Supporting Information

Rh-catalyzed chemodivergent [4+1]-annulation/allylation of sulfoxonium ylides with α -methylene- β -lactones: access to α -indanonyl/ α -benzyl acrylates

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General Information. [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (97%), AgSbF₆ (98%), Cu(OAc)₂ (98%), Zn(OAc)₂ (>98%), AgOAc (≥99.99%), CsOAc (98%), NaOAc (>98%), PivOH (>98%), MesCO₂H (>98%), 1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoroisopropanol 1-AdCO₂H (HFIP) trifluoroethanol (TFE) (>99%) and carboxylic acids of Sigma-Aldrich, BLD Pharm and TCI chemicals used as received, while [Cp*Rh(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂ was prepared according reported procedure.1 Acetonitrile (CH₃CN), toluene, methanol (MeOH), tetrahydrofuran (THF), 1,2dichloroethane (CH₂Cl)₂ and dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂) were dried prior to use as per the standard procedure. Silica gel-G/GF254 plates (Merck) used for TLC analysis with a mixture of EtOAc and n-hexane as the eluent. Column chromatography was carried out using Rankem silica gel (60-120 mesh). Bruker Avance III 400, 500 and 600 MHz NMR spectrometers used to record (¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F) spectra using CDCl₃ and DMSO-d₆ as solvent and tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an internal standard. Chemical shifts (δ) and spin-spin coupling constant (J) reported in parts per million and hertz (Hz), respectively, and to describe peak patterns following abbreviations used when appropriate: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dd = doublet of doublets and m = multiplet. Melting point of the products was measured on Büchi melting point apparatus, MPB-540. Mestre nova software was used for the spectral analysis. Q-Tof ESI-MS instrument (model HAB273) was used for recording HRMS. Infrared spectra recorded on Perkin Elmer FT-IR instrument. Single crystal X-ray data collected on a Bruker SMART APEX equipped with a CCD area detector using Mo/- $K\alpha$ radiation and the structures solved by direct method using SHELXL-18 and SHELXL-19 (Göttingen, Germany).

Sample Preparation for Crystal Growth. The compounds **5ae** and **5ia** were dissolved in a 1:1 mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and n-hexane (1 mL) and kept at room temperature for slow evaporation (2 days). Needle and block shaped crystals were formed, which were subjected to X-ray diffraction.

Crystal Structure and Data of 5ae.



Figure S1. ORTEP diagram of **5ae** (CCDC No 2420493) with 50% ellipsoid. H-Atoms are omitted for clarity.

CCDC No.	2420493
Identification code	5ae
Empirical formula	$C_{17}H_{18}O_3$
Formula weight	270.31
Crystal habit, colour	Needle, Colourless
Temperature, T/K	295K
Wavelength, λ /Å	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Triclinic
Space group	P -1
Unit cell dimensions	a = 8.4589(6) Å
	b = 9.2758(6) Å
	c = 9.7016(6) Å
	$\alpha = 93.006(2)$
	$\beta = 108.3900(10)$
	$\gamma = 93.186(2)$
Volume, V/Å ³	719.26(8) Å ³
Z	2
Calculated density, Mg·m ⁻³	1.248
Absorption coefficient, μ/mm ⁻¹	0.085
F (000)	288
θ range for data collection	2.205 to 25.340
Limiting indices	$-10 \le h \le 10, -11 \le k \le 11, -11 \le l \le 11$
Reflection collected / unique	2611/2136
Completeness to θ	99.2 %
Absorption correction	Multi-scan
Refinement method	'SHELXL 2019/1 (Sheldrick, 2015)'
Data / restraints / parameters	2611/0/182
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	0.1479
Final R indices [I >2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0612, wR2 = 0.1479
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0754, wR2 = 0.1587

Crystal Structure and Data of 5ia.

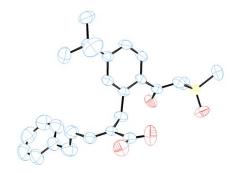


Figure S2. ORTEP diagram of **5ia** (CCDC No 2420491) with 50% ellipsoid. H-Atoms are omitted for clarity.

CCDC No.	2420491
Identification code	5ia
Empirical formula	$C_{26}H_{32}O_4S$
Formula weight	440.57
Crystal habit, colour	Block, Light yellow
Temperature, T/K	295K
Wavelength, \(\lambda / \text{\A} \)	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	P 21/c
Unit cell dimensions	a = 21.4284(15) Å
	b = 10.2324(7) Å
	c = 11.5649(8) Å
	$\alpha = 90$
	β=105.207(2)
	$\gamma = 90$
Volume, V/Å ³	2447.0(3) Å ³
Z	4
Calculated density, Mg·m ⁻³	1.196
Absorption coefficient, μ/mm ⁻¹	0.160
F (000)	944
θ range for data collection	1.970 to 24.999
Limiting indices	$-25 \le h \le 25, -12 \le k \le 12, -13 \le 1 \le 13$
Reflection collected / unique	4301/2704
Completeness to θ	99.9 %

Absorption correction	Multi-scan
Refinement method	'SHELXL 2018/3 (Sheldrick, 2015)'
Data / restraints / parameters	4301/0/286
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	0.1257
Final R indices $[I > 2 \operatorname{sigma}(I)]$	R1 = 0.0774, wR2 = 0.1257
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1380, wR2 = 0.1575

Figure S3. Examples of Biologically Important Indanonyl Motifs

Table S1. Optimization of the Reaction Conditions^a

entry	[Rh] source	additive I	additive II	solvent	yield (%) ^b	
					3aa	4aa
1	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂	AgSbF ₆	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	17	n.d.
2	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	AgSbF ₆	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	25	n.d.
3	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	AgOAc	AgSbF ₆	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	20	n.d.
4	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	CsOAc	AgSbF ₆	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	trace	n.d.
5	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	NaOAc	AgSbF ₆	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	trace	n.d.
6	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	AgNTf ₂	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	21	n.d.
7	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	AgBF ₄	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	trace	n.d.
8	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	-	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	45	n.d.

9	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	-	CH ₂ Cl ₂	23	n.d.
10	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	-	THF	trace	n.d.
11	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	$Zn(OAc)_2$	-	toluene	trace	n.d.
12	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	-	CH ₃ CN	18	n.d.
13	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	$Zn(OAc)_2$	-	МеОН	n.d.	n.d.
14	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	-	HFIP	23	n.d.
15	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	-	TFE	75	n.d.
16 ^c	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	$Zn(OAc)_2$	-	TFE	65	n.d.
17 ^d	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	-	TFE	25	n.d.
18 ^e	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	$Zn(OAc)_2$	-	TFE	trace	n.d.
19	Rh ₂ (OAc) ₄	Zn(OAc) ₂	-	TFE	trace	n.d.
20 ^f	[Cp*Rh(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	PivOH	TFE	n.d.	52
21 ^f	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	PivOH	TFE	n.d.	80
22 ^f	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	MesCO ₂ H	TFE	n.d.	64
23 f	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	1-AdCO ₂ H	TFE	n.d.	53
24 f,g	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	$Zn(OAc)_2$	PivOH	TFE	n.d.	74
25	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	$Zn(OAc)_2$	AgSbF ₆	TFE	n.d.	10
26 ^f	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	-	PivOH	TFE	n.d.	40
27 ^f	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	PivOH	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	n.d.	trace
28 ^f	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	PivOH	CH ₃ CN	n.d.	n.d.
29 ^f	[Cp*RhCl ₂] ₂	Zn(OAc) ₂	PivOH	HFIP	n.d.	trace
30 ^f	-	Zn(OAc) ₂	PivOH	TFE	n.d.	n.d.
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^aReaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.15 mmol), [Rh] (2.5 mol %), additive I (1 equiv), additive II (20 mol %), solvent (1 mL), 80 °C, 12 h, N₂ atmosphere, then MeI (5 equiv), K₂CO₃ (3 equiv), acetone (2 mL), rt, 3 h. ^bIsolated yield. ^cAt 100 °C. ^dAt room temperature. ^eUnder air. ^fAdditive II (1 equiv), ^gAgSbF₆ (20 mol %). n.d. = not detected. TFE = 2,2,2-trifluoroethanol. HFIP = 1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoroisopropanol.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Sulfoxonium Ylides 1.2

$$R \xrightarrow{\text{II}} CO_2 H \xrightarrow{\text{(COCI)}_2 \text{(1.2 equiv)}} COCI \xrightarrow{\text{COCI}} R \xrightarrow{\text{II}} COCI \xrightarrow{\text{(CH}_3)_3 \text{S(I)O (1.1 equiv)}} COCI \xrightarrow{\text{KO'Bu (2.1 equiv)}} R \xrightarrow{\text{II}} R \xrightarrow{\text{I$$

Step-I: To a stirred solution of carboxylic acid (5 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL), DMF (2 drops) was added followed by the dropwise addition of (COCl)₂ (6 mmol, 0.51 mL, 1.2 equiv). The reaction was allowed to stir at room temperature for 5 h. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue, which was dissolved in THF (5 mL). The resulting solution was used as acid chloride solution in subsequent reactions.

Step-II: To a stirred solution of potassium *tert*-butoxide (10.5 mmol, 1.1 g, 2.1 equiv) in THF (10 mL), trimethylsulfoxonium iodide (5.5 mmol, 1.2 g, 1.1 equiv) was added under N_2 atmosphere and it was allowed to stir at 80 °C for 30 minutes. The reaction mixture was then cooled to 0 °C and acid chloride solution (obtained by **step-I**) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for an additional 1 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the solvent was evaporated and the residue was treated with water (10 mL). The resultant solution was extracted using EtOAc (3 x 10 mL) and washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na_2SO_4) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc : MeOH = 20:1) to afford the sulfoxonium ylides **1a-r**.

General Procedure for the Preparation of α -Methylene- β -lactones 2.3b-d

Step-I. Aldehyde (20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), methyl acrylate (60 mmol, 5.4 mL, 3.0 equiv) and DABCO (20 mmol, 2.24 mg, 1.0 equiv) were stirred at room temperature for 24 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (10 mL) and washed with saturated NaHCO₃ (5 mL). The residue was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic part was washed with water (10 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave MBH adduct, which was used for the next step without further purification. Step-II. To a stirred solution of MBH adduct (obtained by step-I) (20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in MeOH (10 mL), 2 M NaOH (20 mL, 2 equiv) was added dropwise and the resultant mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 24 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the solvent was evaporated and the resulting residue was acidified using 1 N HCl until pH = 1 and extracted using EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic part was washed with water (10

mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc : n-hexane = 1:1) to afford α -methylene- β -hydroxyacids.

Step-III. To a stirred solution of the acid (obtained by **step-II**) (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL), Na_2CO_3 (100 mmol, 10.6 g, 10 equiv) was added and allowed to stir at room temperature. After 0.5 h, o-nosyl chloride (20 mmol, 4.42 g, 2 equiv) was added and the stirring was continued for an additional 24 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was treated with CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL) and water (10 mL), and stirred for 15 mins. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous solution was extracted using CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic part was washed with water (10 mL) and dried (Na_2SO_4). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue, which was purified using silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc: n-hexane = 1:9) to afford α -methylene- β -lactones **2a-f.**

General Procedure for the Preparation of Methylene-β-lactam 2g.3a

Step-I. 3-Bromo-2-bromomethylpropanoic acid (2 mmol, 500 mg, 1.0 equiv) was allowed to stir in SOCl₂ (10 mmol, 1 mL, 5 equiv) at 75 °C for 5 h. The resultant mixture was cooled to room temperature and the volatiles were evaporated. The residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) and the solution of 4-chloroaniline (4 mmol, 510 mg, 2.0 equiv) was added dropwise at 0 °C. The resultant mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 12 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) and washed with 2 N HCl (2 mL). The residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic part was washed with water (10 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue, which was purified using silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc: n-hexane = 1:4) to afford 3-bromo-2-bromomethylpropionamide in 55% (410 mg) yield.

Step-II. To a stirred solution of 3-bromo-2-(bromomethyl)-*N*-(4-chlorophenyl)propanamide (1.1 mmol, 400 mg, 1.0 equiv) in THF (5 mL), NaH (2.2 mmol, 88 mg, 60% dispersion in mineral oil, 2.0 equiv) was added portion wise at room temperature. The resultant mixture was allowed to stir for 16 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH₄Cl (3 mL). The solvent was evaporated and the residue was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic part was washed with water (10 mL)

and dried (Na_2SO_4). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified using silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc : n-hexane = 1:9) to afford **2g** in 57% (124 mg) yield.

General Procedure for the Rh-Catalyzed C-H Annulation of Sulfoxonium Ylides with α -Methylene- β -lactones.

$$R_{1} \stackrel{\text{[Cp*Rh(CH_{3}CN)_{3}](SbF_{6})_{2}}}{\text{Me}} + \frac{(2.5 \text{ mol \%})}{\text{Me}} \times \frac{Zn(OAc)_{2} (1 \text{ equiv})}{TFE, 80 °C, 12 \text{ h, N}_{2}} \times \frac{Zn(OAc)_{2} (1 \text{ equiv})}{R_{2} \times R_{2}} \times \frac{R_{1} \stackrel{\text{[I]}}{\text{II}}}{\text{Acetone, rt, 3 h}} \times \frac{R_{2} \stackrel{\text{[I]}}{\text{MeO}_{2}C}}{3} \times \frac{R_{2} \stackrel{\text{[I]}}{\text{MeO}_{2}C$$

Sulfoxonium ylide 1 (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), α -methylene- β -lactones 2 (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*Rh(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂ (0.0025 mmol, 2.1 mg, 0.025 equiv) and Zn(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was treated with EtOAc (10 mL) and was washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (0.3 mmol, 41 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (0.5 mmol, 33 μ L, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (2 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the solvent was evaporated and the residue was extracted using EtOAc (2 x 10 mL). The combined organic part was washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporated to give a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc : n-hexane = 1:9) to afford the annulated 3.

Scale-up Synthesis of 3aa. 2-(Dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)-1-phenylethan-1-one 1a (2 mmol, 392 mg, 1.0 equiv), 3-methylene-4-phenethyloxetan-2-one 2a (3 mmol, 564 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*Rh(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂ (0.05 mmol, 42 mg, 0.025 equiv) and Zn(OAc)₂ (2 mmol, 366 mg, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (15 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was treated with EtOAc (50 mL) and was washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (6 mmol, 828 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (10 mmol, 0.6 mL, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (30 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. The purification was carried out as described in the above general procedure to furnish 3aa in 69% (441 mg) yield.

General Procedure for the Rh-Catalyzed C-H Allylation of Sulfoxonium Ylides with α -Methylene- β -lactones.

$$\begin{array}{c} & \text{[Cp*RhCl}_{2]_{2}}\left(2.5 \text{ mol }\%\right) \\ & \text{Zn(OAc)}_{2}\left(1 \text{ equiv}\right), \text{PivOH } \left(1 \text{ equiv}\right) \\ & \text{TFE, 80 °C, 12 h, N}_{2} \\ & \text{then Mel } \left(5 \text{ equiv}\right), \text{K}_{2}\text{CO}_{3}\left(3 \text{ equiv}\right) \\ & \text{acetone, rt, 3 h} \end{array}$$

Sulfoxonium ylide 1 (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), α -methylene- β -lactones 2 (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (0.0025 mmol, 1.5 mg, 0.025 equiv), Zn(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv) and PivOH (0.1 mmol, 10 mg, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was treated with EtOAc (10 mL) and was washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (0.3 mmol, 41 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (0.5 mmol, 33 μ L, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (2 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the solvent was evaporated and the residue was extracted using EtOAc (2 x 10 mL). The combined organic was washed with water (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and evaporated to give a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc: n-hexane = 3:1) to afford the allylated 4.

Scale-up Synthesis of 4aa. 2-(Dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)-1-phenylethan-1-one 1a (2 mmol, 392 mg, 1.0 equiv), 3-methylene-4-phenethyloxetan-2-one 2a (3 mmol, 564 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (0.05 mmol, 31 mg, 0.025 equiv), Zn(OAc)₂ (2 mmol, 366 mg, 1 equiv) and PivOH (2 mmol, 204 mg, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (15 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue was treated with EtOAc (50 mL) and washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (6 mmol, 828 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (10 mmol, 0.6 mL, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (30 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. The purification was performed as described in the above general procedure to furnish 4aa in 73% (581 mg) yield.

Synthesis of 6.4b

To a stirred solution of **5ba** (0.1 mmol, 33 mg, 1 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 mL) under N₂ atmosphere, celecoxib (0.12 mmol, 46 mg, 1.2 equiv), EDC·HCl (0.12 mmol, 23 mg, 1.2 equiv) and DMAP (0.05 mmol, 6 mg, 0.5 equiv) were added and the stirring was continued for 5 h at room temperature. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched with 1 N HCl (1 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous solution was extracted using EtOAc (2 x 10 mL). The combined organic solution was washed with saturated NaHCO₃ (5 mL) and water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc: n-hexane = 4:1) to afford **6** in 71% (48 mg) yield.

