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Palladium-Catalyzed Cascade Carbonylative Annulation between Alkene-tethered Aryl Iodides and Carbon Monoxide

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1. General Information:

Unless otherwise stated, all reactions were performed in oven-dried or flame-dried glassware under an atmosphere of dry nitrogen. Anhydrous dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂), tetrahydrofuran (THF), N,N-dimethyl formamide (DMF), toluene, hexane, and acetonitrile were obtained by passing these previously degassed solvents through activated alumina columns. Dry N,N-dimethylacetamide (DMA) was purchased from Energy Chemical (water \leq 50 ppm by K.F.) All other solvents and reagents were used as received without further purification.

Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) (250 µm thickness, F-254 indicator) and visualized by UV irradiation and staining with phosphomolybdic acid as developing agent. Volatile solvents were removed under reduced pressure using a rotary evaporator. Flash column chromatography was performed over silica gel (230-400 mesh) purchased from Yantai Xinnuo Co., China.

Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H-NMR) and carbon nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C-NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker AV 600 MHz spectrometer using residue solvent peaks as an internal standard (¹H-NMR: CDCl₃ = 7.26, Benzene- d_6 = 7.16; ¹³C-NMR: CDCl₃ = 77.16, Benzene- d_6 = 128.06). Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (ppm) with respect to the residual solvent signal. Peak multiplicities are reported as follows: s = singlet, bs = broad singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dd = doublet of doublets, td = triplet of doublets, dt = doublet of triplets, m = multiplet. IR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Tensor27 FT-IR spectrometer. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were collected on a Bruker Maxis System. X-ray crystallographic analyses were performed on Bruker D8 Quest or Bruker D8 Venture. HPLC analysis was performed on Thermo UltiMate3000. CHIRALCEL OD-3 column was purchased from Daicel Chemical Industries, LTD.

2. Synthesis of the Substrates:

Synthesis of 1a:



To a solution of 2-iodo-4-methoxyphenol¹ (1 g, 4.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) was added PPh₃ (1.36 g, 5.20 mmol, 1.3 equiv) and 3-methyl-3-buten-1-ol (448 mg, 5.20 mmol, 1.3 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and DEAD (10.4 mL, 5.20 mmol, 1.3 equiv), 0.5 M in CH₂Cl₂) was added dropwise via syringe over the course of 20 min. After stirring for 4 h at this temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched with water (40 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 100 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (40 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1a** (0.89 g, 71%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.33 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (dd, *J* = 8.8 and 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (s, 1H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 4.05 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.54 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.83 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 154.5, 152.3, 142.3, 124.8, 114.9, 113.5, 112.4, 87.2, 69.2, 56.1, 37.5, 23.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3056, 2957, 1729, 1486, 1279, 1137, 1075, 849, 661; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₂H₁₅IO₂Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 341.0009, found 340.9998.



1b was prepared from 2-iodo-6-methoxyphenol² and 3-methyl-3-buten-1-ol following the same procedure that was used for preparation of **1a**. The reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1b** (in 73% yield) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (dd, *J* = 8.8 and 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (s, 1H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 4.08 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.83 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 153.1, 148.3, 142.5, 130.8, 125.9, 112.8, 112.0, 93.2, 71.5, 56.1, 38.4, 23.0; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3075, 2941, 1575, 1468, 1260, 1032, 889, 765, 636; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₂H₁₅IO₂Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 341.0009, found 341.0000.



1c was prepared from 2-iodo-4-phenoxyphenol³ and 3-methyl-3-buten-1-ol following the same procedure that was used for preparation of **1a**. The reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1c** (in 68% yield) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.37 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.18 (m, 2H), 6.97 (dd, J = 7.4 and 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, J = 8.8 and 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.86-6.82 (m, 2H), 6.67 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 4.75 (s, 1H), 3.00 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 158.0, 154.2, 150.9, 142.1, 130.6, 129.8, 129.8, 123.1, 120.3, 118.0, 118.0, 112.8, 112.6, 86.8, 68.8, 37.3, 23.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3072, 2928, 1586, 1481, 1264, 1217, 1043, 884; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₇H₁₇IO₂Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 403.0165, found 403.0157.



