Supplementary Information for

Ruthenium Catalyzed Stereo- and Chemoselective Oxidative Coupling of Vinyl Ketones: An Efficient Access to (*E,E*)-1,6dioxo-2,4-dienes

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1. General Information

General Aspects: Experiments involving moisture andair sensitive components were performed in oven-dried glassware. Commercial solvents and reagents were used without further purification unless otherwise noted. Yields refer to chromatographically pure compounds, unless otherwise stated. Reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) carried out on 0.25 mm Merck silica gel plates (60F-254) using UV light as a visualizing agent and an p-anisaldehyde or ninhydrin stain, and heat as developing agents. Merck silica gel (particle size 100-200 and 230-400 mesh) was used for flash column chromatography. Neat compounds were used for record IR spectra. NMR spectra were recorded on either a BrukerAvance 400 (¹H, 400 MHz; ¹³C, 100 MHz), BrukerAvance 500 (¹H, 500 MHz; ¹³C, 125 MHz), or JEOL DELTA (ECX) 500 (¹H, 500 MHz; ¹³C, 125 MHz). Mass spectrometric data were obtained using WATERS-Q-Tof-Premier-HAB213 and WATERS-QTof-Premier-APCI-MS instruments and IR data recorded from PerkinElmer, FT-IR spectrometer. The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, mspt= septet, dd = doublet of doublet, dd = doublet of a doublet of a doublet, dt = doublet of a triplet, td = triplet of a doublet, m = multiplet, br = broad.

2. Table S1: Optimization of Reaction Conditions^a



Entry	Catalyst (5 mol%)	Additive (20 mol%)	Oxidant 1.0 equiv.	Solvent	°Yield 3aa/ 3aa', (%)
1	Cp*Co(CO)I ₂ (C1)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	DCE	0
2	$[\operatorname{RuCl}_2(p\text{-cymene})]_2$ (C2)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	DCE	40/20
3	[Cp*RuCl ₂] ₂ (C3)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	DCE	35/20
4	$[RuCl_2(PPh_3)_3] (C4)$	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	DCE	0
5	$[CpRu(CH_{3}CN)_{3}]PF_{6}(C5)$	-	-	DCE	0
6	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂ (C6)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	DCE	30/30
7 ^b	$[\operatorname{RuCl}_2(p\text{-cymene})]_2$ (C2)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	MeOH	-
8 ^b	$[\operatorname{RuCl}_2(p\text{-cymene})]_2$ (C2)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	dioxane	40/20
9 ^b	$[RuCl_2(p-cymene)]_2(C2)$	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	TFE	Trace
10 ^b	$[\operatorname{RuCl}_2(p\text{-cymene})]_2$ (C2)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	HFIP	Trace
11 ^b	$[\operatorname{RuCl}_2(p\text{-cymene})]_2$ (C2)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	toluene	Trace
12 ^b	$[\operatorname{RuCl}_2(p\text{-cymene})]_2$ (C2)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	CH ₂ Cl ₂	30/20
13 ^b	$[\operatorname{RuCl}_2(p\text{-cymene})]_2$ (C2)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	MeCN	Trace
14 ^b	$[\operatorname{RuCl}_2(p\text{-cymene})]_2$ (C2)	AgSbF ₆	Cu(OAc) ₂	^t AmOH	Trace

Reaction conditions: ^a1a (0.4 mmol), 2a (0.3 mmol), [Ru(p-cymene)Cl₂]₂ (5 mol %), additive (20 mol %) and oxidant (1.0 equiv.) in a specific solvent (3.0 mL) at 100 °C for 24 h. ^bReaction carried out using 2.1 equiv of Cu(OAc)₂.H₂O at 80 °C. ^cIsolated yields are of pure product 3aa and 3aa' w. r. t acrylate 2a. TFE = Trifluoroethanol, HFIP = Hexafluoro-isopropanol, DCM = dichloromethane, ^tAmOH = t-amyl alcohol

3. Experimental Procedures

3.1. General procedure for the oxidative coupling reaction of vinyl ketones



A 8 mL screw-cap vial was charged with $[RuCl_2(p-cymene)]_2$ (9.0 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5.0 mol%), $Cu(OAc)_2 \cdot H_2O$ (125 mg, 0.63 mmol, 2.1 equiv), AgSbF₆ (21 mg, 0.06 mmol, 20 mol%) and 1,2-dichloroethane (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed under nitrogen and allowed to stir at room temperature under nitrogen atmosphere for 10 minutes. To this vinyl ketone **1** (0.40 mmol, 1.33 equiv) and vinyl ketone **2** (0.25 equiv) were added using a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C (using an oil bath). To this reaction mixture, vinyl ketone **2** (0.30 mmol, 0.75 equiv) in 1,2-DCE (2.0 ml) was added slowly using syringe pump over 12 hrs., at 80 °C. Then the reaction mixture was stirred at same temperature for next 12 hrs. After cooling down, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate, filtrated and concentrated to give the crude compound which was directly purified by silica gel column chromatography.

{Note: 0.2 mmol scale reactions were carried out for the synthesis of carbohydrate derivatives, **3qi-3rl**. During the synthesis of natural product **4**, we isolated homodimer of decyl vinyl ketone as a minor product but we didn't get pure ¹H NMR spectrum due to less compound. So we repeated same reaction in 3-batches (0.3 mmol \times 3) to get pure spectra and for details, please see page 10).

3.1a. Examples with data

Compound 3aa Following general procedure, 3aa was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2

ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (65 mg, 0.23 mmol, 78%). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 2933, 2852, 1735, 1681, 1585, 1465, 1438, 1402, 1361, 1310, 1230, 1175, 1113, 1072, 977, 882, 763. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 - 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.49 - 6.43 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.58 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.28 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.63 - 1.57 (m, 4H), 1.31 - 1.27 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.01, 197.84, 174.34, 139.88, 138.79, 136.78, 136.17, 51.57, 41.30, 34.11, 29.10, 29.04, 28.74, 27.97, 24.92, 23.95. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₆H₂₅O₄ [M+H]⁺ 281.1753; found 281.1751.