Synthesis of 7a.4c

Compound **3aa** (0.1 mmol, 32 mg, 1 equiv), mCPBA (0.38 mmol, 65 mg, 3.8 equiv) and p-TsOH·H₂O (0.02 mmol, 4 mg, 0.2 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 mL) were stirred at 60 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched using saturated NaHCO₃ (1 mL) and saturated Na₂S₂O₃ (1 mL). The residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 10 mL). The combined organic part was washed with water (5 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified using silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc: n-hexane = 1:9) to afford **7a** in 75% (25 mg) yield.

Synthesis of 7b.4c

To a stirred solution of 1 M NaOH (0.3 mmol, 20 μ L, 3 equiv) and EtOH (1 mL), **3aa** (0.1 mmol, 32 mg, 1 equiv) and benzaldehyde (0.13 mmol, 14 mg, 1.3 equiv) were added at 0 °C and the resultant mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature under air. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was extracted using EtOAc (2 x 10 mL). The combined organic solution was washed with water (5 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified using silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc: n-hexane = 1:9) to afford **7b** in 70% (29 mg) yield.

Synthesis of 7c.4c

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Zn dust (48 equiv)} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{COOH} \\ \text{100 °C, 12 h, N}_2 \end{array} \\ \text{Bn} \\ \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{3ea} \\ \text{7c, 64\%} \end{array}$$

Compound **3ea** (0.1 mmol, 34 mg, 1 equiv), Zn dust (4.8 mmol, 314 mg, 48 equiv) and CH₃COOH (0.5 mL), were stirred at 100 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), the resultant mixture was cooled to room temperature and diluted with EtOAc (10 mL), and passed through a short pad of celite. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc : n-hexane = 1:9) to afford **7c** in 64% (21 mg) yield.

Synthesis of 8.4d

To a stirred solution of **4aa** (0.1 mmol, 40 mg, 1 equiv) in CH₃CN (1.5 mL), 4-chlorothiophenol (0.1 mmol, 14 mg, 1 equiv) and diphenyl phosphate (0.02 mmol, 5 mg, 0.2 equiv) were added and the resultant mixture was allowed to stir at 60 °C for 24 h under air. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature, diluted with EtOAc (10 mL) and passed through a short celite pad. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified using silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc: n-hexane = 1:7) to afford **8** in 78% (36 mg) yield.

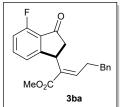
Synthesis of 9.4a

To a stirred solution of 4ac (0.1 mmol, 38 mg, 1 equiv) in THF (1.5 mL), LiCl (0.11 mmol, 6 mg, 1.1 equiv) and MsOH (0.11 mmol, 11 mg, 1.1 equiv) were added at 0 °C under N₂ atmosphere. The resultant mixture was allowed to stir at 70 °C for 5 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was extracted using EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and the combined organic part was washed with water (5 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue, which was purified using silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc : n-hexane = 1:7) to afford 9 in 69% (23 mg) yield.

Characterization Data of the Products

Methyl (E)-2-(3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-phenylpent-2-

enoate 3aa. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.40$; colorless liquid; yield 75% (25 mg); 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.44-4.41 (m, 1H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 2.88-2.79 (m, 2H), 2.73-2.62 (m, 3H), 2.59 (dd, J = 19.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.9, 166.7, 156.7, 144.2, 140.6, 137.0, 134.7, 132.9, 128.7, 128.6, 127.6, 126.5, 125.0, 123.6, 51.7, 42.8, 36.7, 35.1, 30.8; FT-IR (neat) 1743, 1721, 1373, 1236, 1045 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{21}H_{21}O_3$: 321.1485; Found 321.1488.



Methyl (E)-2-(4-fluoro-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-phenyl-

pent-2-enoate 3ba. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.42$; yellow liquid; yield 81% (28 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.6

Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.39-4.36 (m, 1H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 2.89-2.81 (m, 2H), 2.71-2.62 (m, 3H), 2.61 (dd, J = 13.6, 4.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.0, 166.4, 160.2(J_{C-F} = 242.9 Hz), 159.0 (J_{C-F} = 2.3 Hz), 144.6, 140.6, 136.6 (J_{C-F} = 8.2 Hz), 132.3, 128.8, 128.6, 126.6, 124.7 (J_{C-F} = 12.9 Hz), 120.8 (J_{C-F} = 4.1 Hz), 114.7 (J_{C-F} = 19.3 Hz), 51.8, 43.2, 36.7, 35.0, 30.8; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -115.1; FT-IR (neat) 1765, 1745, 1342, 1232, 1029 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₀FO₃: 339.1391; Found 339.1376.

Methyl (E)-2-(5-nitro-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-phenyl-

pent-2-enoate 3ca. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.38$; colorless liquid; yield 77% (29 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.52 (s, 1H), 8.27 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.42-4.38 (m, 1H), 3.51 (s, 3H), 2.91 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.77-2.70 (m, 3H), 2.64 (dd, J = 19.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.4, 166.0, 162.3, 148.0, 145.3, 140.5, 138.0, 131.6, 128.9, 128.8, 126.8, 126.0, 119.0, 51.9, 43.1, 37.0, 35.0, 31.1; FT-IR (neat) 1766, 1747, 1369, 1226, 1040 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{21}H_{20}NO_5$: 366.1336; Found 366.1316.

Methyl (E)-2-(6-chloro-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-phenyl-

pent-2-enoate 3da. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.40$; colorless liquid; yield 70% (25 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.27-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 4.34-4.31 (m, 1H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 2.86 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.70-2.63 (m, 3H), 2.57 (dd, J = 19.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.4, 166.3, 158.2, 144.8, 141.2, 140.5, 135.5, 132.2, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 126.8, 125.2, 124.7, 51.8, 42.8, 36.5, 35.0, 30.9; FT-IR (neat) 1778, 1745, 1368, 1230, 1029 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{21}H_{20}ClO_3$: 355.1095; Found 355.1080.

Methyl (E)-2-(6-fluoro-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-phenyl-

pent-2-enoate 3ea. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane R_f = 0.40; yellow sticky liquid; yield 68% (23 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.22 (m, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02-6.99 (m, 1H), 6.51 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.35-4.32 (m, 1H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 2.85 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.72-2.67 (m, 2H), 2.63-2.55 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.0, 168.2(J_{C-F} = 203.7 Hz), 166.4, 159.8 (J_{C-F} = 7.5 Hz), 144.7, 140.5, 133.3, 132.2, 128.8, 128.6, 126.8, 125.9 (J_{C-F} = 8.3 Hz), 115.89 (J_{C-F} = 18.9 Hz), 111.8 (J_{C-F} = 17.8 Hz), 51.8, 43.0, 36.6, 35.0, 30.9; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -102.9; FT-IR (neat) 1784, 1744, 1362, 1239, 1039 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₀FO₃: 339.1391; Found 339.1382.

Methyl (E)-3-(1-methoxy-1-oxo-5-phenylpent-2-en-2-yl)-1-oxo-

2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-5-carboxylate 3fa. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.43$; yellow liquid; yield 73% (27 mg); 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80-7.78 (m, 2H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.43-4.41 (m, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 2.95-2.88 (m, 1H), 2.84-2.77 (m, 1H), 2.72-2.64 (m, 3H), 2.59 (dd, J = 18.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.2, 166.5, 166.4, 156.5, 144.7, 140.5, 140.3, 135.6, 132.4, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 126.6, 126.4, 123.6, 52.6, 51.7, 43.1, 36.8, 35.0, 30.8; FT-IR (neat) 1782, 1741, 1753, 1372, 1231, 1038 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{23}H_{23}O_5$: 379.1540; Found 379.1521.

Methyl (*E*)-2-(3-oxo-6-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-

phenylpent-2-enoate 3ha. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.35$; yellow liquid; yield 69% (27 mg); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 1H), 7.24-7.23

(m, 3H), 7.14-7.13 (m, 3H), 7.04 (t, J = 7.5 H z, 1H), 4.46-4.44 (m, 1H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 2.86-2.78 (m, 2H), 2.74-2.69 (m, 1H), 2.65-2.56 (m, 3H); 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.4, 166.7, 157.5, 147.8, 144.3, 140.6, 140.2, 135.9, 132.9, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 127.7, 127.1, 126.6, 124.0, 123.4, 51.7, 43.2, 36.8, 35.0, 30.8; FT-IR (neat) 1784, 1738, 1365, 1236, 1042 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{27}H_{25}O_3$: 397.1798; Found 397.1780.

Methyl (*E*)-2-(6-(*tert*-butyl)-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-

phenylpent-2-enoate 3ia. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.42$; colorless liquid; yield 63% (24 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.46-4.43 (m, 1H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 2.86-2.79 (m, 1H), 2.77-2.69 (m, 2H), 2.59-2.50 (m, 3H), 1.30 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.5, 167.1, 159.1, 157.1, 144.1, 140.7, 134.7, 133.2, 128.7, 128.5, 126.6, 125.4, 123.4, 121.5, 51.7, 43.5, 36.9, 35.6, 35.1, 31.4, 30.8; FT-IR (neat) 1781, 1742, 1365, 1239, 1041 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESITOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{25}H_{29}O_3$: 377.2111; Found 377.2092.

Methyl (*E*)-2-(5,7-dichloro-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-

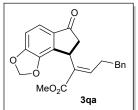
phenylpent-2-enoate 3ka. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.45$; yellow liquid; yield 80% (32 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 5.89 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.36-4.33 (m, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.04 (dd, J = 20.0, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.85-2.79 (m, 2H), 2.73-2.69 (m, 2H), 2.62 (dd, J = 19.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.2, 166.7, 150.5, 144.7, 141.0, 140.7, 135.4, 134.8, 134.0, 131.5, 128.6, 128.5, 126.2, 122.1, 51.6, 45.5, 42.4, 35.2, 31.4; FT-IR (neat) 1764, 1726, 1365, 1232, 1055 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{21}H_{19}Cl_2O_3$: 389.0706; Found 389.0684.

Methyl (E)-2-(3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-cyclopenta[b]naphthalen-1-

yl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoate 3na. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane R_f = 0.35; colorless liquid; yield 60% (23 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.30 (s, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.53 (m 1H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 4H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.59-4.56 (m, 1H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 2.92-2.87 (m, 2H), 2.83-2.72 (m, 3H), 2.70 (dd, J = 18.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.3, 166.7, 149.9, 143.8, 140.7, 137.2, 134.8, 133.6, 132.6, 130.6, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.0, 126.6, 126.3, 124.3, 123.4, 51.7, 43.4, 36.3, 35.2, 30.9; FT-IR (neat) 1772, 1735, 1361, 1234, 1041 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₃O₃: 371.1642; Found 371.1620.

Methyl (E)-2-(6-(N,N-dipropylsulfamoyl)-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-

1H-inden-1-yl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoate 3pa. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane R_f = 0.34; yellow liquid; yield 71% (34 mg); 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86-7.84 (m, 1H), 7.81-7.79 (m, 2H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.11 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.29-4.26 (m, 1H), 3.55 (s, 3H), 3.13-3.06 (m, 4H), 3.04-2.99 (m, 1H), 2.87-2.82 (m, 2H), 2.77-2.74 (m, 2H), 2.71(dd, J = 19.6, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.52 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 0.86 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 6H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.4, 166.6, 156.7, 146.1, 145.1, 140.9, 139.7, 132.8, 128.6, 128.7, 126.5, 126.4, 124.9, 124.4, 51.5, 49.9, 44.5, 44.0, 35.4, 31.5, 21.9, 11.3; FT-IR (neat) 1772, 1733, 1365, 1240, 1044, 852 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESITOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{27}H_{34}NO_5S$: 484.2152; Found 484.2138.



Methyl (E)-2-(6-oxo-7,8-dihydro-6H-indeno[4,5-d][1,3|dioxol-8-yl)-

5-phenylpent-2-enoate 3qa. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.38$; colorless liquid; yield 67% (24 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.00-5.99 (m, 2H), 4.48-4.45 (m, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 2.91-2.83 (m,

1H), 2.79-2.64 (m, 4H), 2.54 (dd, J = 18.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.6, 166.7, 152.8, 144.3, 143.7, 140.9, 135.6, 133.1, 131.3, 128.7, 128.5, 126.5, 119.0, 108.9, 102.3, 51.8, 43.2, 34.9, 33.4, 30.7; FT-IR (neat) 1763, 1735, 1372, 1235, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESITOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₁O₅: 365.1384; Found 365.1363.

Methyl (E)-4-methyl-2-(3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)pent-2-

enoate 3ab. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.48$; colorless liquid; yield 78% (20 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.25 (m, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.57-4.54 (m, 1H), 3.51 (s, 3H), 2.96 (dd, J = 18.8, 8.0 Hz,1H), 2.77-2.73 (m, 2H), 1.18 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 1.06 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.0, 167.1, 157.0 152.2, 137.0, 134.8, 129.9, 127.7, 125.0, 123.8, 51.7, 43.3, 36.9, 28.1, 22.8, 22.4; FT-IR (neat) 1964, 1742, 1372, 1234, 1041 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{16}H_{19}O_3$: 259.1329; Found 259.1323.

Methyl (E)-2-(3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)non-2-enoate 3ac.

Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane R_f = 0.40; colorless liquid; yield 88% (27 mg); 1 H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.01 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.58-4.56 (m, 1H), 3.51 (s, 3H), 2.93 (dd, J = 19.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (d, J = 19.5 Hz, 1H), 2.32-2.25 (m, 2H), 1.49 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.33-1.25 (m, 6H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H); 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.0, 166.9, 157.0, 146.0, 137.0, 134.8, 132.1, 127.7, 125.0, 123.7, 51.7, 43.1, 36.7, 31.7, 29.2, 29.0, 28.8, 22.7, 14.2; FT-IR (neat) 1738, 1719, 1370, 1246, 1054 cm $^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H] $^+$ calcd for $C_{19}H_{25}O_3$: 301.1798; Found 301.1790.

Methyl (E)-3-cyclohexyl-2-(3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)acrylate

3ad. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.43$; yellow liquid; yield 75% (23 mg); 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.25 (m, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.57-4.54 (m, 1H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 2.94 (dd, J = 18.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (dd, J = 18.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.47-2.41 (m, 1H), 1.80-1.75 (m, 3H), 1.70-1.69 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.59 (m, 2H), 1.34-1.30 (m, 2H), 1.25 (s, 2H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.0, 167.1, 157.0, 150.8, 137.1, 134.7, 130.3, 127.7, 125.0, 123.7, 51.6, 43.4, 37.9, 37.0, 32.9, 32.4, 25.8, 25.6, 25.5; FT-IR (neat) 1775, 1736, 1373, 1236, 1044 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{19}H_{23}O_3$: 299.1642; Found 299.1635.

Methyl (E)-3-cyclopentyl-2-(3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)acrylate

3ae. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.43$; colorless liquid; yield 71% (21 mg); ${}^{1}H$ NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 6.94 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.61-4.58 (m, 1H), 3.51 (s, 3H), 2.94 (dd, J = 18.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.86-2.80 (m, 1H), 2.77 (dd, J = 18.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.99-1.92 (m, 1H), 1.84-1.73 (m, 3H), 1.69-1.62 (m, 2H), 1.55-1.48 (m, 1H), 1.44-1.37 (m, 1H); ${}^{13}C$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.1, 167.1, 157.1, 150.9, 137.0, 134.7, 130.5, 127.6, 125.1, 123.7, 51.7, 43.4, 39.4, 37.0, 34.0, 33.6, 25.8; FT-IR (neat) 1752, 1720, 1363, 1235, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{18}H_{21}O_3$: 285.1485; Found 285.1478.

Methyl (E)-5-(4-isopropylphenyl)-4-methyl-2-(3-oxo-2,3-

dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)pent-2-enoate 3af. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.41$; colorless liquid; yield 73% (28 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.36-4.33 (m, 1H), 3.47 (s, 3H), 2.95-2.88 (m, 2H), 2.84-2.77 (m, 2H), 2.69-2.63 (m, 1H), 2.55-2.50 (m, 1H), 1.28-1.25 (m, 6H), 1.12 (d, J = 7.2

Hz, 3H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.0, 166.9, 156.8, 150.4, 147.2, 137.3, 136.9, 134.5, 131.0, 129.1, 127.5, 126.8, 125.0, 123.4, 51.6, 43.3, 43.1, 36.8, 36.4, 33.9, 24.3, 24.2, 20.9; FT-IR (neat) 1763, 1732, 1371, 1236, 1045 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{25}H_{29}O_3$: 377.2111; Found 377.2101.

Methyl (E)-2-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)acetyl)benzyl) -5-

phenylpent-2-enoate 4aa. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.30$; yellow liquid; yield 80% (32 mg); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.18 (t, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 7.15-7.12 (m, 3H), 7.00 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.47 (s, 6H), 2.71 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.51 (q, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 187.0, 168.4, 143.8, 141.2, 140.9, 137.1, 131.5, 129.2, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 127.5, 126.2, 125.7, 71.6, 51.9, 42.4, 34.9, 30.8, 29.5; FT-IR (neat) 1755, 1737, 1372, 1234, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{23}H_{27}O_4S$: 399.1625; Found 399.1625.

