Rh(III)-Catalyzed Cyclization of 2,3-Allenoic Acids in the Presence of 2,3-Allenols

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1. General Information

¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, and ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ using a Bruker AM 300 MHz NMR spectrometer (¹H at 300 MHz, ¹³C at 75 MHz, ¹⁹F at 282 MHz). All ¹H NMR spectra were measured with TMS (0 ppm) in CDCl₃. All ¹⁹F NMR spectra were measured with CFCl₃ (0 ppm) as the internal standard, respectively. All ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded in relative to the signal of CDCl₃ (77.0 ppm). IR spectra were recorded with a Perkin-Elmer 983G instrument. Elemental analyses were conducted with a Carlo-Erba EA1110 elementary analysis instrument. Mass spectrometry was performed with an HP 5989A system. High-resolution mass spectrometry was determined with a Finnigan MAT 8430 or Bruker APEXIII instrument. [Cp*RhCl2]2 was purchased from HWRK CHEM. CH3CN was dried over calcium hydride and distilled freshly before use. The range of boiling point of the petroleum ether used for chromatography was 60-90 °C unless noted otherwise. Other commercially available chemicals were purchased and used without additional purification unless noted otherwise. 2,3-Allenols were prepared according to the literature procedures.¹ 2,3-Allenoic acids $1a \sim 1c$ were prepared according to the literature procedures.² 2,3-Allenoic acids 1d and 1e were prepared according to the literature procedures.³

The Reaction of 2,3-Allenoic Acid 1a and 2,3-Allenol 2a in the Presence of 5 mol% [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ and 2.0 Equiv Cu(OAc)₂•H₂O (Scheme 2). (fjj-4-193)



To a dried Schlenk tube were added [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (6.1 mg, 0.01 mmol), Cu(OAc)₂•H₂O (80.0 mg, 0.4 mmol), and **1a** (25.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) under air atmosphere. The Schlenk tube was then degassed to remove the air inside completely and refilled with O₂ by a balloon of O₂ for three times. After **2a** (45.3 mg, 0.3 mmol)/CH₃CN (0.6 mL) and MeOH (30 μ L) were added sequentially, the reaction tube was put into an oil bath pre-heated at 50 °C. The reaction was complete after stirring for 13 h was monitored by TLC. Then the O₂ balloon was removed, and the reaction mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 3). The combined filtrate was then concentrated in vacuo and the crude residue was added 9.2 μ L of mesitylene as the internal standard. 9% NMR yield of (*E*)-**3a** and 29% NMR yield (*E*)-**4aa** was determined by ¹H NMR spectrum of the crude, and some unindentified products were observed from the spectrum.

 The Reaction of 2,3-Allenoic Acid 1a and 2,3-Allenol 2a in the Presence of 5 mol% [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ and 2.0 Equiv CuCl₂•2H₂O (Table 1, Entry 1). (fjj-2-028 and fjj-5-040)



To a Schlenk tube were added [Cp*RhCl2]2 (6.3 mg, 0.01 mmol), CuCl2·2H2O (68.1 mg, 0.4 mmol), and 1a (38.3 mg, 0.3 mmol) sequentially. The Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with nitrogen three times at room temperature. Then, 2a (31.2 mg, 0.2 mmol)/CH₃CN (0.54 mL) were added under nitrogen atmosphere. After being continuously stirred at 50 °C for 5 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filteration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3). The combined filtrate was then concentrated in vacuo and analyzed by ¹H NMR using 9.2 µL of mesitylene as the internal standard. The reaction afforded 6a in 2% NMR yield and 4-chloro-3-propyl-2(5H)-furanone in 69% NMR yield. The mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate = 50/1 (500 mL) to 10/1 (500 mL)] to afford 4-chloro-3-propyl-2(5H)furanone as an oil (28.6 mg, 59%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.74 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.34 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.68-1.52 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 0.95 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5, 149.7, 128.9, 71.1, 25.4, 20.3, 13.7; IR (neat) v (cm⁻¹) 2964, 2934, 2875, 1770, 1662, 1456, 1346, 1294, 1219, 1109, 1062, 1033; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 162 [M(³⁷Cl)⁺, 14.2], 160 [M(³⁵Cl)⁺, 43.0], 79 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₇H₉O₂³⁵Cl (M⁺): 160.0286; Found: 160.0288.

