Iron-catalyzed Aerobic Oxidation of Silyl Ethers to Carboxylic Acids

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General Information

NMR spectra were taken with Agilent, Varian Mercury, Bruker 400 MHz NMR spectrometer (400 MHz for ¹H NMR; 100 MHz for ¹³C NMR) or Bruker 300 MHz NMR spectrometer (300 MHz for ¹H NMR; 75 MHz for ¹³C NMR). Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O and KCl were purchased from Sinopharm Chemical Reagent Co., Ltd. or Shanghai Macklin Biochemical Co., Ltd.; TEMPO was purchased from Anhui Zesheng Technology Co., Ltd.; 4-OH-TEMPO and alcohol **S1** were purchased from Shanghai Adamas Reagent Co., Ltd. or Shanghai Darui Fine Chemical Co., Ltd.; Petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90 °C) and ethyl acetate were purchased from Shanghai Titan Scientific Co. Ltd. Dichloromethane was dried over CaH₂ and freshly distilled before use; THF was used directly without further treatment. Other reagents were all commercially available and used as received without further purification. All the temperatures were referred to the oil baths used. TBS: *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl; TMS: trimethylsilyl; TIPS: triphenylsilyl; TBDPS: *tert*-butyldiphenylsilyl; TIPS: triphenylsilyl; TBDPS: *tert*-butyldiphenylsilyl; TIPS: triphenylsilyl.

Experimental details and analytical data

1. Synthesis of silyl ethers

Silyl ethers **1aa**,^{1,2} **1ab**,^{1,3} **1ac**,^{1,3} **1ad**,^{1,4} **1ae**,^{1,5} **1af**,^{1,4} **1ba**,^{1,6} **1ca**,^{1,7} **1da**,^{1,8} **1ea**,^{1,9} **1fa**,^{1,10} **1ha**,^{1,11} **1ia**,^{1,7} **1ja**,^{1,12} **1ka**,^{1,13} **1la**,^{1,7} **3aea**,^{1,7} **S2**,^{1,14} **S3**,^{1,7} and **S4**^{1,15} were prepared according to the reported procedures.

1.1 2-(Hexyloxy)-1-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)ethane **1ga** (lzz-3-064)

$$n-C_{6}H_{13} \xrightarrow{O} OH + TBSCI \xrightarrow{DMAP (0.8 \text{ mol}\%)}{DCM, \text{ Ar, r.t., } (0.25 + 6) \text{ h}} n-C_{6}H_{13} \xrightarrow{O} OTBS$$

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Typical Procedure I: A dried Schlenk tube was degassed and refilled with argon for three times. To this Schlenk tube were added TBSCl (1752.3 mg, 11.4 mmol, 98% purity), DMAP (9.5 mg, 0.08 mmol), anhydrous DCM (20 mL), and NEt₃ (2.6 mL, 0.728 g/mL, 1.8928 g, 18.5 mmol, 99% purity) sequentially. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature and alcohol S1 (1484.8 mg, 10 mmol, 98% purity) was added dropwise over 15 min and then stirred for 6 h as monitored by TLC until the complete consumption of S1. After removing the solid by filtration, the residue was eluted with DCM (5 mL). The filtrate was washed with a saturated solution of NaHCO3 (aq., 10 mL) and H₂O (10 mL) sequentially before drying over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration, the filtrate was concentrated and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 50:1(410 mL)] to afford 1ga (1845.7 mg, 70%, purity = 98%) as a colorless oil: ¹H NMR $(400 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta 3.76 \text{ (t, } J = 5.4 \text{ Hz}, 2 \text{ H}, \text{CH}_2\text{)}, 3.53-3.41 \text{ (m, 4 H, } 2 \times \text{CH}_2\text{)}, 1.62-$ 1.50 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.39-1.21 (m, 6 H, 3 × CH₂), 0.95-0.83 (m, 12 H, 4 × CH₃), 0.07 (s, 6 H, 2 × SiCH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 72.1, 71.5, 62.8, 31.7, 29.7, 25.9, 25.8, 22.6, 18.4, 14.0, -5.3; **MS** (FI) m/z 261 (M+H)⁺, 203 (M-^tBu)⁺; **IR** (neat): v = 2954, 2929, 2857, 1465, 1385, 1360, 1294, 1252, 1103 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FI) calcd. for C₁₄H₃₃O₂Si (M+H)⁺: 261.2244, Found: 261.2241.

1.2 1-(Trimethylsilyloxy)-6-(*tert*-butyldiphenylsilyloxy)hexane **3aeb** (lzz-2-049)

ſBDPSO(CH₂)₀OH	+ TMSCI	NEt ₃ (1.9 equiv.) ►	TBDPSO(CH ₂) ₆ OTMS
S2 5.0 mmol	1.2 equiv.	DCM, Ar, r.t., (0.25 + 21) h	3aeb 83%

A dried Schlenk tube was degassed and refilled with argon for three times. To this Schlenk tube were added TMSCl (696.4 mg, 6.3 mmol, 98% purity), anhydrous DCM (10 mL), and NEt₃ (1.3 mL, 0.728 g/mL, 0.9464 g, 9.3 mmol) sequentially. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature and alcohol $S2^4$ (1767.7 mg, 5.0 mmol) was added dropwise over 15 min. The resulting mixture was stirred for 21 h at room temperature, quenched with H₂O (20 mL), and extracted with DCM (10 mL \times 3). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration, the filtrate was concentrated and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 100 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 40:1 (200 mL) to 20:1 (210 mL)] to afford **3aeb** (1762.6 mg, 83%) as a colorless liquid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71-7.62 (m, 4 H, ArH), 7.45-7.32 (m, 6 H, ArH), 3.65 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.55 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 1.62-1.47 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.42-1.24 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.04 (s, 9 H, 3 × CH₃), 0.11 (s, 9 H, 3 × SiCH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.5, 134.1, 129.5, 127.5, 63.9, 62.6, 32.7, 32.5, 26.8, 25.61, 25.57, 19.2, -0.5; **MS** (DART) m/z 446 (M+NH₄)⁺; **IR** (neat): v = 3071, 2931, 2900, 2858, 1472, 1427, 1389, 1362, 1250, 1188, 1088, 1009 cm⁻¹; HRMS (DART) calcd. for C₂₅H₄₁O₂Si₂ (M+H)⁺: 429.2640, Found: 429.2638.