Following general procedure, **3aa'** was obtained as a white solid (7.5:2.5:hexane:EtOAc) (5 mg, 0.036 mmol, 12%); **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3362, 3041, 2982, 2948, 2877, 1712, 1679, 1582, 1457, 1411, 1369, 1255, 991, 852, 735; ¹H NMR (400 MHz,CDCl₃) δ 7.19 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.52 – 6.38 (m, 2H), 2.33 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.80 (2C), 139.76 (2C), 136.89 (2C), 27.94 (2C); **HRMS** m/z calcd for C₈H₁₁O₂ [M+H]⁺ 139.0759; found 139.0762.

Compound 3ab/3ab' Following general procedure, **3ab** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a yellowish solid (65 mg, 0.22 mmol, 75%). **IR** (neat): *v*_{max}/cm⁻¹ 2930, 2853, 1735, 1682, 1585, 1464, 1435, 1406, 1376, 1308, 1225, 1169, 1073, 977, 881, 846, 762. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.52 – 6.42 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s, 2010, 2.50 (th, 1.225, 7.214) (th, 1.255, 1464, 1435, 1406, 1376, 1308, 1225, 1169, 1073, 977, 881, 846, 762. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.52 – 6.42 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s,

3H), 2.60 (dt, J = 22.7, 7.3 Hz, 4H), 2.28 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.61 – 1.57 (m, 4H), 1.30 (m, 6H), 1.12 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.44, 200.09, 174.35, 138.88, 138.81, 135.94, 135.87, 51.57, 41.32, 34.60, 34.11, 29.81, 29.79, 28.75, 24.92, 23.96, 7.97. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₇H₂₇O₄ [M+H]⁺ 295.1909; found 295.1906.

Following general procedure, **3ab'** was obtained as a colourless solid (7.5:2.5:hexane:EtOAc) (6 mg, 0.039 mmol, 13%); **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3360, 3040, 2979, 2938, 2887, 1713, 1681, 1585, 1458, 1410, 1370, 1258, 999, 853, 738; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.51 – 6.41 (m, 2H), 2.62 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 4H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 6H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.46 (2C), 138.83 (2C), 135.82 (2C), 34.58 (2C), 7.96 (2C); **HRMS** m/z calcd for C₁₀H₁₅O₂ [M+H]⁺ 167.1072; found 167.1076.

Compound 3ad Following general procedure, **3ad** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (76 mg, 0.23 mmol, 79%). **IR** (neat): *v*_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3357, 2932, 2856, 1736, 1681, 1585, 1466, 1436, 1402, 1368, 1305, 1224, 1169, 1071, 1027, 882, 724. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.22 - 7.08 (m, 2H), 6.56 - 6.38 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.58 (td, *J* = 7.4, 5.5 Hz, 4H), 2.30 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.61 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 6.3 Hz, 6H), 1.34 - 1.30 (m, 8H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.09, 199.05, 174.31, 138.89, 138.85, 136.08, 136.01, 51.53, 41.32, 41.13, 34.10, 29.11, 29.08, 28.99, 26.20, 24.92, 23.97, 22.41, 13.92. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C19H31O4 [M+H]⁺ 323.2222; found 323.2231.

Following general procedure, 3ad' was obtained as a white solid (7.5:2.5:hexane:EtOAc) (6 mg, 0.027 mmol, 9%); IR

(neat): v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 3356, 3029, 2960, 2933, 2898, 1675, 1565, 1242, 1132, 1085, 1025, 870,

835, 720; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 - 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.52 - 6.43 (m, 2H), 2.61 (t, J = 6.9 Hz 4H), 1.64 - 1.59 (m, 4H), 1.36 - 1.32 (m, 4H), 0.91 (t, J = 7.2Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.18 (2C), 138.90 (2C), 136.05 (2C), 41.11 (2C), 26.20 (2C), 22.40 (2C), 13.91 (2C); HRMS m/z calcd for C₁₄H₂₃O₂ [M+H]⁺ 223.1698; found 223.1696.

Compound 3ae Following general procedure, 3ae was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2

ratio), obtained as a vellowish solid (77 mg, 0.24 mmol, 80%). IR (neat): v_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3353, 3047, 2934, 2858, 1733, 1668, 1581, 1460, 1430, 1399, 1362, 1220, 1172, 1062, 1027, 882, 724. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.14 - 7.17 (br d, 2H), 6.46 - 6.48 (br d, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.57 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 2.28 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.16 - 2.14 (m, 1H), 1.61 - 1.58 (m, 4H), 1.31 (m, 6H), 0.94 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.91, 199.36, 174.30, 138.89 (2C), 136.37, 136.06, 51.51, 50.35, 41.32, 34.10, 29.75, 29.02, 28.98, 25.35, 25.12, 25.01, 23.98, 22.68. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₃₁O₄ [M+H]⁺ 323.2222; found 323.2229.

Following general procedure, 3ae' was obtained as a white solid (7.5:2.5:hexane:EtOAc) (7 mg, 0.03 mmol, 10%); IR (neat): v_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3353, 3025, 2959, 2926, 2895, 1670, 1575, 1238, 1129, 1088, 1022, 868, 842, 719; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 - 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.50 - 6.44 (m, 2H), 2.46 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 2.23 - 2.13 (m, 2H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 12H); 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.80 (2C), 138.91 (2C), 136.39 (2C), 50.35 (2C), 25.10 (2C), 22.69 (2C); HRMS m/z calcd for C14H23O2 [M+H]+ 223.1698; found

Compound 3af Following general procedure, 3af was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2

223.1695.

ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (72 mg, 0.21 mmol, 70%). **IR** (neat): $v_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3353, 29329, 2867, 1738, 1683, 1580, 1468, 1422, 1404, 1301, 1242, 1168, 1109, 1017, 885, 720. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 6.62 –

6.28 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.57 (td, J = 7.4, 1.6 Hz, 4H), 2.29 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.63 – 1.59 (m, 6H), 1.29 (dd, J = 5.7, 2.9 Hz, 12H), 0.87 (dd, J = 7.8, 5.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.24, 200.10, 174.35, 138.97, 138.88, 136.10, 136.02, 51.56, 41.43, 41.32, 34.14, 31.66, 29.09, 29.05, 28.99, 28.96, 24.92, 24.07, 23.97, 22.56, 14.10. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₂₁H₃₅O₄ [M+H]⁺ 351.2535; found 351.2542.

