# Copper-Catalyzed Ring-Opening Trifluoromethylthiolation/

### Trifluoromethylselenolation of Cyclopropanols with TsSCF<sub>3</sub> or Se-

### (trifluoromethyl) 4-methoxybenzenesulfonoselenoate

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#### 1) General Procedure for Preparation of cyclopropanols and cyclobutanol (1)<sup>1-5.</sup>



To a 200 mL round-bottomed flask was sequentially added ester (10 mmol, 1.0 eq.), titanium tetraisopropoxide (14 mmol, 1.4 eq.) and THF (40 mL). Then the solution was stirred at 0 °C followed by adding ethylmagnesium chloride (14 mL, 28 mmol, 2.8 eq., 2 M in THF) over 10 minutes. The suspension was warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight before quenching by slow addition of cold H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> solution (0.1 M, 40 mL). The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (40 mL×3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (40 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo to give a residue which was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether) to afford the desired cyclopropanols (1).



To a 100 mL flame-dried round-bottomed flask tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added cyclobutanone (10 mmol, 700 mg, 1.0 equiv.) and dry THF (10 mL), the reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C, then phenylmagnesium bromide (20 mmol, 2.0 eq., 1.0 M in Et<sub>2</sub>O) was added drop wise over 30 min at 0 °C. The mixture was warmed to room temperature and was stirred overnight. Then the mixture was quenched with NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (aq). (10 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (30.0 mL×3). The combined organic phase was washed with brine (20 mL) and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo to give a residue which purified by column chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether: ethyl acetate = 10:1) to afford **1-phenylcyclobutan-1-ol**.

#### 2) Characterization data for compound 1



**1-(***p***-tolyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1a):** 755.8 mg, 51% yield ; a pale yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.18 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.19 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.5$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.2$  Hz, 2H), 0.97 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.0$  Hz, 2H).



**1-phenylcyclopropan-1-ol (1b):** 506.6 mg, 74% yield; a colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.32 (s, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 1H), 2.37 (s, 1H), 1.24 (q, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 1.02 (q, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2H).



**1-(4-fluorophenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1c):** 1.2 g, 79% yield; a pale yellow solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.27-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (s, 1H), 1.21 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.3$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.2$  Hz, 2H), 0.97 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.4$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.3$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(4-chlorophenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1d):** 450.0 mg, 27% yield; a light yellow solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.28 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 2.21 (s, 1H), 1.27 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.5$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.5$  Hz, 2H), 1.01 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.1$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(4-bromophenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1e):** 469.5mg, 43% yield; a white solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 1.99 (s, 1H), 1.28 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 7.5 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 1.02 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 7.2 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 5.1 Hz, 2H).



**1-(4-iodophenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1f):** 660.0 mg, 25% yield; a white solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.17 (d, J = 5.0 Hz,1H), 6.97-6.89 (m, 2H), 6.86 (d, J = 3.3 Hz,1H), 2.81 (s, 1H), 1.28 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.4$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.5$  Hz, 2H), 1.05 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.0$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.1$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1g):** 476.2 mg, 29% yield; a pale yellow solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.28-7.26 (m,2H), 6.88-6.86 (m, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 1.83 (s, 1H), 1.20 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>)

= 7.3 Hz,  $J_2$  = 5.1 Hz, 2H), 0.98 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.2 Hz,  $J_2$  = 5.1 Hz, 2H).



**1-(4-ethoxyphenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1h):** 1.0 g, 58% yield; a pale yellow solid;<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.27 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.87-6.85 (m, 2H), 4.02 (q,J = 7.0 Hz,2H), 1.41 (t, J = 7.0 Hz,3H), 1.19 (dd,  $J_1 = 8.1$  Hz,  $J_2 = 6.2$  Hz, 2H), 0.97 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.0$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.0$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1i):** 583.9 mg, 61% yield; a colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.38 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 1.32 (s, 9H), 1.24 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.3 Hz,  $J_2$  = 5.0 Hz, 2H), 1.03 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.5 Hz,  $J_2$  = 5.2 Hz, 2H).



**1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1j):** 652.3 mg, 32% yield; a light yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.57 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 2.18 (s, 1H), 1.36 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.7,  $J_2$  = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 1.10 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.3 Hz,  $J_2$  = 5.2 Hz, 2H).



**1-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1k):** 329.3 mg, 16% yield; a light yellow solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.58 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 4H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H),7.38 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H),7.34 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 1H), 1.31 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.6$ ,  $J_2 = 5.4$  Hz, 2H), 1.10 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.0$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(3-chlorophenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (11):** 930.0 mg, 58% yield; a light yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.27 (t, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dt,

