H), 4.08 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.6, 164.1, 162.2, 162.1, 138.2, 135.3, 134.1, 130.4, 128.9, 128.3, 121.7, 116.1, 112.6, 112.4, 60.8, 58.6. IR (ATR): 2961, 2926, 1745, 1675, 1605, 1477, 1439, 1401, 1240, 1089, 1071, 1010, 938, 875, 834, 749, 696, 521 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₁FNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 265.0641, found: 265.0643. The NMR data of **23c** is consistent with that reported in the literature.¹¹

(3-(3-Chlorophenyl)oxiran-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (24c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **1a** and **24b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **24c** (a yellow solid, 449 mg, 58%) and the *cis*-product **24d** (a yellow oil, 108 mg, 14%). *Trans*-product **24c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.22–7.14 (m, 4H), 4.16 (s, 1H), 3.93 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.6, 137.7, 135.3, 134.8, 134.1, 130.1, 129.1, 128.9, 128.3, 125.7, 124.1, 60.7, 58.5. IR (ATR): 3029, 3011, 1682, 1583, 1455, 1407, 1381, 1215, 1103, 1061, 879, 870, 847, 828, 754, 729, 697, 684, 575, 543 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₁ClNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 281.0345, found: 281.0341. *Cis*-product **24d**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (s, 1H), 7.26 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 4.51 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.6, 135.0, 134.2, 133.9, 129.5, 128.8, 128.1, 126.7, 124.6, 60.7, 57.9. IR (ATR): 3030, 2989, 1678, 1575, 1457, 1410, 1372, 1210, 1095, 998, 864, 832, 739, 689, 547, 513 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₁ClNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 281.0345, found: 281.0343. The NMR data of **24c** is consistent with that reported in the literature.¹²

(3-(3-Bromophenyl)oxiran-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (25c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **1a** and **25b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **25c** (a white solid, 527 mg, 58%) and the *cis*-product **25d** (a white solid,118 mg, 13%). *Trans*-product **25c**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.48 (m, 4H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.6, 137.9, 135.3, 134.1, 132.1, 130.3, 128.9, 128.6, 128.4, 124.6, 123.0, 60.8, 58.4. IR (ATR): 3081, 3059, 3030, 2949, 2919, 1675, 1580, 1393, 1238, 1228, 1096, 1064, 1001, 878, 732, 679, 521, 458 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₁BrNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 324.9840, found: 324.9840. *Cis*-product **25d**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.55 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 27.6, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (s, 1H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 4.47 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.6, 135.3, 133.9, 131.6, 129.7, 129.6, 128.8, 128.0, 125.1, 122.2, 60.7, 57.8. IR (ATR): 3057, 3027, 3010, 2928, 2910, 1665, 1564, 1356, 1212, 1119, 1079, 998, 878, 727, 647, 501, 447 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₁BrNaO₂ [Na+H]⁺: 324.9840, found: 324.9840. The NMR data of **25c** is consistent with that reported in the literature.¹³

(3-(4-Iodophenyl)oxiran-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (26c)

The compound was synthesized from **1a** and **24b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **26c** (a white solid, 756 mg, 72%). *Trans*-product **26c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.25 (s, 1H), 4.04 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.7, 137.9, 135.3, 134.1, 128.9, 128.3, 127.5, 94.7, 60.2, 58.8. IR (ATR): 2987, 2929, 1736, 1653, 1368, 1234, 1045, 802, 738, 694, 611, 506, 422 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₁INaO₂ [M+H]+: 372.9701, found: 372.9703.

(3-(3-fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)oxiran-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (27c)



MeO The compound was synthesized from **1a** and **27b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 15:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **27c** (a pale-yellow solid, 678 mg, 82%). *Trans*-product **27c**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.02-6.99 (m, 2H), 6.84 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (s, 1H), 4.15 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.2, 158.2, 156.3, 154.2, 135.5, 133.9, 128.8, 128.4, 125.9, 115.7, 115.5, 112.5, 112.3, 111.4, 60.4, 55.9, 55.1. IR (ATR): 3070, 2945, 2913, 2843, 1656, 1496, 1292, 1256, 1183, 1066, 882, 815, 722, 690 630, 566, 524, 460 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₁₃FNaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 295.0746, found: 295.0749.