4. Rh(III)-Catalyzed Oxidative Cross-coupling Cyclization of 2,3-Allenoic Acids and 2,3-Allenols

4.1 Synthesis of (E)-3-propyl-4-(4-oxodec-2-en-2-yl)-2(5H)-furanone (E)-4aa. (fjj-2-



Typical Procedure for synthesis of (E)-4aa: To a dry Schlenk tube were added [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.2 mg, 0.05 mmol) and 1a (125.7 mg, 1.0 mmol) sequentially. The Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with oxygen three times at room temperature. Then, 2a (230.2 mg, 1.5 mmol) and CH₃CN (2.7 mL) were added under oxygen atmosphere. After being continuously stirred at 50 °C for 7 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filteration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3). The combined filtrate was then concentrated in vacuo and analyzed by ¹H NMR using 46 μ L of mesitylene as the internal standard: The reaction afforded (E)-4aa in 59% NMR yield together with 7% NMR of 8aa. The mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate = 25/1 (500 mL) to 20/1 (500 mL), then 15/1 (300 mL)] to afford (E)-4aa as an oil (143.3 mg, 52%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.26 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.84 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.53 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.42 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.35 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.72-1.46 (m, 4 H, $CH_2 \times 2$), 1.42-1.15 (m, 6 H, $CH_2 \times 3$), 0.97 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.93-0.82 (m, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.0, 174.1, 156.8, 143.4, 130.1, 127.1, 70.1, 44.9, 31.5, 28.7, 26.7, 23.9, 22.3, 21.6, 17.4, 14.0, 13.9; IR (neat) v (cm⁻¹) 2959, 2931, 2872, 1756, 1689, 1589, 1456, 1371, 1348, 1123, 1103, 1077, 1041; MS (EI): m/z (%) 278 (M⁺, 2.6), 165 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₇H₂₆O₃

(M⁺): 278.1882; Found: 278.1881.

4.2 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(4-oxodec-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone 8aa. (fjj-4-023)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (126.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2a** (234.0 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded **8aa** (22.6 mg, 5%) as an oil [eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 200/1 (500 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 6.12 (s, 1 H, =CH), 6.00 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 4.65-4.32 (m, 3 H, OCH₂ and OCH), 3.55 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 2.42 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.37-2.19 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.80-1.12 (m, 21 H, CH₂ × 10 and OH), 0.97 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.94-0.75 (m, 6 H, CH₃ × 2); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.6, 174.6, 157.7, 151.5, 138.0, 137.6, 127.7, 124.0, 71.0, 68.6, 45.0, 38.0, 31.7, 31.6, 29.1, 28.9, 26.6, 25.8, 25.3, 24.1, 22.53, 22.46, 21.2, 16.3, 14.1, 14.01, 13.99; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3461, 2957, 2920, 2857, 1755, 1683, 1588, 1456, 1266, 1081, 1037; MS (EI): m/z (%) 432 (M⁺, 9.0), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₇H₄₄O4 (M⁺): 432.3240; Found: 432.3235.

4.2 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-octyl-4-(4-oxodec-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone (*E*)-4ba. (fjj-2-119)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1b** (98.2 mg, 0.5 mmol), **2a** (115.9 mg, 0.75 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (15.5 mg, 0.025 mmol) in CH₃CN (1.35 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ba** (83.2 mg, 48%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20/1 (500 mL) to 10/1 (500 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 6.25 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.83 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.52 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.43 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.35 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.69-1.46 (m, 4 H, CH₂ × 2), 1.39-1.15 (m, 16 H, CH₂ × 8), 0.95-0.81 (m, 6 H, CH₃ × 2); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.1, 174.2, 156.5, 143.6, 130.5, 127.1, 70.2, 45.0, 31.7, 31.5, 29.6, 29.2, 29.1, 28.8, 28.3, 24.9, 24.0, 22.6, 22.4, 17.5, 14.02, 13.95; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 2955, 2920, 2856, 1753, 1690, 1591, 1452, 1373, 1342, 1128, 1106, 1076, 1039; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 348 (M⁺, 3.9), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₂H₃₆O₃ (M⁺): 348.2664; Found: 348.2665.