 $J_1 = 7.6, J_2 = 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 2.57 (s, 1H), 1.25 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.4, J_2 = 5.3$  Hz, 2H), 1.01 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.1$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(3-methoxyphenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1m):** 656.8 mg, 40% yield; a light yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.13 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (dd,  $J_1 = 8.2$ ,  $J_2 = 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.78 (s, 1H), 1.14 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.5$ ,  $J_2 = 5.3$  Hz, 2H), 0.93 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.1$  Hz,  $J_2 = 4.9$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(2-methoxyphenyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1n):** 657.0 mg, 40% yield; a light yellow solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.26 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 1.10 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.2$ ,  $J_2 = 5.8$  Hz, 2H), 0.91 (dd,  $J_1 = 6.4$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.4$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(benzo**[*d*][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)cyclopropan-1-ol (10): 803.5 mg, 45% yield; a white solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  6.84-6.82 (m, 2H),6.78 (s, 1H), 5.94 (s, 2H), 2.24 (s, 1H),1.20 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.4$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.3$  Hz, 2H), 0.96 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.1$ ,  $J_2 = 5.0$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(naphthalen-2-yl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1p):** 773.8 mg, 42% yield; a white solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.85 (s, 1H), 7.84-7.82 (m, 2H), 7.80 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.44 (m, 1H), 7.31 (dd,  $J_1 = 8.6$  Hz,  $J_2 = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.50 (s, 1H), 1.35 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.6$ ,  $J_2 = 5.4$  Hz, 2H), 1.17 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.1$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(thiophen-3-yl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1q):** 630.0 mg, 45% yield; a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.26 (dd,  $J_1 = 5.0$ ,  $J_2 = 3.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.17-7.12 (m, 1H), 6.82 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (s, 1H), 1.21 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.6$ ,  $J_2 = 5.6$  Hz, 2H), 0.98 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.1$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.2$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(furan-3-yl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1r):** 260.7 mg, 21% yield; a light yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.10 (d, J = 7.3, 1H), 7.82-7.81 (m, 1H), 7.33-7.31 (m,1H), 2.60 (s, 1H), 1.15 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.3,  $J_2$  = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 0.96 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.0 Hz,  $J_2$  = 5.0 Hz, 2H).



**1-(thiophen-2-yl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1s):** 525.0 mg, 37% yield; a light yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.16 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (s, 1H), 1.28 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 7.4, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 1.05 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 7.0 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 5.1 Hz, 2H).



**1-(benzo[***b***]thiophen-3-yl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1t):** 994.6mg, 52% yield; a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.14 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 1H), 1.21 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.4 Hz,  $J_2$  = 5.3 Hz, 2H), 1.00 (dd,  $J_1$  = 6.8,  $J_2$  = 4.9 Hz, 2H).



**1-(1-methyl-1***H***-indol-5-yl)cyclopropan-1-ol(1u)**: 356 mg, 19 %; a light yellow solid; R<sub>f</sub> (PE : EA = 10 : 1) = 0.35; m.p. = 43-44°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.64 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.04 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (dd,  $J_1$  = 3.0 Hz,  $J_2$  = 0.3 Hz,1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 1.21 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.3 Hz,  $J_2$  = 5.0 Hz,2H), 1.04 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.0 Hz,  $J_2$  = 4.7 Hz,2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 135.9, 134.9, 129.4, 128.4, 120.1, 117.9, 109.3, 101.0, 57.6, 32.9, 16.5; IR (KBr, υ cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3671, 3365, 3085, 2932, 2877, 2820, 1569, 1492, 1447, 1423, 1338, 1241, 887, 863, 805, 723; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NONa<sup>+</sup> (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>210.0889, found 210.0889.



**1-benzylcyclopropan-1-ol (1v):** 965.8 mg, 65% yield; a colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.36-7.25 (m, 5H), 2.89 (s, 2H), 1.94 (s, 1H), 0.82 (dd,  $J_1 = 6.7$ ,  $J_2 = 5.7$  Hz, 2H), 0.65 (dd,  $J_1 = 6.7$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.0$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(4-methoxybenzyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1w):** 1.55 g, 87% yield; a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 2.82 (s, 2H), 2.11 (s, 1H), 0.81-0.79 (m, 2H), 0.63-0.60 (m, 2H).



**1-(4-bromobenzyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1x):** 2.24 g, 98% yield; a white solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.51 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (s, 2H), 1.77 (s, 1H), 0.82 (dd,  $J_1 = 6.7$ ,  $J_2 = 5.6$  Hz, 2H), 0.63 (dd,  $J_1 = 6.7$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.1$  Hz, 2H).



**1-benzhydrylcyclopropan-1-ol (1y):** 964.5 mg, 43% yield; a light yellow solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.38-7.36 (m, 4H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 2H), 3.89 (s, 1H), 0.94 (dd,  $J_1 = 6.9, J_2 = 5.4$  Hz, 2H), 0.69 (dd,  $J_1 = 6.8$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.2$  Hz, 2H).



**1-(2-phenylpropan-2-yl)cyclopropan-1-ol (1z):** 761.0 mg, 43% yield; a colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.51 (dd,  $J_1 = 8.6$  Hz,  $J_2 = 1.3$  Hz, 2H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 1.67 (s, 1H), 1.28 (s, 6H), 0.84 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.2$ ,  $J_2 = 5.2$  Hz, 2H), 0.71 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.0$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.0$  Hz, 2H).



**1-phenethylcyclopropan-1-ol (1aa):** 1.47 g, 91% yield; a colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.31-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.18 (m, 3H), 2.88-2.84 (m, 2H), 1.90-1.86 (m, 2H), 1.78 (s, 1H), 0.77 (dd,  $J_1 = 6.5$ ,  $J_2 = 5.4$  Hz, 2H), 0.47 (dd,  $J_1 = 6.5$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.0$  Hz, 2H).



(*E*)-1-styrylcyclopropan-1-ol (1ab): 170.0 mg, 11% yield; a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.36-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 5.

Hz, 1H), 2.24 (s, 1H), 1.17 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.4$ ,  $J_2 = 5.3$  Hz, 2H), 0.87 (dd,  $J_1 = 7.1$  Hz,  $J_2 = 4.9$  Hz, 2H).



**1-phenylcyclobutan-1-ol** (**1ac**) 960.8 mg, 65% yield; a pale yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.46-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 1H), 2.62 (s, 1H), 2.54-2.47 (m, 2H), 2.35-2.78 (m, 2H), 2.02-1.91 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.59 (m, 1H).

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## 4) Spectra for 1







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### 5) Spectra for 3 and 4






























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