5-(3-Benzoyloxiran-2-yl)-2-methoxyphenyl tert-butyl carbonate (28c)

OBoc

OMe The compound was synthesized from **1a** and **28b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 10:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **28c** (a white solid, 921 mg, 83%). *Trans*-product **28c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 6.98 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 4.25 (s, 1H), 4.07 (s, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 1.56 (s, 9H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.7, 151.7, 151.4, 140.7, 135.3, 134.4, 134.1, 128.9, 128.3, 122.8, 118.3, 109.2, 83.7, 61.0, 59.0, 56.0, 27.6. IR (ATR): 2980, 2935, 1759, 1691, 1375, 1253, 1148, 1033, 892, 738, 694 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₁H₂₃O₆ [M+H]⁺: 371.1495, found: 371.1495.

(3-(3-Phenoxyphenyl)oxiran-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (29c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **1a** and **29b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β -epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **29c** (a white solid, 550 mg, 58%) and the *cis*-product **29d** (a white solid, 133 mg, 14%). *Trans*-product **29c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.14 (dd, J = 18.5, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.05 – 7.00 (m, 4H), 4.27 (s, 1H), 4.06 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 158.0, 156.6, 137.6, 135.4, 134.0, 130.2, 129.9, 128.9, 128.4, 123.7, 120.4, 119.2, 115.7, 60.9, 59.0. IR (ATR): 2961, 1739, 1691, 1586, 1490, 1228, 1045, 690, 614, 489 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₁H₁₆NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 339.0997, found: 339.0999. *Cis*-product **29d**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.58 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 7.20 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.10 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.85 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 3H), 4.47 (s, 1H), 4.47 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.7, 157.0, 156.8, 135.4, 134.9, 133.7, 129.7, 129.0, 128.7, 128.1, 123.3, 121.2, 119.0, 118.8, 116.8, 60.7, 58.2. IR (ATR): 2961, 2929, 1730, 1691, 1583, 1452, 1271, 1228, 1119, 1077, 889, 748, 694, 658, 499 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₁H₁₆NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 339.0997, found: 339.1002. The NMR data of **29c** is consistent with that reported in the literature.¹⁴

2-((tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)ethyl 4-(3-benzoyloxiran-2-yl)benzoate (30c)

 \ddot{O} The compound was synthesized from **1a** and **30b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **30c** (a colorless oil, 101 mg, 79%). *Trans*-product **30c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.42 (t, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2H), 4.29 (s, 1H), 4.15 (s, 1H), 3.96 (t, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.09 (s, 6H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.6, 166.0, 140.5, 135.3, 134.1, 130.9, 130.1, 128.9, 128.4, 125.7, 66.4, 61.3, 60.9, 58.7, 25.8, 18.3, 1.0, -5.27. IR (ATR): 2929, 2859, 1717, 1448, 1276, 1100, 1007, 956, 834, 774, 700, 668 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₄H₃₀NaO₅Si [M+Na]⁺: 449.1760, found: 449.1759.

Methyl 3-(3-benzoyloxiran-2-yl)benzoate (31c)

The compound was synthesized from **1a** and **31b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 15:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **31c** (a white solid, 567 mg, 67%). *Trans*-product **31c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 4.32 (s, 1H), 4.15 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.7, 166.5, 136.0, 135.3, 134.1, 130.8, 130.1, 128.9, 128.4, 127.3, 126.9, 60.8, 58.8, 52.3. IR (ATR): 2929, 2852, 1992, 1720, 1691, 1602, 1452, 1288, 1237, 1199, 1109, 758, 703 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₇H₁₄NaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 305.0790, found: 305.0790.

But-3-en-1-yl 4-(3-benzoyloxiran-2-yl)benzoate (32c, d)

