Support Information

Electrochemical oxidation of intramolecular annulation of aryl phosphine compounds: an efficient approach towards π conjugated phosphonium salts

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I. General Information

All reagents used for experiments are commercially available and used directly without any further purification. The solvents need to be dehydrated and partly deoxidized before using, CH₃OH was treated with Mg and I₂, CH₂Cl₂ was treated with CaH₂, toluene and 1,4-dioxane were treated with sodium and benzophenone respectively. All experiments involving electrochemistry were carried out on the LK2010Z electrochemical workstation (made in China). Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on pre-coated, glass-backed silica gel plates. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel 200 ~ 300 mesh. ¹H NMR (400 MHz), ¹³C NMR (100 MHz), ³¹P NMR (162 M Hz) and ¹⁹F (376 M Hz), and were recorded on JEOL JNM-ECZ400S NMR spectrometer with CDCl₃ or CD₃OD as solvent. Chemical shifts of all ¹H, ¹³C, ³¹P and ¹⁹F NMR data spectra were reported in delta (δ) units, parts per million (ppm). The residual solvent signals were used as references and the chemical shifts converted to the TMS scale (CDCl₃: 7.26 ppm for ¹H NMR, 77.2 ppm for ¹³C NMR, CD₃OD: 3.35 ppm for ¹H NMR, 49.8 ppm for ¹³C NMR, Trimethyl phosphate: 2.8-3.2 ppm for ³¹P NMR). Multiplicities are indicated as follows: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; dd, doubled doublet; dt, doubled triplet; m, multiplet. All coupling constants (J values) were reported in Hertz (Hz). High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained with a mass spectrometer.

II. General procedure for the preparation of phosphines substrates

Compounds **1b-i** and **1n-t** were prepared based on previous literature¹. Compounds **1j-m** and **1w** were prepared based on previous literature². **Method 1**¹: Suzuki cross coupling reaction for the synthesis of **1b-i**, **1n-t**.



The representative procedure is as follows: In an over- dried two- necked flask equipped with a stir bar, (2-bromophenyl) diphenylphosphane (1 mmol), aryl boronic acid (1.2 mmol), potassium carbon ate (2 mmol), $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ (5 mmol%) and 1,4-dioxane

(20 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred and heated at 100 °C under N₂ atmosphere for 72 hours. After completion of the reaction, remove volatile components from crude products, and then water was added and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 30 mL). The organic phase was dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated in *vacuo*. The desired phosphines substrates **1b-i** and **1n-t** were purified by silica gel column chromatography, using *n*-hexane: DCM = 25 : 1 - 5 : 1 as eluent. **Method 2²:** Suzuki cross coupling reaction for the synthesis of **1j-m** and **1w**



Step a : The representative procedure is as follows: A mixture of (2bromophenyl) diphenyl phosphine oxide (2.4 g, 6.8 mmol), 4-cyanophenylboronic acid (1.0 g, 6.8 mmol), Pd(dba)₂ (120 mg, 0.2 mmol), PPh₃ (220 mg, 0.82 mmol), K₃PO₄ (2 equiv., 2.9 g) and dried 1,4-dioxane (30 mL) were mixed and heated at 105 °C under N₂ atmosphere for 12 h. The reaction system was cooled to room temperature, volatile components were evaporated in a rotary evaporator, the remaining components were extracted with H₂O and DCM. The organic phase was washed with saturated salt water, dried with anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The desired phosphine oxides were purified by column chromatography, using *n*-hexane: EtOAc = 4 : 1 - 2 : 1 as eluent.

Step b: The representative procedure is as follows: A solution of phosphine oxide in dried toluene was frozen using an EtOH/liquid nitrogen bath, to which trichlorosilane (2.1 mL, 21 mmol) and triethylamine (3.2 mL, 23 mmol) were added. The mixture was heated at 110 °C under N₂ atmosphere overnight. After cooling to room temperature, add 5 mL saturated NaHCO₃ solution to the mixture and stirred for 5 min. The mixture was filtered through a pad of alumina and concentrated in *vacuo*. The desired **1j-m** and **1w** were purified by column chromatography, using *n*-hexane: DCM = $10 : 1 \sim 5 : 1$ as eluent.

III. Reference

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IV. General procedure for the synthesis of phosphonium salts 2a-x

2-(2'-diphenylphosphine) diphenyl **2a** (0.2 mmol, 0.0677 g), NaOTf (0.4 mmol, 0.0688 g), HFIP/DCM/MeOH (0.75 mL/2.25 mL/8.00 mL) were mixed and added into an oven-dried undivided electrolytic cell (25 mL) equipped with a stir bar. The cell was equipped with platinum plate (10 mm \times 10 mm \times 1 mm) as the anode and platinum wire as the cathode, and the distance between them is 1.5 cm. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 4 mA at room temperature for 4 h. When the reaction was finished, the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was absorbed onto small amounts of silica gel. The pure product was obtained by column chromatography on silica gel, using DCM : MeOH = 200 : 1 \sim 50 : 1 as eluent.



V. Procedure for Gram-scale synthesis of 2a

2-(2'-diphenylphosphine) diphenyl **2a** (5 mmol, 1.6919 g), NaOTf (10 mmol, 1.7205 g), HFIP/DCM/MeOH (18.75 mL/56.25 mL/200 mL) were mixed and added into an oven-dried undivided beaker (500 mL) equipped with a stir bar. The beaker was equipped with platinum plate (15 mm \times 15 mm \times 1 mm) as the anode and platinum wire as the cathode. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 10 mA under room temperature for 20 h. When the reaction was finished, the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was absorbed onto small amounts of silica gel. The pure product was obtained by column chromatography on

silica gel, using DCM : MeOH = $200 : 1 \sim 50 : 1$ as eluent. Pure product **2a** was obtained in 77% isolated yield (1.8872 g).