4.3 Synthesis of (E)-3-(3-chloropropyl)-4-(4-oxodec-2-en-2-yl)-2(5H)-furanone (E)4ca. (fjj-2-091)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1c** (79.9 mg, 0.5 mmol), **2a** (115.4 mg, 0.75 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (15.6 mg, 0.025 mmol) in CH₃CN (1.35 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ca** (89.6 mg, 58%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (500 mL) to 5/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.31 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.87 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.60 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 2 H, CH₂Cl), 2.64 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.54 (t,

J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.35 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.12-1.97 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.70-1.54 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.42-1.13 (m, 6 H, CH₂ × 3), 0.95-0.79 (m, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.9, 173.9, 158.1, 142.7, 128.2, 127.6, 70.3, 44.8, 44.4, 31.4, 30.4, 28.7, 23.8, 22.3, 22.1, 17.3, 13.8; IR (neat) v (cm⁻¹) 2959, 2929, 2858, 1748, 1689, 1593, 1446, 1372, 1341, 1079, 1042; MS (EI): m/z (%) 314 [M(³⁷Cl)⁺, 0.8], 312 [M(³⁵Cl)⁺, 2.1], 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₇H₂₅O₃³⁵Cl (M⁺): 312.1492; Found: 312.1491.

4.4 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-phenethyl-4-(4-oxodec-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone (*E*)-4da. (fjj-3-086)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1d** (94.0 mg, 0.5 mmol), **2a** (115.5 mg, 0.75 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (15.5 mg, 0.025 mmol) in CH₃CN (1.35 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4da** (104.2 mg, 61%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 15/1 (500 mL) to 10/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34-7.05 (m, 5 H, ArH), 5.86 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.78 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.91 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.72 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.41 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.13 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.64-1.47 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.40-1.17 (m, 6 H, CH₂ × 3), 0.89 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.9, 174.0, 158.4, 143.1, 140.5, 128.55, 128.53, 128.3, 127.0, 126.3, 70.3, 44.9, 33.6, 31.5, 28.8, 26.9, 23.9, 22.4, 17.4, 14.0; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 3083, 3062, 3027, 2952, 2930, 2858, 1755, 1689, 1604, 1497, 1454, 1347, 1080, 1045, 1018; MS

(EI): *m/z* (%) 341 (M⁺ + 1, 7.8), 340 (M⁺, 2.2), 227 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₂H₂₈O₃ (M⁺): 340.2038; Found: 340.2037.

4.5 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-benzyl-4-(4-oxodec-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone (*E*)-4ea. (fjj-3-023)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1e** (174.3 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2a** (231.6 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ea** (185.9 mg, 57%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37-7.10 (m, 5 H, ArH), 6.22 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.89 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.80 (s, 2 H, CH₂Ph), 2.42 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.29 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.60-1.43 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.38-1.15 (m, 6 H, CH₂ × 3), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.1, 174.3, 158.5, 142.8, 137.6, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 127.9, 126.7, 70.4, 44.9, 31.5, 30.4, 28.8, 23.8, 22.4, 17.3, 14.0; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 3062, 3029, 2955, 2929, 2857, 1753, 1688, 1603, 1590, 1496, 1454, 1341, 1081, 1045; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 326 (M⁺, 15.5), 235 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₁H₂₆O₃ (M⁺): 326.1884.

4.6 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(4-oxopentadec-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone (*E*)-4ab. (fjj-2-160)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (126.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2b** (315.7 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ab** (200.5 mg, 58%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 25/1 (500 mL) to 15/1 (800 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.27 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.85 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.53 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.42 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.36 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.70-1.50 (m, 4 H, CH₂ × 2), 1.39-1.17 (m, 16 H, CH₂ × 8), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.0, 174.1, 156.8, 143.4, 130.1, 127.0, 70.1, 44.9, 31.7, 29.4, 29.31, 29.28, 29.2, 29.0, 26.7, 23.9, 22.5, 21.6, 17.4, 14.0; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 2959, 2926, 2854, 1753, 1690, 1591, 1456, 1371, 1348, 1124, 1103, 1070, 1040; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 348 (M⁺, 4.0), 165 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₂H₃₆O₃ (M⁺): 348.2664; Found: 348.2664.