Following general procedure, **3af** was obtained as a white solid (7.5:2.5:hexane:EtOAc) (8.0 mg, 0.03 mmol, 10%); **IR** (neat): vmax/cm⁻¹ 3355, 3044, 2956, 2927, 2885, 2854, 1680, 1575, 1464, 1402, 1368, 1340, 1236, 1214, 1129, 1078, 1012, 888, 832, 739, 722; ¹H NMR (400 MHz,CDCl₃) δ 7.22 - 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.55 -6.40 (m, 2H), 2.66 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.65 -1.59 (m, 4H), 1.34 -1.26 (m, 12H), 0.87 (t, J = 6.7

Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.21 (2C), 138.90 (2C), 136.06 (2C), 41.43 (2C), 31.66 (2C), 28.96 (2C), 24.08 (2C), 22.56 (2C), 14.10 (2C); HRMS m/z calcd for C₁₈H₃₁O₂ [M+H]⁺ 279.2324; found 279.2327.

Compound 3ba Following general procedure, **3ba** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (71 mg, 0.24 mmol, 80%). IR (neat): v_{max}/cm⁻¹ 2927, 2851, 1735, 1680, 1584, 1437, 1359, 1229, 1016, 722. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24 -7.04 (m, 2H), 6.56 – 6.38 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.58 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.29 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.61 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.29 (s, 8H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.97, 197.74, 174.29, 139.80, 138.67, 136.67, 136.09, 51.46, 41.24, 34.05, 29.16, 29.09, 29.03 (2C), 27.87, 24.87, 23.92. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₇H₂₆O₄Na [M+Na]⁺ 317.1729; found 317.1727.

Homodimer of methyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (4 mg, 0.03 mmol, 10%). For data please see 3aa'.

Compound 3bc Following general procedure, 3bc was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (72 mg, 0.22 mmol, 75%). IR (neat): v_{max}/cm⁻¹ 2927, 2853, 1730, 1681, 1585, 1438, 1369, 1224, 1030, 725. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.53 – 6.40 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.57 (td, J = 7.3, 2.5 Hz, 4H), 2.27

(d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.67 - 1.59 (m, 6H), 1.28 (s, 8H), 0.93 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.02, 199.95, 174.27, 138.80 (2C), 135.99, 135.94, 51.43, 43.15, 41.25, 34.04, 29.15, 29.09, 29.02 (2C), 24.87, 23.94, 17.45, 13.71. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₃₁O₄ [M+H]⁺ 323.2222; found 323.2228.

Following general procedure, **3bc'** was obtained as a colourless solid (7.5:2.5:hexane:EtOAc) (5 mg, 0.036 mmol, 12%); **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 2968, 2924, 2869, 1745, 1725, 1696, 1564, 1468, 1409, 1379, 1248, 1065, 880, 723; ^I**H** NMR (400 MHz,CDCl₃) δ 7.21 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.52 – 6.40 (m, 2H), 2.56 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 4H), 1.70– 1.61 (m, 4H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.95 (2C), 138.86 (2C), 136.05 (2C), 43.23 (2C), 17.54 (2C), 13.77 (2C); **HRMS** m/z calcd for C₁₂H₁₉O₂ [M+H]⁺ 195.1385; found 195.1389.

Compound 3be Following general procedure, **3be** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (78 mg, 0.23 mmol, 78%). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 2928, 2852, 1736, 1680, 1581, 1468, 1365, 1222, 1029, 723. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.55 – 6.40 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.57 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.28 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.21 – 2.12 (m, 1H), 1.60 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 1.29 (s, 8H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.04, 199.78, 174.29, 138.84(2C), 136.27, 135.99, 51.45, 50.24, 41.27, 34.04, 29.16, 29.10, 29.03 (2C), 25.00, 24.87, 23.94, 22.60 (2C). **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₂₀H₃₂O₄Na [M+Na]⁺ 359.2198; found 359.2197.

Homodimer of isobutyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (6 mg, 0.027 mmol, 9%). For data please see 3ae'.

Compound 3ca

Following general procedure, **3ca** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a white solid (50 mg, 0.21 mmol, 70%). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3473, 2952, 2948, 2832, 1723, 1645, 1476, 1379, 1223, 1216, 1102, 1023, 852, 742. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 - 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.49 - 6.49 (m, 2H), 4.08 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.64 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz,

2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 1.71 - 1.66 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.23, 199.26, 171.23, 139.68, 138.97, 136.90, 135.96, 64.04, 40.61, 28.05, 27.98, 21.04, 20.34. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₃H₁₉O₄ [M+H]⁺ 239.1283; found 239.1285.

Homodimer of methyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (3.0 mg, 0.024 mmol, 8%). For data please see 3aa'.

Compound 3da Following general procedure, **3da** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (65 mg, 0.22 mmol, 76%). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3403, 3023, 2925, 2941, 2865, 1714, 1648, 1445, 1389, 1228, 1204, 1118, 1056, 856, 737; ¹H NMR (400 MHz,CDCl₃) δ 7.36 – 7.22 (m, 5H), 7.19 - 7.07 (m, 2H), 6.47 - 6.47 (m, 2H), 4.48 (s, 2H), 3.48 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 2.62 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.80 – 1.69 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.61 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.78, 197.83, 139.87, 138.83, 138.54, 136.77, 136.16, 128.47 (2C), 127.69, 127.69 (2C), 73.02, 70.02, 40.95, 29.21, 27.96, 20.90. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₈H₂₃O₃ [M+H]⁺ 287.1647; found 287.1645.

Homodimer of methyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (5.0 mg, 0.036 mmol, 12%). For data please see 3aa'.