1d was prepared from 2-iodo-4-methoxyphenol and 3-phenylbut-3-en-1-ol⁴ following the same procedure that was used for preparation of **1a**. The reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1d** (in 65% yield) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.45 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (dd, J = 7.8 and 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (dd, J = 7.4 and 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (dd, J = 8.8 and 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (s, 1H), 5.23 (s, 1H), 4.03 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.04 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 154.5, 152.1, 144.5, 140.7, 128.5, 128.5, 127.7, 126.3, 126.3, 124.8, 114.9, 114.9, 113.6, 87.3, 69.2, 56.0, 35.3; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3026, 2954, 1627, 1571, 1489, 1217, 1112, 1040, 901; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₇H₁₇IO₂Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 403.0165, found 403.0159.



1e was prepared from 2-iodo-4-methoxyphenol and 4-methylpent-4-en-1-ol following the same procedure that was used for preparation of **1a**. The reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1e** (in 72% yield) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.32 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (dd, *J* = 8.8 and 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 8.8

Hz, 1H), 4.78-4.71 (m, 2H), 3.95 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.26 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.99-1.92 (m, 2H), 1.76 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 154.4, 152.4, 145.1, 124.8, 115.0, 113.3, 110.6, 87.2, 69.7, 56.1, 34.3, 27.4, 22.6; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3647, 2939, 1570, 1489, 1216, 1147, 1041, 845, 766; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₃H₁₇IO₂Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 355.0165, found 355.0165.



1j was prepared from N-(2-iodo-4-methoxyphenyl)-4-methyl benzenesulfonamide⁵ and 3-methyl-3-buten-1-ol following the same procedure that was used for preparation of **1a**. The reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1j** (in 75% yield) as a white solid; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (dd, *J* = 8.8 and 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 4.61 (s, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.72 (ddd, *J* = 13.2, 11.4 and 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (ddd, *J* = 13.2, 11.4 and 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.31 (ddd, *J* = 14.8, 11.4 and 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (ddd, *J* = 14.8, 11.4 and 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.65 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 159.5, 143.7, 142.4, 136.4, 134.2, 130.6, 130.6, 129.6, 129.6, 128.3, 125.2, 114.8, 112.0, 103.7, 55.8, 50.6, 36.5, 22.8, 21.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3559, 3073, 1648, 1592, 1486, 1349, 1161, 685, 554; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₉H₂₂INO₃SNa]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 494.0257, found 494.0249.



1k was prepared from N-(2-iodo-4-methoxyphenyl) methanesulfonamide⁶ and 3-methyl-3-buten-1-ol following the same procedure that was used for preparation of **1a**. The reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1k** (in 73% yield) as a white solid; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.43 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd, *J* = 8.8 and 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 3.86-3.82 (m, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.62-3.55 (m, 1H), 3.05 (s, 3H), 2.29 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 1.69 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 159.8, 142.3, 133.7, 132.7, 125.4, 115.0, 112.2, 101.8, 55.9, 50.1, 40.8, 36.9, 22.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3077, 1591, 1486, 1338, 1151, 1028, 961, 766, 524; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₃H₁₈INO₃SNa]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 417.9944, found 417.9936.



1m was prepared from 3-iodo-2-naphthalenol⁷ and 3-methyl-3-buten-1-ol following the same procedure that was used for preparation of **1a**. The reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1m** (in 78% yield) as a white solid; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.20 (s, 1H), 7.56 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (ddd, J = 8.0, 8.0 and 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (ddd, J = 8.0, 8.0 and 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (s, 1H), 4.79 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.77 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 154.5, 142.2, 139.3, 134.3, 130.4, 126.9, 126.7, 126.7, 124.3, 112.6, 106.4, 88.9, 68.1, 37.1, 23.2; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3054, 5843, 1664, 1590, 1456, 1246, 1022, 743, 605; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₅H₁₆IO]⁺ (M+H)⁺: *m/z* 339.0246, found 339.0240.



In was prepared from 1-iodo-2-naphthalenol⁸ and 3-methyl-3-buten-1-ol following the same procedure that was used for preparation of **1a**. The reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1n** (in 76% yield) as a white solid; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (dd, *J* = 8.2 and 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 8.0 and 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (s, 1H), 4.88 (s, 1H), 4.29 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.64 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.87 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 156.3, 142.2, 135.9, 131.5, 130.4, 130.2, 128.3, 128.2, 124.5, 114.5, 112.6, 89.0, 69.3, 37.6, 23.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3074, 2314, 1677, 1553, 1456, 1239, 1028, 802, 641; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₅H₁₅IONa]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 361.0060, found 361.0054.