4.7 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(9-chloro-4-oxonon-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone (*E*)4ac. (fjj-2-133)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (63.1 mg, 0.5 mmol), **2c** (130.1 mg, 0.75 mmol), and $[Cp*RhCl_2]_2$ (15.6 mg, 0.025 mmol) in CH₃CN (1.35 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ac** (82.9 mg, 55%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20/1

(500 mL) to 10/1 (1000 mL), then 5/1 (300 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.24 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.84 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.56 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2 H, CH₂Cl), 2.57 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.42 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.36 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.87-1.73 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.72-1.41 (m, 6 H, CH₂ × 3), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.4, 174.2, 156.7, 143.9, 130.4, 126.9, 70.1, 44.7, 44.6, 32.2, 26.8, 26.3, 23.0, 21.7, 17.5, 14.1; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 2963, 2935, 2869, 1753, 1684, 1591, 1455, 1348, 1102, 1070, 1040; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 300 [M(³⁷Cl)⁺, 0.8], 298 [M(³⁵Cl)⁺, 2.1], 165 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₆H₂₃O₃³⁵Cl (M⁺): 298.1336; Found: 298.1337.

4.8 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(4-oxo-4-cyclohexylbut-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone
(*E*)-4ad. (fjj-2-067)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (126.3 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2d** (228.4 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ad** (115.5 mg, 40%, purity: 95%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20/1 (500 mL) to 15/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.31 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.84 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.52-2.11 (m, 6 H, CH, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.97-1.47 (m, 8 H, CH₂ × 4), 1.47-1.15 (m, 4 H, CH₂ × 2), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.9, 174.2, 157.0, 143.8, 130.0, 126.5, 70.2, 52.0, 28.3, 26.8, 25.7, 25.5, 21.7, 17.5, 14.0; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 2931, 2855, 1755, 1683, 1590, 1450, 1347, 1146, 1038; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 276 (M⁺, 7.4), 83 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₇H₂₄O₃ (M⁺): S11

4.9 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(4-oxo-6-phenylhex-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone (*E*)4ae. (fjj-3-019)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (127.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2e** (260.3 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.1 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ae** (147.2 mg, 49%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 15/1 (500 mL) to 10/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36-7.09 (m, 5 H, ArH), 6.19 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.77 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.04-2.76 (m, 4 H, CH₂ × 2), 2.47-2.22 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.66-1.44 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 0.95 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.6, 174.0, 156.5, 143.6, 140.4, 130.1, 128.2, 128.0, 126.8, 125.9, 69.9, 46.0, 29.6, 26.5, 21.4, 17.3, 13.8; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 3062, 3027, 2962, 2931, 2873, 1753, 1689, 1588, 1497, 1454, 1348, 1197, 1095, 1072, 1041; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 298 (M⁺, 2.2), 91 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₉H₂₂O₃ (M⁺): 298.1569; Found: 298.1570.

4.10 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(4-oxotetradeca-2,13-dien-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone (*E*)-**4af**. (fij-2-188)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (126.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2f** (313.0 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4af** (164.3 mg, 49%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 25/1 (500 mL) to 20/1 (1000 mL), then 10/1 (500 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.24 (s, 1 H, =CH), 5.90-5.70 (m, 1 H, =CH), 5.06-4.87 (m, 2 H, =CH₂), 4.84 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.52 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.42 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.35 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.04 (q, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.70-1.48 (m, 4 H, CH₂ × 2), 1.44-1.22 (m, 10 H, CH₂ × 5), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.1, 174.2, 156.8, 143.6, 139.1, 130.3, 127.1, 114.1, 70.2, 44.9, 33.7, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 29.0, 28.8, 26.8, 24.0, 21.7, 17.5, 14.1; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3076, 2928, 2855, 1755, 1689, 1590, 1456, 1348, 1103, 1072, 1041; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 332 (M⁺, 3.2), 165 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₁H₃₂O₃Na (M+Na)⁺: 355.2244; Found: 355.2246.