Methyl (E)-2-(5-chloro-2-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)

acetyl)benzyl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoate 4da. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.38$; colorless liquid; yield 72% (31 mg); 1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.11 (m, 3H), 7.03 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.96-6.95 (m, 1H), 4.67 (s, 1H), 3.91 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.46 (s, 6H), 2.73 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 185.7, 168.1, 144.5, 141.0, 139.4, 139.3, 135.1, 130.8, 128.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 126.3, 125.9, 72.0, 52.0, 42.3, 34.8, 30.8, 29.4; FT-IR (neat) 1757, 1737, 1375, 1234, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESITOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{23}H_{26}$ ClO₄S: 433.1235; Found 433.1233.

Methyl (E)-4-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)acetyl)-3-(2-

(methoxycarbonyl)-5-phenylpent-2-en-1-yl)benzoate 4fa. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane R_f = 0.35; yellow liquid; yield 76% (35 mg); 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (s, 1H), 3.93 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.49 (s, 6H), 2.74 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 185.8, 168.2, 166.9, 145.4, 144.3, 141.2, 137.5, 131.0, 130.6, 129.4, 128.6, 128.5, 127.5, 127.3, 126.3, 72.3, 52.2, 51.9, 42.5, 34.9, 30.9, 29.6; FT-IR (neat) 1765, 1736, 1723, 1372, 1234, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{25}H_{29}O_6S$: 457.1679; Found 457.1676.

Methyl (E)-2-((4-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)acetyl)-[1,1'-

biphenyl]-3-yl)methyl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoate 4ha. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.30$; yellow liquid; yield 67% (33 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.51-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 7.37-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.23 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.14 (m, 1H), 7.13-7.11 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (s, 1H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.49 (s, 6H), 2.72 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.7, 168.5, 143.9, 142.0, 141.2, 140.9, 139.8, 137.8, 131.5, 128.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 127.6, 127.3, 127.0, 126.2, 124.6, 71.6, 52.0, 42.5, 34.9, 30.8, 29.8; FT-IR (neat) 1771, 1737, 1373, 1234, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{29}H_{31}O_4S$: 475.1938; Found 475.1920.

Methyl (E)-2-(5-(tert-butyl)-2-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)

acetyl)benzyl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoate 4ia. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.32$; light yellow liquid; yield 65% (29 mg); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (s, 2H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 3H), 6.98 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (s, 2H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 3H), 6.98 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 3H)

7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 3.98 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.45 (s, 6H), 2.69 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.25 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 187.1, 168.7, 152.3, 143.3, 141.3, 138.0, 136.9, 131.9, 128.6, 128.5, 127.6, 126.2, 125.5, 122.6, 71.3, 51.9, 42.4, 35.0, 34.8, 31.3, 30.8, 29.9; FT-IR (neat) 1770, 1735, 1372, 1236, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₃₅O₄S: 455.2251; Found 455.2255.

Methyl (E)-2-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)acetyl)-5-

(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoate 4ja. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.30$; yellow liquid; yield 80% (38 mg); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.25 (s, 2H), 7.18 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.49 (s, 6H), 2.73 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.51 (q, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 185.3, 168.1, 144.6, 144.4, 141.0, 138.1, 131.2 ($J_{C-F} = 31.9$ Hz), 130.6 ($J_{C-F} = 279.1$ Hz), 128.6, 128.5, 126.3, 125.5, 124.9 ($J_{C-F} = 3.5$ Hz), 122.9 ($J_{C-F} = 3.9$ Hz), 72.3, 52.1, 42.4, 34.8, 30.9, 29.5; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.7; FT-IR (neat) 1765, 1737, 1373, 1234, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{24}H_{26}F_{3}O_{4}S$: 467.1498; Found 467.1477.

Methyl (E)-2-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)acetyl)-4,5-

dimethylbenzyl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoate 4la. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.31$; colorless liquid; yield 77% (34 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.18-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 3.91 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.46 (s, 6H), 2.71 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.51 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 187.1, 168.6, 143.5, 141.3, 138.3, 137.7, 134.4, 133.8, 131.8, 129.4, 129.1, 128.5, 128.4, 126.2, 71.4, 51.9, 42.4, 34.9, 30.7, 29.1, 19.8, 19.3; FT-IR (neat) 1763, 1737, 1374, 1234, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESITOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{25}H_{31}O_4S$: 427.1938; Found 427.1933.

Methyl (E)-2-((1-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)acetyl)

naphthalen-2-yl)methyl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoate 4ma. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.30$; yellow liquid; yield 81% (37 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.15 (m, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 3.93 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.59 (s, 6H), 2.73 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.5, 168.4, 144.5, 141.1, 138.8, 132.3, 132.1, 131.2, 130.4, 128.6, 128.2, 127.9, 126.3, 126.2, 125.5, 125.3, 74.4, 52.0, 42.4, 34.8, 30.8, 29.7; FT-IR (neat) 1766, 1737, 1375, 1234, 1040 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{27}H_{29}O_4S$: 449.1781; Found 449.1776.

Methyl (E)-2-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene) acetyl)-5-

(*N*, *N*-dipropylsulfamoyl)benzyl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoate 4pa. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.28$; yellow liquid; yield 69% (39 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.48 (s, 6H), 2.98 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 2.74 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.49 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 0.83 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 185.1, 167.9, 144.7, 144.6, 140.9, 140.3, 138.5, 130.5, 128.7, 128.5, 128.0, 126.6, 126.3, 124.7, 72.6, 52.0, 50.2, 42.3, 34.8, 30.9, 29.7, 22.1, 11.3; FT-IR (neat) 1768, 1733, 1372, 1231, 1045, 809 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{29}H_{40}NO_6S_2$: 562.2292; Found 562.2273.

Methyl (E)-2-((7-(3-((3r,5r,7r)-adamantan-1-yl)-4-

sethoxyphenyl)-3-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)acetyl)naphthalen-2-yl)methyl) - **5-phenylpent-2-enoate 4ra.** Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.32$; colorless liquid; yield 75% (52 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.96-7.95 (m, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.69 (m, 1H), 7.59-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.16 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.12-7.09 (m, 1H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (s, 1H), 4.46 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.48 (s, 6H), 2.36 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.21-2.16 (m, 8H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.80 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 187.4, 169.0, 158.8, 142.8, 141.3, 139.1, 139.0, 138.9, 134.4, 133.6, 132.8, 131.9, 131.4, 128.4, 128.3, 127.1, 126.1, 126.0, 125.9, 125.8, 125.7, 125.63, 125.61, 112.2, 72.1, 55.3, 52.1, 42.4, 40.8, 37.34, 37.29, 34.6, 30.0, 29.3, 28.3; FT-IR (neat) 1777, 1735, 1373, 1234, 1042 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{44}H_{49}O_5S$: 689.3295; Found 689.3282.

Methyl (E)-2-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)acetyl)benzyl)non -

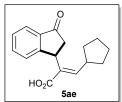
2-enoate 4ac. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.40$; colorless liquid; yield 85% (33 mg); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 3.95 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.53 (s, 6H), 2.19 (q, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.43-1.38 (m, 2H), 1.30-1.22 (m, 6H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 187.2, 168.6, 145.4, 141.1, 137.2, 130.7, 129.2, 127.9, 127.5, 125.7, 71.5, 51.9, 42.5, 31.8, 29.6, 29.2, 29.0, 28.8, 22.7, 14.2; FT-IR (neat) 1768, 1737, 1372, 1232, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{21}H_{31}O_4S$: 379.1938; Found 379.1936.

Methyl (E)-3-cyclohexyl-2-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)

acetyl)benzyl)acrylate 4ad. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.37$; yellow liquid; yield 74% (28 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 2H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.53 (s, 6H), 2.39-2.32 (m, 1H), 1.72-1.67 (m, 2H), 1.62 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 3H), 1.20 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 4H), 1.15-1.12 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 187.1, 168.7, 150.0, 141.0, 137.4, 129.2, 128.7, 127.7, 127.5, 125.7, 71.7, 51.9, 42.5, 37.8, 32.2, 29.8, 25.9, 25.5; FT-IR (neat) 1776, 1738, 1370, 1234, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESITOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{21}H_{29}O_4S$: 377.1781; Found 377.1780.

Methyl (E)-3-cyclopentyl-2-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)

acetyl)benzyl)acrylate 4ae. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:1 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.35$; yellow liquid; yield 78% (29 mg); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (s, 1H), 3.96 (s, 2H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.52 (s, 6H), 2.76-2.70 (m, 1H), 1.88 (s, 1H), 1.77-1.74 (m, 3H), 1.70-1.67 (m, 1H), 1.56-1.52 (m, 1H), 1.37-1.30 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 187.1, 168.6, 150.2, 141.0, 137.4, 129.1, 128.8, 127.7, 127.4, 125.7, 71.7, 51.8, 42.4, 39.6, 33.3, 29.6, 25.7; FT-IR (neat) 1778, 1737, 1372, 1233, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{20}H_{27}O_4S$: 363.1625; Found 363.1624.



(E)-3-cyclopentyl-2-(3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)acrylic acid 5ae.

Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:1 EtOAc: n-Hexane $R_f = 0.43$; colorless solid; mp 167-168 °C; yield 71% (20 mg); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 7.03 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.57-4.55 (m, 1H), 2.91 (dd, J = 19.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.82-2.74 (m, 2H), 1.96-1.90 (m, 1H), 1.77-1.72 (m, 3H), 1.64-1.58

(m, 3H), 1.50-1.47 (m, 1H), 1.39-1.35 (m, 1H); 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.1, 171.1, 157.0, 153.4, 136.9, 134.8, 129.7, 127.7, 125.0, 123.8, 43.2, 39.5, 36.8, 33.9, 33.5, 25.8; FT-IR (neat) 2982, 1720, 1363, 1235, 1043 cm⁻¹; H RMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{17}H_{19}O_3$: 271.1329; Found 271.1328.

(E)-2-(5-(tert-butyl)-2-(2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)acetyl)

benzyl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoic acid 5ia. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 4:1:0.1 EtOAc: n-Hexane: AcOH $R_f = 0.32$; light yellow solid; mp >200 °C; yield 65% (28 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.38 (s, 1H), 7.25 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 7.18-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 7.03-7.02 (m, 1H), 6.85 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 3.82 (s, 2H), 3.52 (s, 6H), 2.63 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.20 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 185.1, 168.7, 150.8, 142.4, 141.0, 138.6, 136.5, 131.9, 128.3, 128.2, 126.9, 125.9, 124.4, 122.1, 75.3, 40.4, 34.3, 34.0, 31.0, 30.0, 28.9; FT-IR (neat) 2984, 1735, 1372, 1236, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{26}H_{33}O_4S$: 441.2094; Found 441.2095.

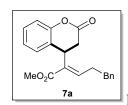
(E)-2-(4-fluoro-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-phenylpent-2-

enoic acid 5ba. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:1 EtOAc: n-Hexane R_f = 0.42; colorless solid; mp 170-171 °C; yield 81% (27 mg); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.15-7.12 (m, 3H), 6.94 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.34-4.31 (m, 1H), 2.87-2.80 (m, 2H), 2.66-2.55 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.0, 170.6, 159.9 (J_{C-F} = 262.1 Hz), 158.7, 147.1, 140.4, 136.6 (J_{C-F} = 8.3 Hz), 131.6, 128.8, 128.6, 126.7, 124.7 (J_{C-F} = 12.9 Hz), 120.7 (J_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz), 114.8 (J_{C-F} = 19.3 Hz), 43.0, 36.5, 34.9, 31.0; ¹9F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -115.0; FT-IR (neat) 2983, 1736, 1372, 1245, 1030 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₈FO₃ 325.1234; Found 325.1217.

(E)-2-(4-fluoro-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-

phenyl-N-((4-(5-(p-tolyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)phenyl)sulfonyl)pent-2-

enamide 6. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 4:1 EtOAc : n-hexane R_f = 0.30; colorless solid; mp 197-198 °C; yield 71% (48 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.68 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.49-7.44 (m, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.18 (m, 4H), 7.16-7.14 (m, 2H), 6.98 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 6.76-6.72 (m, 2H), 4.42-4.39 (m, 1H), 2.82-2.73 (m, 2H), 2.67-2.54 (m, 3H), 2.35-2.29 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 201.5, 168.1 (J_{C-F} = 7.3 Hz), 159.9, 158.9 (J_{C-F} = 258.4 Hz), 145.2, 142.7, 142.4, 142.0, 141.6 (J_{C-F} = 29.0 Hz), 141.1, 140.6 (J_{C-F} = 7.2 Hz), 139.1, 136.7 (J_{C-F} = 8.1 Hz), 135.7 (J_{C-F} = 3.0 Hz), 129.4 (J_{C-F} = 74.6 Hz), 128.5, 128.3, 128.2 (J_{C-F} = 4.7 Hz), 128.1, 126.0, 125.4, 125.3, 123.9 (J_{C-F} = 12.9 Hz), 122.7, 120.9 (J_{C-F} = 3.3 Hz), 120.0, 113.8 (J_{C-F} = 19.1 Hz), 106.0, 43.0, 36.6, 34.3, 30.0, 20.8; ¹°F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -117.4, -60.9; FT-IR (neat) 2995, 1737, 1372, 1323, 1234, 1043 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{37}H_{30}F_4N_3O_4S$: 688.1888; Found 688.1858.



Methyl (E)-2-(2-oxochroman-4-yl)-5-phenylpent-2-enoate 7a. Analytical

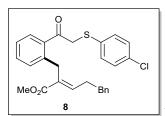
TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.52$; colorless liquid; yield 75% (25 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.19 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.09-7.07 (m, 1H), 7.05-7.04 (m, 1H), 7.03-7.00 (m, 1H), 4.21 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 2.84-2.79 (m, 2H), 2.69-2.63 (m, 2H), 2.49 (dd, J = 15.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (dd, J = 15.6, 6.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 164.0, 150.5, 146.1, 140.5, 129.0, 128.7, 128.6, 128.1, 127.8, 126.6, 124.7, 124.5, 117.4, 51.9, 41.6, 34.6, 34.5, 30.7; FT-IR (neat) 1763, 1727, 1556, 1454, 1174, 1023 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{21}H_{21}O_4$: 337.1434; Found 337.1415.

Methyl (E)-2-(2-((E)-benzylidene)-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-

5-phenylpent-2-enoate 7b. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.40$; colorless liquid; yield 70% (29 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.75 (m, 1H), 7.60-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.45 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 4H), 7.20-7.13 (m, 3H), 6.97 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.03 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.31-5.30 (m, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 2.68-2.60 (m, 1H), 2.57-2.49 (m, 1H), 2.42-2.38 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.3, 167.6, 153.7, 143.9, 141.1, 138.0, 136.6, 135.1, 135.0, 134.5, 133.7, 131.3, 131.2, 129.8, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 126.1, 125.3, 124.4, 51.8, 46.3, 35.1, 31.5; FT-IR (neat) 1738, 1718, 1552, 1370, 1245, 1054 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{28}H_{25}O_3$: 409.1798; Found 409.1798.

Methyl (E)-2-(6-fluoro-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-5-phenyl pent-2-

enoate 7c. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc : n-hexane R_f = 0.45; colorless liquid; yield 64% (21 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.22-7.18 (m, 1H), 7.13-7.09 (m, 3H), 6.96 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.78 (m, 1H), 6.50 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.01-2.95 (m, 1H), 2.88-2.80 (m, 1H), 2.76-2.72 (m, 2H), 2.48-2.42 (m, 2H), 2.29-2.21 (m, 1H), 2.13-2.03 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7, 163.5 (J_{C-F} = 241.0 Hz), 148.0 (J_{C-F} = 7.5 Hz), 143.8, 141.0, 138.9 (J_{C-F} = 2.3 Hz), 134.2, 128.6, 128.5, 126.4, 125.3 (J_{C-F} = 8.6 Hz), 113.3 (J_{C-F} = 22.3 Hz), 110.3 (J_{C-F} = 22.1 Hz), 51.7, 44.0, 35.1, 32.4, 31.3, 30.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -117.9; FT-IR (neat) 1725, 1371, 1249, 1054 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₂FO₂: 325.1598; Found 325.1579.



Methyl (E)-2-(2-((4-chlorophenyl)thio)acetyl)benzyl)-5-phenyl

pent-2-enoate 8. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:7 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.40$; colorless liquid; yield 78% (36 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 0.40); δ 7.54-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 0.40); δ 7.54-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 0.40); δ 7.54-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 0.40); δ 7.54-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 0.40); δ 7.54-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 0.40); δ 7.54-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 0.40); δ 7.54-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 0.40); δ 7.54-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 0.40); δ 7.54-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.20-

7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 2.73 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.1, 168.0, 144.4, 141.0, 139.9, 136.6, 133.7, 133.1, 131.9, 131.7, 130.7, 129.3, 128.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 126.3, 125.9, 51.9, 44.1, 34.8, 30.8, 30.1; FT-IR (neat) 1764, 1737, 1375, 1234, 1040 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESITOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{27}H_{26}ClO_3S$: 465.1286; Found 465.1277.