Synthesis of 1g:



To a solution of 2-iodo-4-methoxyphenol (600 mg, 2.40 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in dry DMA (10 mL) was added K₂CO₃ (330 mg, 2.40 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and 2-fluorophenylethanone (0.24 mL, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in sequence. The reaction mixture was heated to 100 °C and stirred for 10 h at the same temperature. Then the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with water (6 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂(2 x 50 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water (2 x 30 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **S1** (348 mg, 47%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.86 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.36 (dd, *J* = 7.8 and 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 7.6 and 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.95-6.89 (m, 2H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.77 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 199.2, 157.2, 157.1, 148.8, 133.7, 130.8, 129.2, 124.7, 122.8, 121.4, 116.4, 116.0, 90.0, 56.1, 32.4; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3060, 1713, 1678, 1574, 1473, 1258, 1215, 1028, 812; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₅H₁₃IO₃Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 390.9802, found 390.9803.

To a solution of methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (312 mg, 0.87 mmol, 3.0 equiv) in dry toluene (6 mL) was added 'BuOK (99 mg, 0.87 mmol, 3.0 equiv) at room temperature. After 1 h, **S1** (6 mL, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv, 0.05 M in toluene) was added dropwise via syringe. The reaction mixture was warmed to 50 °C and stirred for 4 h. Then the reaction mixture was quenched with brine (6 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 30 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1g** (99 mg, 91%) as a white solid; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.36 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (dd, *J* = 7.6 and 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 8.0 and 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 7.6 and 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (dd, *J* = 8.8 and 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (dd, *J* = 8.0 and 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 2.19 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 156.1, 154.3, 150.5, 143.0, 134.5, 130.0, 128.4, 124.4, 123.3, 119.7, 117.5, 116.1, 115.6, 88.9, 56.0, 23.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3075, 2923, 1598, 1479, 1440, 1216, 1038, 903; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₆H₁₅IO₂Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 389.0009, found 389.0009.



If was prepared from 1-(2-chloro-5-nitrophenyl) ethenone and 2-iodo-4-methoxyphenol using a modified procedure for preparation of **1g** (KOH/CH₃CN/80 °C instead of K₂CO₃/DMA/100 °C). The reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1f** (in 42% overall yield) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.20 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (dd, *J* = 9.0 and 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.97-6.92 (m, 2H), 6.55 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (s, 1H), 5.32 (s, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.0, 157.6, 148.1, 142.6, 141.2, 133.9, 125.7, 124.9, 124.2, 122.1, 118.0, 116.1, 114.7, 90.1, 56.0, 23.3; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3084, 1519, 1476, 1344, 1252, 1221, 1031, 743, 610; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₆H₁₄INO₄Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 433.9860, found 433.9853.

Synthesis of 1h:



To a suspension of NaH (30 mg, 0.75 mmol, 1.1 equiv, 60% w/w in mineral oil) in dry DMF (2 mL) was added 2-iodo-4,5-dimethoxyphenyl methanol⁹ (1.36 mL, 0.68 mmol, 1.0 equiv, 0.5 M in DMF) at 0 °C. After stirring for 20 min at the same temperature, 3-chloro-2-methyl propene (2.7 mL, 1.36 mmol, 2.0 equiv, 0.5 M in DMF) was added dropwise via syringe and the reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C for 10 h. After cooling the reaction flask to room temperature, the reaction mixture was carefully quenched with water (5 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (2 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water (3 x 5 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1h** (142 mg, 60%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.01 (s, 1H), 5.03 (s, 1H), 4.94 (s, 1H), 4.42 (s, 2H), 3.98 (s, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 1.79 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 149.6, 149.0, 142.2, 133.4, 121.6, 112.6, 111.9, 85.8, 75.6, 74.6, 56.3, 56.0, 19.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3065, 2843, 1664, 1590, 1456, 1246, 1022, 743, 605; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₃H₁₇IO₃Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 371.0115, found 371.0114.