1.3 1-(Dimethylphenylsilyloxy)-6-(*tert*-butyldiphenylsilyloxy)hexane 3aec (lzz-2-024)

			NEt ₃ (1.9 equiv.)	
	+	DMPSCI	DMAP (0.8 mol%)	TBDPSO(CH_)_ODMPS
10010012/6011	•		DCM Ar rt $(0.25 + 48)$ h	
S2 4.9 mmol		1.2 equiv.		3aec 85%

Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of DMPSCl (1036.4 mg, 5.9 mmol, 97% purity), DMAP (5.4 mg, 0.04 mmol), anhydrous DCM (10 mL), NEt₃ (1.3 mL, 0.728 g/mL, 0.9464 g, 9.3 mmol), and alcohol **S2**⁴ (1762.4 mg, 4.9 mmol) was stirred

for 48 h and afforded **3aec** (2052.0 mg, 85%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 100 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1 (210 mL)] as a colorless oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70-7.63 (m, 4 H, ArH), 7.60-7.54 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.43-7.31 (m, 9 H, ArH), 3.63 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.57 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 1.59-1.46 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.37-1.22 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.04 (s, 9 H, 3 × CH₃), 0.37 (s, 6 H, 2 × SiCH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.0, 135.5, 134.1, 133.4, 129.50, 129.46, 127.8, 127.5, 63.9, 63.0, 32.6, 32.5, 26.8, 25.54, 25.50, 19.2, -1.8; MS (DART) *m*/*z* 508 (M+NH₄)⁺; **IR** (neat): v = 3068, 3047, 2933, 2856, 1471, 1427, 1388, 1360, 1303, 1251, 1187, 1109, 1089, 1029 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (DART) calcd. for C₃₀H₄₃O₂Si₂ (M+H)⁺: 491.2796, Found: 491.2797.

1.4 1-(*tert*-Butyldiphenylsilyloxy)-6-(triphenylsilyloxy)hexane **3aed** (lzz-2-025)

		NEt ₃ (1.9 equiv.)	
TBDPSO(CH_)_OH	+ TPSC	DMAP (0.8 mol%)	
	1100	DCM Ar rt $(0.25 + 48)$ h	
S2 4.8 mmol	1.1 equ	V.	3aed 93%

Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of TPSCl (1660.2 mg, 5.5 mmol, 98% purity), DMAP (5.1 mg, 0.04 mmol), anhydrous DCM (10 mL), NEt₃ (1.3 mL, 0.728 g/mL, 0.9464 g, 9.3 mmol), and alcohol **S2**⁴ (1725.7 mg, 4.8 mmol) was stirred for 48 h and afforded **3aed** (3119.0 mg, 93%, purity 93%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 200 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1 (310 mL)] as a white solid: **m.p.** 75.6-76.6 °C (ether); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68-7.59 (m, 10 H, ArH), 7.44-7.33 (m, 15 H, ArH), 3.77 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.61 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 1.61-1.47 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.34-1.26 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.06-1.00 (s, 9 H, 3 × CH₃); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.5, 135.4, 134.4, 134.1, 129.9, 129.5, 127.8, 127.5, 63.87, 63.85, 32.5, 26.8, 25.5, 19.2; **MS** (DART) *m*/*z* 632 (M+NH₄)⁺; **IR** (neat): v = 3067, 3046, 2934, 2855, 1464, 1427, 1358, 1305, 1113, 1079, 1023 cm⁻¹; **Anal.** calcd. for C₄₀H₄₆O₂Si₂: C 78.12, H 7.54, Found: C 77.81, H 7.47.

1.5 1-(Triisopropylsilyloxy)-6-(dimethylphenylsilyloxy)hexane 3afc (lzz-2-016)

			NEt_3 (1.9 equiv.)	
TIPSO(CH_)_OH	+	DMPSCI	DMAP (1 mol%)	
	•		DCM Ar rt $(0.25 + 22)$ h	
S3 5.0 mmol		1.1 equiv.	DOW, 74, 1.1., (0.20 · 22) 11	3afc 83%

Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of DMPSCl (967.6 mg, 5.5 mmol, 97% purity), DMAP (6.1 mg, 0.05 mmol), anhydrous DCM (10 mL), NEt₃ (1.3 mL, 0.728 g/mL, 0.9464 g, 9.3 mmol), and alcohol **S3**⁴ (1374.1 mg, 5.0 mmol) was stirred for 22 h and afforded **3afc** (1708.6 mg, 83%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 100 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1 (300 mL)] as a colorless oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61-7.54 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.42-7.34 (m, 3 H, ArH), 3.68-3.53 (m, 4 H, 2 × OCH₂), 1.58-1.47 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.36-1.28 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.10-1.00 (m, 21 H, 3 × SiCH and 6 × CH₃), 0.37 (s, 6 H, 2 × SiCH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.0, 133.4, 129.5, 127.8, 63.4, 63.1, 33.0, 32.6, 25.6, 18.0, 12.0, -1.8; MS (DART) *m/z* 426 (M+NH₄)⁺; **IR** (neat): v = 2938, 2864, 1463, 1428, 1385, 1251, 1091, 1013 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (DART) calcd. for C₂₃H₄₅O₂Si₂ (M+H)⁺: 409.2953, Found: 409.2951.