The compounds were synthesized from **1a** and **32b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **32c** (a colorless oil, 648 mg, 67%) and the *cis*-product **32d** (a colorless oil, 135 mg, 14%). *Trans*-product **32c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 – 7.97 (m, 4H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 5.86 (ddt, *J* = 16.8, 10.0, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 5.19 – 5.08 (m, 2H), 4.37 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.28 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (qd, *J* = 6.8, 3.2 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.6, 165.9, 140.5, 135.3, 134.2, 133.9, 130.9, 130.0, 128.9, 128.3, 125.7, 117.4, 64.1, 60.9, 58.7, 33.1. IR (ATR): 3070, 2961, 1717, 1272, 1237, 1106, 1004, 918, 758, 706, 668, 527 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₀H₁₈NaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 345.1103, found: 345.1105. *Cis*-product **32d**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 5.83 (ddt, *J* = 17.0, 10.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.16 – 5.07 (m, 2H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 4.31 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (q, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.4, 166.0, 138.0, 135.2, 133.9, 129.4, 128.8, 128.0, 126.5, 117.3, 77.3, 77.0, 76.8, 64.0, 60.8, 58.2, 33.0. IR (ATR): 2983, 1714, 1276, 1228, 1103, 985, 918, 770, 697, 658, 547, 467 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₀H₁₈NaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 2983, 1714, 1276, 1228, 1103, 985, 918, 770, 697, 658, 547, 467 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₀H₁₈NaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 345.1107.

Hex-5-yn-1-yl 4-(3-benzoyloxiran-2-yl)benzoate (33c, d)



^O The compounds were synthesised from **1a** and **33b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded the *trans*-product **33c** (a colorless oil, 722 mg, 70%) and the *cis*-product **33d** (a colorless oil, 146 mg, 14%). *Trans*-product **33c**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07-7.99 (m, 2H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.36 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.30 (s, 1H), 4.14 (s, 1H), 2.29 (td, *J* = 7.2, 6.4, 3.6 Hz, 2H), 2.00 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 1.92 (p, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.70 (p, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.6, 166.0, 140.5, 135.3, 134.2, 130.9, 130.0, 128.9, 128.4, 127.4, 83.8, 68.9, 64.7, 61.0, 58.7, 27.7, 25.0, 18.1. IR (ATR): 3511, 3294, 2939, 1714, 1445, 1269, 1234, 1119, 1020, 767, 703, 636, 585 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₂H₂₀NaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 371.1259, found: 371.1257. *Cis*-product **33d**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 5.5 Hz, 4H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 4.28 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.25 (td, *J* = 7.0, 2.5 Hz, 2H), 1.96 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 1.85 (dt, *J* = 14.5, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.65 (p, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.4, 166.1, 137.9, 135.2, 133.9, 130.4, 129.4, 128.8, 128.0, 126.5, 83.8, 68.8, 64.5, 60.8, 58.2, 27.7, 24.9, 18.0. IR (ATR): 351.4, 3300, 2942, 1717, 1448, 1375, 1276, 1231, 1116, 761, 703, 636 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₂₂H₂₀NaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 371.1259, found: 371.1259, found: 371.1251.

Benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl(3-(3-chlorophenyl)oxiran-2-yl)methanone (34c)



The compound was synthesised from **13a** and **24b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 15:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **34c** (a yellow solid, 681 mg, 75%). *Trans*-product **34c**:¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 3H), 7.26 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.06 (s, 2H), 4.18 (s, 1H), 4.04 (s, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.4, 152.7, 148.5, 137.7, 134.9, 130.2, 130.0, 129.2, 125.7, 125.1, 124.1, 108.2, 107.9, 102.1, 60.6, 58.3. IR (ATR): 3284, 2955, 1704, 1445, 1273, 1253, 1039, 892, 786, 761, 627 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₁₁ClNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 325.0244, found: 325.0245.

(3-(5-Fluoro-2-methoxyphenyl)oxiran-2-yl)(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)methanone (35c)

MeO The compound was synthesised from **35a** and **27b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α , β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 15:1) afforded only the *trans*-product **34c** (a yellow solid, 633 mg, 62%). *Trans*-product **35c**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 (s, 1H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (t, *J*

= 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (td, *J* = 7.2, 6.8, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 6.92 − 6.80 (m, 1H), 4.36 (s, 1H), 4.12 (s, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H).¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.3, 155.4, 155.0, 153.1, 134.9, 130.5, 129.2, 129.2, 128.5, 124.5, 124.4, 124.3, 124.2, 124.2, 121.6, 121.5, 114.8, 111.6, 111.4, 110.3, 110.2, 59.5, 54.8, 54.3. IR (ATR): 3284, 1714, 1685, 1493, 1330, 1167, 1129, 1068, 1029, 809, 716, 697, 575 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₇H₁₂F₄NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 363.0620, found: 363.0622.