4.11 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(6-(benzyloxy)-4-oxohex-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone (*E*)-4ag. (fjj-2-194)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (126.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2g** (316.3 mg, 1.5 mmol), and $[Cp*RhCl_2]_2$ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ag** (183.0 mg, 56%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (1000 mL) to 8/1 (500 mL), then 5/1 (500 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50-7.05 (m,

5 H, ArH), 6.27 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.77 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 4.52 (s, 2 H, CH₂ of Bn), 3.79 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.81 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.45-2.27 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.62-1.47 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 0.95 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.8, 174.1, 156.5, 143.9, 137.8, 130.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5, 127.0, 73.1, 70.0, 65.2, 44.7, 26.6, 21.5, 17.4, 13.9; IR (neat) v (cm⁻¹) 3030, 2962, 2920, 2872, 1748, 1689, 1590, 1496, 1452, 1362, 1199, 1102; MS (EI): m/z (%) 328 (M⁺, 0.8), 91 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₀H₂₄O₄ (M⁺): 328.1675; Found: 328.1676.

4.12 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(4-oxo-4-phenylbut-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone (*E*)4ah. (fjj-2-161, fjj-5-027)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (63.1 mg, 0.5 mmol), **2h** (109.9 mg, 0.75 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (15.5 mg, 0.025 mmol) in CH₃CN (1.35 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ah** as an oil (89.7 mg, 66%) [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 25/1 (500 mL) to 15/1 (1000 mL)]. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.0-7.85 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.61 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.51 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 6.91 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.92 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.50 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.37 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.74-1.51 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.0, 174.2, 156.7, 144.2, 137.9, 133.2, 129.9, 128.6, 128.1, 125.6, 70.1, 26.8, 21.7, 17.8, 14.0; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 3058, 2962, 2932, 2873, 1748, 1659, 1599, 1444, 1348, 1255, 1227, 1190, 1102, S14

(M⁺): 270.1256; Found: 270.1255.

4.13 Synthesis of (E)-3-propyl-4-(4-oxo-4-(p-tolyl)but-2-en-2-yl)-2(5H)-furanone (E)-

4ai. (fjj-2-064)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (126.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2i** (240.3 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.2 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ai** (158.0 mg, 56%) as a solid [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 15/1 (500 mL) to 10/1 (500 mL)]: m.p. 64.9-66.7 °C (Et₂O); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 6.90 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.92 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.55-2.40 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 2.35 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.71-1.53 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.8, 174.3, 156.9, 144.3, 143.6, 135.6, 129.9, 129.4, 128.4, 126.0, 70.2, 26.9, 21.8, 21.6, 17.8, 14.1; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 2960, 2929, 2872, 1740, 1653, 1607, 1517, 1445, 1427, 1366, 1354, 1329, 1257, 1233, 1188, 1102, 1068, 1028; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 284 (M⁺, 4.3), 119 (100); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₀O₃ (%): C, 76.03; H, 7.09; Found: C, 76.23; H, 7.06.

4.14 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-oxobut-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)furanone (*E*)-4aj. (fjj-2-170)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (126.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2j** (270.8 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4aj** as a solid (172.8 mg, 57%, *E/Z* = 96/4 according to the ¹H NMR spectrum of the crude product, *E/Z* = 94/6 after being purified via chromatography on silica gel) [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 25/1 (500 mL) to 20/1 (500 mL), then 15/1 (1200 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 6.89 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.94 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.46 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.39 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.75-1.51 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); the following signals are disscernible for (*Z*)-**4aj**: δ 7.01 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.86 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.20 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.17-2.06 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.50-1.39 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 0.80 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 189.7, 174.1, 156.6, 145.1, 139.7, 136.4, 130.3, 129.6, 129.0, 125.0, 70.2, 26.8, 21.7, 18.0, 14.1.