1.6 1-(Triisopropylsilyloxy)-5-(dimethylphenylsilyloxy)pentane 3bfc (lzz-2-019)

			NEt ₃ (1.9 equiv.)	
TIPSO(CH_)-OH	Ŧ	DMPSCI	DMAP (1 mol%)	
11 00(012)5011			DCM Ar rt $(0.25 + 28)$ h	
S4 5.0 mmol		1.2 equiv.	DOM, / 1, 1.1, (0.20 · 20) 11	3bfc 80%

Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of DMPSCl (1030.2 mg, 5.9 mmol, 97% purity), DMAP (5.7 mg, 0.05 mmol), anhydrous DCM (10 mL), NEt₃ (1.3 mL, 0.728 g/mL, 0.9464 g, 9.3 mmol), and alcohol **S4**⁶ (1306.2 mg, 5.0 mmol) was stirred for 28 h and afforded **3bfc** (1582.3 mg, 80%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 200 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 40:1 (200 mL) to 20:1 (210 mL)] as a colorless oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60-7.54 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.42-7.34 (m, 3 H, ArH), 3.65 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.59 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 1.60-1.48 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.42-1.32 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.13-1.00 (m, 21 H, 3 × SiCH and 6 × CH₃), 0.37 (s, 6 H, 2 × SiCH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.0, 133.4, 129.5, 127.8, 63.3, 63.1,

32.7, 32.4, 22.1, 18.0, 12.0, -1.8; **MS** (DART) m/z 395 (M+H)⁺; **IR** (neat): v = 3048, 2940, 2863, 1463, 1428, 1386, 1251, 1091 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (DART) calcd. for C₂₂H₄₃O₂Si₂ (M+H)⁺: 395.2796, Found: 395.2796.

2. Deprotective oxidation of silyl ethers to carboxylic acids with pure oxygen

2.1 Preparation of octanoic acid 2a

2.1.1 From 1aa with TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-2-113)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	TEMPO (10 mol%)	
1aa 5.0 mmol	KCI (10 mol%) O ₂ (balloon), THF, 21 h, r.t.	7-с ₇ п ₁₅ сО₂г 2а 76%

Typical Procedure II: To a Schlenk tube were added KCl (37.9 mg, 0.5 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (205.8 mg, 0.5 mmol), TEMPO (79.2 mg, 0.5 mmol), 1aa (1215.0 mg, 5.0 mmol), and THF (1085.6 mg, 14.9 mmol) sequentially. The atmosphere was replaced with using a water pump (until bubbles appeared in the mixture) for three times. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 21 h as monitored by TLC. After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with DCM/methanol = 10:1(150 mL) and concentration, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 10:1 (220 mL) to 5:1 (480 mL)] to afford a crude product. To this crude product were added DCM (10 mL) and a saturated solution of NaHCO₃ (aq., 5 mL). After separation, the aqueous layer was treated with an aqueous solution of HCl (3 mol/L) for adjusting its pH to 1-2 and extracted with DCM (10 mL \times 5). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After removing the solid by filtration, the filtrate was evaporated to afford $2a^{16}$ (545.3 mg, 76%) as a pale yellow liquid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.71 (br, 1 H, CO₂H), 2.34 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.68-1.58 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.39-1.23 (m, 8 H, 4 × CH₂), 0.92-0.84 (m, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.4, 34.1, 31.6, 29.0, 28.9, 24.7, 22.6, 14.0.

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
<i>II-</i> 080170103		<i>п</i> -С ₇ н ₁₅ СО ₂ н
1aa 5.0 mmol	O_2 (balloon), THF, 21 h, r.t.	2a 77%

2.1.2 From **1aa** with 4-OH-TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-2-115)

Following **Typical Procedure II**, the reaction of **1aa** (1226.0 mg, 5.0 mmol), KCl (37.3 mg, 0.5 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (207.1 mg, 0.5 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (87.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1086.2 mg, 14.9 mmol) was stirred at room temperature for 21 h to afford **2a** (557.4 mg, 77%) as a pale yellow liquid.

2.1.3 From **1ab** with 4-OH-TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-1-47)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
1ab 1.0 mmol	KCI (10 mol%) O ₂ (balloon), THF, 24 h, 25 °C	<i>п</i> -С ₇ н ₁₅ СО ₂ н 2а 77%

Typical Procedure III: To a Schlenk tube were added KCl (7.8 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (42.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), 4-OH-TEMPO (16.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), **1ab** (218.4 mg, 1.0 mmol), and THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The atmosphere was reduced using a water pump (until bubbles appeared in the mixture) and refilled with pure oxygen for three times. The resulting mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 24 h as monitored by TLC. After removing the solid by filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with DCM/methanol = 10:1 (150 mL) and concentration, the residue was diluted with DCM (10 mL) and basified with a saturated solution of NaHCO₃ (aq., 10 mL). The aqueous layer was acidified with an aqueous solution of HCl (3 mol/L) and extracted with DCM (10 mL × 5). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After removing the solid by filtration, the filtrate was evaporated to afford **2a** (117.6 mg, 77%) as a pale yellow liquid.

2.1.4 From **1ac** with 4-OH-TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-1-41)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
1ac 1.0 mmol	KCI (10 mol%) O ₂ (balloon), THF, 50 h, 25 °C	<i>п</i> -с ₇ п ₁₅ со ₂ п 2а 90%

Following **Typical Procedure III**, the reaction of **1ac** (259.9 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.8 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (18.1 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 50 h to afford **2a** (127.0 mg, 90%) as a pale yellow liquid.

2.1.5 From 1ad with 4-OH-TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-1-49)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
p-C-HOTPS	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
1ad 1.0 mmol	KCI (10 mol%) O ₂ (balloon), THF, 59 h, 25 °C	<i>п-</i> с ₇ п ₁₅ сО ₂ п 2а 74%

Following **Typical Procedure III**, the reaction of **1ad** (374.8 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.2 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.1 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 59 h to afford **2a** (102.9 mg, 74%) as a pale yellow liquid.