1i was prepared from 2-(2-iodo-4,5-dimethoxyphenyl)ethan-1-ol¹⁰ and 3-chloro-2-methyl propene following the same procedure that was used for preparation of **1h**. The reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1i** (in 50% yield) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.18 (s, 1H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 4.85 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.56 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.94 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.69 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 149.2, 148.1, 142.3, 134.2, 121.6, 113.1, 111.9, 88.2, 74.8, 69.6, 56.2, 55.9, 40.7, 19.5; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3076, 2845, 1505, 1441, 1255, 1162, 855, 741, 661; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₄H₁₉IO₃Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 385.0271, found 385.0260.



11 was prepared from N-(2-iodo-4,5-dimethoxybenzyl)-4-methyl benzenesulfonamide,¹¹ 3-chloro-2-methyl propene, and NaI (0.2 equiv) following the same procedure that was used for the preparation of **1h**. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **11** (in 80% yield) as a white solid; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (s, 1H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 4.75 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.32 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.56 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 149.7, 149.0, 143.5, 139.6, 137.2, 130.9, 129.9, 127.4, 127.4, 121.3, 121.3, 114.9, 112.1, 86.7, 56.3, 56.1, 55.9, 54.7, 21.6, 20.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3666, 3159, 2919, 1574, 1503, 1340, 1210, 1159, 909; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₂₀H₂₄INO₄SNa]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 524.0363, found 524.0350.



10 was prepared according to the know literature procedure¹²; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.20 (s, 1H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.65-2.60 (m, 2H), 2.10 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.75 (s, 3H), 1.74-1.68 (m, 2H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 149.4, 147.8, 145.6, 137.7, 121.8, 112.3, 110.3, 88.0, 56.3, 56.0, 40.2, 37.5, 28.5, 22.6; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2935, 1504, 1441, 1252, 1215, 1161, 1029, 584, 788; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $[C_{14}H_{19}IO_2Na]^+$ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 369.0322, found 369.0312.

3. Pd-catalyzed Cascade Cyclization for Rapid Polycycle Assembly

3.1 General Procedure

Caution! Carbon monoxide is highly toxic. The operation must be carried out in a good hood with an adequate shield.



In a nitrogen-filled glovebox, a 25 mL flame-dried reaction tube with a stirring bar was charged with $Pd(OAc)_2$ (4.5 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), Ph_3P (10.5 mg, 0.04 mmol, 0.2 equiv), AgOTf (128 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 equiv), DTBP (57 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and degassed dry toluene (1 mL). The reaction tube was sealed with a rubber septum and taken out of the glovebox. The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h at room temperature and then substrate **1** (0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv, 0.035 M in toluene) was added in one portion. The reaction tube was purged with carbon monoxide (CO balloon) for a while (3-5 seconds) and immediately placed into a preheated 90 °C oil bath where it was stirred vigorously for 4 h under carbon monoxide atmosphere (CO balloon). The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a pad of silica and eluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL). The eluent was concentrated in *vacuo* and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford product **2**.