Methyl (*E*)-2-(2-(2-chloroacetyl)benzyl)non-2-enoate 9. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:7 EtOAc : n-hexane $R_f = 0.49$; colorless liquid; yield 69% (23 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.37 (m, 1H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (s, 2H), 3.91 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 2.18 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.41 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.30-1.23 (m, 7H), 0.86 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.4, 168.3, 146.1, 140.6, 135.0, 132.2, 129.9, 129.0, 128.6, 126.0, 52.0, 31.8, 30.1, 29.2, 29.1, 28.7, 22.7, 14.2, 6.5; FT-IR (neat) 1769, 1737, 1373, 1234, 1041 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESITOF) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{19}H_{26}ClO_3$: 337.1565; Found 337.1547.

Mechanistic investigation

Scheme S1. Radical Trapping Experiments

C-H Annulation. Substrate 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1 equiv), 2a (0.15 mmol, 28 mg, 1.5 equiv), $[Cp*Rh(CH_3CN)_3](SbF_6)_2$ (0.0025 mmol, 2.1 mg, 0.025 equiv), $Zn(OAc)_2$ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv) and TEMPO or BHT (0.2 mmol, 2 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N_2 atmosphere. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (10 mL) and washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na_2SO_4) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K_2CO_3 (0.3 mmol, 41 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (0.5 mmol, 33 μ L, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (2 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of the solvent provided a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and was washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na_2SO_4) and evaporation of the solvent

gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography as described in the general procedure to afford 3aa.

C-H Allylation. Substrate 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1 equiv), 2a (0.15 mmol, 28 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (0.0025 mmol, 1.5 mg, 0.025 equiv), Zn(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv), PivOH (0.1 mmol, 10 mg, 1 equiv) and TEMPO or BHT (2 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (10 mL) and washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (0.3 mmol, 41 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (0.5 mmol, 33 μL, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (2 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of the solvent provided a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and was washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography as described in the general procedure to afford 4aa.

Scheme S2. Control Experiments

C-H Annulation. Substrate 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1 equiv), 3-hydroxy-2-methylene-5-phenylpentanoic acid 2a' (0.15 mmol, 31 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*Rh(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂ (0.0025 mmol, 2.1 mg, 0.025 equiv) and Zn(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. The formation of 3aa was not observed.

C-H Allylation. Substrate 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1 equiv), 2a' (0.15 mmol, 31 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (0.0025 mmol, 1.5 mg, 0.025 equiv), Zn(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv) and PivOH (0.1 mmol, 10 mg, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. The formation of 4aa was not observed.

Scheme S3. Isolation of Acrylic acid derived Annulated and Allylated Products

$$[Cp^*Rh(CH_3CN)_3](SbF_6)_2 \\ (2.5 \text{ mol } \%) \\ \hline Zn(OAc)_2 (1 \text{ equiv}) \\ TFE, 80 °C, 12 h, N_2 \\ \hline \\ 1a R_1 = H \\ 1i R_1 = {}^tBu \\ \hline \\ 2a R_2 = CH_2Bn \\ 2e R_2 = C_5H_9 \\ \hline \\ TFE, 80 °C, 12 h, N_2 \\ \hline \\ In (OAc)_2 (1 \text{ equiv}) \\ PivOH (1 \text{ equiv}) \\ PivOH (1 \text{ equiv}) \\ \hline \\ TFE, 80 °C, 12 h, N_2 \\ \hline \\ In (CDC 2420491) \\ \hline \\ X-ray of 5ia \\ (CCDC 2420491) \\ \hline \\ X-ray of 5ia \\ (CCDC 2420491) \\ \hline$$

C-H Annulation. Substrate 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1 equiv), 2e (0.15 mmol, 23 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*Rh(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂ (0.0025 mmol, 2.1 mg, 0.025 equiv) and Zn(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (10 mL) and washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc : n-hexane = 1:1) to afford 5ae in 71% (20 mg) yield.

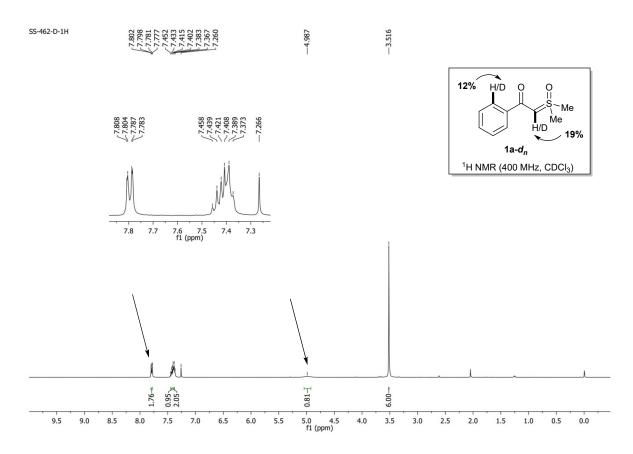
C-H Allylation. Substrate 1i (0.1 mmol, 25 mg, 1 equiv), 2a (0.15 mmol, 28 mg, 1.5 equiv), $[Cp*RhCl_2]_2$ (0.0025 mmol, 1.5 mg, 0.025 equiv), $Zn(OAc)_2$ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv) and PivOH (0.1 mmol, 10 mg, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N_2 atmosphere. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (10 mL) and washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc: n-hexane: AcOH = 4:1:0.1) to afford 5ia in 65% (28 mg) yield.

H/D Exchange Experiments

C-H Annulation

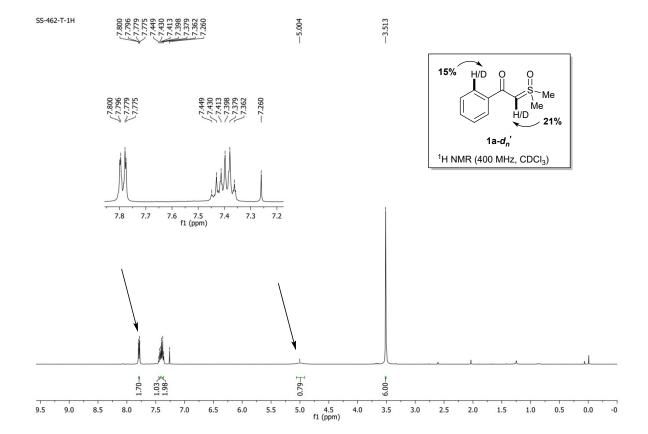
H/D Exchange Experiment of 1a with CD₃OD in Absence of 2a. Substrate 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1 equiv), $[Cp*Rh(CH_3CN)_3](SbF_6)_2$ (0.0025 mmol, 2.1 mg, 0.025 equiv), $Zn(OAc)_2$ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv) and CD₃OD (1 mmol, 0.03 mL, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 15 min under N₂ atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with EtOAc (10 mL) and passed through a short celite pad. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified using silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc : MeOH = 20:1) to afford 1a-d_n. The deuterium incorporation was observed as 12% at C2-H

and 19% at the H of α -carbon of carbonyl group of 1a- d_n on the basis of 400 MHz ¹H NMR. (See the following ¹H NMR spectrum)



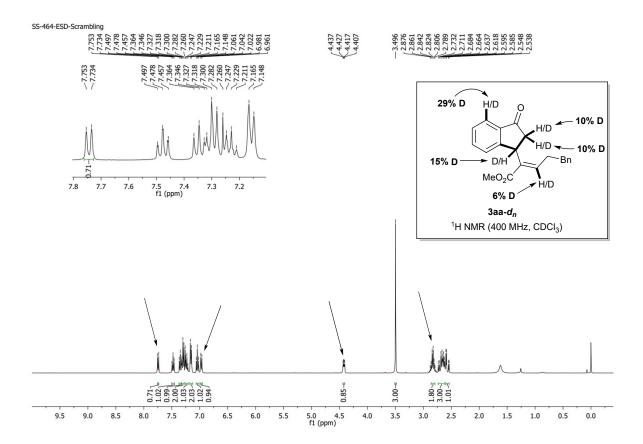
C-H Allylation

H/D Exchange Experiment of 1a with CD₃OD in Absence of 2a. Substrate 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1 equiv), $[Cp*RhCl_2]_2$ (0.0025 mmol, 1.5 mg, 0.025 equiv), $Zn(OAc)_2$ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv), PivOH (0.1 mmol, 10 mg, 1 equiv) and CD₃OD (1 mmol, 0.03 mL, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 15 min under N₂ atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with EtOAc (10 mL) and passed through a short celite pad. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified using silica gel chromatography (EtOAc: MeOH = 20:1) to afford 1a- d_n . The deuterium incorporation was observed as 15% at C2-H and 21% at the H of α-carbon of carbonyl group of 1a- d_n on the basis of 400 MHz ¹H NMR. (See the following ¹H NMR spectrum)



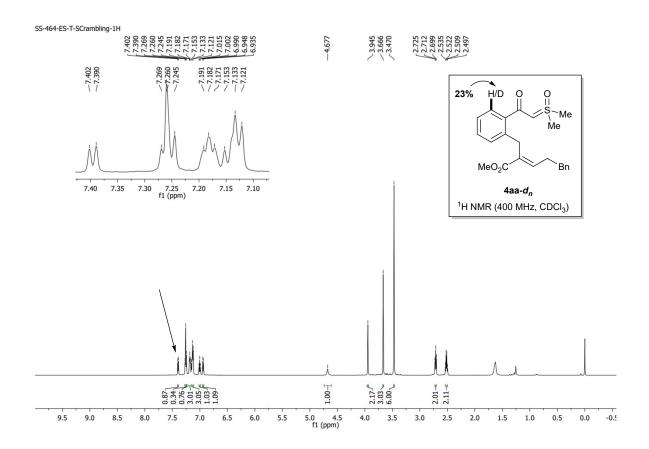
C-H Annulation

H/D Exchange Experiment of 1a with CD₃OD in Presence of 2a. Substrate 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1 equiv), 2a (0.15 mmol, 28 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*Rh(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂ (0.0025 mmol, 2.1 mg, 0.025 equiv), Zn(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv) and CD₃OD (1 mmol, 0.03 mL, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was extracted using EtOAc (10 mL) and was washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (0.3 mmol, 41 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (0.5 mmol, 33 μL, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (2 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and was washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc : n-hexane = 1:9) to afford the annulated 3aa-d_n. The deuterium incorporation was observed as 29% at C2-H, 20% at the 'H' of α-carbon of carbonyl group, 15% at the quaternary 'H' and 6% at the 'H' of unsaturated double bond of 3aa-d_n on the basis of 400 MHz ¹H NMR. (See the following ¹H NMR spectrum)



C-H Allylation

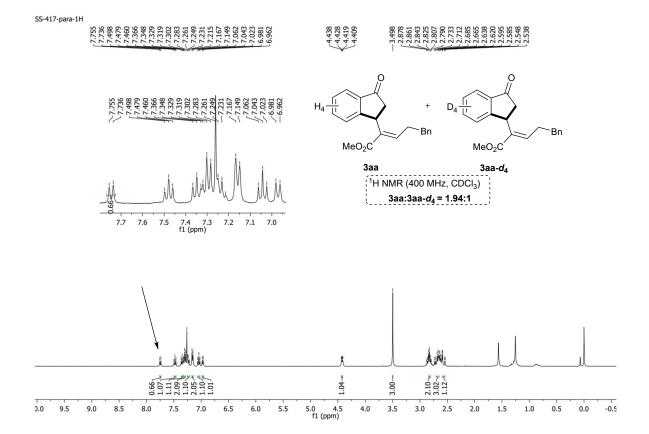
H/D Exchange Experiment of 1a with CD₃OD in Presence of 2a. Substrate 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1 equiv), 2a (0.15 mmol, 28 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (0.0025 mmol, 1.5 mg, 0.025 equiv), Zn(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1 equiv), PivOH (0.1 mmol, 10 mg, 1 equiv) and CD₃OD (1 mmol, 0.03 mL, 1 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h under N₂ atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. Evaporation of the solvent provided a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (10 mL) and was washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (0.3 mmol, 41 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (0.5 mmol, 33 µL, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (2 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of solvent yielded a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and was washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc: n-hexane = 3:1) to afford the allylated 4aa-d_n. The deuterium incorporation was observed as 23% at C2-H of 4aa-d_n on the basis 400 MHz ¹H NMR. (See the following ¹H NMR spectrum)



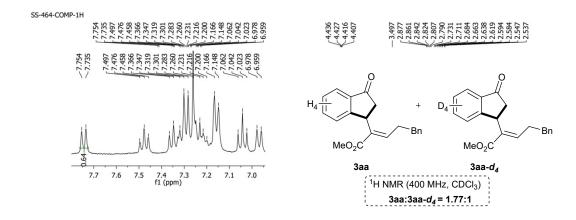
Kinetic Isotope Effect Experiments

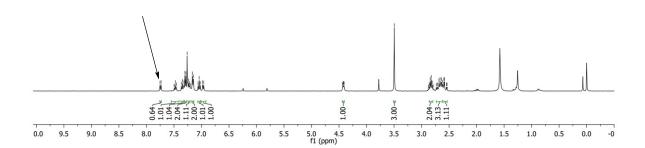
C-H Annulation

Parallel Experiment. Two round bottom flasks were charged with **1a** (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1.0 equiv) or 2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)-1-(phenyl- d_5)ethan-1-one **1a**- d_5 (0.1 mmol, 21 mg, 1.0 equiv), **2a** (0.15 mmol, 28 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*Rh(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂ (0.0025 mmol, 2.1 mg, 0.025 equiv), and Zn(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1.0 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 2 h under N₂ atmosphere. Then both the reaction mixtures were combined. Evaporation of the solvent furnished a residue, which was extracted using EtOAc (10 mL) and washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (0.3 mmol, 41 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (0.5 mmol, 33 μ L, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (2 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of the solvent provided a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and was washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography as described in the general procedure to afford **3aa** and **3aa**- d_4 . The KIE value was determined to be $k_H/k_D = 1.94$ on the basis of ¹H NMR analysis.



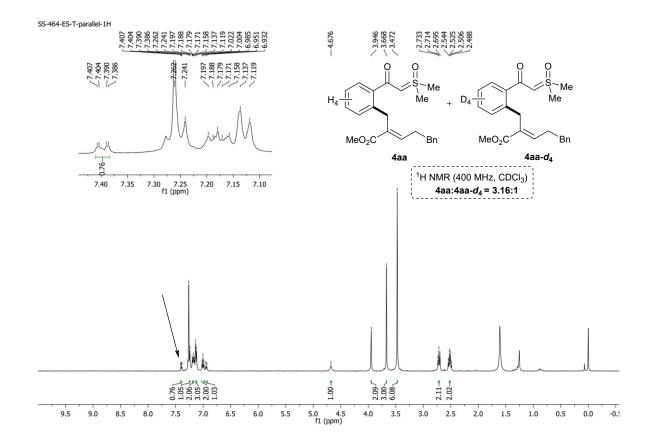
Competitive Experiment: A mixture of 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1.0 equiv), 2-(dimethyl(oxo)-16-sulfaneylidene)-1-(phenyl- d_5)ethan-1-one 1a- d_5 (0.1 mmol, 21 mg, 1.0 equiv), 2a (0.30 mmol, 56 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*Rh(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂ (0.005 mmol, 4.2 mg, 0.025 equiv), and Zn(OAc)₂ (0.2 mmol, 36 mg, 1.0 equiv) was stirred in TFE (1.5 mL) at 80 °C for 2 h under N₂ atmosphere. Evaporation of the solvent furnished a residue, which was extracted using EtOAc (10 mL) and washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (0.6 mmol, 82 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (1 mmol, 66 μ L, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (4 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of the solvent provided a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and was washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography as described in the general procedure to afford 3aa and 3aa-d₄. The KIE value was determined to be $k_H/k_D = 1.77$ on the basis of ¹H NMR analysis.



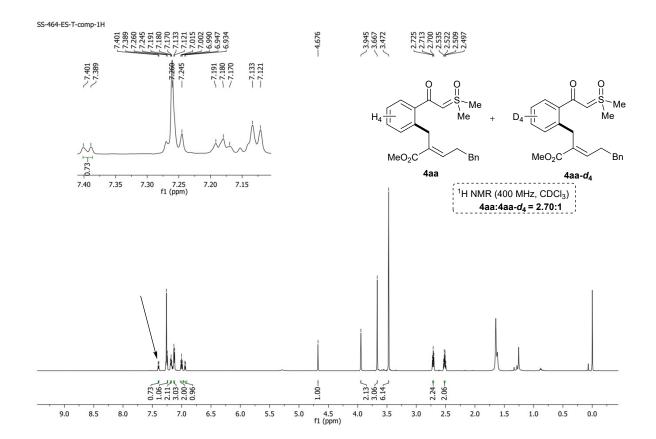


C-H Allylation

Parallel Experiment. Two round bottom flasks were charged with **1a** (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1.0 equiv) or 2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)-1-(phenyl- d_5)ethan-1-one **1a**- d_5 (0.1 mmol, 21 mg, 1.0 equiv), **2a** (0.15 mmol, 28 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (0.0025 mmol, 1.5 mg, 0.025 equiv), Zn(OAc)₂ (0.1 mmol, 18 mg, 1.0 equiv), and PivOH (0.1 mmol, 10 mg, 1.0 equiv) were stirred in TFE (1 mL) at 80 °C for 2 h under N₂ atmosphere. Then both the reaction mixtures were combined. Evaporation of the solvent furnished a residue, which was extracted using EtOAc (10 mL) and washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (0.3 mmol, 41 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (0.5 mmol, 33 μL, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (2 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of the solvent provided a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and was washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography as described in the general procedure to afford **4aa** and **4aa**-**d**₄. The KIE value was determined to be $k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D}$ = 3.16 on the basis of ¹H NMR analysis.