The *E*/*Z* mixture recrystallized affording purified (*E*)-**4aj** (120.3 mg): solid, m.p. 78.8-79.6 °C (Et₂O/*n*-hexane); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 6.88 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.93 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.38 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.75-1.51 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 189.8, 174.1, 156.6, 145.2, 139.8, 136.4, 130.4, 129.6, 129.1, 125.0, 70.2, 26.9, 21.8, 18.0, 14.1; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 3090, 3062, 2967, 2933, 1739, 1656, 1588, 1459, 1420, 1253, 1226, 1195, 1106, 1089, 1031, 1007;

MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 306 [M(³⁷Cl)⁺, 1.5], 304 [M(³⁵Cl)⁺, 4.2], 139 (100); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₇ClO₃ (%): C, 67.00; H, 5.62; Found: C, 66.85; H, 5.69.

4.15 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(4-(3-bromophenyl)-4-oxobut-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)furanone (*E*)-**4ak**. (fjj-2-093)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (63.1 mg, 0.5 mmol), **2k** (169.0 mg, 0.75 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (15.5 mg, 0.025 mmol) in CH₃CN (1.35 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ak** (87.9 mg, 50%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/Et₂O = 5/1 (500 mL) to 4/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (s, 1 H, ArH), 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 6.85 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.92 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.49 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.38 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.71-1.56 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.01 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 189.5, 174.1, 156.5, 145.7, 139.8, 136.1, 131.2, 130.5, 130.3, 126.7, 124.8, 123.1, 70.2, 26.9, 21.8, 18.0, 14.1; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 3064, 2962, 2931, 2872, 1755, 1662, 1594, 1565, 1431, 1251, 1222, 1188, 1102, 1069, 1038; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 350 [M(⁸¹Br)⁺, 6.0], 348 [M(⁷⁹Br)⁺, 6.2], 183 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₇H₁₇O₃⁷⁹Br (M⁺): 348.0361; Found: 348.0363.

4.16 Synthesis of (E)-3-propyl-4-(4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-oxobut-2-en-2-yl)-2(5H)-

furanone (*E*)-4al. (fjj-2-195)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (126.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2l** (246.2 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4al** (160.9 mg, 56%) as a solid [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (500 mL) to 8/1 (500 mL)]: m.p. 59.6-60.1 °C (Et₂O/*n*-hexane); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07-7.84 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.18 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 6.89 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.93 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.49 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.38 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.74-1.50 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 189.5, 174.2, 165.8 (d, *J* = 254.4 Hz), 156.6, 144.6, 134.5 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 130.9 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 130.2, 125.3, 115.9 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 70.2, 26.9, 21.8, 18.0, 14.1; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 104.7; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3074, 2963, 2929, 2874, 1753, 1661, 1594, 1506, 1453, 1227, 1189, 1157, 1036; MS (EI): *m*/*z* (%) 288 (M⁺, 3.4), 123 (100); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₇FO₃ (%): C, 70.82; H, 5.94; Found: C, 70.75; H, 6.05.

4.17 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(4-(2,3-dichlorophenyl)-4-oxobut-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)furanone (*E*)-4am. (fjj-3-018)



Following Typical Procedure, the reaction of 1a (126.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), 2m (322.1 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (E)-4am (146.5 mg, 43%, E/Z = 98/2 according to the ¹H NMR spectrum of the crude product, E/Z = 97/3 after being purified via chromatography on silica gel) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20/1 (500 mL) to 15/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR $(300 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta 7.52 \text{ (d, } J = 8.4 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{ H}, \text{ArH}), 7.46 \text{ (d, } J = 2.1 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{ H}, \text{ArH}),$ 7.37 (dd, $J_1 = 8.1$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1 H, ArH), 6.68 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.90 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.54-2.36 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.67-1.50 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 0.97 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); the following signals are disscernible for (Z)-4am: δ 6.76 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.86 (s, 2 H, OCH₂); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.9, 174.0, 156.1, 145.8, 137.8, 137.7, 132.1, 131.0, 130.9, 130.2, 127.6, 127.2, 70.0, 26.8, 21.7, 18.0, 14.0; IR (neat) v (cm⁻¹) 3087, 2963, 2932, 2873, 1748, 1668, 1584, 1457, 1374, 1261, 1218, 1188, 1103, 1074, 1031; MS (EI): m/z (%) 342 [(M(³⁷Cl³⁷Cl)⁺, 0.8], 340 [(M³⁷Cl³⁵Cl)⁺, 3.8], 338 $[M(^{35}Cl^{35}Cl)^{+}, 5.0], 173 (100);$ HRMS Calcd for C₁₇H₁₆O₃³⁵Cl³⁵Cl (M⁺): 338.0477; Found: 338.0475.