3.2 Substrates Extension



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1a** (64 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2a** (36 mg, 83%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 6.92 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.47-4.43 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.69 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.06-2.01 (m, 1H), 1.98-1.92 (m, 1H), 1.40 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 201.6, 150.8, 145.7, 145.6, 122.5, 121.8, 111.7, 64.4, 56.3, 55.7, 34.2, 33.8, 28.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3462, 2960, 1711, 1598, 1494, 1299, 1262, 1052, 811; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₃H₁₄O₃Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 241.0835, found 241.0830.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1b** (64 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2b** (29 mg, 66%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.25 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (ddd, J = 11.8, 5.4 and 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.58-4.52 (m, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 2.70 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.11-2.06 (m, 1H), 1.98 (ddd, J = 13.2, 13.2 and 5.4 Hz, 1H), 1.41 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 202.7, 151.9, 145.2, 140.8, 128.1, 116.4, 111.9, 65.1, 56.5, 55.4, 34.0, 33.6, 28.9; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2960, 1708, 1607, 1504, 1258, 1350, 1075, 803; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₃H₁₄O₃Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 241.0835, found 241.0832.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1c** (76 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2c** (24 mg, 43%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.35-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.10 (dd, J = 7.4 and 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.04-6.99 (m, 2H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.53-4.46 (m, 2H), 2.71 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.10-2.05 (m, 1H), 2.03-1.97 (m, 1H), 1.44 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 200.6, 157.3, 147.8, 147.3, 145.2, 129.8, 129.8, 125.0, 123.7, 121.6, 119.2, 119.1, 119.1, 64.6, 55.8, 34.3, 33.7, 28.9; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3462, 1718, 1645, 1480, 1384, 1230, 753, 695; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₈H₁₆O₃Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 303.0992, found 303.0988.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1d** (76 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2d** (34 mg, 61%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.26 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 1H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (ddd, J = 11.4, 4.4 and 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.83 (ddd, J = 13.8, 11.6 and 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.55-2.51 (m, 1H), 2.21 (ddd, J = 13.4, 13.4 and 4.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 200.7, 151.0, 146.9, 146.4, 141.9, 128.8, 128.8, 127.4, 127.4, 127.0, 123.9, 122.0, 112.6, 64.7, 56.5, 56.4, 43.7, 35.4; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3521, 2959, 1712, 1599, 1493, 1257, 1049, 767, 703; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₈H₁₆O₃Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 303.0992, found 303.0984.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1e** (66 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2e** (18 mg, 39%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.16 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.55 (dd, J = 12.2 and 12.2 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (d, J = 19.2 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (d, J = 19.2 Hz, 1H), 2.39-2.30 (m, 1H), 2.04 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 1.82 (dd, J = 15.2 and 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.66 (dd, J = 13.6 and 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 203.3, 154.7, 153.9, 151.5, 128.7, 124.8, 110.4, 74.7, 56.1, 54.5, 41.9, 38.6, 28.3, 25.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3474, 2967, 1622, 1491, 1252, 1177, 1032, 641; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₄H₁₆O₃Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 255.0992, found 255.0990.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1f** (82 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2f** (33 mg, 53%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.18 (dd, J = 8.8 and 2.6 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (s, 3H), 3.16 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 3.12