(3-(chloromethyl)phenyl)(3-(naphthalen-2-yl)oxiran-2-yl)methanone (36d)

Cl⁻ The compound was synthesized from **7a** and **21b** according to the general procedures for the electrochemical synthesis of α,β-epoxy ketones. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes:EtOAc = 20:1) afforded only the *cis*-product **36d** (a white solid, 741 mg, 72%). *Cis*-product **36c**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 4H), 7.63 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 4.25 (s, 1H), 4.25 (s, 1H). ¹³Cl¹H NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.8, 138.8, 134.5, 133.5, 133.2, 132.9, 132.4, 131.2, 130.2, 128.7, 127.8, 127.8, 127.6, 126.6, 126.5, 125.9, 122.3, 62.9, 60.6. IR (ATR): 2987, 1739, 1583, 1378, 1241, 1045, 847, 822, 633, 604, 485 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₉H₁₂Cl₂NaO₂ [M+Na]*: 365.0112, found: 365.0115.

3. Synthesis of substrates



4-hydroxylacetophenone (1.5 g, 11.0 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (22 mL). KOH (678.7 mg, 12.1 mmol) and 3-bromopropyne (1.42 mL, 16.5 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred at rt for 3 hours. The reaction was quenched by saturated NH₄Cl aqueous solution (30 mL), and then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with saturated NaCl aqueous solution (3 × 60 mL) to remove DMF and then dried with Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 10:1) of the crude mixture provided a colorless oil (1.8 g, 95%) as the product. **15a**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.76 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (s, 4H). ¹³C(¹H) NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.7, 161.2, 131.0, 130.5, 114.5, 77.7, 76.1, 55.8, 26.3. IR (ATR): 3226, 2977, 2846 1759, 1688, 1656, 1602, 1509, 1420, 1384, 1279, 1241, 1135, 1122, 1033, 1013, 822, 732, 588 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₁H₁₀NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 197.0578, found: 197.0574.



Vanillin (2.0 g, 13.14 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (26 mL). DMAP (321.1 mg, 2.63 mmol) and Di-*tert*-butyl dicarbonate (3.02 mL, 13.14 mmol) were added. The mixture stirred at rt for 15 minutes. The reaction was quenched by water (30 mL), and then extracted with DCM (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with saturated NaCl aqueous solution (60 mL) and dried with Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 10:1) of the crude mixture provided a white solid (3.25 g, 98%) as the product. **28b**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.93 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 3.91 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 1.2 Hz, 3H), 1.55 (dd, *J* = 3.6, 1.2 Hz, 9H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.0, 152.0, 150.6, 145.1, 135.0, 124.7, 123.0, 110.8, 84.1, 56.1, 27.5. IR (ATR): 2977, 2846, 1762, 1698, 1602, 1506, 1384, 1253, 1116, 1033, 892, 777, 732, 639 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₃H₁₆NaO₅ [M+Na]⁺: 275.0895, found: 275.0899.



4-Formylbenzoic acid (2.0 g, 13.0 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (43 mL). EDCI (2.99 g, 15.6 mmol) and DMAP (317 mg, 2.6 mmol) were added at rt. After stirring for a while, excessive ethylene glycol (7.5 mL, 130 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred for half of an hour at rt, and then quenched by water (30 mL), followed by extracting with DCM (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with saturated NaCl aqueous solution (60 mL) and dried with Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 10:1) of the residue provided the intermediate ester. The crude ester was dissolved in DCM (43 mL). TBSCI (2.35 g, 15.6 mmol) and imidazole (1.15 g, 16.9 mmol) were added at rt. After string for 3 hours, the reaction was quenched by water (30 mL), and then extracted with DCM (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with saturated NaCl aqueous solution (60 mL) and dried with Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 30:1) of the residue provided the intermediate ester. The crude ester was quenched by water (30 mL), and then extracted with DCM (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with saturated NaCl aqueous solution (60 mL) and dried with Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 30:1) of the crude mixture provided a colorless oil (3.45 g, 86%) as the product. **30b**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.11 (s, 1H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.44 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 0.90 (s, 9H), 0.08 (s, 6H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.5, 165.3, 139.0, 135.0, 130.1, 129.3, 66.6, 61.0, 25.7, -3.6, -5.4. IR (ATR): 2983, 2846, 1754, 1269, 1202, 1103, 1020, 921, 818, 754, 687 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₆H₂₅O₄Si [M+H]⁺: 309.1522, found: 309.1526.