VI. Procedure for control experiment.

In an over-dried undivided electrolytic cell (25 mL) equipped with a stir bar, 2-(2'-diphenylphosphine) diphenyl **2a** (0.2 mmol, 0.0677 g), NaOTf (0.4 mmol, 0.0688 g), 2,2,6,6-Tetramethylpiperidine-1-oxy (TEMPO) (0.4 mmol, 0.0625 g) or 2,6-di-*tert*butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT) (0.4 mmol, 0.0881 g), HFIP/DCM/MeOH (0.75 mL/2.25 mL/8.00 mL) was added. The cell was equipped platinum plate (10 mm × 10 mm×1 mm) as the anode and platinum wire as the cathode, the reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 4 mA under room temperature for 4 h and stopped until complete consumption of **1a** (monitored by TCL, *n*-hexane: ethyl acetate = 10 : 1). The pure product was obtained by flash column chromatography on silica gel (DCM : MeOH = 200 : $1 \sim 50 : 1$ as eluent).

VII. Data and spectra of ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, ³¹P NMR and ¹⁹F NMR. (4'-fluoro-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1b)



White solid. $R_f 0.4$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 7.42 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.26 (m, 8H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.15 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.05 – 7.00 (m, 1H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 162.2 (d, J = 246.1 Hz), 147.2 (d, J = 28.1 Hz), 137.7 (dd, J = 5.8, 3.0 Hz), 137.3 (d, J = 11.3 Hz), 136.2 (d, J = 13.8 Hz), 134.2 (s), 134.0 (d, J = 14.3 Hz), 131.4 (dd, J = 8.0, 3.6 Hz), 130.3 (d, J = 4.6 Hz), 128.8 (s), 128.7 (s), 128.6 (d, J = 7.0 Hz), 127.6 (s), 114.6 (d, J = 21.3 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -12.80.

(4'-chloro-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1c)



White solid. $R_f 0.4$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.17 (m, 14H), 7.12 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 7.07 – 7.03 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 147.0 (d, J = 28.5 Hz), 140.2 (d, J = 6.2 Hz), 137.3 (d, J = 11.0 Hz), 136.0 (d, J = 13.9 Hz), 134.3, 134.0 (d, J = 19.7 Hz), 133.4, 131.1 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 130.2 (d, J = 4.6 Hz), 129.0, 128.8, 128.6 (d, J = 6.9 Hz), 127.9, 127.8.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -13.10.

(4'-bromo-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1d)

White solid. $R_f 0.4$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 7.41–7.36 (m, 3H), 7.31–7.24 (m, 8H), 7.22–7.18 (m, 4H), 7.04–7.02 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 147.1 (d, J = 28.5 Hz), 140.8 (d, J = 6.3 Hz), 137.4 (d, J = 11.4 Hz), 136.1 (d, J = 14.5 Hz), 134.4, 134.1 (d, J = 20.0 Hz), 131.6 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 131.0, 130.2 (d, J = 4.6 Hz), 129.1, 128.9, 128.7 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 128.0, 121.8.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -13.2.

(4'-methoxy-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1e)



White solid. $R_f 0.2$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 7.40 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 7H), 7.30 – 7.23 (m,5H), 7.15 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.11 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 158.8, 148.0 (d, J = 28.9 Hz), 137.8 (d, J = 11.6 Hz), 135.8 (d, J = 13.2 Hz), 134.2, 134.1, 133.9 (d, J = 19.6 Hz), 130.8 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 130.3 (d, J = 4.8 Hz), 128.7, 128.4 (d, J = 2.7 Hz), 128.4, 127.1, 113.0, 55.2.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -13.05.

(4'-methyl-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1f)



Colorless oil. $R_f 0.2$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 7.37 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.18 (m, 11H), 7.10 – 7.03 (m, 5H), 2.32 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 148.7, 148.4, 139.0 (d, J = 6.6 Hz), 138.0 (d, J = 11.7 Hz), 137.0, 135.8 (d, J = 13.4 Hz), 134.5, 134.0 (d, J = 19.6 Hz), 130.3 (d, J = 5.1 Hz), 129.7 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 128.9, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 127.3, 21.4.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -13.37.

(4'-(tert-butyl)-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1g)



White solid. $R_f 0.3$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.29 (m, 13H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (m, 1H), 1.42 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 149.8, 148.3, 148.0, 138.6 (d, J = 6.1 Hz), 137.8 (d, J = 11.7 Hz), 136.0, 135.8, 134.0, 133.8, 130.2 (d, J = 4.7 Hz), 129.4 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 128.7, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 127.1, 124.5, 34.5, 31.4.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -12.28.

[1,1':4',1''-terphenyl]-2-yldiphenylphosphine (1h)



White solid. $R_f 0.4$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 7.71 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.29 (m, 13H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 148.0 (d, J = 28.4 Hz), 140.9 (d, J = 18.0 Hz), 140.0, 137.6 (d, J = 11.1 Hz), 135.9 (d, J = 13.6 Hz), 134.3, 134.2, 134.0, 130.3, 128.9(d, J = 8.3 Hz), 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 127.5, 127.3 (d, J = 10.5 Hz), 126.4.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -12.77.