2.2 Preparation of pentadecanoic acid 2b (lzz-2-084)

$$\begin{array}{c} Fe(NO_{3})_{3} \cdot 9H_{2}O(20 \text{ mol}\%) \\ \hline h-C_{15}H_{31}OTBS & \underbrace{ 4-OH-TEMPO(20 \text{ mol}\%) \\ \hline hCl(10 \text{ mol}\%) & h-C_{14}H_{29}CO_{2}H \\ \hline 1.0 \text{ mmol} & O_{2} \text{ (balloon), THF, 45 h, 25 °C} & 89\% \end{array}$$

Typical Procedure IV: To a Schlenk tube were added KCl (8.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (81.8 mg, 0.2 mmol), 4-OH-TEMPO (35.4 mg, 0.2 mmol), **1ba** (340.6 mg, 1.0 mmol), and THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The atmosphere was replaced with pure oxygen for three times using a water pump (until bubbles appeared in the mixture). The resulting mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 45 h as monitored by TLC. After removing the solid by filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with DCM/methanol = 10:1 (150 mL) and concentration, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 50:1 (200 mL) to 30:1 (180 mL) to 10:1 (220 mL) to 5:1 (180 mL)] to afford **2b**¹⁷ (213.4 mg, 89%) as a pale yellow solid: **m.p.** 52.2-52.9 °C (*n*-hexane) (reported:⁸ 51-53 °C); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.35 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.69-1.58 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.38-1.18 (m, 22 H, 11 × CH₂), 0.93-0.83 (m, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

δ 180.6, 34.1, 31.9, 29.70, 29.68, 29.66, 29.60, 29.44, 29.37, 29.2, 29.1, 24.7, 22.7, 14.1; **MS** (ESI, Negative) *m/z* 241 (M-H)⁻; **IR** (neat): ν = 3400-2600, 1693, 1469, 1429, 1411, 1316, 1297, 1276, 1253, 1229, 1206, 1186 cm⁻¹.

2.3 Preparation of 3-phenylpropanoic acid 2c (lzz-4-011)

	Fe(NO ₃)₃•9H₂O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
1 aa	KCI (10 mol%)	PN(CH2)2CO2H
1.0 mmol	O ₂ (balloon), THF, 69 h, 25 °C	20 70%

Following **Typical Procedure II**, the reaction of **1ca** (249.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.4 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 69 h to afford **2c**¹⁶ (106.1 mg, 70%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 5:1 (360 mL) to 2:1 (300 mL)] as a white solid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33-7.26 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.24-7.18 (m, 3 H, ArH), 2.96 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.69 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.6, 140.1, 128.5, 128.2, 126.3, 35.6, 30.5.

2.4 Preparation of 6-chlorohexanoic acid 2d (lzz-1-68)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
1da 1.0 mmol	KCI (10 mol%) O ₂ (balloon), THF, 64 h, 25 °C	Сі(Сп ₂₎₅ СО ₂ п 2d 74%

Following **Typical Procedure III**, the reaction of **1da** (265.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 64 h to afford **2d**¹⁸ (118.4 mg, 74%) as a pale yellow liquid: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.48 (br, 1 H, CO₂H), 3.54 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.39 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.86-1.74 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.74-1.61 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.57-1.42 (m, 2 H, CH₂); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.9, 44.7, 33.8, 32.2, 26.3, 23.9; MS (ESI, Negative) *m*/*z* 151 [M(³⁷Cl)-H]⁻, 149 [M(³⁵Cl)-H]⁻; **IR** (neat): v = 3400-2500, 1704, 1413, 1277, 1218, 1130 cm⁻¹.

2.5 Preparation of 9-bromononanoic acid 2e (lzz-6-061)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
ы(Сп <u>2)</u> 90163	KCI (10 mol9/)	$Br(CH_2)_8CO_2H$
1ea	O_{2} (balloon) THE 71 h 25 °C	2e
1.0 mmol		86%

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **1ea** (333.3 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (8.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.5 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 71 h to afford **2e**¹⁶ (202.6 mg, 86%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 5:1 (240 mL) to 2:1 (600 mL)] as a yellow solid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.41 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.36 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.90-1.80 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.69-1.58 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.48-1.28 (m, 8 H, 4 × CH₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.5, 33.9, 33.8, 32.6, 28.9, 28.7, 28.4, 27.9, 24.4.

2.6 Preparation of 3-benzyloxypropionic acid 2f (lzz-2-061)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (20 mol%)	
1fa	KCI (10 mol%)	ыю(сп ₂₎₂ со ₂ п 2f
1.0 mmol	O_2 (balloon), THF, 53 h, 25 °C	63%

Following **Typical Procedure II**, the reaction of **1fa** (279.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (35.6 mg, 0.2 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 53 h to afford **2f**¹⁹ (113.6 mg, 63%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 1:1 (220 mL) to 5:1 (240 mL) to 2:1 (210 mL) to 1:1 (200 mL)] as a pale yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.75 (br, 1 H, CO₂H), 7.36-7.23 (m, 5 H, ArH), 4.53 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 3.73 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2 H, CH₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.6, 137.7, 128.3, 127.65, 127.63, 73.0, 65.1, 34.8; **MS** (EI) *m/z* (%) 180 (M⁺, 6.52), 107 (100); **IR** (neat): v = 3400-2400, 1709, 1495, 1452, 1423, 1363, 1236, 1188, 1100, 1067, 1028 cm⁻¹.

2.7 Preparation of 2-(hexyloxy)acetic acid 2g (lzz-6-055)



Following **Typical Procedure II**, the reaction of **1ga** (262.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (8.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.7 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 63 h to afford **2g**¹⁶ (109.9 mg, 69%) as a pale yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.88 (br, 1 H, CO₂H), 4.12 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 3.55 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.69-1.55 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.41-1.22 (m, 6 H, 3 × CH₂), 0.95-0.82 (m, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.7, 72.1, 67.7, 31.5, 29.3, 25.5, 22.5, 13.9.