Compound 3db Following general procedure, **3db** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (65 mg, 0.21 mmol, 72%). **IR** (neat): $v_{max}/cm^{-1}3355$, 3042, 2937, 2852, 2798, 1713, 1679, 1487, 1375, 1244, 1214, 1126, 1071, 841, 725. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 7.19 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.50 – 6.40 (m, 2H), 4.48 (s, 2H), 3.48 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 2.65 – 2.58 (m, 4H), 1.76 – 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.66 – 1.62 (m, 2H), 1.12 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.33, 199.76, 138.89, 138.79, 138.45, 135.91, 135.77, 128.36 (2C), 127.69, 127.59 (2C), 72.92, 69.92, 40.87, 34.49, 29.12, 20.81, 7.87. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₉H₂₅O₃ [M+H]⁺ 301.1804; found 301.1802.

Homodimer of ethyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (6.0 mg, 0.036 mmol, 12%). For data please see 3ab'.

Compound 3cc Following general procedure, 3cc was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2

ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (63 mg, 0.22 mmol, 75%). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3463, 2971, 2910, 2812, 1754, 1739, 1608, 1423, 1335, 1246, 1202, 1158, 1087, 856, 703. ¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 - 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.41 - 6.49 (m, 2H), 4.02 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (dt, *J* = 17.7, 7.3 Hz, 4H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 1.65 - 1.60 (m, 6H), 1.35 (m, 2H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 0.91 (t, *J* = 6.6 (t, 0.91 (

7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.96, 199.61, 171.20, 139.03, 138.77, 136.71, 135.90, 64.28, 43.21, 41.05, 28.49, 25.60, 23.56, 21.02, 17.51, 13.77. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C16H25O4 [M+H]+ 281.1753; found 281.1756.

Homodimer of propyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (8.0 mg, 0.039 mmol, 13%). For data please see 3bc'.

Compound 3gb Following general procedure, 3gb was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (55 mg, 0.20 mmol, 69%). IR (neat): v_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3360, 3043, 2918, 2873, 2850, 1731, 1714, 1681, 1583, 1463, 1311, 1217, 1174, 910, 793. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.22 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 6.53 – 6.42 (m, 2H), 4.11 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (m, 4H), 2.31 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.66 – 1.62 (m, 2H), 1.26 – 1.22 (m, 2H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 1.12 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.35, 199.40, 173.39, 139.02, 138.63, 135.92, 135.81, 60.33, 40.77, 34.50, 34.03, 24.40, 23.28, 14.21, 7.85. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₅H₂₃O₄ [M+H]⁺ 267.1596; found 267.1594.

Homodimer of ethyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (6.0 mg, 0.036 mmol, 12%). For data please see 3ab'.

Compound 3gg Following general procedure, 3gg was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2

ratio), obtained as a white solid (70 mg, 0.18 mmol, 62%). IR (neat): v_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3354, 2953, 2919, 2850, 1727, 1676, 1585, 1469, 1406, 1374, 1253, 1217, 1186, 908, 862, 718. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 - 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.50 - 6.42 (m, 2H), 4.10 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.63

- 2.54 (m, 4H), 2.30 - 2.24 (m, 2H), 1.68 - 1.58 (m, 10H), 1.10 - 1.21 (m, 10H), 1.23 (s, 3H), 0.84 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.22, 199.47, 173.47, 139.13, 138.78, 136.20, 135.87, 60.42, 41.44, 40.87, 34.12, 31.95, 30.11, 29.53, 29.43, 29.37, 29.04, 24.50, 24.11, 23.39, 22.74, 14.25, 14.18. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₂₃H₃₉O₄ [M+H]⁺ 379.2848; found 379.2842.

Following general procedure, 3gg' was obtained as a colourless solid (7.5:2.5:hexane:EtOAc) (16 mg, 0.04 mmol, 14%); IR



(neat): v_{max}/cm⁻¹ 2953, 2918, 2850, 1677, 1586, 1470, 1405, 1371, 1313, 1244, 1218, 1131, 1100, 906, 853, 750; ¹H NMR (400 MHz,CDCl₃) δ 7.21 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.53 – 6.41 (m, 2H), 2.60 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 4H), 1.65–1.58 (m, 4H), 1.27–6.4 (m, 28H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) § 200.24 (2C), 138.91 (2C), 136.06 (2C), 41.43 (2C), 31.96 (2C), 29.63 (2C), 29.54 (2C),

29.48 (2C), 29.38 (2C), 29.30 (2C), 24.12 (2C), 22.75 (2C), 14.19 (2C); HRMS m/z calcd for C₂₆H₄₇O₂ [M+H]⁺ 391.3576; found 391.3572.



Following general procedure, **3ha** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8.5:1.5 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (78 mg, 0.22 mmol, 75%). IR (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 2915, 2849, 1674, 1594, 1467, 1359, 1235, 1082, 719. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 - 7.07 (m, 2H), 6.58 - 6.34 (m, 2H), 2.58 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.61 (m, 2H), 1.30 - 1.23 (m, 26H), 0.87 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.04, 197.70, 139.80, 138.63, 136.64, 136.12, 41.33, 31.92, 29.93 – 28.97 (11C), 27.86, 24.03, 22.68, 14.11. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₂₃H₄₁O₂ [M+H]⁺ 349.3107; found 349.3108.

Homodimer of methyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (4.0 mg, 0.03 mmol, 10%). For data please see 3aa'.

Compound 3ib Following general procedure, **3ib** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8.5:1.5 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (34 mg, 0.20 mmol, 68%). IR (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 2923, 2852, 1708, 1690, 1594, 1436, 1329, 1248, 1149, 1033, 725. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 (dd, J = 15.2, 11.4 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd, J = 15.4, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (d, J = 15.2

Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 2.62 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.41, 166.29, 141.65, 138.00, 135.32, 128.34, 51.93, 34.47, 7.84. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₉H₁₃O₃ [M+H]⁺ 169.0865; found 169.0869.