4-Formylbenzoic acid (2.0 g, 13.0 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (43 mL). EDCI (2.99 g, 15.6 mmol) and DMAP (317 mg, 2.6 mmol) were added at rt. After stirring for a while, 3-buten-1-ol (1.3 mL, 15.6 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred for half of an hour at rt, and then quenched by water (30 mL), followed by extracting with DCM (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with saturated NaCl aqueous solution (60 mL) and dried with Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 20:1) of the residue provided a colorless oil (2.5 g, 12.4 mmol, 95%) as the product. **32b**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.09 (dt, *J* = 5.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (td, *J* = 7.2, 6.0, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.94 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 4.8, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 5.88 (dtt, *J* = 15.0, 6.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 5.20 – 5.16 (m, 1H), 5.12 (dtd, *J* = 8.4, 2.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.42 – 4.39 (m, 2H), 2.54 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.7, 165.4, 139.1, 135.2, 133.8, 130.1, 129.4, 117.5, 64.5, 33.0. IR (ATR): 2983, 2846, 1754, 1269, 1202, 1103, 1020, 921, 818, 754, 687 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₂H₁₂NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 227.0684, found: 227.0686.



4-Formylbenzoic acid (2.0 g, 13.0 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (43 mL). EDCI (2.99 g, 15.6 mmol) and DMAP (317 mg, 2.6 mmol) were added at rt. After stirring for a while, 5-hexyn-1-ol (1.7 mL, 15.6 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred for half of an hour at rt, and then quenched by water (30 mL), followed by extracting with DCM (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with saturated NaCl aqueous solution (60 mL) and dried with Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 20:1) of the residue provided a colorless oil (2.80 g, 12.5 mmol, 96%) as the product. **33b**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.03 (s, 1H), 8.11 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.88 – 7.87 (m, 2H), 4.32 – 4.31 (m, 2H), 2.23 – 2.21 (m, 2H), 1.96 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 1.86 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 1.64 (t, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.7, 165.5, 139.1, 135.2, 130.1, 129.5, 83.7, 69.0, 65.1, 27.6, 24.9, 18.1. IR (ATR): 3290, 2948, 1688, 1253, 1154, 1125, 1100, 988, 914, 838, 809, 758, 636 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₄H₁₄NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 253.0841, found: 253.0843.

4. Mechanistic studies



The electrolysis was carried out in an undivided cell under air, with a graphite rodlike anode and cathode (4 mm × 6 cm). Ketone **1a** (3 mmol, 0.35 mL), aldehyde **1b** (3 mmol, 0.30 mL), KI (99.6 mg, 0.6 mmol), Bu₄NClO₄ (1.85 g, 5.5 mmol) and KOH (33.6 mg, 0.6 mmol) were dissolved in a THF/H₂O (1:1, 30 mL) mixture. Electrolysis was performed at rt with a constant current of 10 mA maintained for 7 hours. After electrolysis, electrodes were moved out and washed with ethanol (2 × 50 mL) in an ultrasonic bath. The solution of reaction was extracted by ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic phases were washed by saturated Na₂S₂O₃ aqueous solution (45 mL) and saturated NaCl aqueous solution (45 mL). The organic solvent was dried by Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography of the residue (hexanes/EtOAc = 20:1) provided **1c** (*trans*-product: 275.5 mg, 41%) and **1d** (*cis*-product 215.0 mg, 32%) as the products.



The electrolysis was carried out in an undivided cell under air, with a graphite rodlike anode and cathode (4 mm × 6 cm). Ketone **1a** (3 mmol, 0.35 mL), aldehyde **1b** (3 mmol, 0.30 mL), KOH (33.6 mg, 0.6 mmol) and Bu₄NClO₄ (2.05 g, 6.0 mmol) were dissolved in a THF/H₂O (1:1, 30 mL) mixture. Electrolysis was performed at rt with a constant current of 10 mA maintained for 7 h. After electrolysis, electrodes were moved out and washed with ethanol (2 × 50 mL) in an ultrasonic bath. The solution of reaction was extracted by ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic phases were washed by saturated Na₂S₂O₃ aqueous solution (45 mL) and saturated NaCl aqueous solution (45 mL). The organic solvent was dried by Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, flash chromatography on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc = 20:1) provided **37** (136 mg, 20%) as the product. **37**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (dd, *J* = 15.0, 7.0 Hz, 4H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.23, 142.96, 136.59, 133.69, 128.74, 128.19, 127.72, 127.16, 125.78, 70.07, 47.41. IR (ATR): 3473, 3063, 3028, 2916, 1675, 1599, 1448, 1356, 1266, 1209, 1061, 1020, 748, 700, 687, 611, 575, 550 cm⁻¹. HR-MS (ESI) m/z calc. for C₁₅H₁₄NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 249.0891, found: 249.0890.