2.8 Preparation of 2-(tosyloxy)acetic acid 2h (lzz-6-056)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
ISO(CH2)20163		
1ha		2h
1.0 mmol	O_2 (balloon), THF, 60 h, 25 °C	57%

Following **Typical Procedure II**, the reaction of **1ha** (330.5 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.4 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.4 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 60 h to afford **2h**²⁰ (135.3 mg, 57%, purity = 97%) [eluent: dichloromethane (200 mL) to dichloromethane/methanol = 50:1 (400 mL)] as a white solid: **m.p.** 133.4-134.4 °C (EA/*n*-hexane) (reported:¹¹ 136-138 °C); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 4.59 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 2.44 (s, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 169.4, 146.8, 133.9, 131.0, 129.0, 65.9, 21.6; **MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* 253 (M+Na)⁺; **IR** (neat): ν = 3300-2500, 1710, 1596, 1495, 1442, 1413, 1357, 1293, 1253, 1170, 1096, 1053, 1034 cm⁻¹.

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (20 mol%)	
1ia		2 i
1.0 mmol	O ₂ (balloon), THF, 35 h, 25 °C	75%

2.9 Preparation of 1,6-hexanedioic acid monomethyl ester 2i (lzz-6-060)

Following **Typical Procedure II**, the reaction of **1ia** (260.9 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (35.5 mg, 0.2 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 35 h to afford **2i**¹⁶ (119.6 mg, 75%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 5:1 (240 mL) to 2:1 (600 mL)] as a colorless oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.68 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.43-2.30 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.74-1.62 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.4, 173.8, 51.5, 33.5, 24.1, 23.9.

2.10 Preparation of 3-(trimethylsilyl)propiolic acid 2j (lzz-2-064)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
OTBS	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	тме———со-н
TMS/	KCI (10 mol%)	
1ja	O ₂ (balloon), THF, 65 h, 25 °C	2 j
1.0 mmol		59%

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **1ja** (235.6 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.7 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 65 h to afford **2j**¹⁶ (81.5 mg, 59%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 5:1 (240 mL) to dichloromethane/methanol = 10:1 (110 mL)] as a pale yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.92 (br, 1 H, CO₂H), 0.26 (s, 9 H, 3 × SiCH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.0, 96.7, 94.0, -1.0.

2.11 Preparation of 2-thienylacetic acid 2k (lzz-2-075)



Following Typical Procedure II, the reaction of 1ka (237.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl

(7.8 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.2 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.5 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 70 h to afford $2k^{16}$ (51.0 mg, 37%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 5:1 (240 mL) to 2:1 (210 mL) to 1:1 (200 mL)] as a yellow solid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.19 (br, 1 H, CO₂H), 7.26-7.21 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.00-6.93 (m, 2 H, ArH), 3.88 (s, 2 H, CH₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.0, 134.0, 127.2, 126.9, 125.3, 35.0.

2.12 Preparation of 4-nitrobenzoic acid 2l (lzz-2-103)



Following **Typical Procedure III**, the reaction of **11a** (262.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (8.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), TEMPO (15.8 mg, 0.1 mmol), THF (0.5 mL), and DCE (0.5 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 60 h to afford **21**¹⁶ (127.8 mg, 76%, purity = 97%) as a white solid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 13.63 (br, 1 H, CO₂H), 8.32 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 8.17 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2 H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 165.8, 150.0, 136.4, 130.7, 123.7.

2.13 The reaction of **1ae** (lzz-1-48)

 $\begin{array}{c} Fe(NO_3)_3 \cdot 9H_2O \ (10 \ mol\%) \\ \hline 4-OH-TEMPO \ (10 \ mol\%) \\ \hline 1.0 \ mmol \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} 4-OH-TEMPO \ (10 \ mol\%) \\ \hline KCI \ (10 \ mol\%) \\ O_2 \ (balloon), \ THF, \ 59 \ h, \ 25 \ ^{\circ}C \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} 99\% \ NMR \ recovery \ of \ 1ae \\ \hline 0_2 \ (balloon), \ THF, \ 59 \ h, \ 25 \ ^{\circ}C \end{array}$

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **1ae** (362.5 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.5 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 59 h and failed to afford **2a** with 99% of **1ae** being recovered as determined by the ¹H NMR analysis with CH₂Br₂ as the internal standard.

2.14 The reaction of **1af** (lzz-3-128)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
1 af 1.0 mmol	KCI (10 mol%) O ₂ (balloon), THF, 59 h, 25 °C	92% NIVIR recovery of Tar

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **1af** (287.9 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.2 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 59 h and failed to afford **2a** with 92% of **1af** being recovered as determined by the ¹H NMR analysis with CH₂Br₂ as the internal standard.

3. Selective deprotective oxidation of silyl ethers to carboxylic acids

3.1 Preparation of 6-((1,1-dimethyethyl)diphenylsilyloxy)hexanoic acid 4ae

3.1.1 From **3aea** (lzz-1-64)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
ТБDP30(СП ₂₎₆ 0163		TBDPSO(CH ₂) ₅ CO ₂ H
3aea 1.0 mmol	O_2 (balloon), THF, 42 h, 25 °C	4ae 74%

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **3aea** (441.4 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (42.8 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.1 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 42 h to afford **4ae**²¹ (255.5 mg, 74%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 10:1 (900 mL)] as a pale yellow oil: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70-7.61 (m, 4 H, ArH), 7.45-7.32 (m, 6 H, ArH), 3.70-3.61 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 2.33 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.68-1.50 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.48-1.34 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.04 (s, 9 H, 3 × CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.6, 135.6, 134.1, 129.5, 127.6, 63.6, 33.9, 32.1, 26.8, 25.3, 24.4, 19.2; MS (ESI) *m*/*z* 393 (M+Na)⁺; **IR** (neat): v = 3500-2400, 1709, 1588, 1472, 1462, 1428, 1390, 1284, 1237, 1111 cm⁻¹.

3.1.2 From **3aeb** (lzz-2-055)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
160F30(CH2)601W3	KCI (10 mol%)	ТВDPS0(СH ₂)5С0 ₂ H
3aeb 1.0 mmol	O ₂ (balloon), THF, 69 h, 25 °C	4ae 87%

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **3aeb** (421.5 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.9 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 69 h to afford **4ae** (316.3 mg, 87%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 10:1 (210 mL) to 5:1 (240 mL) to 2:1 (150 mL)] as a pale yellow oil.