Compound 3ja Following general procedure, 3ja was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (34 mg, 0.16 mmol, 55%). IR (neat): v_{max}/cm⁻¹2920, 2853, 1713, 1675, 1584, 1445, 1409, 1372, 1330, 1279, 1263, 1140, 1109, 1091, 884, 794. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24 - 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.58 - 6.43 (m, 2H), 2.60 - 2.50 (m, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.86 - 1.77 (m, 4H), 1.42 – 1.24 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.65, 197.90, 139.94, 138.76, 136.66, 134.93, 49.64, 28.48 (2C), 28.00, 25.86, 25.69 (2C). HRMS(ESI-TOF)m/z calcd. for C₁₃H₁₉O₂ [M+H]⁺ 207.1385; found 207.1388.

Homodimer of methyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (5.0 mg, 0.036 mmol, 12%). For data please see 3aa'.

Compound 3jb Following general procedure, **3jb** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2

ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (37 mg, 0.17 mmol, 57%). **IR** (neat): v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 2923, 2850, 1678, 1582, 1449, 1408, 1369, 1331, 1264, 1238, 1142, 1118, 1066, 849, 702. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.62 – 6.41 (m, 2H), 2.61 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.58 – 2.51 (m, 1H), 1.84 – 1.77 (m, 4H), 1.32 (m, 6H), 1.11 (t, J = 8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.71, 200.48, 138.91, 138.87, 135.74, 134.78, 49.64, 34.64, 28.48 (2C), 25.87, 25.69 (2C), 7.97. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₄H₂₁O₂ [M+H]⁺ 221.1542; found 221.1545.

Homodimer of ethyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (5.0 mg, 0.03 mmol, 10%). For data please see 3ab'.

Compound 3kc Following general procedure, 3kc was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2

ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (68 mg, 0.20 mmol, 69%). $[\alpha]p^{28} = +34.0 (c = 0.2, CHCl_3)$. **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3444, 3028, 2937, 2964, 2877, 1795, 1630, 1464, 1387, 1239, 1197, 1071, 953, 864, 723. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.01 (d, J = 8.2, 2H), 7.57 - 7.53 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.17 - 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.46 - 6.40 (m, 2H), 5.19 (m, 1H), 2.71 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.05 (dd, J = 14.2, 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.65 (dd, J = 14.7, 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.37 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.94, 198.82, 166.19, 139.26, 138.63, 136.26, 135.77, 133.03, 129.62 (3C), 128.44 (2C), 70.98, 43.25, 37.27, 30.20, 20.36, 17.53, 13.80. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₂₀H₂₅O4 [M+H]⁺ 329.1753; found 329.1750.

Homodimer of propyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (8.0 mg, 0.042 mmol, 14%). For data please see 3bc'.

Compound 3lc Following general procedure, 3lc was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2

ratio), obtained as a brownish solid (50 mg, 0.19 mmol, 65%). **IR** (neat): v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 3404, 3027, 2960, 2925, 2852, 1711, 1677, 1585, 1496, 1453, 1366, 1218, 1185, 1068, 820, 747. ¹H **NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.20 (m, 3H), 7.12 - 7.19 (m, 2H), 6.48 - 6.44 (m, 2H), 2.95 (dt, J = 6.3, 5.5 Hz, 4H), 2.56 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.64 – 1.60 (m, 2H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.96, 198.86, 140.89, 139.26, 138.72, 136.24, 135.86, 128.62 (2C), 128.41 (2C), 126.31, 43.27, 42.90, 29.94, 17.54, 13.79. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₇H₂₁O₂ [M+H]⁺ 257.1542; found 257.1546.

Homodimer of propyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (9.0 mg, 0.045 mmol, 15%). For data please see 3bc'.

Compound 3le Following general procedure, 3le was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2



ratio), obtained as a brownish solid (56 mg, 0.21 mmol, 70%). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3408, 3025, 2961, 2940, 2828, 1721, 1652, 1586, 1423, 1405, 1360, 1208, 1126, 1087, 746, 699. ¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.18 - 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.48 - 6.42 (m, 2H), 2.99 – 2.89 (m, 4H), 2.45 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 0.93 (d, J =

6.7 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.84, 198.90, 139.29, 138.79, 136.52, 135.92, 128.63 (2C), 128.43 (2C), 126.32, 50.35, 42.93, 29.92, 29.83, 25.08, 22.69 (2C). HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₈H₂₃O₂ [M+H]⁺ 271.1698; found 271.1695.

Homodimer of isobutyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (12.0 mg, 0.054 mmol, 18%). For data please see 3ae'.

Compound 3ma Following general procedure, **3ma** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (38 mg, 0.19 mmol, 65%). **IR** (neat): $v_{max}/cm^{-1}2969$, 2934, 2880, 1746, 1680, 1589, 1472, 1410, 1382, 1362, 1232, 1209, 1145, 1136, 1074, 889, 728. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.60 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.34 – 1.32 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.70 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2Hz), 2.70 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2Hz), 2.70 (t, *J* = 7.4 H

Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.81, 198.04, 143.83, 137.46, 135.14, 134.16, 37.67, 28.10, 26.73, 22.50, 14.00, 12.64. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₂H₁₉O₂ [M+H]⁺ 195.1385; found 195.1383.

Compound 3mc Following general procedure, 3mc was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a

8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (45 mg, 0.20 mmol, 67%). **IR** (neat): v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 2960, 2932, 2874, 1711, 1690, 1614, 1463, 1409, 1367, 1259, 1210, 1176, 1126, 1094, 906, 732. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (dd, J = 15.3, 11.4 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.72 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.58 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.70 – 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.60 – 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.36 – 1.31 (m, 2H), 0.96 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 0.89 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.87, 200.26, 143.70, 136.50, 134.44, 134.32, 43.40, 37.66, 26.75, 22.51, 17.64, 13.99, 13.82, 12.61. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₄H₂₃O₂ [M+H]⁺ 223.1698; found 223.1695.

Compound 3me Following general procedure, **3me** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (45 mg, 0.19 mmol, 64%). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 2956,

2941, 2869, 1721, 1695, 1611, 1436, 1421, 1376, 1262, 1205, 1167, 1160, 1001, 896, 726. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (dd, *J* = 15.3, 11.4 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 2.16 (m, 1H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.63 – 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.37 – 1.33 (m, 2H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 6H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.86, 200.06, 143.78, 136.55, 134.70, 134.31, 50.53, 37.66, 32.00, 26.75, 25.18, 22.62, 22.52, 13.99, 12.63. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₅H₂₅O₂ [M+H]⁺ 237.1855; found 237.1859.