(4'-(trifluoromethyl)-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1i)



White solid. $R_f 0.2$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H)., 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 10H), 7.25 (m, 4H), 7.12 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 146.7 (d, J = 27.9 Hz), 145.4 (d, J = 5.7 Hz), 137.0 (d, J = 11.2 Hz), 136.2 (d, J = 15.1 Hz), 134.2 (d, J = 19.0 Hz), 133.9, 130.2, 130.1, 129.5, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3 – 128.0 (m), 125.8, 124.6 (d, J = 3.4 Hz), 123.0, 120.3.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -12.54.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -62.21.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for C₂₅H₁₉F₃P [M+H]⁺, 407.11765, found 407.11631.

2'-(diphenylphosphanyl)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-carbonitrile (1j)



White solid. $R_f 0.1$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.53 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H)., 7.45 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.12 (m, 14H), 7.11 – 6.99 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 146.4 (d, J = 5.7 Hz), 146.1, 145.8, 136.5 (d, J = 11.1 Hz), 136.0 (d, J = 15.4 Hz), 134.0 (d, J = 20.1 Hz), 131.4, 130.5 (d, J = 3.9 Hz), 129.7 (d, J = 4.5 Hz), 128.9, 128.8, 128.5 (d, J = 7.0 Hz), 128.3, 119.0, 110.9.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -12.84.

(4'-(acetyl)-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1k)



White solid. $R_f 0.1$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 7.93 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 10H), 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.11 (m, 1H), 2.61 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 198.0, 147.1 (d, J = 28.7 Hz), 146.8(d, J = 5.9 Hz), 137.2 (d, J = 11.3 Hz), 136.0, 135.8, 134.3, 134.0 (d, J = 20.0 Hz), 130.0 (d, J = 3.8 Hz), 130.0 (d, J = 4.8 Hz), 129.0, 128.8, 128.6 (d, J = 6.9 Hz), 128.0, 127.8, 26.8.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -13.41.

(4'-(carboxylate)-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (11)



White solid. $R_f 0.2$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.45 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.25 (m, 10H), 7.21 (m, 4H), 7.09 (m, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 167.1, 147.3, 147.0, 146.5, 137.2 (d, J = 11.5 Hz), 136.0 (d, J = 15.1 Hz), 134.2, 134.0 (d, J = 19.9 Hz), 130.0, 129.9 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5 (d, J = 7.0 Hz), 128.0, 52.2.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -12.79.

(4'-(ethoxycarbonyl)-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1m)



White solid. $R_f 0.2$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 7.99 – 7.92 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.25 (m, 10H), 7.22 (m, 4H), 7.12 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 4.38 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.39 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 166.6, 147.3 (d, J = 28.5 Hz), 146.4 (d, J = 5.9 Hz), 137.3 (d, J = 11.5 Hz), 136.0 (d, J = 14.8 Hz), 134.3, 134.0 (d, J = 19.8 Hz), 130.0 (d, J = 4.7 Hz), 129.8 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 129.2, 129.0 (d, J = 7.9 Hz), 128.7, 128.5 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 128.0.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -12.99.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{27}H_{24}O_2P^+$ [M+H]⁺, 411.15139, found 411.15058.

(2'-(methyl)-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1n)



White solid. $R_f 0.3$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.24 (m, 7H), 7.22 – 7.13 (m, 7H), 7.08 (m, 1H), 7.00 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.04 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 147.7 (d, J = 30.8 Hz), 141.2 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 137.4 (d, J = 12.3 Hz), 137.2 (d, J = 11.2 Hz), 136.8, 135.9, 134.0 (d, J = 20.3 Hz), 133.6, 130.4, 129.8 (d, J = 5.3 Hz), 129.7, 128.8, 128.5 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 128.4 (d, J = 7.1 Hz), 128.3, 127.5 (d, J = 17.6 Hz), 124.9, 20.6 (d, J = 4.0 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -12.72.

(3'-(methyl)-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (10)



Colorless oil. $R_f 0.3$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.25 (m, 11H), 7.15 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.10 – 7.04 (m, 2H), 6.99 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 2.21 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 148.6 (d, J = 29.0 Hz), 141.8 (d, J = 6.4 Hz), 138.0 (d, J = 11.8 Hz), 137.2, 136.1 (d, J = 13.9 Hz), 134.3, 134.1 (d, J = 20.0 Hz), 130.8 (d, J = 3.2 Hz), 130.2 (d, J = 4.8 Hz), 128.8, 128.6 (d, J = 1.8 Hz), 128.5, 128.1, 127.6, 127.4, 126.8 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 21.6. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -12.84.

(3', 5'-(dimethyl)-[-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1p)



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White solid. $R_f 0.2$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.42 – 7.27 (m, 13H), 7.09 (m, 1H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 6.74 (s, 2H), 2.22 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 148.6 (d, J = 29.5 Hz), 141.7 (d, J = 6.7 Hz), 138.2 (d, J = 11.5 Hz), 137.0, 136.0 (d, J = 13.8 Hz), 134.2 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 134.0, 130.0 (d, J = 4.9 Hz), 128.8 (d, J = 27.1 Hz), 128.5, 128.4, 127.7 (d, J = 3.4 Hz), 127.7 (d, J = 3.4 Hz), 127.2, 127.2, 21.4.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -12.96.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{26}H_{24}P^+$ [M+H]⁺, 367.16156, found 367.15079.