3.1.3 From **3aec** (lzz-2-031)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
160F30(CI 12/60DIVIF3	KCL(10 mol)	
3aec 1.0 mmol	O_2 (balloon), THF, 47 h, 25 °C	4ae 67%

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **3aec** (484.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (8.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (42.2 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.5 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 47 h to afford **4ae** (243.9 mg, 67%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 200 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1 (220 mL) to 5:1 (240 mL) to 2:1 (150 mL)] as a pale yellow oil.

3.1.4 From **3aed** (lzz-2-033)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
$IBDPSO(CH_2)_6OIPS$		TBDPSO(CH ₂) ₅ CO ₂ H
3aed 1.0 mmol	O_2 (balloon), THF, 91 h, 25 °C	4ae 65%

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **3aed** (606.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.5 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 91 h to afford **4ae** (222.4 mg, 65%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 200 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1 (220 mL) to 5:1 (240 mL) to 2:1 (150 mL)] as a pale yellow oil.

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
$\Pi PSO(CH_2)_6ODMPS$		$HPSO(CH_2)_5CO_2H$
3afc 1.0 mmol	O ₂ (balloon), THF, 49 h, 25 °C	4af 48%

3.2 Preparation of 6-(triisopropylsilyloxy)hexanoic acid 4af (lzz-2-022)

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **3afc** (394.5 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.1 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.7 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 49 h to afford **4af** (134.9 mg, 48%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 200 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1 (210 mL) to 5:1 (360 mL)] as a pale yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.07 (br, 1 H, CO₂H), 3.68 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.37 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.71-1.62 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.60-1.53 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.46-1.37 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.11-1.01 (m, 21 H, 3 × SiCH and 6 × CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.1, 63.1, 34.1, 32.5, 25.3, 24.5, 18.0, 11.9; MS (ESI) *m*/*z* 289 (M+H)⁺; IR (neat): v = 3718, 3029, 2941, 2864, 1709, 1462, 1386, 1365, 1285, 1239, 1103, 1012 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₅H₃₃O₃Si (M+H)⁺: 289.21935, Found: 289.21912.

3.3 Preparation of 5-(triisopropylsilyloxy)pentanoic acid 4bf (lzz-2-027)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
	KCI (10 mol%)	
3bfc		4bf
1.0 mmol	O_2 (balloon), THF, 64 h, 25 °C	58%

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **3bfc** (388.9 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.6 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 64 h to afford **4bf** (155.8 mg, 58%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 100 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1 (220 mL) to 5:1 (240 mL)] as a pale yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.71 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.40 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.78-1.68 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.65-1.55 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.14-0.99 (m, 21 H, 3 × SiCH and 6 × CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.3, 62.8, 33.8, 32.1, 21.2, 18.0, 11.9; MS (ESI) *m/z* 275 (M+H)⁺; IR (neat): v = 2941, 2893, 2865, 1708, 1462, 1412, 1386, 1291, 1246, 1106, 1069, 1012

cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. for C₁₄H₃₁O₃Si (M+H)⁺: 275.20370, Found: 275.20401.

4. Deprotective oxidation of silyl ethers to carboxylic acids with air

4.1 Preparation of 3-phenylpropanoic acid 2c

4.1.1 With TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-3-192)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
Ph(CH ₂) ₃ OTBS	TEMPO (10 mol%)	
		$Pn(CH_2)_2CO_2H$
1ca 1.0 mmol	air (balloon), THF, 94 h, 25 °C	2c 97%

Typical Procedure V: To a Schlenk tube were added KCl (7.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.8 mg, 0.1 mmol), TEMPO (15.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), **1ca** (249.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), and THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The resulting mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 94 h as monitored by TLC. After removing the solid by filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with DCM/methanol = 10:1 (150 mL) and concentration, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 5:1 (360 mL) to 2:1 (300 mL)] to afford **2c**¹⁶ (145.8 mg, 97%) as a white solid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34-7.22 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.25-7.18 (m, 3 H, ArH), 2.96 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.69 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.6, 140.1, 128.5, 128.2, 126.3, 35.6, 30.5.

4.1.2 With 4-OH-TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-3-186)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	4-OH-TEMPO (10 mol%)	
	KCI (10 mall()	$Pn(CH_2)_2CO_2H$
1ca 1.0 mmol	air (balloon), THF, 94 h, 25 °C	2c NMR yield = 63%

Following **Typical Procedure V**, the reaction of **1ca** (245.4 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 94 h to afford **2c** in 63% NMR yield as determined by the ¹H NMR analysis with CH₂Br₂ as the internal standard.

4.2 Preparation of 2-(hexyloxy)acetic acid 2g

4.2.1 With TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-5-181)



Following **Typical Procedure V**, the reaction of **1ga** (269.3 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.2 mg, 0.1 mmol), and TEMPO (16.3 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 72 h to afford **2g**¹⁶ (119.8 mg, 70%, purity = 95%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 5:1 (240 mL) to 2:1 (300 mL)] as a yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.51 (br, 1 H, CO₂H), 4.13 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 3.55 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.70-1.55 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.42-1.21 (m, 6 H, 3 × CH₂), 0.95-0.81 (m, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.6, 72.0, 67.6, 31.4, 29.2, 25.4, 22.4, 13.8.

4.2.2 With 4-OH-TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-5-175)

$$\begin{array}{c} Fe(NO_{3})_{3}\cdot 9H_{2}O(10 \text{ mol}\%) \\ \hline \\ n-C_{6}H_{13} & O \\ \hline \\ 1ga \\ 1.0 \text{ mmol} \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} 4-OH-TEMPO(10 \text{ mol}\%) \\ \hline \\ KCI(10 \text{ mol}\%) \\ air (balloon), THF, 72 \text{ h}, 25 \text{ °C} \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} n-C_{6}H_{13} & O \\ \hline \\ 0 \\ CO_{2}H \\ \hline \\ 2g \\ NMR \text{ yield} = 72\% \end{array}$$

Following **Typical Procedure V**, the reaction of **1ga** (263.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (42.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.5 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 72 h to afford **2g** in 72% NMR yield as determined by the ¹H NMR analysis with CH₂Br₂ as the internal standard.