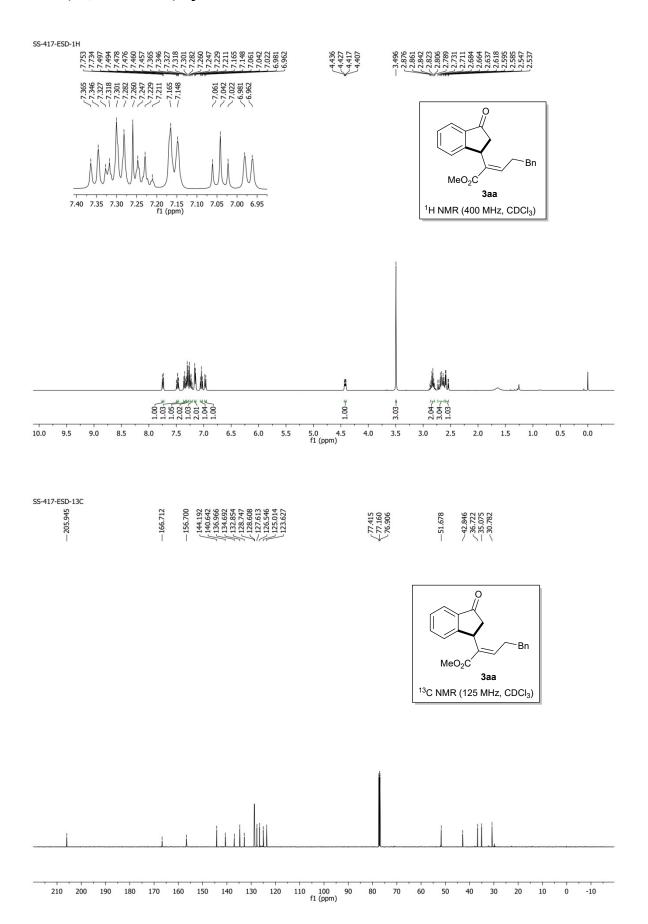
Competitive Experiment: A mixture of 1a (0.1 mmol, 20 mg, 1.0 equiv), 2-(dimethyl(oxo)-16-sulfaneylidene)-1-(phenyl- d_5)ethan-1-one 1a- d_5 (0.1 mmol, 21 mg, 1.0 equiv), 2a (0.30 mmol, 56 mg, 1.5 equiv), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (0.005 mmol, 3.1 mg, 0.025 equiv)), Zn(OAc)₂ (0.2 mmol, 36 mg, 1.0 equiv), and PivOH (0.2 mmol, 20 mg, 1.0 equiv) was stirred in TFE (1.5 mL) at 80 °C for 2 h under N₂ atmosphere. Evaporation of the solvent produced a resultant residue that was extracted using EtOAc (10 mL) and washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was stirred with K₂CO₃ (0.6 mmol, 82 mg, 3.0 equiv) and MeI (1.0 mmol, 66 μ L, 5.0 equiv) in acetone (4 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of the solvent provided a residue that was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and was washed with water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography as described in the general procedure to afford 4aa and 4aa- d_4 . The KIE value was determined to be $k_H/k_D = 2.70$ on the basis of ¹H NMR analysis.



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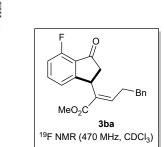
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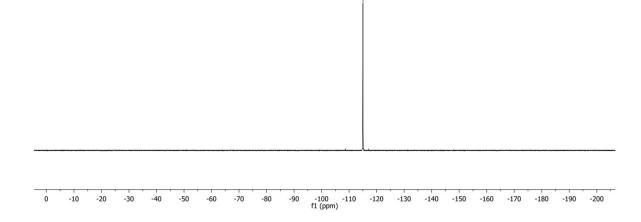
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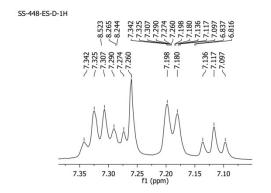
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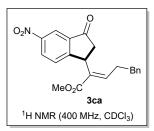
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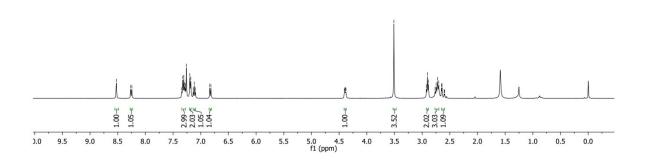


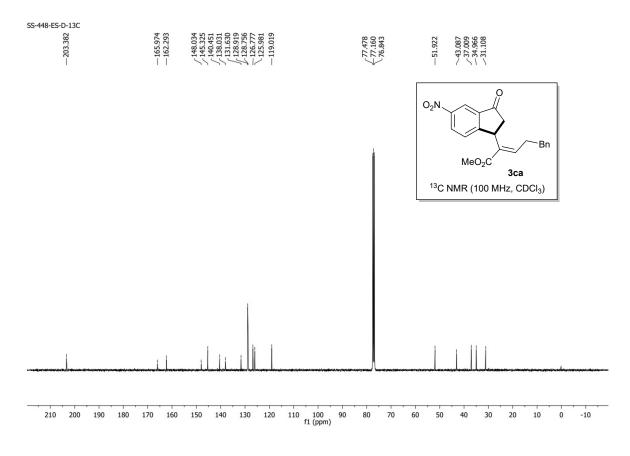


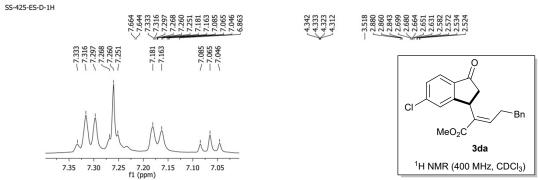


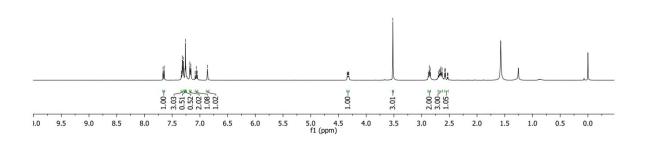


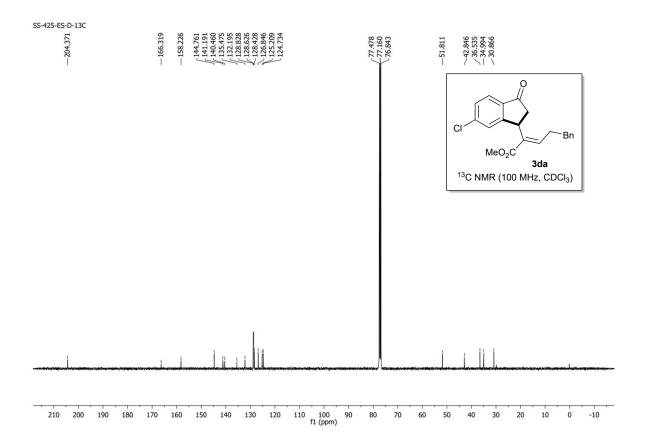


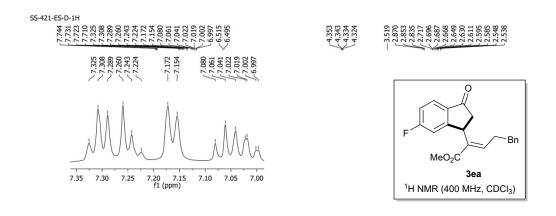


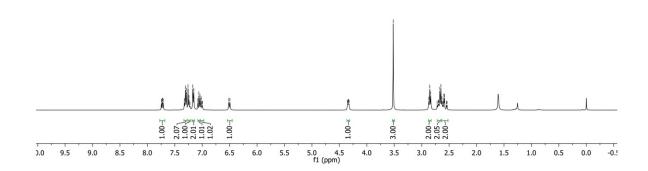


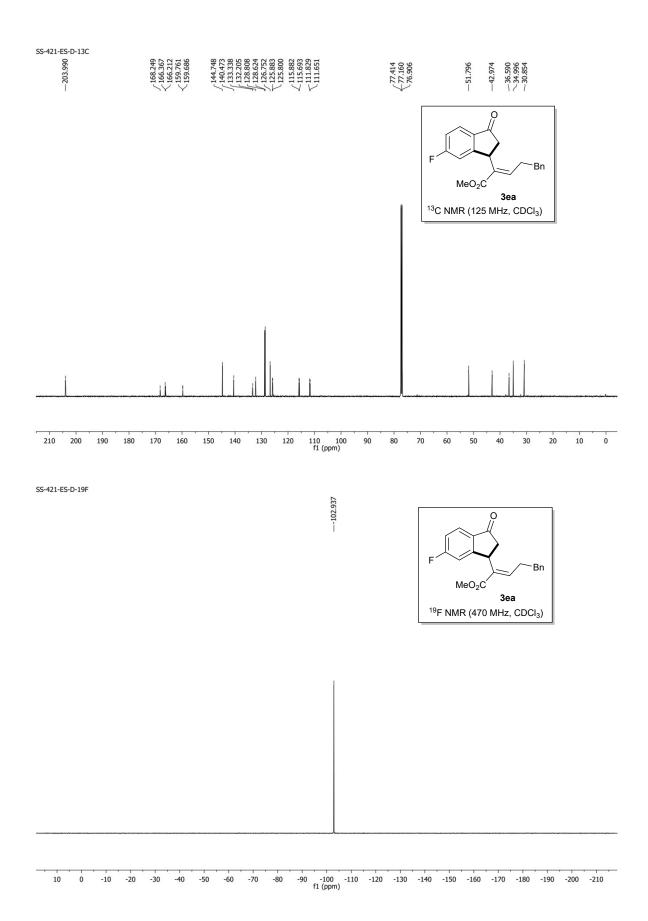


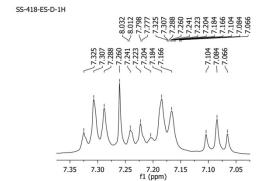


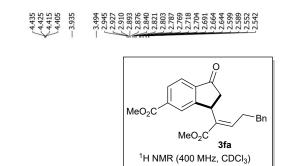


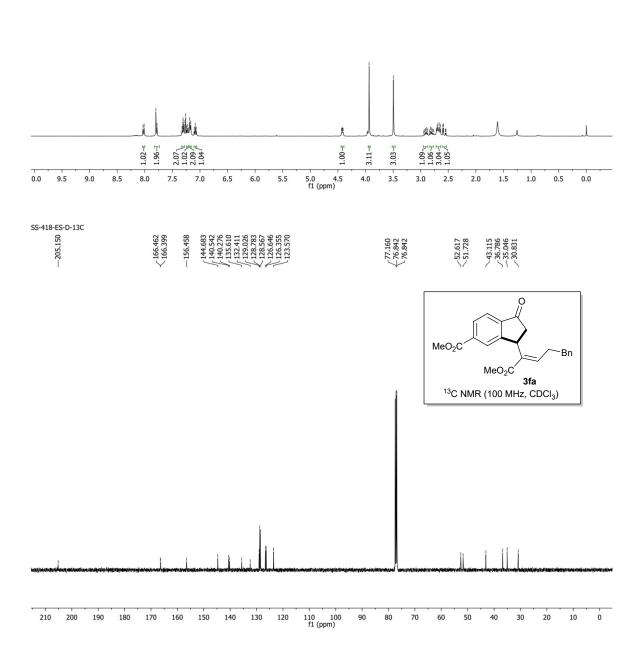


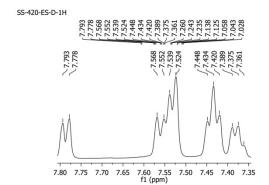


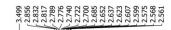


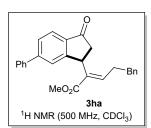


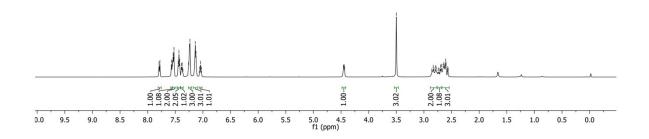




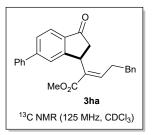


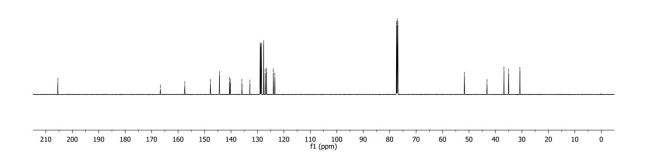


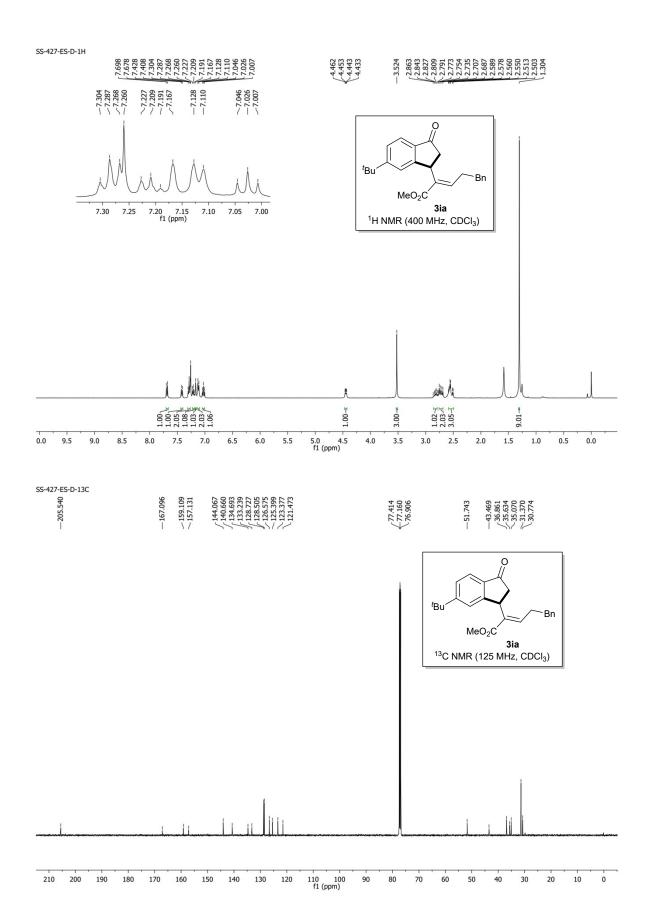


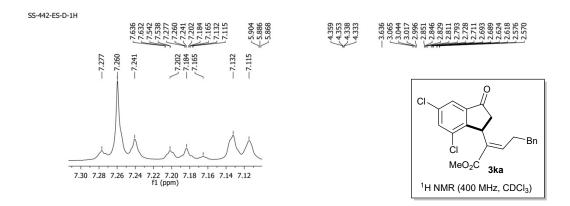


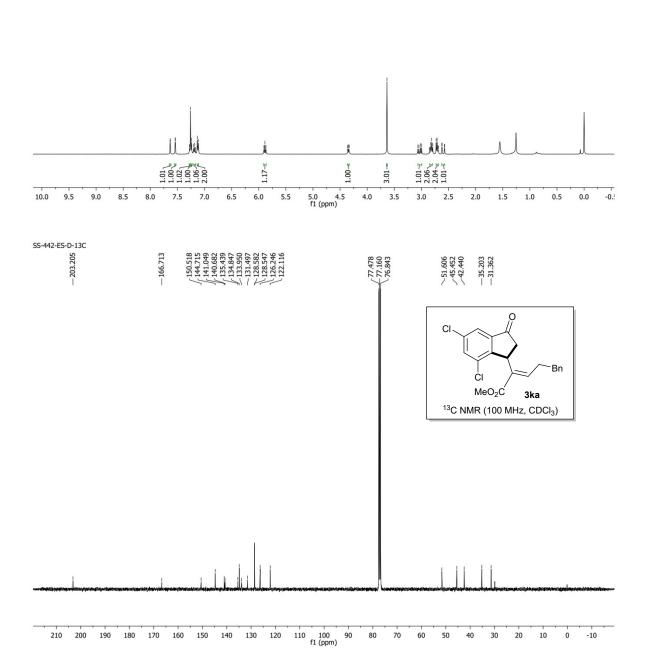


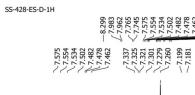




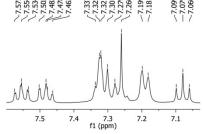


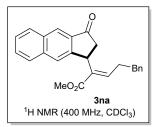


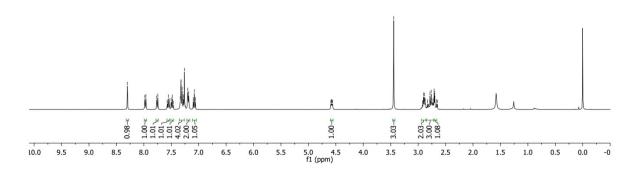


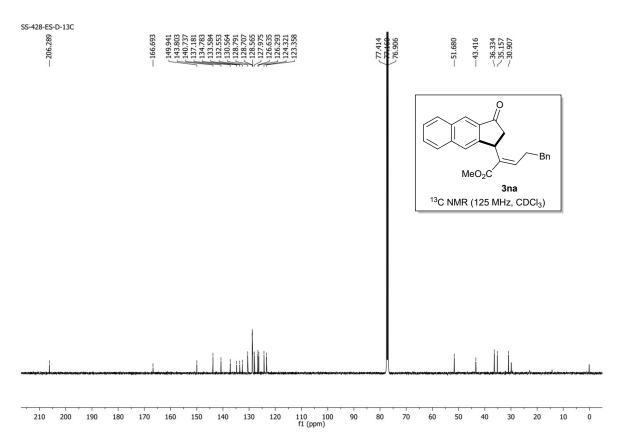


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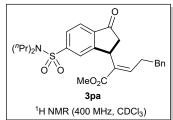