4.18 Synthesis of (E)-4-(4-(furan-2-yl)-4-oxobut-2-en-2-yl)-3-propylfuran-2(5H)-one (E)-4an. (fjj-2-186)



Following Typical Procedure, the reaction of 1a (125.9 mg, 1.0 mmol), 2n (204.5 mg, 1.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded S19

(*E*)-4an (122.1 mg, 47%) as a solid [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 15/1 (500 mL) to 10/1 (500 mL), then 8/1 (1000 mL)]: m.p. 76.8-77.8 °C (Et₂O/*n*-hexane); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (s, 1 H, ArH), 7.26 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 6.92 (s, 1 H, =CH), 6.64-6.52 (m, 1 H, ArH), 4.92 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.57-2.33 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.71-1.54 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.5, 174.2, 156.8, 154.0, 146.5, 146.0, 130.5, 123.7, 117.4, 112.7, 70.2, 26.9, 21.7, 17.8, 14.1; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 3137, 3114, 2958, 2932, 2873, 1747, 1647, 1605, 1567, 1467, 1338, 1266, 1200, 1161, 1101, 1014; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 260 (M⁺, 7.1), 95 (100); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₅H₁₆O4 (%): C, 69.22; H, 6.20; Found: C, 69.08; H, 6.29.

4.19 Synthesis of (*E*)-3-propyl-4-(4-oxobutan-2-en-2-yl)-2(5*H*)-furanone (*E*)-4ao. (fjj-3-078)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (126.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2o** (105.5 mg, 0.75 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ao** (64.1 mg, 33%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.18 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, CHO), 6.07 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 4.89 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.54-2.38 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.66-1.51 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 0.99 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.1, 173.8, 154.7, 147.7, 132.0, 129.8, 69.8, 26.9, 21.7, 16.0, 14.0; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 2963, 2934, 2873, 1755, 1671, 1455, 1380, 1349, 1197, 1115, 1042; MS (EI): *m/z* (%)

194 (M^+ , 3.2), 165 (100); HRMS Calcd for $C_{11}H_{14}O_3$ (M^+): 194.0943; Found: 194.0946.

5. 5 mmol Scale Reaction and Transformation

5.1 5 mmol scale reaction for synthesis of (E)-4ai. (fjj-2-073)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (630.5 mg, 5.0 mmol), **2i** (1200.3 mg, 7.5 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (153.9 mg, 0.25 mmol) in CH₃CN (13.5 mL) afforded (*E*)-**4ai** (742.6 mg, 52%) as a solid [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (1500 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 6.89 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.91 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.49 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.44 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.35 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.71-1.53 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.9, 156.9, 144.4, 143.6, 135.6, 130.0, 129.5, 128.4, 126.0, 70.3, 26.9, 21.8, 21.6, 17.9, 14.1.

5.2 Preparation of (*E*)-9. (fjj-3-095)



To a dry Schlenk tube were added (*E*)-**4ai** (28.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), MeOH (1 mL) and NaBH₄ (5.1 mg, 0.13 mmol) sequentially. After being continuously stirred at room temperature for 3 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). The mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate =

5/1 (500 mL)] to afford (*E*)-**9** as an oil (27.0 mg, 95%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 5.90 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 5.56 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1 H, OCH), 4.77 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.49-2.20 (m, 6 H, CH₃, CH₂ and OH), 2.04 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.59-1.41 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.3, 157.0, 139.6, 137.9, 135.9, 129.5, 128.8, 127.3, 125.9, 70.32, 70.28, 26.6, 22.0, 21.1, 15.8, 14.0; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 3430 (OH), 2961, 2929, 2872, 1748, 1512, 1455, 1348, 1194, 1107, 1039; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 286 (M⁺, 6.98), 105 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂O₃ (M⁺): 286.1569; Found: 286.1567.