(5-chloro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl) diphenylphosphine (1q)



White solid. $R_f 0.2$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.38 – 7.30 (m, 9H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 7.21 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.01 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 150.0, 149.7, 140.5 (d, J = 6.2 Hz), 137.3 (d, J = 11.6 Hz), 135.6, 134.9 (d, J = 9.5 Hz), 134.7, 134.0 (d, J = 20.0 Hz), 130.2 (d, J = 4.7 Hz), 129.6 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -18.03.

diphenyl (5-trifluoromethoxyo)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl) phosphine (1r)



White solid. $R_f 0.1$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 7.37 – 7.27 (m, 9H), 7.21 (m, 7H), 7.15 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 7.08 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 150.2, 150.0, 149.5, 140.4 (d, J = 5.8 Hz), 137.2 (d, J = 11.5 Hz), 135.8, 134.9 (d, J = 15.7 Hz), 134.0 (d, J = 20.1 Hz), 129.6 (d, J = 3.4 Hz), 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 127.9, 122.1(d, J = 4.4 Hz), 121.8, 119.4.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -14.04.

diphenyl (4-trifluoromethyl)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl) phosphine (1s)

White solid. $R_f 0.3$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 7.62 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.30 (m, 6H), 7.30 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 7.22 (s, 4H), 7.16 – 7.12 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 151.6, 151.4, 140.5 (d, J = 5.8 Hz), 138.1(d, J = 17.9 Hz), 136.4 (d, J = 11.5 Hz), 134.1, 133.9, 130.5 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 130.4 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 129.5 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 129.0, 128.7 (d, J = 6.9 Hz), 127.9, 125.4 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 122.8.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -12.27.

1-(2-diphenylphosphinophenyl) naphthalene (1t)

White solid. $R_f 0.2$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.48 – 7.37 (m, 5H), 7.34 – 7.22 (m, 11H), 7.17 – 7.10 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 148.5, 148.2, 139.3 (d, J = 6.3 Hz), 137.8 (d, J = 11.2 Hz), 136.2 (d, J = 13.8 Hz), 134.3 (d, J = 20.8 Hz), 134.0, 132.8, 132.6, 130.5 (d, J = 4.9 Hz), 129.0 (d, J = 3.9 Hz), 129.0, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 127.8, 127.6, 127.3, 126.1 (d, J = 12.0 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -13.07.

2-(2-diphenylphosphinylphenyl) furan (1w)



Colorless oil. $R_f 0.3$ (hexane/DCM = 5 : 1)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.24 (m, 10H), 7.16 (m, 1H), 6.97 (m, 1H), 6.53 – 6.47 (m, 1H), 6.35 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 152.8 (d, J = 4.1 Hz), 137.6 (d, J = 11.1 Hz), 136.4 (d, J = 26.2 Hz), 134.8, 134.6 (d, J = 19.3 Hz), 134.2 (d, J = 19.7 Hz), 129.0, 129.0 (d, J = 6.3 Hz), 128.8, 128.5 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 127.9, 111.6, 111.1 (d, J = 12.5 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -9.13.

5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2a)



White solid (75.8 mg, 78%). M.p. 124 – 125 °C, $R_f 0.3$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.15 (m, 4H), 7.90 (m, 2H), 7.80 (m, 6H), 7.70 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 144.2 (d, *J* = 19.2 Hz), 136.9, 136.1, 133.5 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz), 132.6 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz), 131.8 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz), 131.0 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz), 123.9 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 120.9 (d, *J* = 95.1 Hz), 116.3 (d, *J* = 87.7 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 22.79.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -78.02.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{24}H_{18}P^+$ [M-OTf] + 337.11406, found 337.11442.

3-fluoro-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2b)

White solid (62.8 mg, 62%). M.p. 252 - 253 °C, $R_f 0.3$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 8.26 (m, 1H), 8.17 (m, 1H), 8.11 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.84 – 7.75 (m, 7H), 7.73 – 7.63 (m, 5H), 7.58 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 164.7 (d, J = 16.8 Hz), 162.2 (d, J = 17.4 Hz), 143.0 (d, J = 18.4 Hz), 140.2 (d, J = 18.9 Hz), 136.9, 136.0, 133.1 (d, J = 11.8 Hz), 132.3 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 131.0 (d, J = 12.4 Hz), 130.8 (d, J = 13.7 Hz), 126.2, 126.1, 126.0, 124.1 (d, J = 22.3 Hz), 123.8 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 123.4, 122.4, 122.2, 120.6, 119.7, 119.0, 119.0, 118.7 (d, J = 11.2 Hz), 115.7, 114.8.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 23.20.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -78.04, -105.73.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for C₂₄H₁₇FP⁺ [M-OTf] ⁺ 355.10464, found 355.10490.

3-chloro-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2c)



White solid (66.6 mg, 64%). M.p. 151 - 152 °C, $R_f 0.3$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.26 (s, 3H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.86 (m, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 7H), 7.74 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 143.2 (d, J = 18.7 Hz), 142.8 (d, J = 19.1 Hz), 137.4 (d, J = 15.6 Hz), 137.2 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 136.4 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 133.5 (d, J = 11.7 Hz), 132.8 (d, J = 10.1 Hz), 131.9 (d, J = 12.2 Hz), 131.5 (d, J = 11.1 Hz), 131.2 (d, J = 13.6 Hz), 129.4, 127.2, 125.8 (d, J = 10.9 Hz), 124.5 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 123.6, 122.7 (d, J = 4.9 Hz), 121.0, 119.7 (d, J = 55.7 Hz), 115.6 (d, J = 87.6 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 23.37.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -77.97.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{24}H_{17}ClP^+$ [M-OTf] + 371.07509, found 371.07546.