The electrolysis was carried out in an undivided cell under air, with a graphite rodlike anode and cathode (4 mm × 6 cm). β -hydroxyl ketone **37** (679 mg, 3 mmol), KI (996 mg, 6 mmol), KOH (33.6 mg, 0.6 mmol) were dissolved in a THF/H₂O (1:1, 30 mL) mixture. Electrocatalysis was performed at rt with a constant current of 10 mA maintained for 7 h. After electrolysis, electrodes were moved out and washed with ethanol (2 × 50 mL) in an ultrasonic bath. The solution of reaction was extracted by ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL). the combined organic phases were washed by saturated Na₂S₂O₃ aqueous solution (45 mL) and saturated NaCl aqueous solution (45 mL). The organic phase was dried by Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 20:1) of the residue provided **1c** (*trans*-product: 295.9 mg, 44%) and **1d** (*cis*-product 221.9 mg, 33%) as the products.



The electrolysis was carried out in an undivided cell under air, with a graphite rodlike anode and cathode (4 mm × 6 cm). Ketone **1a** (3 mmol, 0.35 mL), KI (996 mg, 6 mmol), KOH (33.6 mg, 0.6 mmol) were dissolved in a THF/H₂O (1:1, 30 mL) mixture. Electrocatalysis was performed at rt with a constant current of 10 mA maintained for 7 h. No desired product was detected by TLC (hexanes/EtOAc = 5:1).



Compound **40** was prepared according to the reference, and the NMR data is consistent with that was reported in the literature.¹⁵ The electrolysis was carried out in an undivided cell under air, with a graphite rodlike anode and cathode (4 mm × 6 cm). Unsaturated ketone **40** (3 mmol, 624 mg), KI (996 mg, 6.0 mmol), KOH (33.6 mg, 0.6 mmol) were dissolved in a THF/H₂O (1:1, 30 mL) mixture. Electrocatalysis was performed at rt with a constant current of 10 mA maintained for 7 h. No desired product was detected by TLC (hexanes/EtOAc = 5:1).



Ketone **1a** (3 mmol, 0.35 mL), aldehyde **1b** (3 mmol, 0.3 mL), KI (996 mg, 6 mmol) and KOH (33.6 mg, 0.6 mmol) were dissolved in a THF/H₂O (1:1, 30 mL) mixture. graphite rodlike anode and cathode (4 mm × 6 cm) were put into reaction cell. The whole cell was treated with ultrasound to remove the gas in the solvent, then Ar flowed through the cell for 3 minutes. at last, the cell was sealed and Ar balloon was used to maintain the pressure of cell. Electrolysis was performed at rt with a constant current of 10 mA maintained for 7 h. After electrolysis, electrodes were moved out and washed with ethanol (2 × 50 mL) in an ultrasonic bath. The solution of reaction was extracted by ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL). the combined organic phases were washed by saturated Na₂S₂O₃ aqueous solution (45 mL) and saturated NaCl aqueous solution (45 mL). The organic phase was dried by Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 20:1) provided **1c** (*trans*-product: 309 mg, 46%) and **1d** (*cis*-product 215 mg, 32%) as the products.



Compound **38** was prepared according to the reference, and the NMR data is consistent with that was reported in the literature.¹⁶ The electrolysis was carried out in an undivided cell under air, with a graphite rodlike anode and cathode (4 mm × 6 cm). Ketone **38** (3 mmol, 738 mg), aldehyde **1b** (3 mmol, 0.30 mL), Bu₄NClO₄ (2.05 g, 6.0 mmol), KOH (33.6 mg, 0.6 mmol) were dissolved in a THF/H₂O (1:1, 30 mL) mixture. Electrocatalysis was performed at rt with a constant current of 10 mA maintained for 7 h. No desired product was detected by TLC (hexanes/EtOAc = 5:1).