4.3 Preparation of 3-(trimethylsilyl)propiolic acid 2j (lzz-4-010)



Following **Typical Procedure V**, the reaction of **1ja** (243.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), and TEMPO (15.9 mg, 0.1

mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 47 h to afford $2j^{16}$ (113.5 mg, 80%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 5:1 (240 mL) to 1:1 (200 mL)] as a pale yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.45 (br, 1 H, CO₂H), 0.26 (s, 9 H, 3 × SiCH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.8, 97.4, 93.7, -1.0.

4.4 Preparation of 2-thienylacetic acid 2k (lzz-4-027)



Following **Typical Procedure V**, the reaction of **1ka** (243.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), and TEMPO (15.9 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 110 h to afford **2k**¹⁶ (82.5 mg, 58%) {eluent: petroleum ether [60-90 °C]/ethyl acetate = 5:1 [240 mL] to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1 [300 mL, containing formic acid (1%, v/v)]} as a yellow solid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27-7.20 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.00-6.93 (m, 2 H, ArH), 3.89 (s, 2 H, CH₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.1, 133.9, 127.2, 126.9, 125.3, 35.0.

4.5 Preparation of 6-((1,1-dimethyethyl)diphenylsilyloxy)hexanoic acid **4ae** (lzz-4-002)

	Fe(NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O (10 mol%)	
	TEMPO (10 mol%)	
TBDF30(CH2)601W3	KCI (10 mol%)	
3aeb 1.0 mmol	air (balloon), THF, 24 h, 25 °C	4ae 73%

Following **Typical Procedure V**, the reaction of **3aeb** (425.3 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (41.4 mg, 0.1 mmol), and TEMPO (15.9 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 24 h to afford **4ae**²¹ (275.5 mg, 73%, purity = 98%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 10:1 (220 mL) to 5:1 (240 mL) to 2:1 (150 mL)] as a pale yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71-7.62 (m, 4 H, ArH), 7.46-7.32 (m, 6 H, ArH), 3.66 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.33 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.68-1.51 (m, 4 H, 2 × CH₂), 1.47-1.36 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.04 (s, 9

H, 3 × CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.2, 135.4, 133.9, 129.4, 127.6, 63.5, 34.0, 32.0, 26.7, 25.2, 24.3, 19.1.

5. Formal syntheses of bioactive molecules 10 (from 2m) and 11 (from 2n)

5.1 Synthesis of 3-(2-acetoxyphenyl)-3-methylbutanoic acid 2m

5.1.1 Synthesis of 2-(4-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-2-methylbutan-2-yl)phenyl acetate **1ma**^{22,23} (lzz-1-75, lzz-1-77, lzz-2-110, lzz-2-117)



Step I: To a flask were added phenol **5** (2604.5 mg, 27.7 mmol). The atmosphere was reduced using a water pump and refilled with nitrogen for three times. Methanesulfonic acid (25 mL) was then added to the flask. The resulting solution was stirred at 70 °C and **6** (2371.4 mg, 20.8 mmol) was added dropwise over 40 min. The resulting solution was stirred at 70 °C for another 26 h, cooled to room temperature, poured into ice water, and extracted with ethyl acetate (60 mL × 3). The combined organic layer was washed with a saturated solution of NaHCO₃ (aq., 60 mL × 3) and a saturated solution of NaCl (aq., 60 mL) sequentially. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration, the filtrate was concentrated and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 200 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50:1 (1500 mL) to 5:1 (300 mL)] to afford 7 (1894.8 mg, 52%) as a pale yellow oil: ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36-7.21 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.20-7.11 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.09-7.03 (m, 1 H, ArH), 2.63 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 1.36 (s, 6 H, 2 × CH₃); ¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.2, 150.6, 131.7, 128.2, 124.7, 124.3, 117.0, 43.5, 33.2, 27.6.

Step II: A dried flask was degassed and refilled with nitrogen for three times. To this flask were added LiAlH₄ (857.2 mg, 22.6 mmol) and anhydrous THF (30 mL). A solution of **7** (1862.0 mg, 10.6 mmol) in THF (15 mL) was added dropwise to the flask in an ice-water bath over 30 min. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for another 5 h and quenched with a saturated solution of NH₄Cl (aq., 20 mL). After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL), the filtrate was washed with a saturated solution of NaCl (aq., 50 mL × 2) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After removing the solid by filtration, the filtrate was evaporated to afford crude **8** (1912.0 mg, 100%) as a pale yellow solid: ¹**H** NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.10-7.01 (m, 1 H, ArH), 6.89-6.80 (m, 1 H, ArH), 6.62 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 6.14-5.89 (m, 1 H, ArOH), 3.53 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.22 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.76-1.66 (m, 1 H, OH), 1.41 (s, 6 H, 2 × CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.8, 133.7, 127.5, 127.4, 120.1, 116.6, 61.0, 42.6, 36.6, 28.6.

Step III: A dried flask was degassed and refilled with argon for three times. To this flask were added **8** (2052.5 mg, 11.4 mmol), anhydrous DCM (13 mL), and NEt₃ (3.0 mL, 0.728 g/mL, 2.1840 g, 21.6 mmol). The solution was stirred in an ice-water bath and a solution of TBSCI (1935.2 mg, 12.6 mmol) in anhydrous DCM (10 mL) was added dropwise over 15 min. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for another 17 h. After filtration, the filtrate was washed with H₂O (20 mL × 2) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After removing the solid by filtration, the filtrate was concentrated and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 10:1 (220 mL)] to afford **9** (3280.7 mg, 98%) as a pale yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.06 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 6.85 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 6.68 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 5.60-5.52 (m, 1 H, ArOH), 3.49 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.11 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.40 (s, 6 H, 2 × CH₃), 0.85 (s, 9 H, 3 × CH₃), -0.02 (s, 6 H, 2 × SiCH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.5, 134.3, 127.6, 127.2, 120.4, 117.0, 61.3, 43.4, 36.6, 28.9, 25.9, 18.3, -5.4.