3-bromo-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2d)



White solid (67.7 mg, 60%). M.p. 219 - 220 °C, $R_f 0.4$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 8.27 – 8.15 (m, 2H), 8.14 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.87 – 7.77 (m, 6H), 7.72 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 143.3 (d, J = 8.6 Hz), 143.1 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 140.0, 137.3, 136.5 (d, J = 2.7 Hz), 134.3 (d, J = 10.7 Hz), 133.5 (d, J = 12.0 Hz), 132.9 (d, J = 10.3 Hz), 132.2 (d, J = 12.1 Hz), 131.2 (d, J = 13.8 Hz), 125.8 (d, J = 10.6 Hz), 125.2 (d, J = 15.1 Hz), 124.4 (d, J = 9.8 Hz), 123.9, 122.8 (d, J = 41.5 Hz), 120.8, 119.6 (d, J = 53.0 Hz), 115.5 (d, J = 87.6 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 23.32.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -77.95.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for C₂₄H₁₇BrP⁺ [M-OTf] ⁺ 415.02458, found 415.02489.

3-methoxy-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2e)



White solid (60.9 mg, 59%). M.p. 162 - 163 °C, $R_f 0.3 (DCM/CH_3OH = 50 : 1)$.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 8.03 (m, 3H), 7.82 (m, 3.9 Hz, 7H), 7.72 – 7.65 (m, 4H), 7.63 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.38 (m, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 162.2 (d, J = 15.3 Hz), 144.5 (d, J = 19.2 Hz), 136.9, 136.4, 136.3, 136.0 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 133.5 (d, J = 11.7 Hz), 132.3 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 131.0 (d, J = 13.6 Hz), 130.3 (d, J = 12.0 Hz), 125.3 (d, J = 12.0 Hz), 123.2 (d, J = 10.1 Hz), 122.4 (d, J = 41.3 Hz), 120.7, 119.6 (d, J = 38.4 Hz), 116.8 (d, J = 12.2 Hz), 116.3 (d, J = 63.6 Hz), 56.7.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 23.08.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -78.02.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for C₂₅H₂₀OP⁺ [M-OTf] ⁺ 367.12463, found 367.12423.

3-methyl-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2f)



White solid (70.0 mg, 70%). M.p. 166 - 167 °C, $R_f 0.3$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 2H), 7.84 – 7.75 (m, 6H), 7.74 – 7.64 (m, 6H), 2.51 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 144.3 (d, J = 19.5 Hz), 142.7 (d, J = 11.8 Hz), 141.6 (d, J = 19.3 Hz), 137.8, 136.9, 136.0 (d, J = 2.7 Hz), 133.4 (d, J = 11.6 Hz), 132.5 (d, J = 6.7 Hz), 132.4 (d, J = 6.7 Hz), 131.2 (d, J = 12.2 Hz), 131.0 (d, J = 13.6 Hz), 125.8, 123.8 (d, J = 10.6 Hz), 123.7 (d, J = 10.1 Hz), 122.6, 121.2 (d, J = 30.4 Hz), 120.5, 119.8 (d, J = 72.6 Hz), 116.5 (d, J = 87.4 Hz), 21.6.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 22.63.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -77.96.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{25}H_{20}P^+$ [M-OTf] $^+$ 351.12971, found 351.13052.

3-(tert-butyl)-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2g)

White solid (82.4 mg, 76%). M.p. 93 – 94 °C, R_f 0.4 (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.11 (m, 3H), 7.95 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.91 – 7.76 (m, 7H), 7.75 – 7.66 (m, 5H), 1.38 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 155.8 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz), 144.1 (d, *J* = 19.4 Hz), 141.9 (d, *J* = 19.6 Hz), 136.9, 136.1, 134.5, 133.4 (d, *J* = 11.5 Hz), 132.4 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz), 131.3 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz), 131.1 (d, *J* = 13.4 Hz), 128.3 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 123.9 (q, *J* = 10.2 Hz), 122.6, 121.4 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz), 119.9 (d, *J* = 96.3

Hz), 116.5 (d, *J* = 87.2 Hz), 35.6, 31.2.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 22.94.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -77.92.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for C₂₈H₂₆P⁺ [M-OTf] ⁺ 393.17666, found 393.17669.

3,5,5-triphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2h)



White solid (78.7 mg, 70%). M.p. 234 - 235 °C, $R_f 0.3$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.30 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 2H), 8.13 (s, 2H), 7.96 – 7.77 (m, 7H), 7.76 – 7.59 (m, 7H), 7.47 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 144.7 (d, J = 11.6 Hz), 143.9 (d, J = 19.2 Hz), 143.0 (d, J = 19.3 Hz), 137.9, 137.0, 136.2 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 135.4, 133.5 (d, J = 11.9 Hz), 132.7 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 131.7 (d, J = 11.9 Hz), 131.1 (d, J = 13.6 Hz), 130.1 (d, J = 10.3 Hz), 129.3 (d, J = 30.0 Hz), 127.2, 124.6 (d, J = 10.4 Hz), 124.1 (d, J = 9.8 Hz), 122.6 (d, J = 10.3 Hz), 121.5 (d, J = 14.7 Hz), 119.9 (d, J = 107.3 Hz), 116.2 (d, J = 87.3 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 23.05.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -77.91.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{30}H_{22}P^+$ [M-OTf] $^+$ 413.14536, found 413.14668.