(d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 1.48 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 198.7, 157.7, 154.1, 145.4, 144.3, 143.7, 131.5, 124.0, 122.7, 122.4, 121.7, 118.3, 111.7, 56.5, 52.8, 38.2, 33.9; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3461, 2313, 1718,1603, 1520,1344, 1244,1041, 803; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $[C_{17}H_{13}NO_5Na]^+$ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 334.0686, found 334.0678.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1g** (73 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2g** (20 mg, 37%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.30 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.19 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd, J = 7.6 and 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 3.14 (d, J = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (d, J = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 1.44 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 200.6, 153.3, 153.2, 147.3, 145.1, 130.6, 128.0, 126.1, 124.5, 122.5, 121.7, 117.5, 111.0, 56.5, 53.2, 38.2, 33.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3433, 2925, 1717, 1632, 1384, 1249, 1154, 1043, 757; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₇H₁₄O₃Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 289.0835, found 289.0834.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1h** (70 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2h** (27 mg, 55%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 6.78 (s, 1H), 5.01 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (s, 3H), 4.02 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.50 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (d, J = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (d, J = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 1.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 200.5, 152.1, 149.1, 146.3, 125.9, 125.4, 114.2, 72.9, 65.8, 63.0, 57.2, 51.7, 37.4, 27.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3449, 1713, 1633, 1491, 1340, 1268, 1074, 1054, 724; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₄H₁₆O₄Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 271.0941, found 271.0934.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1i** (72 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2i** (18 mg, 34%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 6.91 (s, 1H), 4.33-4.27 (m, 1H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 3.91 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.53-3.43 (m, 3H), 2.64 (dd, *J* = 15.4 and 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H), 1.44 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 202.4, 152.8, 151.4, 145.4, 134.2, 128.7, 121.5, 78.6, 72.0, 61.9, 57.0, 49.9, 44.8, 38.2, 24.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3309, 2922, 1711, 1675, 1494, 1273, 1012, 744, 667, 642; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₅H₁₈O₄Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 285.1097, found 285.1092.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1j** (94 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2j** (50 mg, 67%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.15 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (dd, J = 13.2 and 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.55 (ddd, J = 13.2, 13.2 and 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.51 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.09 (dd, J = 13.2 and 5.6 Hz, 1H), 1.71 (ddd, J = 13.2, 13.2 and 5.8 Hz, 1H), 0.60 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 201.4, 153.9, 152.6, 144.4, 134.4, 129.8, 129.8, 127.4, 127.3, 127.3, 122.2, 111.2, 56.2, 54.5, 44.1, 35.7, 34.8, 25.6, 21.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3432, 1712, 1591, 1493, 1302, 1165, 1058, 815, 558; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₂₀H₂₁NO₄SNa]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 394.1083, found 394.1076.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1k** (79 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2k** (41 mg, 70%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.90 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (ddd, J = 12.4, 6.2 and 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.78 (ddd, J = 13.2, 12.6 and 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (s, 3H), 2.68 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (ddd, J = 13.2, 5.2 and 1.4 Hz, 1H), 1.84 (ddd, J = 13.2, 13.2 and 6.2 Hz, 1H), 1.34 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 201.2, 153.4, 151.4, 127.2, 126.9, 122.4, 111.2, 56.1, 54.3, 44.2, 36.7, 35.7, 34.3, 26.4; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3473, 2929, 1711, 1494, 1342, 1275, 1155, 1057, 732; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₄H₁₇NO₄SNa]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 318.0770, found 318.0763.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **11** (100 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **21** (41 mg, 51%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.73 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 4.83 (dd, J = 15.4 and 0.6 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (s, 3H), 3.91 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.61 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 200.0, 152.2, 148.3, 146.5, 143.9, 134.2, 129.9, 129.9, 127.4, 127.4, 125.3, 123.2, 115.9, 62.9, 57.1, 52.9, 52.2, 45.4, 38.1, 28.1, 21.6; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3443, 2925, 1712, 1638, 1493, 1344, 1269, 1162, 943; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₂₁H₂₃NO₅SNa]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 424.1189, found 424.1180.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1m** (68 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2m** (30 mg, 62%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.85-8.79 (m, 1H), 7.79-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 4.64-4.56 (m, 2H), 2.86 (d, *J* = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (d, *J* = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 2.20-2.16 (m, 1H), 2.08 (ddd, *J* = 13.2, 12.8 and 6.0 Hz, 1H), 1.50 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 204.0, 151.8, 150.0, 135.4, 129.4, 127.2, 126.8, 126.1, 124.8, 124.0, 116.4, 64.8, 55.4, 34.7, 33.9, 28.4; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3433, 2927, 1704, 1517, 1465, 1288, 1155, 1065, 1021, 576; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $[C_{16}H_{14}O_2Na]^+$ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 261.0886, found 261.0886.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **1n** (68 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2n** (41 mg, 85%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.16 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.8Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd, J = 7.6 and 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.54-4.44 (m, 2H), 2.83 (d, J =14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (ddd, J = 13.4, 13.0 and 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (ddd, J = 13.4, 1.8 and 1.8 Hz, 1H), 1.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 197.5, 151.7, 134.3, 131.5, 128.9, 128.7, 128.2, 125.8, 123.1, 119.5, 117.4, 63.1, 52.2, 35.7, 32.1, 27.3; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3064, 2962, 1757, 1684, 1585, 1253, 1240, 833, 776; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₆H₁₄O₂Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z261.0886, found 261.0880.



Prepared according to the general procedure using **10** (69 mg, 0.20 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **20** (36 mg, 72%) as a yellowish oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 6.87 (s, 1H), 4.03 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.87 (dd, J = 17.2 and 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.71-2.65 (m, 1H), 2.61 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.51 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.15-2.06 (m, 1H), 2.01-1.92 (m, 2H), 1.60-1.53 (m, 1H), 1.26 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 202.5, 152.3, 151.6, 145.2, 128.9, 126.0, 118.9, 62.5, 57.1, 56.7, 37.2, 34.1, 29.4, 25.0, 18.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3482, 2936, 1711, 1491, 1347, 1268, 1029, 743, 582; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₅H₁₈O₃Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 269.1148, found 269.1143.