Step IV: A dried Schlenk tube was degassed and refilled with argon for three times.

To this Schlenk tube were added **9** (1471.7 mg, 5.0 mmol)/anhydrous DCM (10 mL), Ac₂O (800.0 mg, 7.7 mmol), NEt₃ (2.1 mL, 0.728 g/mL, 1.5288 g, 15.1 mmol), and DMAP (240.8 mg, 2.0 mmol) sequentially. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 4 h, quenched with H₂O (10 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate (50 mL × 2). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After removing the solid by filtration, the filtrate was concentrated and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C, 100 mL)/ethyl acetate = 20:1 (210 mL)] to afford **1ma** (1602.6 mg, 95%) as a colorless liquid: ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.25-7.18 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.18-7.11 (m, 1 H, ArH), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 3.40 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.32 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.00 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.36 (s, 6 H, 2 × CH₃), 0.84 (s, 9 H, 3 × CH₃), -0.05 (s, 6 H, 2 × SiCH₃); ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.3, 149.1, 138.9, 128.0, 127.0, 125.7, 124.0, 60.5, 44.4, 36.7, 29.1, 25.9, 21.7, 18.2, -5.4; **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* (%) 336 (M⁺, 2.38), 150 (100); **IR** (neat): v = 2955, 2930, 2857, 1766, 1469, 1442, 1367, 1253, 1185, 1087, 1048, 1006 cm⁻¹.

5.1.2 Synthesis of the carboxylic acid 2m





Following **Typical Procedure III**, the reaction of **1ma** (332.4 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.5 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 96 h to afford **2m** in 70% NMR yield as determined by the ¹H NMR analysis with CH₂Br₂ as the internal standard.

5.1.2.2 With TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-2-119)

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **1ma** (335.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), and TEMPO (16.1 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 48 h to afford $2m^{22}$ (196.1 mg, 83%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 5:1 (480 mL) to 2:1 (360 mL)] as a pale yellow solid: **m.p.** 97.2-98.1 °C (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41-7.35 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.28-7.22 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.20-7.14 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.06-7.00 (m, 1 H, ArH), 2.79 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 2.35 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.47 (s, 6 H, 3 × CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.4, 169.3, 148.8, 137.9, 127.8, 127.5, 125.8, 124.0, 45.6, 36.5, 28.4, 21.7; MS (ESI) *m/z* 259 (M+Na)⁺; IR (neat): v = 3500-2400, 1764, 1716, 1483, 1442, 1420, 1407, 1368, 1242, 1192, 1176, 1164, 1082, 1008 cm⁻¹.

5.2 Synthesis of 3-(2-(2-(acetyloxy)acetyl)oxy)phenyl-3-methylbutanoic acid 2n
5.2.1 Synthesis of 2-(4-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-2-methylbutan-2-yl)phenyl 2-(acetyloxy)acetate 1na (lzz-2-125)

A dried flask was degassed and refilled with argon for three times. To this flask were added phenol **9** (1433.1 mg, 5.0 mmol), anhydrous DCM (100 mL), and NEt₃ (3.9 mL, 0.728 g/mL, 2.8392 g, 27.8 mmol) subsequently. The solution was stirred in an ice-water bath and 2-(acetyloxy)acetyl chloride (1.1 mL, 1.27 g/mL, 1.3970 g, 10.0 mmol) was added dropwise over 15 min. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 42 h, quenched with H₂O (50 mL) in an ice-water bath, and extracted with DCM (25 mL × 3). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After removing the solid by filtration, the filtrate was concentrated and the residue was

purified by column chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 20:1 (210 mL)] to afford $1na^{24}$ as a pale yellow oil (1805.4 mg, 94%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37-7.32 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.26-7.15 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.05-7.01 (m, 1 H, ArH), 4.87 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 3.40 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.20 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.98 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 1.36 (s, 6 H, 2 × CH₃), 0.83 (s, 9 H, 3 × CH₃), -0.06 (s, 6 H, 2 × SiCH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.2, 166.4, 148.5, 138.9, 128.2, 127.1, 126.1, 123.6, 61.0, 60.4, 44.4, 36.8, 29.1, 25.9, 20.4, 18.2, -5.5; MS (ESI) *m*/*z* 395 (M+H)⁺; **IR** (neat): v = 2954, 2930, 2884, 2857, 1784, 1756, 1471, 1442, 1421, 1382, 1253, 1233, 1183, 1161, 1083, 1050 cm⁻¹.

5.2.2 Synthesis of the carboxylic acid 2n

5.2.2.1 With 4-OH-TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-2-127)

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **1na** (392.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), and 4-OH-TEMPO (17.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 120 h to afford **2n** in 60% NMR yield as determined by the ¹H NMR analysis with CH₂Br₂ as the internal standard.

5.2.2.2 With TEMPO as co-catalyst (lzz-2-128)

Following **Typical Procedure IV**, the reaction of **1na** (394.3 mg, 1.0 mmol), KCl (7.8 mg, 0.1 mmol), Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O (40.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), and TEMPO (15.9 mg, 0.1 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was stirred at 25 °C for 48 h to afford **2n**²⁴ (222.8 mg, 75%) [eluent: petroleum ether (60-90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 5:1 (480 mL) to 2:1 (600 mL)] as a

pale yellow solid: **m.p.** 99.5-100.5 °C (DCM); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.27-7.14 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.05 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 4.86 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 2.77 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 2.18 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.45 (s, 6 H, 2 × CH₃); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.3, 170.3, 166.3, 148.2, 137.9, 127.9, 127.5, 126.1, 123.5, 61.0, 45.6, 36.4, 28.4, 20.3; **MS** (ESI) *m/z* 317 (M+Na)⁺; **IR** (neat): v = 3400-2700, 1779, 1750, 1705, 1487, 1442, 1419, 1382, 1234, 1186, 1160, 1080, 1048 cm⁻¹.

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