Compound 3mf Following general procedure, **3mf** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a colourless solid (41 mg, 0.15 mmol, 52%). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 2958, 2932, 2870, 1723, 1636, 1610, 1447, 1423, 1373, 1260, 1208, 1170, 1165, 1009, 816, 723. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 11.4 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.72 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.59 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.62 (dq, *J* = 22.8, 7.5 Hz, 6H), 1.35 – 1.29 (m, 6H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.83 (s), 200.36, 143.70, 136.47, 134.42, 134.30, 41.58, 37.66, 31.67, 29.00, 26.76, 24.19, 22.56, 22.51, 14.09, 13.98, 12.61. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₇H₂₉O₂ [M+H]⁺ 265.2168; found 265.2169.

Compound 3ni Following general procedure, **3ni** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a viscous liquid (90 mg, 0.12 mmol, 61%). $R_f = 0.45$ (EtOAc-Hexane 2:8). **IR** (neat): V_{max}/cm^{-1} : 3088, 3064, 3031, 2924, 2858, 1952, 1722, 1659, 1496, 1454, 1364, 1270, 1204, 1093, 1028. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32-7.20 (m, 25H), 6.82 (dt, J = 15.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.71 (dt, J = 15.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.63-4.58 (m, 2H), 4.56-4.54 (m, 2H), 4.48 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 2H), 4.30 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 4.09-4.07 (m, 1H), 4.05 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (t, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (dd, J = 9.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (dd, J = 10.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.69-3.66 (m, 4H), 2.65 (dt, J = 12.5, 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.26 (dd, J = 14.5, 7.0 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.2, 166.8, 147.9, 138.6, 138.1, 137.2, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.8, 127.7, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 121.3, 84.5, 80.7, 79.3, 78.4, 74.7, 74.6, 73.3, 72.2, 71.7, 69.3, 51.3, 38.4, 25.4. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₄₇H₅₀O₈Na [M+Na]⁺: 765.3403; found 765.3409.

Compound 3oi Following general procedure, **3oi** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 **MeO OBN ODN IBN OBN IBN OBN IBN OBN IDN ODN I**

Compound 3oj Following general procedure, **3oj** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a viscous liquid (102 mg, 0.13 mmol, 65%). $R_f = 0.45$ (EtOAc-Hexane 2:8). **IR** (neat): V_{max}/cm^{-1} : 3087, 3061, 3028, 2924, 1718, 1663, 1453, 1275, 1260, 1098. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33-7.18 (m, 23H), 7.15-7.14 (m, 2H),

6.71 (dt, J = 15.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (dt, J = 15.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.68 – 4.65 (m, 2H), 4.61 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 3H), 4.49 (s, 2H), 4.45 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.01 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 3H), 3.85 (dd, J = 10.4, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.74-3.71 (m, 1H), 3.65 (dd, J = 10.0, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.40-2.34 (m, 2H), 2.140 – 2.03 (m, 2H), 1.66-1.59 (m, 2H), 1.41-1.36 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.6, 166.5, 153.5, 147.5, 138.8, 138.4, 138.1, 137.9, 137.2, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 121.6, 83.8, 80.6, 79.2, 78.3, 74.6, 74.2, 73.4, 71.9, 69.3, 64.0, 37.9, 30.7, 25.4, 19.1, 13.7. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₅₀H₅₆O₈Na [M+Na]⁺: 807.3873; found 807.3869.

Compound 3ok Following general procedure, **3ok** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a viscous liquid (94 mg, 0.12 mmol, 60%). $R_f = 0.45$ (EtOAc-Hexane 2:8). **IR** (neat): V_{max}/cm^{-1} : 3444, 3089, 3064, 2959, 2925, 2872, 1722, 1652, 1496, 1454, 1315, 1266, 1207, 1095, 1027. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31-7.25

(m, 23H), 7.17-7.16 (m, 2H), 6.73 (dt, J = 15.5, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (dd, J = 15.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (s, 2H), 4.67 (m, 1H), 4.61 (s, 1H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.46 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.03 – 4.02 (m, 3H), 3.91 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (dd, J = 10.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.75-3.74 (m, 1H), 3.67 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.42-2.36 (m, 2H), 2.17-2.04 (m, 2H), 1.96 (dt, J = 13.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 0.96 (dd, J = 7.0, 6H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.6, 166.5, 147.5, 138.5, 138.4, 138.1, 137.9, 137.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 127.5, 127.3, 126.9, 121.6, 83.8, 80.6, 79.2, 78.3, 74.6, 74.2, 73.3, 71.9, 70.3, 69.2, 65.3, 37.8, 27.7, 25.4, 19.1. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₅₀H₅₆O₈Na [M+Na]⁺: 807.3873; found 807.3870.



Following general procedure, **3ol** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a viscous liquid (89 mg, 0.11 mmol, 55%). $R_f = 0.45$ (EtOAc-Hexane 2:8). IR (neat): V_{max}/cm⁻¹: 3421, 3031, 3063, 2923, 2853, 1715, 1653, 1496, 1453, 1362, 1262, 1177, 1094, 1026; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.28 (m, 23H), 7.16 (dd, J = 7.0, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 6.71 (dt, J = 15.5, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (d, J = 15.5

Hz, 1H), 4.81-4.77 (m, 1H), 4.68 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (dd, J = 12.0, 3.0 Hz, 3H), 4.49 (s, 2H), 4.46 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 3H), 3.86 (dd, J = 10.0, 4.0) Hz, 1H), 3.78-3.72 (m, 1H), 3.66 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.41-2.35 (m, 2H), 2.14-2.07 (m, 2H), 1.87-1.85 (m, 2H), 1.74-1.2 (m, 2H), 1.59-1.54 (d, 2H), 1.44-1.34 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.6, 165.9, 147.1, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.9, 127.9, 127.7, 127.5, 127.5, 127.4, 122.2, 83.8, 80.5, 79.2, 78.3, 74.6, 74.2, 73.3, 72.3, 71.9, 69.2, 37.8, 31.6, 25.3, 23.7. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C52H58O8Na [M+Na]+: 833.4029; found 833.4039.