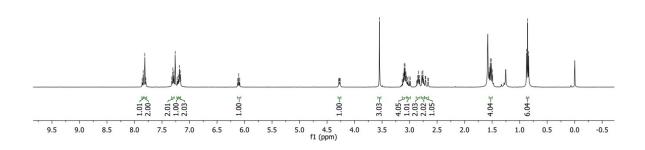


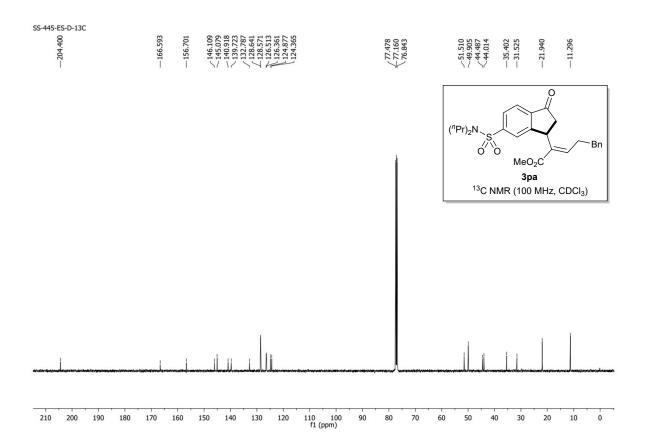


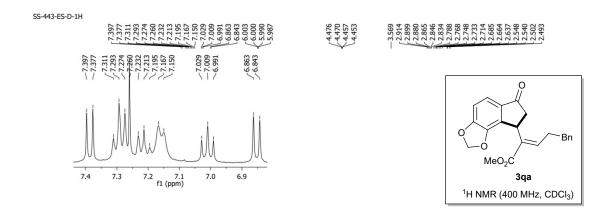
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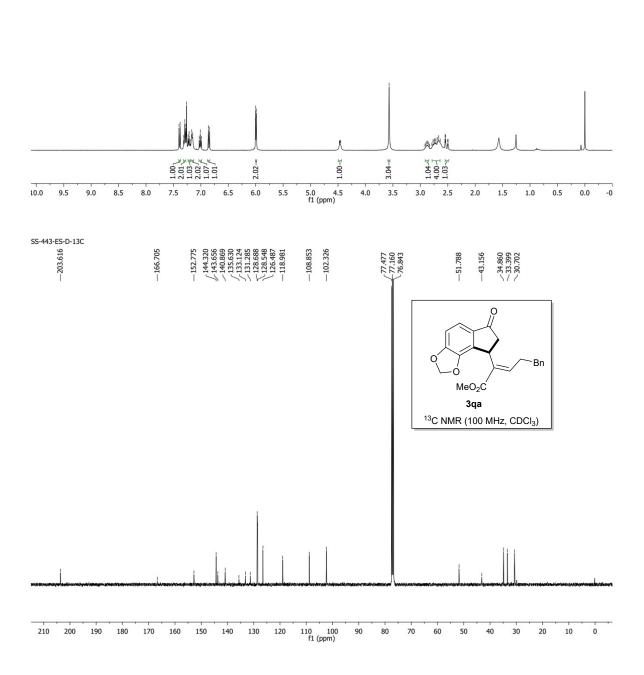
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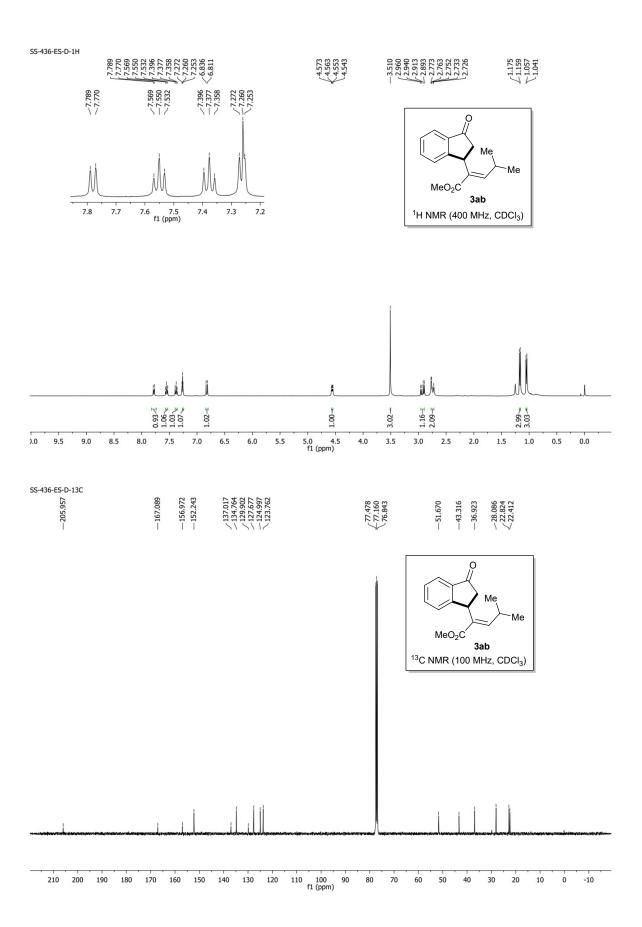


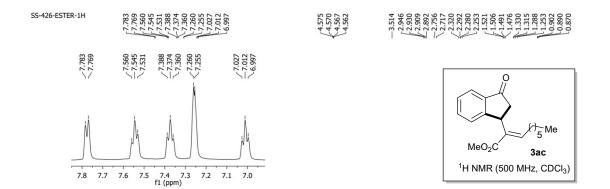


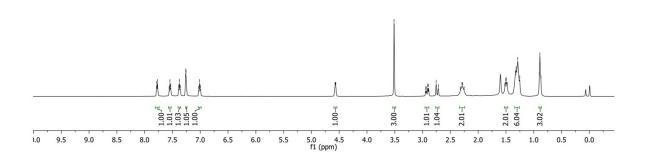


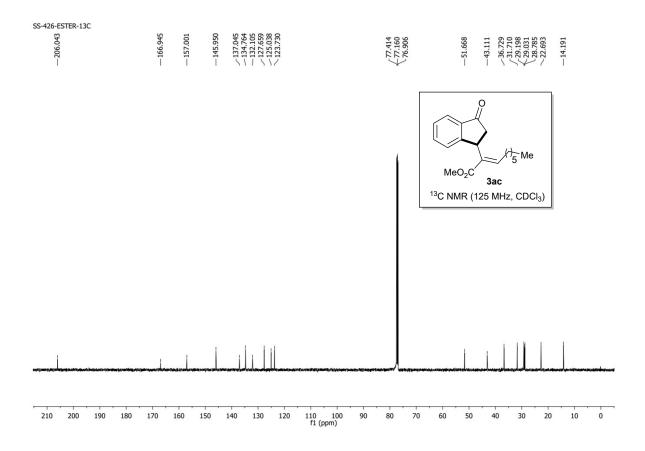


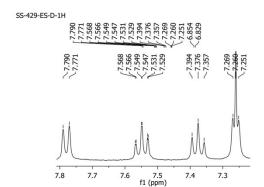




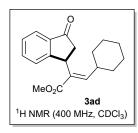


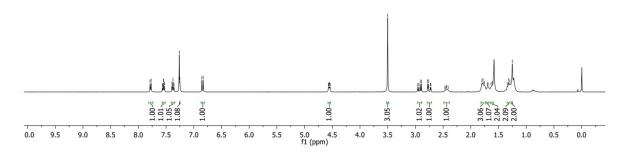


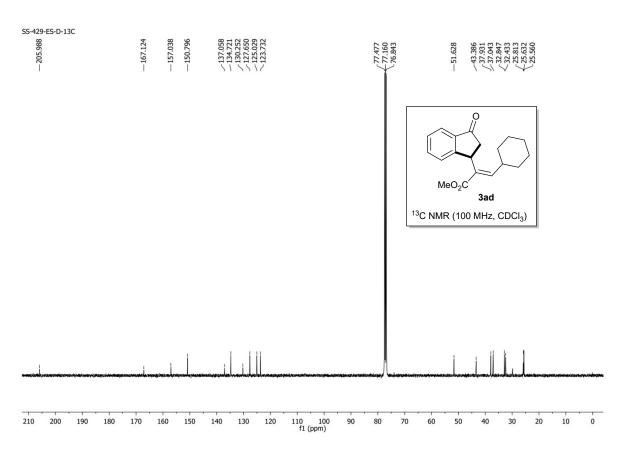


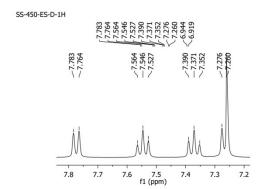


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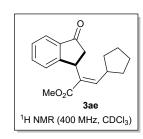


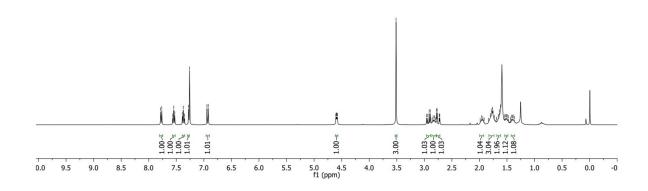


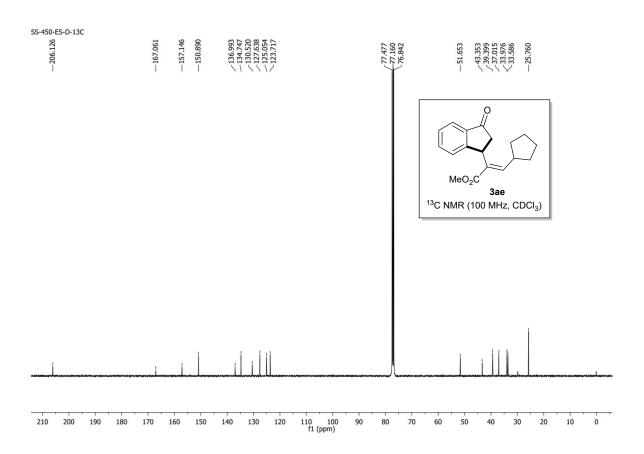


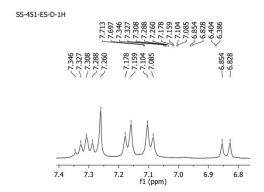


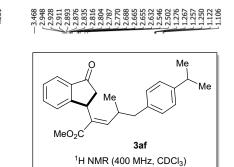
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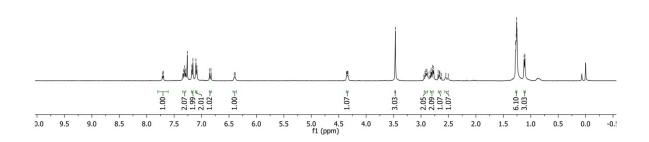