4. Synthetic Transformations of Tricyclic 2a



Lactone 7: To a solution of 2a (15 mg, 0.07 mmol, 1.0 eq) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 mL) was added NaHCO₃ (29 mg, 0.34 mmol, 5.0 eq), followed by *m*-CPBA (42 mg, 0.21 mmol, 3.0 eq) at rt. The reaction was stirred for 2 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with a mixture of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (2 mL) and saturated aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ solution (2 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford lactone 7 (10.5 mg, 65%) as a yellow oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.80 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (ddd, *J* = 11.6, 4.4 and 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.29-4.24 (m, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.78 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 1.88 (ddd, *J* = 13.4, 13.4 and 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.82 (ddd, *J* = 13.4, 2.2 and 2.2 Hz, 1H), 1.36 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.0, 146.1, 141.2, 140.1, 114.3, 113.5, 111.5, 62.6, 57.1, 43.1, 34.1, 29.4, 25.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2961, 2838, 1769, 1495, 1254, 1231, 1152, 892; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₃H₁₄O₄Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 257.0784, found 257.0781.



Ether 8: To a solution of 2a (15 mg, 0.07 mmol, 1.0 eq) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 mL) was added TfOH (31 uL, 0.34 mmol, 5.0 eq) and Et₃SiH (55 uL, 0.34 mmol, 5.0 eq) at rt. After stirring for 5 h at this temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (5 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford ether 8 (10.6 mg, 75%) as a yellow oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.60 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (ddd, *J* = 11.6, 5.2 and 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.32-4.26 (m, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.03-2.96 (m,

1H), 2.78 (dd, J = 15.8 and 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.13 (dd, J = 11.6 and 6.0 Hz, 1H), 1.92 (ddd, J = 13.2, 2.8 and 1.6 Hz, 1H), 1.83 (ddd, J = 19.6, 11.4 and 8.4 Hz, 1H), 1.76 (ddd, J = 13.2, 13.2 and 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.26 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 146.4, 134.9, 130.6, 112.8, 111.5, 64.1, 56.2, 43.7, 39.3, 35.6, 27.4, 24.2; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2949, 2852, 1492, 1245, 1195, 1060, 797; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₃H₁₆O₂Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m*/z 227.1043, found 227.1041.



Ketone 9: To a solution of **2a** (15 mg, 0.07 mmol, 1.0 eq) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 mL) was added B F₃·Et₂O (17 uL, 0.14 mmol, 2.0 eq) at -78 °C. After 15 min, TMSCHN₂ (69 uL, 0.14 mmol, 2.0 eq) was added at the same temperature. After stirring for 3 h at this temperature, the react ion mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (5 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to affo rd ketone **9** (9.8 mg, 60%) as a yellow oil; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.96 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.32-4.28 (m, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.84 (ddd, *J* = 19.4, 12. 8 and 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (ddd, *J* = 19.4, 6.8 and 1.2 Hz, 1H), 1.98-1.93 (m, 1H), 1.93-1.86 (m, 2H),1.76 (ddd, *J* = 13.6, 2.2 and 2.2 Hz, 1H), 1.32 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.3, 153.5, 145.8, 133.2, 122.4, 120.9 112.1, 62.2, 56.5, 36.2, 35.9, 35.5, 30.4, 26.4; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3330, 2935, 1679, 1585, 1475, 1254, 1056, 906; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₄H₁₆O₃ Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: m/z 255.0992 , found 255.0987.



Lactam 11: To a solution of **2a** (15 mg, 0.07 mmol, 1.0 eq) in 1,4-dioxane/H₂O (1.8 mL/0.2 mL) was added NH₂OH·HCl (7.2 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.5 eq) and Thiamine hydrochloride (4.7 mg, 0.01 mmol, 0.2 eq) at 90 °C. After 12 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and quenched with saturated aqueous

NaHCO₃ solution (2 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford lactam **11** (13.4 mg, 84%) as a yellow solid; ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.72 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.45-4.35 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.30 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.05-1.99 (m, 1H), 1.91 (ddd, *J* = 12.8, 12.8 and 5.8 Hz, 1H), 1.33 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.9, 149.7, 145.9, 139.1, 121.9, 116.6, 111.4, 64.5, 56.0, 44.3, 36.8, 34.1, 28.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2692, 2837, 1496, 1232, 1058, 927, 802; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₃H₁₅NO₃H]⁺ (M+H)⁺: *m/z* 234.1125, found 234.1123.