4. Synthesis of bioactive natural products 4, 5, 6 and 7

Following general procedure, 4 was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 Compound 4



ratio), obtained as a white solid (48 mg, 0.14 mmol, 48%). IR (neat): vmax/cm⁻¹ 2954, 2918, 2850, 1706, 1678, 1586, 1469, 1406, 1373, 1245, 1216, 1077, 718. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 -7.11 (m, 2H), 6.53 - 6.39 (m, 2H), 2.57 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 4H), 1.66 - 1.59 (m, 6H), 1.32 - 1.25 (m, 16H), 0.88 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 0.85 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.24 (2C),

138.91 (2C), 136.06 (2C), 41.43, 41.38, 31.96, 31.46, 29.63, 29.54, 29.48, 29.38(2C), 29.30, 24.12, 23.80, 22.77, 22.64, 14.09, 13.99. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C22H39O2 [M+H]+ 335.2950; found 335.2958.

Following general procedure, **3gn'** was obtained as a yellowish solid (7.5:2.5:hexane:EtOAc) (7 mg, 0.03 mmol, 10%); **IR**



(neat): v_{max}/cm⁻¹ 2955, 2926, 2854, 1742, 1714, 1677, 1588, 1466, 1406, 1374, 1240, 1130, 1078, 1009, 721; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.55 – 6.38 (m, 2H), 2.59 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 4H), 1.63 (m, 4H), 1.31 – 1.27 (m, 8H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.24 (2C), 138.91 (2C), 136.06 (2C), 41.43 (2C), 31.96 (2C), 24.12 (2C), 22.75 (2C), 14.19 (2C); HRMS m/z calcd for C₁₆H₂₇O₂ [M+H]⁺ 251.2011; found 251.2010.

Note: When reaction was carried out in 0.3 mmol scale, we didn't get pure ¹H NMR spectrum of homodimer of decyl vinyl



ketone. So we repeated same reaction in 3 batches (0.3 mmol \times 3), combined and purified to get pure spectra. homodimer of decyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a colourless solid, please see 3gg' for data (7.5:2.5:hexane:EtOAc). Yield was calculated w.r.t. one batch (7 mg, 0.018 mmol, 6%). Overall yield from three batches (0.3 * 3) = 21 mg, 0.054 mmol, 6%. **IR** (neat): $v_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 2953,

2918, 2850, 1677, 1586, 1470, 1405, 1371, 1313, 1244, 1218, 1131, 1100, 906, 853, 750; ¹H NMR (400 MHz,CDCl₃) δ 7.21 -7.11 (m, 2H), 6.53 - 6.41 (m, 2H), 2.60 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 4H), 1.65 - 1.58 (m, 4H), 1.27 - 6.4 (m, 28H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 1.65 - 1.58 (m, 4H), 1.27 - 6.4 (m, 28H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 1.65 - 1.58 (m, 4H), 1.27 - 6.4 (m, 28H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 1.65 - 1.58 (m, 4H), 1.27 - 6.4 (m, 28H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 1.65 - 1.58 (m, 4H), 1.27 - 6.4 (m, 28H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 1.65 - 1.58 (m, 4H), 1.27 - 6.4 (m, 28H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 1.65 - 1.58 (m, 4H), 1.27 - 6.4 (m, 28H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 0.86 - 1.58 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.24 (2C), 138.91 (2C), 136.06 (2C), 41.43 (2C), 31.96 (2C), 29.63 (2C), 29.54 (2C), 29.48 (2C), 29.38 (2C), 29.30 (2C), 24.12 (2C), 22.75 (2C), 14.19 (2C); HRMS m/z calcd for C₂₆H₄₇O₂ [M+H]⁺ 391.3576; found 391.3572.

Compound 3qf Following general procedure, **3qf** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a brownish solid (52 mg, 0.15 mmol, 52%). IR (neat): vmax/cm⁻¹ 3354, 3047, 2928, 2866, 1729, 1680, 1579, 1467, 1421, 1366, 1344, 1241, 1215, 1173, 1107, 1078, 848, 723. ¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.53 – 6.41 (m, 2H), 4.11 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.58 (m, 4H), 2.29 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.65 – 1.60 (m, 6H), 1.37 – 1.25 (m, 11H), 0.87 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) & 200.19, 199.78, 173.72, 139.02, 138.81, 136.15, 135.95, 60.34, 41.44, 41.05, 34.18, 31.65, 28.96, 28.70, 24.75, 24.07, 23.61, 22.56, 14.32, 14.10. HRMS(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₂₀H₃₃O₄ [M+H]⁺ 337.2379; found 337.2377.

Homodimer of hexyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (12 mg, 0.042 mmol, 14%). For data please see 3af'.

Synthesis of Ostopanic Acid, 5



To a magnetically stirred solution of ester **3qf** (40 mg, 0.12 mmol) in 1,2-dichloroethane (3 mL) was added Me₃SnOH (216 mg, 1.2 mmol) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 12 h. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and the mixture was diluted with EtOAc. Water (5 mL) was poured into mixture and the phases were separated and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over Na₂SO₄, evaporation of the solvent and purification of the residue on silica gel column chromatography using 40% EtOAc-hexane as an eluent furnished **ostopanic acid** (5) (27 mg, 72%) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.60$ (EtOAc-hexane 3:7). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 2925, 2854, 1708, 1679, 1465, 1404, 1367, 1254, 1128, 1107, 1078, 957, 722. ¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.21 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.52 – 6.42 (m, 2H), 2.59 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.34 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.67 – 1.59 (m, 6H), 1.39 – 1.28 (m, 8H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 200.21, 199.73, 177.83, 139.07, 138.80, 136.17, 135.92, 41.44, 40.99, 33.52, 31.65, 28.96, 28.54, 24.49, 24.07, 23.56, 22.56, 14.09. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₈H₂₈O₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 331.1885; found 331.1889.