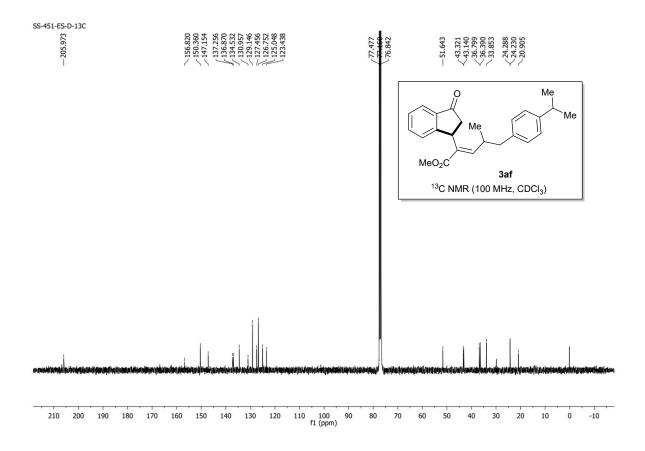


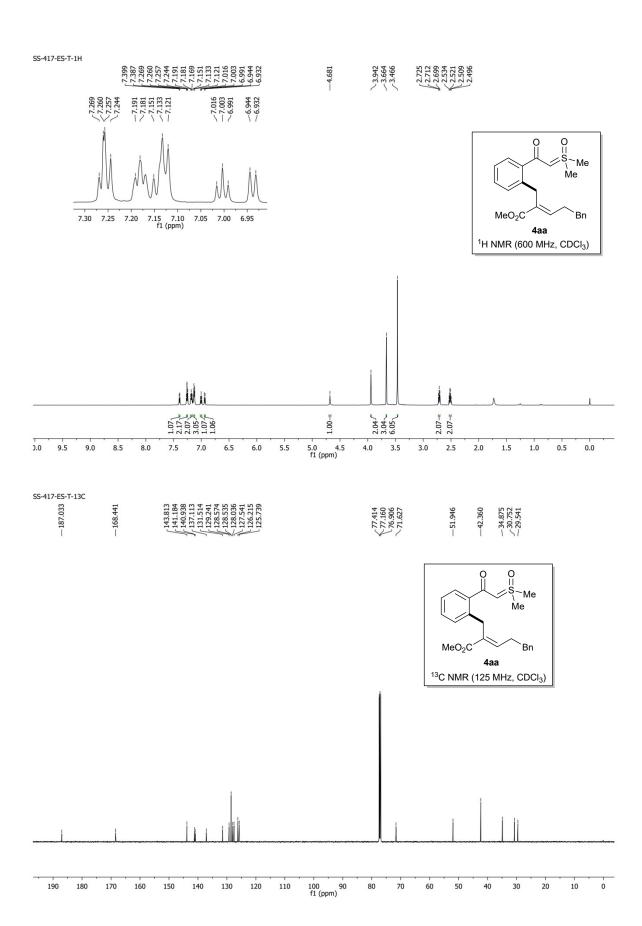


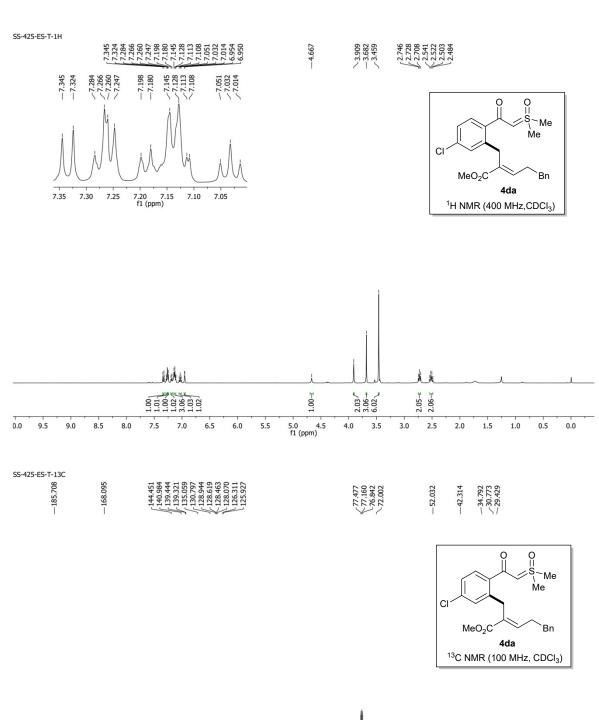


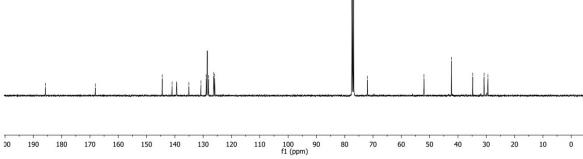


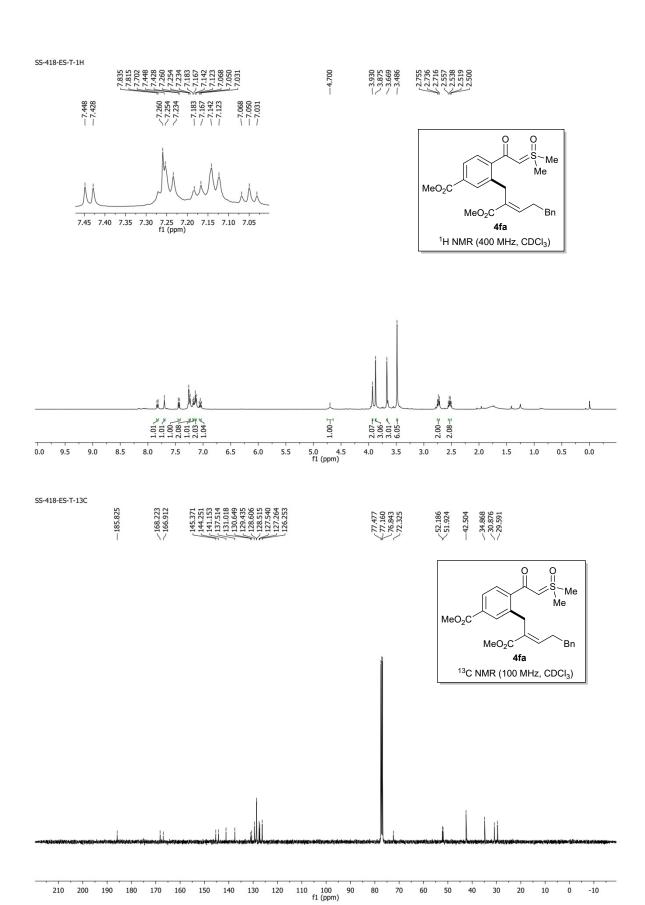


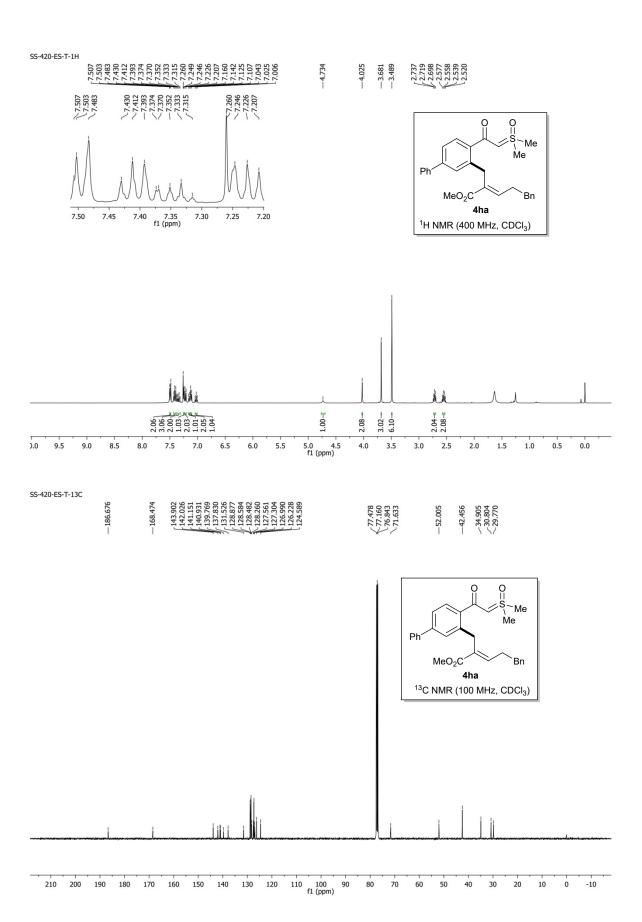


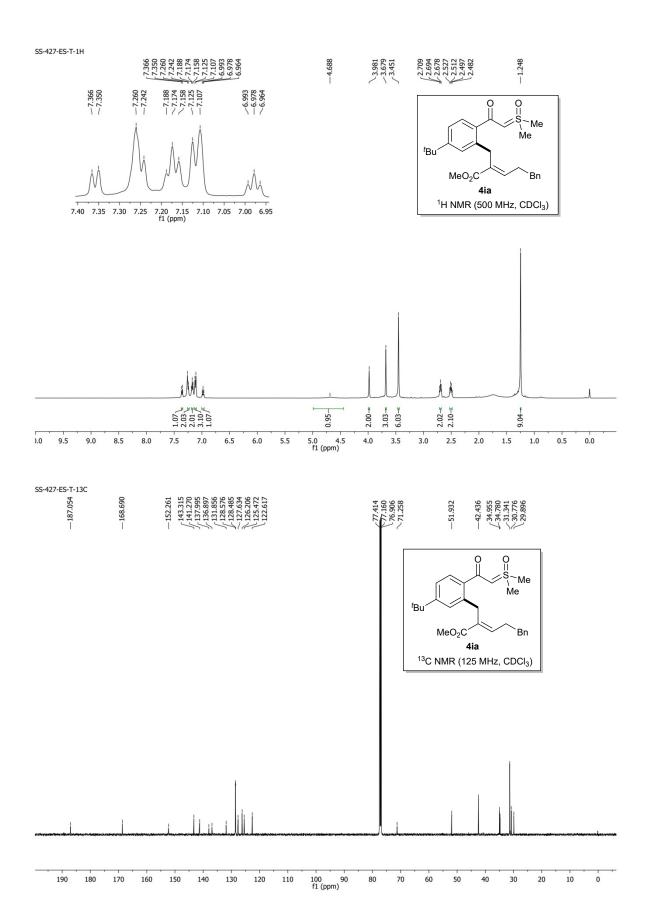


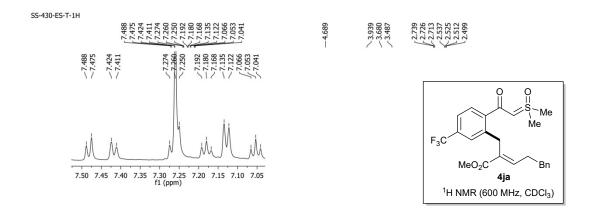


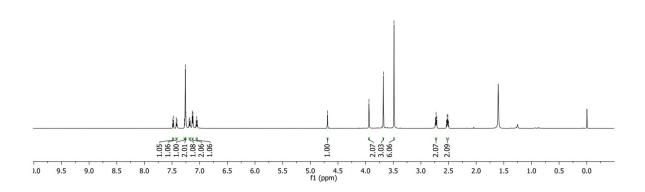


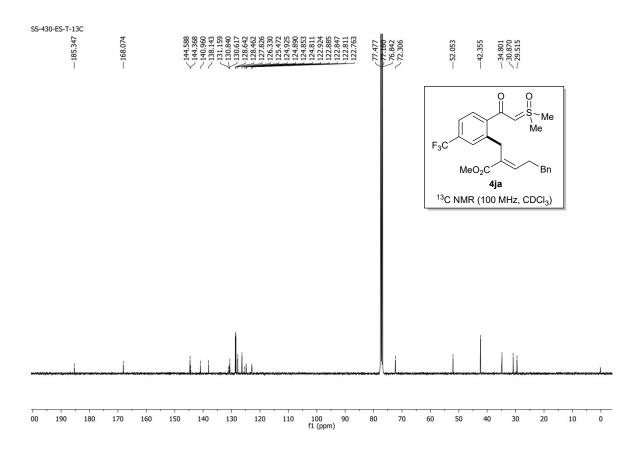




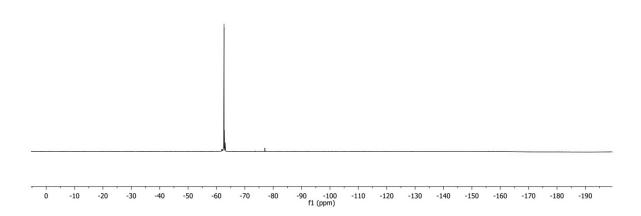


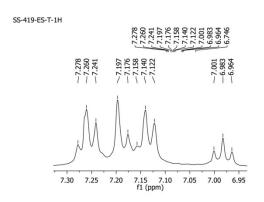


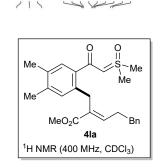


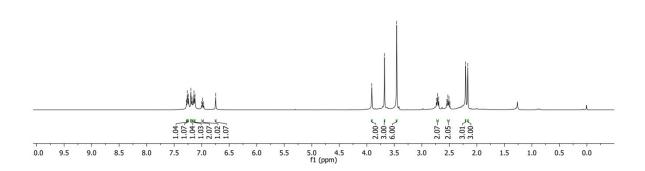


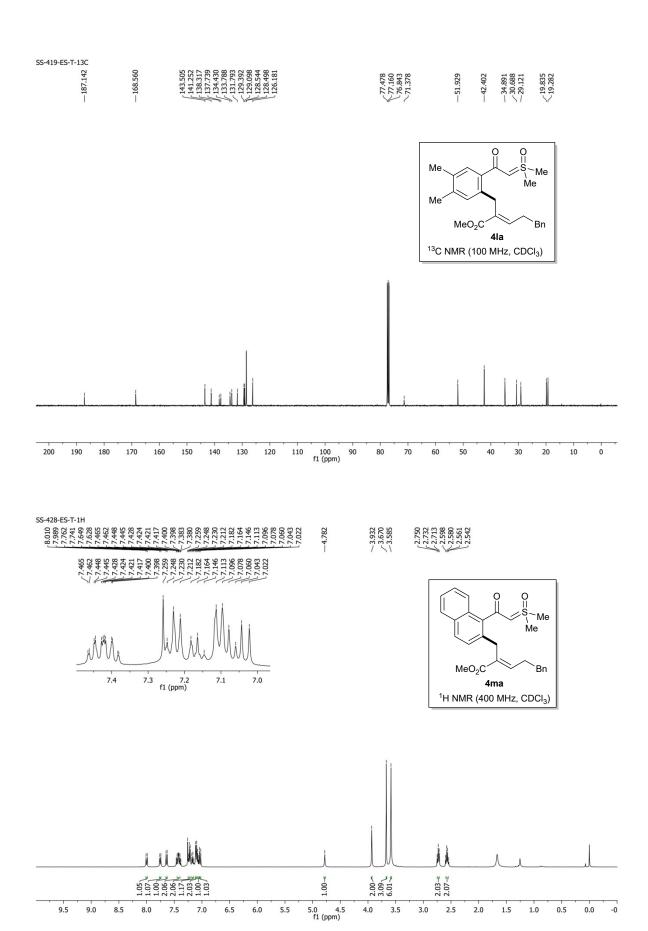
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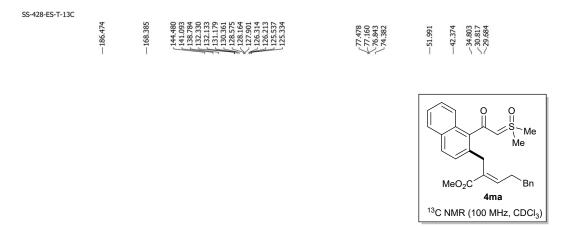


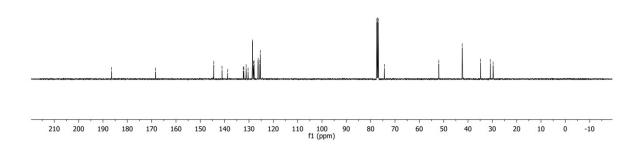


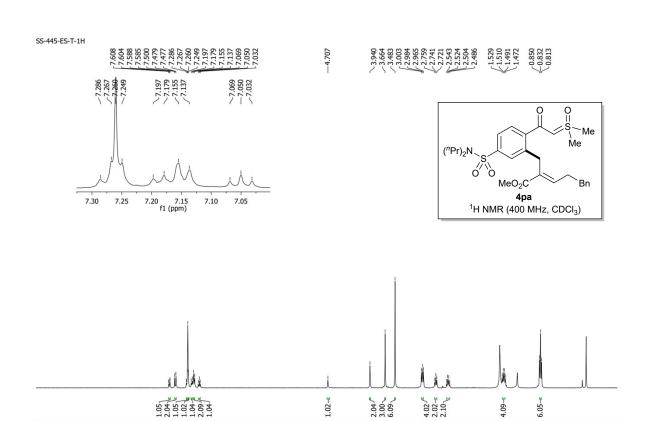












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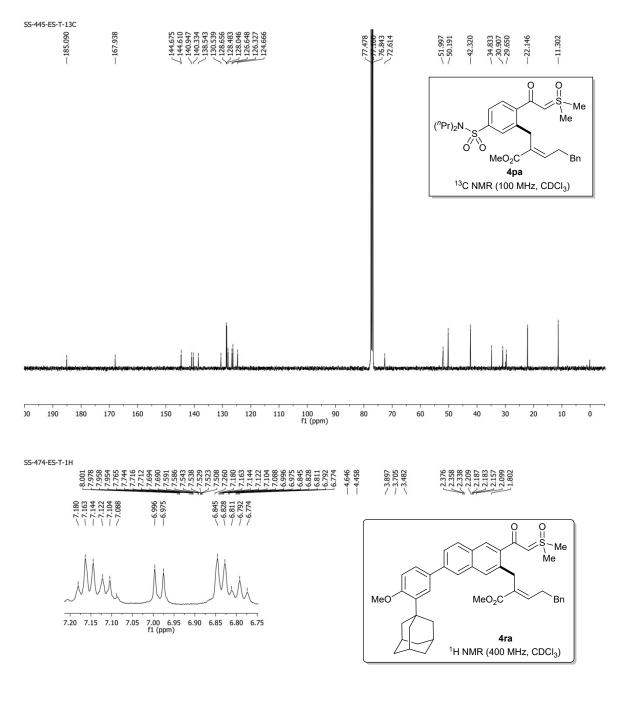
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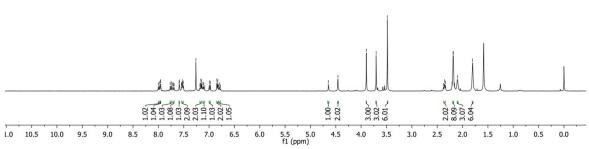
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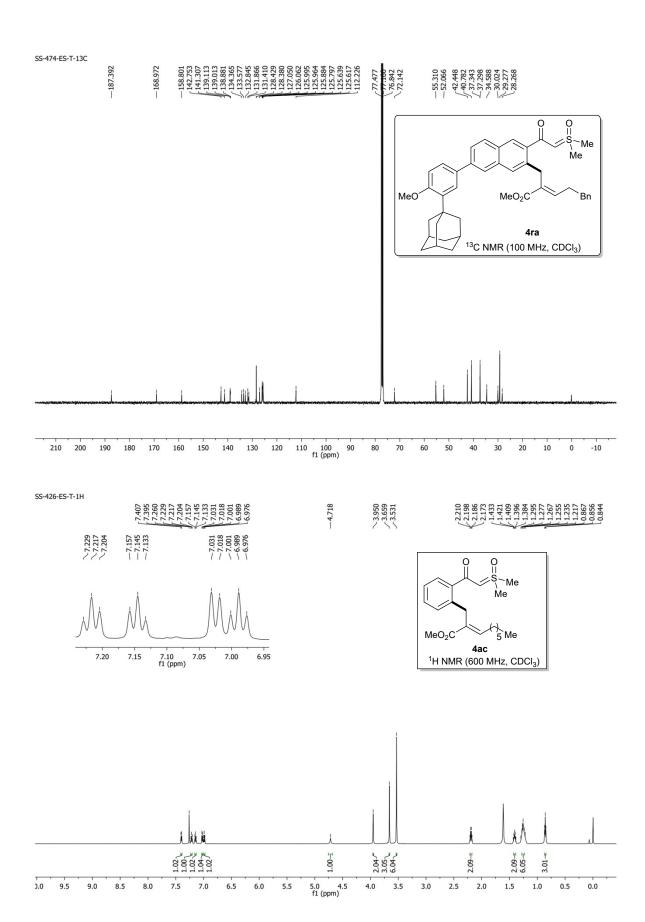
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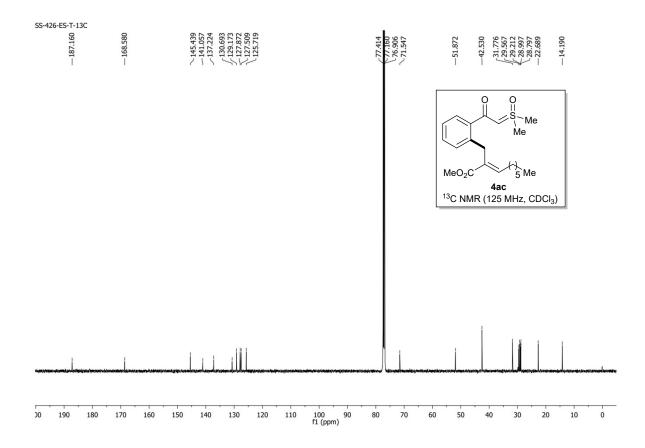
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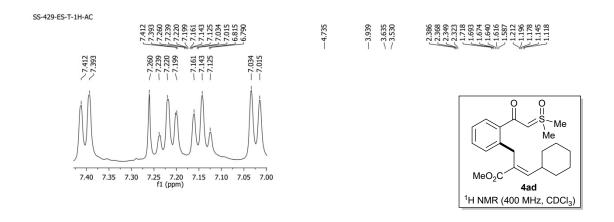
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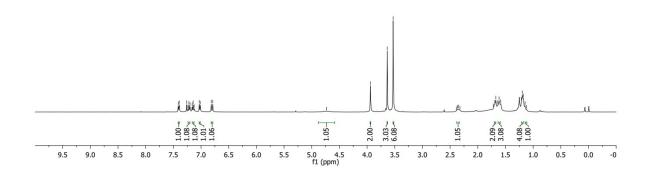