5,5-diphenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2i)

White solid (29.9/57.6 mg, 27/57%). M.p. 177 – 178 °C, $R_f 0.4$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.47 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 8.34 (d, J = 19.9 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (t, J = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (q, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.89 – 7.77 (m, 7H), 7.73 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.8 (d, J = 19.1 Hz), 142.6 (d, J = 18.4 Hz), 137.4, 136.6 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 134.2, 133.8, 133.6, 133.5, 133.2 (d, J = 21.5 Hz), 133.0, 132.9 (d, J = 3.8 Hz), 131.4, 131.2, 128.5 (d, J = 7.8 Hz), 125.4 (q, J = 4.0 Hz), 124.3, 123.1, 122.6, 122.1, 121.7, 121.6, 120.8, 119.4, 115.2 (d, J = 87.9 Hz).
³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 23.74.
¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -62.48, -78.06.
Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for C₂₅H₁₇F₃P⁺ [M-OTf] ⁺ 405.10145, found 405.10097. **3-cyano-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2j)**

White solid (51.1 mg, 50%). M.p. 218 – 219 °C, R_f 0.2 (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD) δ: 8.79 (m, 1H), 8.48 (m, 1H), 8.42 (m, 1H), 8.34 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.30 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 7.6 Hz, 6H), 7.83 (m, 1H), 7.75 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD) δ : 148.0 (d, J = 19.0 Hz), 142.9 (d, J = 18.3 Hz), 140.1, 137.0, 136.1, 133.6 (d, J = 12.0 Hz), 132.5 (d, J = 12.0 Hz), 130.7 (d, J = 13.9 Hz), 125.1, 124.6, 123.8, 122.6 (d, J = 50.3 Hz), 121.7 (d, J = 65.9 Hz), 116.4 (d, J = 54.1 Hz), 115.3, 114.8 (d, J = 14.1 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CD₃OD) δ : 23.84.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CD₃OD) δ: -76.01.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{25}H_{17}NP^+$ [M-OTf]⁺ 362.10931, found 362.11211.

3-acetyl-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2k)



White solid (63.4 mg, 60%). M.p. 97 - 98 °C, $R_f 0.2$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.77 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 8.53 (s, 1H), 8.42 (s, 1H), 8.33 (s, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.84 (m, 7H), 7.72 (m, 4H), 2.75 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 196.5, 147.7 (d, J = 20.0 Hz), 143.1 (d, J = 18.6 Hz), 139.2 (d, J = 10.8 Hz), 137.2, 136.4, 133.8 (d, J = 11.9 Hz), 133.0, 132.7 (d, J = 11.9 Hz), 132.3 (d, J = 10.5 Hz), 131.2 (d, J = 13.7 Hz), 125.1 (d, J = 63.9 Hz), 122.5 (d, J = 33.4 Hz), 121.6 (d, J = 32.9 Hz), 119.4, 115.7 (d, J = 87.7 Hz), 27.4.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 22.98.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -78.00.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{26}H_{20}OP^+$ [M-OTf] + 379.12463, found 379.13001.

3-(methoxycarbonyl)-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2l)

White solid (79.4 mg, 73%). M.p. 160 - 161 °C, $R_f 0.2$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.57 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 8.52 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.42 – 8.27 (m, 2H), 8.27 – 8.17 (m, 1H), 7.94 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (m, 7H), 7.70 (m, 4H), 3.93 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 164.8, 148.1 (d, *J* = 19.5 Hz), 142.9 (d, *J* = 18.6 Hz), 138.0, 137.3, 136.4 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 133.5 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz), 132.9, 132.9, 132.8, 131.2 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz), 125.8, 125.3 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz), 125.8 Hz), 125

9.7 Hz), 124.6 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz), 122.6, 122.1 (d, *J* = 28.8 Hz), 121.3, 120.2 (d, *J* = 163.7 Hz), 115.6 (d, *J* = 87.7 Hz), 53.1.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 22.84.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -78.00.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{26}H_{20}O_2P^+$ [M-OTf] + 395.11954, found 395.11921.

3-(ethoxycarbonyl)-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2m)

White solid (65.8 mg, 59%). M.p. 90 - 91 °C, $R_f 0.2$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.62 – 8.51 (m, 2H), 8.39 – 8.24 (m, 3H), 7.96 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.90 – 7.76 (m, 7H), 7.72 (m, 4H), 4.43 (q, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 1.41 (t, *J* = 8.9, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 164.4, 148.2 (d, J = 19.6 Hz), 142.8 (d, J = 17.0 Hz), 137.9, 137.2, 136.4, 133.6 (d, J = 11.8 Hz), 133.2 (d, J = 11.5 Hz), 133.0, 132.8 (d, J = 11.4 Hz), 131.2 (d, J = 13.7 Hz), 125.1, 124.5, 122.6, 122.2 (d, J = 24.1 Hz), 121.3 (d, J = 24.7 Hz), 119.4, 115.6 (d, J = 87.8 Hz), 62.4, 14.4.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 22.95.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -78.02.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{27}H_{22}O_2P^+$ [M-OTf] $^+$ 409.13519, found 409.13766.

1-methyl-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2n)



White solid (51.0 mg, 51%). M.p. 148 – 149 °C, $R_f 0.3$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.29 (m, 1H), 8.15 (m, 1H), 7.97 – 7.89 (m, 2H), 7.82 – 7.75 (m, 5H), 7.74 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, J = 7.9, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (m, 5H), 7.60 (m, 1H), 2.84 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 145.4 (d, J = 19.4 Hz), 141.9 (d, J = 19.1 Hz), 140.2 (d, J = 1.4 Hz), 137.8 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 136.8 (d, J = 1.4 Hz), 136.0 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 133.4 (d, J = 11.6 Hz), 132.9 (d, J = 9.7 Hz), 131.0, 130.9 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 130.7, 130.4 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 127.6 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 122.6, 121.6 (d, J = 33.4 Hz), 120.7 (d, J = 33.2 Hz), 119.4, 116.5 (d, J = 88.1 Hz), 22.8.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ*: 20.88.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : -77.96.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{25}H_{20}P^+$ [M-OTf] $^+$ 351.12971, found 351.12975.