The electrolysis was carried out in an undivided cell under air, with a graphite rodlike anode and cathode (4 mm × 6 cm). Ketone **1a** (3 mmol, 0.35 mL), aldehyde **1b** (3 mmol, 0.30 mL), KI (996 mg, 6 mmol), KOH (33.6 mg, 0.6 mmol) and TEMPO (468.7 mg, 3 mmol) were dissolved in a THF/H₂O (1:1, 30 mL) mixture. Electrocatalysis was performed at rt (25 °C) with a constant current of 10 mA maintained for 10 h. After electrolysis, electrodes were moved out and washed with ethanol (2 × 50 mL) in an ultrasonic bath. The solution of reaction was extracted by ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL). the combined organic phases were washed by saturated Na₂S₂O₃ aqueous solution (45 mL) and saturated NaCl aqueous solution (45 mL). The organic solvent was dried by Na₂SO₄. After filtration and concentration under reduced pressure, silica gel flash column chromatography of the residue (hexanes/EtOAc = 20:1) provided **1a** (*trans*-product: 296 mg, 44%) and **1d** (*cis*-product 208 mg, 31%) as the products.



The reaction was carried out in an undivided cell under air. Ketone **1a** (3 mmol, 0.35 mL), aldehyde **1b** (3 mmol, 0.35 mL), I₂ (761.4 mg, 3 mmol) and KOH (33.6 mg, 0.6 mmol) were dissolved in a THF/H₂O (1:1, 30 mL) mixture. No desired product was detected by TLC (hexanes/EtOAc = 5:1).

5. Cyclic voltammetry

Cyclic voltammetry was carried out in a glass cell with CHI660E potentiostat. A graphite rod (diameter is 3.0 mm) was used as a working electrode. A glassy carbon electrode (diameter is 3.0 mm) was used as a counter electrode. $HgCl/Hg_2Cl_2/Cl$ electrode (diameter is 3.0 mm) was used as a reference electrode. Supporting Electrolyte: 0.2 M Bu₄NClO₄ in THF/H₂O (5%); Init E (V) = -0.2; High E (V) = 1.2; Low E (V) = -0.2; Scan Rate (V/s) = 0.02, Segment = 4; Sample Interval (V) = 0.001; Quiet Time (sec) = 2; Sensitivity (A/V) = 0.0001.



Figure S-1. Left: Cyclic voltammetry of KI (5 mM). Right: Cyclic voltammetry of KI (5 mM) with KOH (1 mM)



Figure S-2. Cyclic voltammetry of: acetophenone (5 mM), left; benzaldehyde (5 mM), medium; KOH (1 mM), acetophenone (5 mM), benzaldehyde (5 mM), right.

6. In vitro studies for anticancer activity

Gastric cancer stem cell culture

Fresh isolated, primary tumor-derived GCSC which from a GAC patient was obtained from Dr. Xianming Mo, grown and maintained as previously described.¹⁷

HGC27 were cultured in Dulbecco's modified Eagle medium (DMEM, Gibco, Rockville, MD, USA) containing 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS, Gibco, Rockville, MD, USA), 100 U/mL penicillin and 100 mg/mL streptomycin in a humid incubator with 5% CO2 at 37°C.

Cell Proliferation Assay

The CCK-8 (Dojindo, Kumamoto, Japan) assay was conducted according to the manufacturer's protocol. Briefly, The above cells (5×103 cells per well) were plated in 96-well plates in triplicate. CCK-8 reagent was added at 48 hours after adding compounds, and the cells were cultured for a further 1.5 hours at 37°C. Absorbance at 450 nm was measured using a microplate reader.



15c

21c















16c

Figure S-7. Inhibitory effects of synthesized epoxides on different cancer cell lines.

Table S4. In vitro cancer growth inhibition of synthesized epoxides. [a]

Compound	GT112	GT0603	HGC27
4c	24.08	17.19	44.73
6c	14.48	9.952	9.293
6d	17.48	18.62	19.81
7c	29.17	16.18	15.05
9c	29.98	22.19	20.78
15c	38.00	20.57	37.23
15d	12.12	17.08	42.85
16c	33.32	20.38	23.16
21c	38.36	20.92	24.74
34c	25.01	17.53	18.80
Paclitaxel	0.04	0.05	0.04

[a] Experiments were conducted in triplicate and results are expressed as mean IC $_{\rm 50}$ values in $\mu M.$

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8. NMR spectra

















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