Compound 3gm Following general procedure, **3gm** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a

8:2 ratio), obtained as a yellowish solid (50 mg, 0.15 mmol, 50%). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3358, 2953, 2928, 2855, 1732, 1677, 1586, 1466, 1406, 1374, 1271, 1251, 1129, 1105, 1087, 862, 838. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.22 - 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.55 - 6.36 (m, 2H), 4.11 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz,

2H), 2.64 - 2.54 (m, 4H), 2.31 (t, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 1.67 - 1.61 (m, 6H), 1.65 - 1.21 (m, 11H), 0.85 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.24, 199.50, 173.49, 139.14, 138.80, 136.20, 135.87, 60.43, 41.43, 40.87, 34.12, 31.73, 29.19, 24.50, 24.10, 23.96, 23.54, 23.03, 14.22, 14.13. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₂₀H₃₃O₄ [M+H]⁺ 337.2379; found 337.2376.

Following general procedure, **3gm'** was obtained as a colourless solid (7.5:2.5:hexane:EtOAc) (11 mg, 0.036 mmol, 12%); **R** (neat): v_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3355, 3047, 2953, 2954, 2887, 2855, 1714, 1677, 1585, 1469, 1405, 1372,

Synthesis of JA, 6



To a magnetically stirred solution of ester **3gm** (40 mg, 0.11 mmol) in 1,2-dichloroethane (3 mL) was added Me₃SnOH (207 mg, 1.18 mmol) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 12 h. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and the mixture was diluted with EtOAc. Water (5 mL) was poured into mixture and the phases were separated and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over Na₂SO₄, evaporation of the solvent and purification of the residue on silica gel column chromatography using 40% EtOAc-hexane as eluent furnished **JA** (**6**) (24 mg, 70%) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.60$ (EtOAc-hexane 3:7). **IR** (neat): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3046, 2925, 2854, 1708, 1680, 1580, 1464, 1404, 1376, 1313, 1266, 1128, 1104, 1083, 953, 723. ¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.21 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.54 – 6.41 (m, 2H), 2.60 (m, 4H), 2.37 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 1.68 – 1.60 (m, 6H), 1.29 – 1.25 (m, 8H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 200.28, 199.41, 178.41, 139.22, 138.78, 136.25, 135.83, 41.45, 40.81, 33.65, 31.74, 29.20, 29.14, 24.26, 24.16, 23.26, 22.68, 14.15. **HRMS**(ESI-TOF) m/z calcd. for C₁₈H₂₈O₄Na [M+Na]⁺: 331.1885; found: 331.1883.

Synthesis of southern part (C1-C13) of macrolactin-T, 7

Following general procedure, **7** was purified by silica column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a column chromatography (pet ether/EtOAc at a 8:2 ratio), obtained as a columned as a c

Homodimer of methyl vinyl ketone was obtained as a minor product (5.0 mg, 0.039 mmol, 13%). For data please see 3aa'.

5. ¹H and ¹³C NMR Spectra of Compounds 3

























(500 MHz, CDCI₃)



























































6. $^1\!\mathrm{H}$ and $^{13}\!\mathrm{C}$ NMR Spectra for the bioactive natural products 4, 5, 6 and 7







¹H NMR spectrum of homodimer of decyl vinyl ketone obtained from 0.3 mmol scale. (6% yield)















Comparison table

¹ H-NMR in CDCl ₃		¹³ C-NMR in CDCl ₃		
Natural 400 MHz	Synthetic 500 MHz	Natural 100 MHz	Synthetic 125 MHz	
0.92 - 0.86 (m)	0.88 - 0.85 (m)	200.11	200.24	
1.36 - 1.28 (m)	1.32 – 1.25 (m)	200.10	200.24	
1.67 - 1.59 (m)	1.66 – 1.59 (m)	138.80	138.91	
2.60 (t, J = 7.5 Hz)	2.57 (t, J = 7.4 Hz)	138.79	138.91	
6.49 (dd, J = 11.5, 2.8 Hz)	6.53 – 6.39 (m)	135.97	136.06	
$7.18 (\mathrm{dd}, J = 11.5, 2.8 \mathrm{Hz})$	7.21 – 7.11 (m)	135.96	136.06	
		41.35	41.43	
		41.31	41.38	
		31.88	31.96	
		31.38	31.46	
		29.55	29.63	
		29.46	29.54	
		29.40	29.48	
		29.30	29.38	
		29.22	29.30	
		24.04	24.12	
		23.72	23.80	
		22.67	22.77	
		22.45	22.64	
		14.11	14.09	
		13.91	13.99	

¹H and ¹³C NMR comparison between natural and synthetic (7*E*,9*E*)-henicosa-7,9-diene-6,11-dione (4)

¹ H and	¹³ C NMR	comparison b	oetween	natural	and sy	ynthetic	Ostopanic	acid	(5)
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¹ H-NN	AR in CDCl ₃	¹³ C-NM	¹³ C-NMR in CDCl ₃			
Natural 400 MHz	Synthetic 500 MHz	Natural 100 MHz	Synthetic 125 MHz			
0.87 (t, J = 6.7 Hz)	0.87 (t, J = 6.8 Hz)	200.2	200.21			
1.30 (m)	1.39 – 1.28 (m)	199.7	199.73			
1.64 (m)	1.67 – 1.59 (m)	178.3	177.83			
2.36 (t, J = 7.4 Hz)	2.34 (t, J = 7.5 Hz)	139.0	139.07			
2.57 (t, J = 7.4 Hz)	2.57 (t, J = 7.3 Hz)	138.7	138.80			
2.59 (t, J = 7.0 Hz)	2.59 (t, J = 7.1 Hz)	136.1	136.17			
6.50 - 6.43 (m)	6.52 – 6.42 (m)	135.8	135.92			
7.19 - 7.13 (m)	7.21 – 7.11 (m)	41.6	41.44			
		40.7	40.99			
		33.7	33.52			
		31.5	31.65			
		28.8	28.96			
		28.5	28.54			
		24.4	24.49			
		24.0	24.07			
		23.5	23.56			
		22.4	22.56			
		14.0	14.09			