5. Mechanistic Investigation of the Pd-catalyzed Cascade Cyclization

5.1. Synthesis of Deuterated 1a-D



1a-D was prepared from 2-iodo-4-(methoxy- d_3)phen-3,5,6- d_3 -ol¹³ following the same procedure that was used for preparation of **1a**, and the reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **1a-D** as a yellowish oil. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 4.85 (s, 1H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 4.05 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.84 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 154.5, 152.3, 142.3, 124.4, 114.5, 112.9, 112.4, 87.0, 69.0, 55.1, 37.4, 23.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3433, 2924, 1632, 1424, 1383, 1149, 911, 741; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₂H₁₀D₆IO₂]⁺ (M+H)⁺: m/z 325.0572, found 325.0566.

5.2. H/D Exchange Experiment



The reaction was performed according to the general procedure of Pd-catalyzed cascade using **1a-D** (89 mg, 0.20 mmol) at low conversion (run 8 min). The reaction mixture was directly concentrated and purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2a-D** (9.6 mg, 16%) as a yellowish oil and substrate **1a-D** (33 mg, 37%).

2a-D: ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 4.50-4.41 (m, 2H), 2.70 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.06-2.01 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.92 (m, 1H), 1.40 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 201.6, 150.8, 145.7, 145.6, 122.5, 121.5, 111.3, 64.4, 55.7, 34.2, 33.8, 28.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3449, 1711, 1633, 1434, 1325, 1081,850, 708; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₁₃H₁₀D₅O₃]⁺ (M+H)⁺: m/z 224.1335, found 224.1333.

5.3. Intermolecular KIE Experiment



The reaction was performed according to the general procedure using a 1:1 mixture of **1a** (32 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **1a-D** (32 mg, 0.10 mmol) at low conversion (run 8 min). The reaction mixture was directly concentrated and purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2a** (1.5 mg, 7%), **2a-D** (1.6 mg, 7%), **1a** (12.4 mg, 39%), and **1a-D** (12.6 mg, 39%).

1a/1a-D: ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.33 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, 0.5H), 6.84 (dd, J = 8.9 and 2.9 Hz, 0.5H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 0.5H), 4.85 (s, 1H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 4.05 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 1.5H), 2.54 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.83 (s, 3H).

2a/2a-D: ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 6.93 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 0.5H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 0.5H), 4.50-4.41 (m, 2H), 3.89 (s, 1.5H), 2.70 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.06-2.01 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.92 (m, 1H), 1.40 (s, 3H).

5.4. Isolation of the Reaction Intermediates



The reaction was performed according to the general procedure using **1a** (30 mg, 0.09 mmol) at low conversion (run 15 min). The reaction mixture was directly concentrated and purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **12**, **2a**, and **3**.

12: ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, C₆D₆) δ (ppm) 6.97 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd, J = 2.6 and 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (ddd, J = 9.0, 2.6 and 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (dd, J = 8.8 and 2.8 Hz, 1H), 5.95 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.14-4.07 (m, 1H), 4.06-3.99 (m, 2H), 3.93-3.88 (m, 1H), 3.36 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 3H), 3.30 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 3H), 2.84 (dd, J = 15.0 and 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (dd, J = 15.0 and 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.31-2.25 (m, 1H), 1.81-1.73 (m, 1H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 1.35 (dd, J = 12.8 and 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.18-1.14 (m, 1H), 1.22 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, C₆D₆) δ (ppm) 168.6, 154.2, 149.3, 148.6, 148.0, 146.9, 135.8, 130.7, 127.6, 125.2, 118.4, 114.6, 114.0, 113.0, 112.5, 65.3, 62.7, 55.9, 55.3, 46.5, 42.1, 34.6, 33.6, 30.4, 28.2, 21.9.; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for [C₂₆H₂₈O₆Na]⁺ (M+Na)⁺: *m/z* 459.1778, found 459.1777.

5.5. Transformation of 12 to 2a



To a solution of **12** (10.3 mg, 0.024 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in degassed dry toluene (1 mL) was added AgOTf (15.2 mg, 0.059 mmol, 2.5 equiv) and DTBP (6.8 mg, 0.035 mmol, 1.5 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was heated to 90 °C and stirred for 36 h. Then the reaction mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane) to afford **2a** (9.3 mg, 90%) as a yellowish oil.

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