5.3 Synthesis of (E)-4ai under air atmosphere. (fjj-4-199)



To a dry Schlenk tube were added [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), **1a** (126.1 mg, 1.0 mmol) and **2i** (240.5 mg, 1.5 mmol) sequentially. The Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with air three times at room temperature. Then, CH₃CN (2.7 mL) were added under air atmosphere. After being continuously stirred at 50 °C for 13 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). Then the Air balloon was removed, and the reaction mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL × 3). The combined filteration was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate = 9/1 (1000 mL)] to afford (*E*)-**4ai** as a solid (153.5 mg, 54%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, *J*

= 8.1 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.30 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 6.89 (s, 1 H, =CH), 4.92 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.54-2.41 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 2.35 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.72-1.55 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.00 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃).

6. Mechanistic Studies

The reaction of $[D^b]$ -2a and 1a for the synthesis of [D]-(*E*)-4aa. (fjj-2-105)



Following **Typical Procedure**, the reaction of **1a** (62.8 mg, 0.5 mmol), [D^b]-**2a** (115.0 mg, 0.75 mmol), and [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (15.5 mg, 0.025 mmol) in CH₃CN (1.35 mL) afforded [D]-(*E*)-**4aa** (71.7 mg, 52%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 6.24 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 4.84 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.53 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), w 2.42 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.33 (s, 2 H, CH₂D), 1.69-1.49 (m, 4 H, CH₂ × 2), 1.40-1.20 (m, 6 H, CH₂ × 3), 0.97 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.93-0.82 (m, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.1, 174.2, 156.8, 143.4, 130.2, 127.1, 70.1, 44.9, 31.5, 28.7, 26.7, 23.9, 22.4, 21.6, 17.2 (t, J = 20.0 Hz), 14.0, 13.9; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 2959, 2931, 2872, 1756, 1689, 1589, 1456, 1407, 1349, 1122, 1098, 1072, 1034; MS (EI): m/z (%) 279 (M⁺, 3.0), 165 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₇H₂₅O₃D (M⁺): 279.1945; Found: 279.1945.

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8. 1 H NMR, 13 C NMR and 19 F NMR of the Compounds Prepared.













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Datablock: 191031_fjj_2_073_0m

Bond precision: C-C = 0.0017 AWavelength=0.71073 Cell: a=13.1699(4) b=6.7473(2) c=16.9652(6) alpha=90 beta=94.130(1) gamma=90 Temperature: 170 K Calculated Reported Volume 1503.63(8) 1503.63(8) Space group P 21/c P 1 21/c 1 Hall group -P 2ybc -P 2ybc Moiety formula C18 H20 O3 C18 H20 O3 Sum formula C18 H20 O3 C18 H20 O3 Mr 284.34 284.34 1.256 1.256 Dx,g cm-3 Ζ 4 4 Mu (mm-1) 0.084 0.084 F000 608.0 608.0 F000′ 608.30 h,k,lmax 16,8,21 16,8,21 Nref 3322 3318 0.988,0.992 0.680,0.746 Tmin,Tmax Tmin' 0.975 Correction method= # Reported T Limits: Tmin=0.680 Tmax=0.746 AbsCorr = MULTI-SCAN Data completeness= 0.999 Theta(max) = 27.105R(reflections) = 0.0387(2795) wR2(reflections) = 0.1060(3318) S = 1.025Npar= 193

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                                     Angle From 120 for O2
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PLAT910 ALERT 3 G Missing # of FCF Reflection(s) Below Theta(Min).
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PLAT912_ALERT_4_G Missing # of FCF Reflections Above STh/L= 0.600
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PLAT978_ALERT_2_G Number C-C Bonds with Positive Residual Density.
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