2-methyl-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (20) 4-methyl-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (20')



White solid (81.0 mg, 81%). M.p. 144 – 145 °C, R_f 0.3 (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.12 (m, 4H), 8.05 – 8.00 (m, 1H), 8.00 – 7.92 (m, 4H), 7.91 – 7.80 (m, 7H), 7.80 – 7.69 (m, 18H), 7.69 – 7.58 (m, 8H), 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.42 (m, 1H), 2.54 (s, 3.93H, **20'**), 2.37 (s, 3H, **20**).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 148.7, 145.0 (d, J = 20.2 Hz), 144.5, 144.3 (d, J = 4.7 Hz), 144.2, 144.1 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 143.9 (d, J = 19.3 Hz), 137.6, 136.8, 136.4 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 136.0 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 1336 (d, J = 11.7 Hz), 133.3 (d, J = 11.6 Hz), 133.0 (d, J = 10.6 Hz), 132.7, 132.5 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 132.3 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 132.2, 131.9, 131.7 (d, J = 3.4 Hz), 131.6, 131.5, 131.2 (d, J = 13.5 Hz), 131.0 (d, J = 13.6 Hz), 124.7 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 124.0, 123.9, 122.7 (d, J = 4.6 Hz), 122.0 (d, J = 9.8 Hz), 121.8 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 120.9, 119.6 (d, J = 19.4 Hz), 118.7, 117.7, 117.2, 116.5 (d, J = 35.3 Hz), 114.9 (d, J = 86.5 Hz), 22.3, 21.5 (d, J = 4.0 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 24.75 (20), 22.15 (20').

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -77.95.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{25}H_{20}P^+$ [M-OTf] $^+$ 351.12971, found 351.12975.

2,4-dimethyl-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2p)

White solid (87.4 mg, 85%). M.p. 201 - 202 °C, $R_f 0.3$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.13 (m, 1H), 7.94 (m, 1H), 7.90 – 7.83 (m, 4H), 7.83 – 7.77 (m, 3H), 7.77 – 7.70 (m, 5H), 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 149.4 (d, J = 1.5 Hz), 145.2 (d, J = 20.5 Hz), 144.0 (d, J = 13.7 Hz), 143.8 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 136.6, 136.2 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 133.8 (d, J = 10.9 Hz), 133.5 (d, J = 11.8 Hz), 131.7, 131.6 (d, J = 9.7 Hz), 131.1 (d, J = 13.5 Hz), 125.8, 123.7 (d, J = 9.8 Hz), 123.2, 122.8 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 122.4 (d, J = 40.5 Hz), 119.4, 116.0 (d, J = 39.8 Hz), 115.0 (d, J = 31.1 Hz), 22.1, 21.4 (d, J = 3.8 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 24.12.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -77.95.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{26}H_{22}P^+$ [M-OTf] + 365.14536, found 365.14524.

2-chloro-5,5-diphenyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2q)



White solid (65.5 mg, 63%). M.p. 130 - 131 °C, $R_f 0.4$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.23 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.19 – 8.09 (m, 2H), 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.93 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.85 – 7.72 (m, 7H), 7.68 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 145.8 (d, J = 20.5 Hz), 144.1, 142.9 (d, J = 18.6 Hz), 137.0, 136.2 (d, J = 2.7 Hz), 134.0 (d, J = 10.9 Hz), 133.5 (d, J = 11.9 Hz), 132.8 (d, J = 9.8 Hz), 132.4 (d, J = 11.8 Hz), 132.0 (d, J = 12.5 Hz), 131.1 (d, J = 13.6 Hz), 124.2 (d, J = 11.0 Hz), 122.6, 121.9, 121.0, 119.1 (d, J = 97.0 Hz), 115.9 (d, J = 88.1 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 22.57.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -78.03.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{24}H_{17}ClP^+$ [M-OTf] + 371.07509, found 371.07817.

5,5-diphenyl-2-(trifluoromethoxy)-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2r)



White solid (71.8 mg, 63%). M.p. 151 - 152 °C, $R_f 0.3$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.41 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (dd, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 8.02 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.90 – 7.74 (m, 8H), 7.68 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 4H), 7.54 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 155.8, 146.9, 142.8, 137.1, 136.2, 135.2, 133.5 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz), 132.7 (q, *J* = 10.8 Hz), 131.1 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz), 124.3, 123.1, 122.1, 121.2, 118.9 (d, *J* = 97.6 Hz), 116.2, 115.5 (d, *J* = 29.5 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 22.31.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -57.24, -78.10.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{25}H_{17}F_3OP^+$ [M-OTf] + 421.09636, found 421.09607.

7,7-diphenyl-7H-benzo[kl]acridophosphin-7-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2t) 7,7-diphenyl-7H-dibenzo[b,e]phosphindol-7-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2t')



Yellow solid (71.8 mg, 67%). M.p. 121 – 122 °C, R_f 0.2 (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.84 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 8.59 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 8.47 (dd, J = 8.5, 0.9 Hz, 9H), 8.37 – 8.29 (m, 5H), 8.26 (dd, J = 7.7, 3.2 Hz, 4H), 8.18 – 8.02 (m, 3H), 7.91 (dd, J = 17.3, 9.6 Hz, 3H), 7.87 – 7.78 (m, 14H), 7.76 (dd, J = 10.1, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (td, J = 7.7, 3.6 Hz, 14H), 7.60 (dd, J = 15.7, 5.3 Hz, 6H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 146.2 (d, J = 18.8 Hz), 144.7, 143.9 (d, J = 20.2 Hz), 139.0, 137.0, 136.8, 136.3, 135.9, 134.4 (d, J = 9.6 Hz), 133.8 (d, J = 11.8 Hz), 133.5 (d, J = 11.8 Hz), 132.4 (d, J = 9.5 Hz), 132.2, 132.0 (d, J = 11.1 Hz), 131.3, 131.2, 131.0, 130.9, 130.7, 130.2, 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 124.5, 124.3 (d, J = 5.1 Hz), 124.1 (d, J = 12.9 Hz), 123.5 (d, J = 9.7 Hz), 123.1, 122.7, 120.7 (d, J = 11.3 Hz), 119.5 , 117.7, 116.9, 116.0, 115.1 (d, J = 10.0 Hz).

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 24.75, 21.57.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -77.98.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for $C_{28}H_{20}P^+$ [M-OTf] + 387.12971, found 387.13144.

5,5-di-tert-butyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2u)

White solid (83.0 mg, 93%). M.p. 124 - 125 °C, $R_f 0.3$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.11 (dd, J = 4.9, 2.5 Hz, 2H), 8.10 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.92 – 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.73 (m, 2H), 1.51 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 9H), 1.47 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 9H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 145.0 (d, J = 12.9 Hz), 136.0, 132.1 (d, J = 8.7 Hz), 131.2 (d, J = 10.4 Hz), 123.7 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 119.5 (d, J = 77.2 Hz), 36.1 (d, J = 31.9 Hz), 27.0.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 51.87.
 ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -77.91.
 Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for C₂₀H₂₆P⁺ [M-OTf] + 297.17666, found 297.17670.
 5,5-dicyclohexyl-5H-benzo[b]phosphindol-5-ium trifluoromethanesulfonate (2v)



White solid (87.7 mg, 88%). M.p. 216 - 217 °C, $R_f 0.3$ (DCM/CH₃OH = 50 : 1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.15 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (dd, J = 7.6, 5.7 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.71 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 3.51 – 3.29 (m, 2H), 1.91 (s, 4H), 1.72 (d, J = 23.0 Hz, 6H), 1.58 – 1.40 (m, 4H), 1.28 – 1.05 (m, 6H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 145.2, 135.6, 132.9 (d, J = 9.4 Hz), 130.8 (d, J = 10.9 Hz), 122.9 (d, J = 8.5 Hz), 118.4 (d, J = 81.5 Hz), 30.6 (d, J = 39.2 Hz), 26.1, 25.6 (d, J = 14.1 Hz), 25.2.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 43.10.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -78.02.

Exact Mass (ESI): Calcd for C₂₄H₃₀P⁺ [M-OTf] ⁺ 349.20796, found 349.20940.

¹H NMR spectrum of 1b



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1b



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1b



¹H NMR spectrum of 1c



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1c



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1c



¹H NMR spectrum of 1d



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1d



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1d



¹H NMR spectrum of 1e



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1e



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1e



¹H NMR spectrum of 1f



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1f



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1f



¹H NMR spectrum of 1g



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1g



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1g



¹H NMR spectrum of 1h



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1h



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1h



¹H NMR spectrum of 1i



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1i



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1i



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 1i



¹H NMR spectrum of 1j



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1j



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1j



¹H NMR spectrum of 1k



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1k


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¹³C NMR spectrum of 11



³¹P NMR spectrum of 11



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¹³C NMR spectrum of 1m



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1m



¹H NMR spectrum of 1n



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1n



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1n



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¹³C NMR spectrum of 10



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¹H NMR spectrum of 1p



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³¹P NMR spectrum of 1p



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³¹P NMR spectrum of 1q



¹H NMR spectrum of 1r



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1r



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1r



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¹³C NMR spectrum of 1s



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1s



¹H NMR spectrum of 1t



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1t



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1t



¹H NMR spectrum of 1w



¹³C NMR spectrum of 1w



³¹P NMR spectrum of 1w



¹H NMR spectrum of 2a



¹³C NMR spectrum of 2a



³¹P NMR spectrum of 2a



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2a



¹H NMR spectrum of 2b



¹³C NMR spectrum of 2b



³¹P NMR spectrum of 2b



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2b



¹H NMR spectrum of 2c



¹³C NMR spectrum of 2c



³¹P NMR spectrum of 2c



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2c



¹H NMR spectrum of 2d



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³¹P NMR spectrum of 2d



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2d



¹H NMR spectrum of 2e



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¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2e



¹H NMR spectrum of 2f



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³¹P NMR spectrum of 2f



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2f



¹H NMR spectrum of 2g





¹³C NMR spectrum of 2g

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³¹P NMR spectrum of 2h



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¹H NMR spectrum of 2i



¹³C NMR spectrum of 2i

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³¹P NMR spectrum of 2n



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2n



¹H NMR spectrum of 20 and 20'



¹³C NMR spectrum of 20 and 20'



³¹P NMR spectrum of 20 and 20'



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¹H NMR spectrum of 2q

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¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2q



¹H NMR spectrum of 2r





³¹P NMR spectrum of 2r



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2r



¹H NMR spectrum of 2t and 2t'



¹³C NMR spectrum of 2t and 2t'



³¹P NMR spectrum of 2t and 2t'



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2t and 2t'



¹H NMR spectrum of 2u



¹³C NMR spectrum of 2u



³¹P NMR spectrum of 2u



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2u



¹H NMR spectrum of 2v



¹³C NMR spectrum of 2v



³¹P NMR spectrum of 2v



¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2v