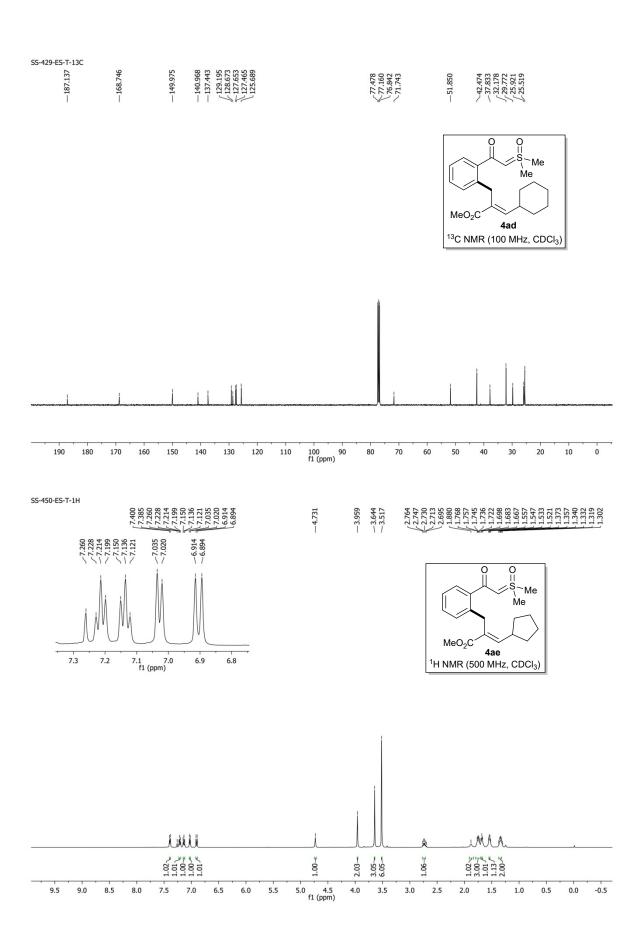


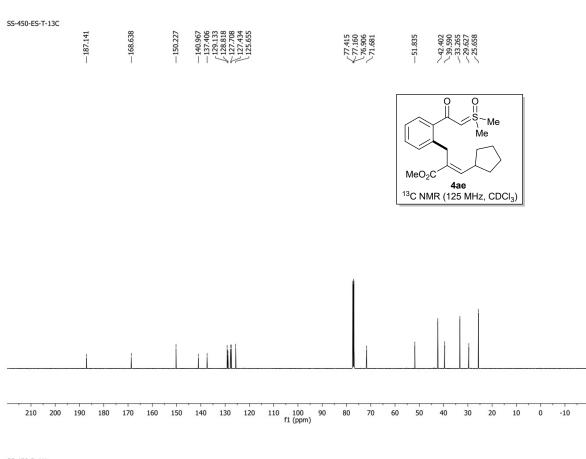


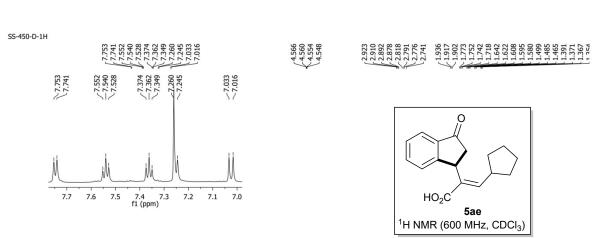


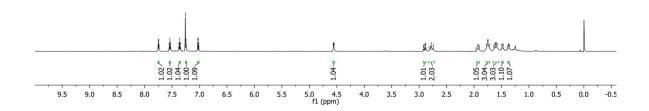


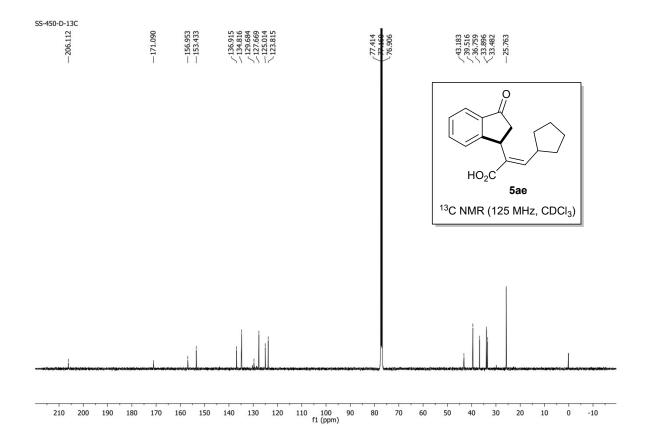


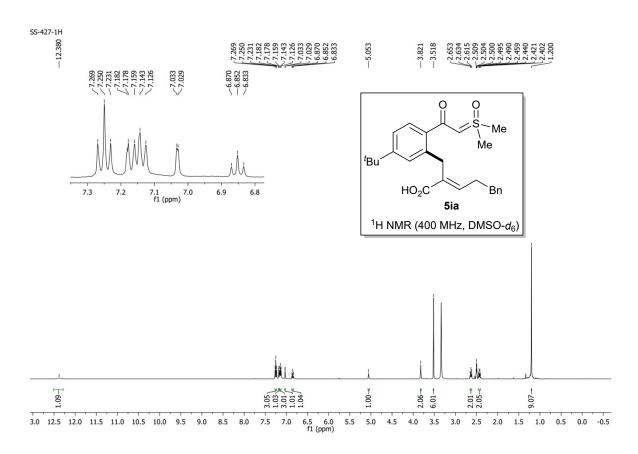


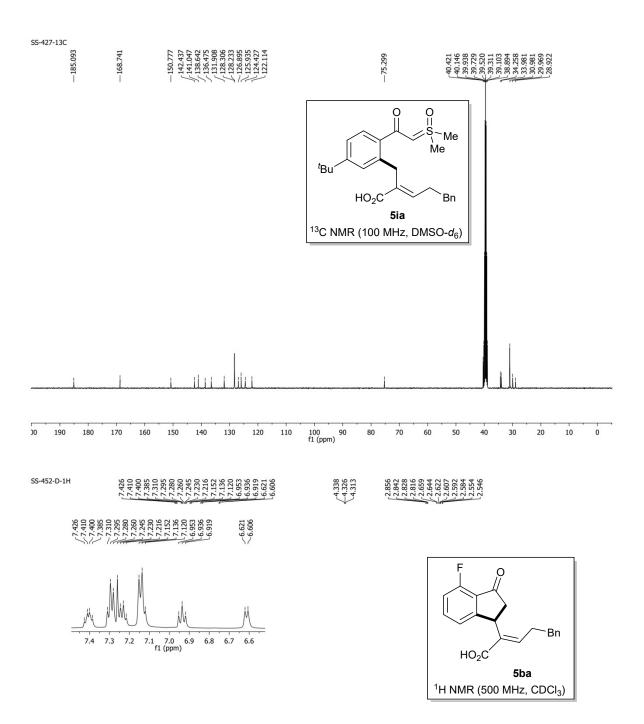


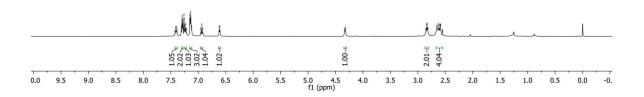


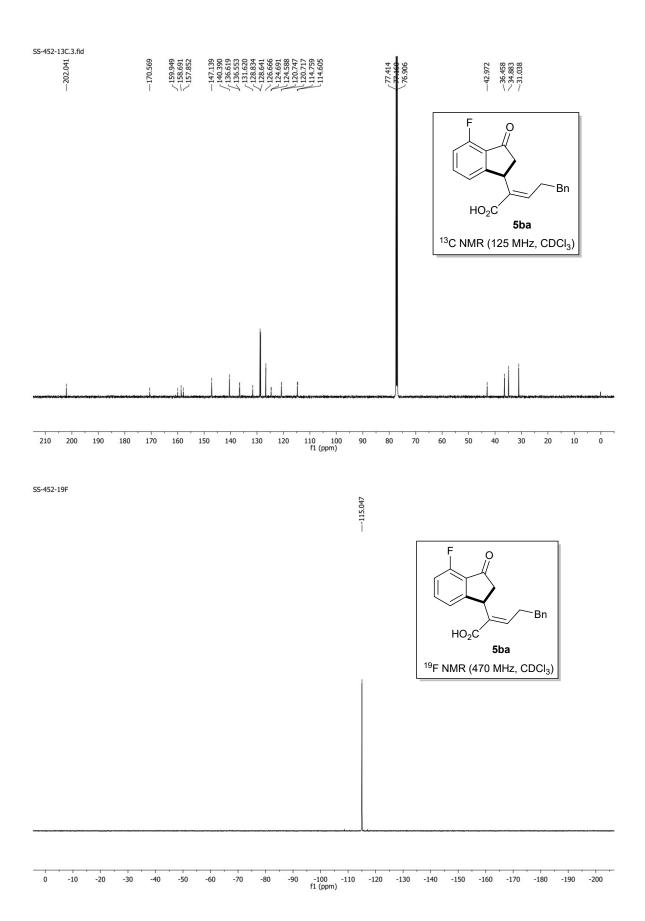








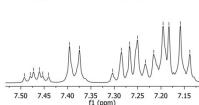




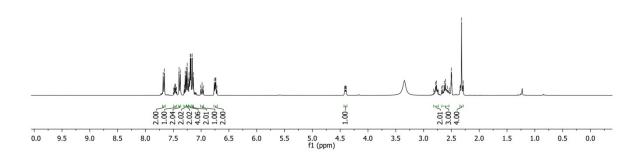
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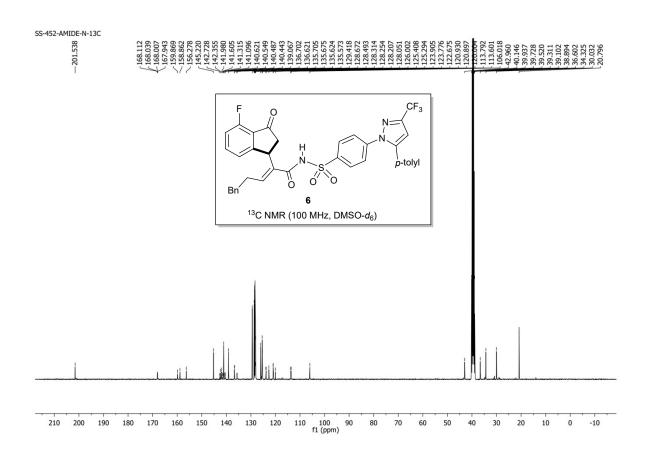
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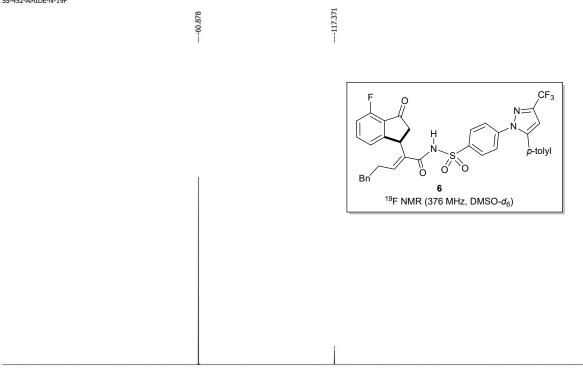


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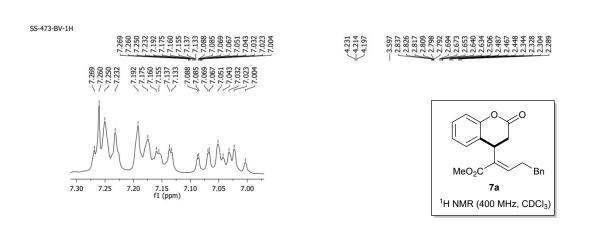


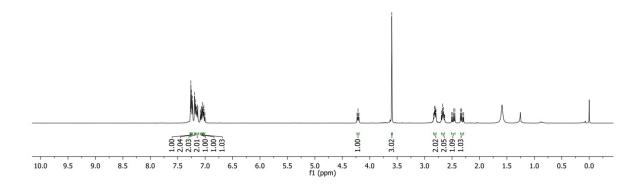


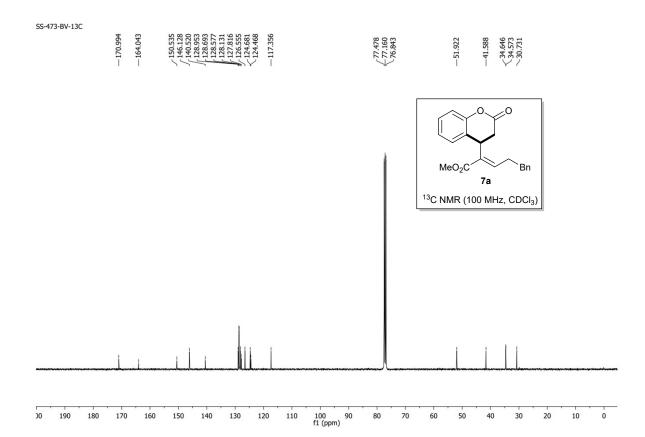


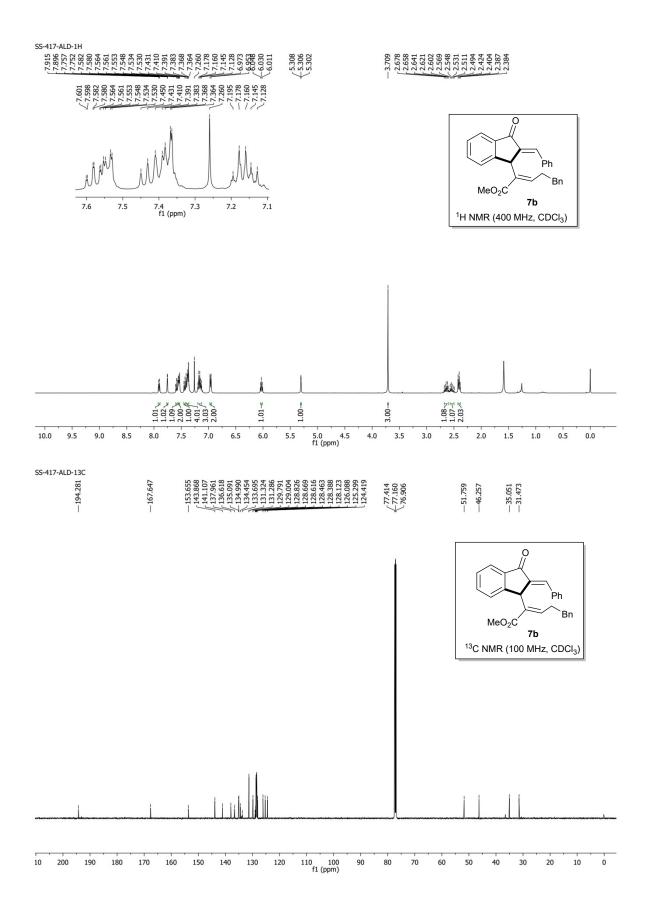


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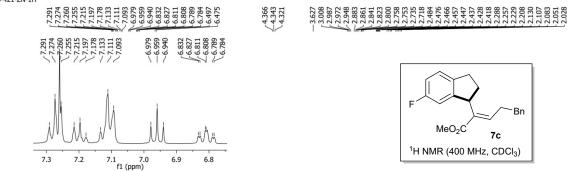


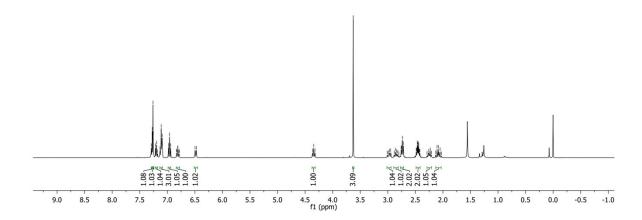


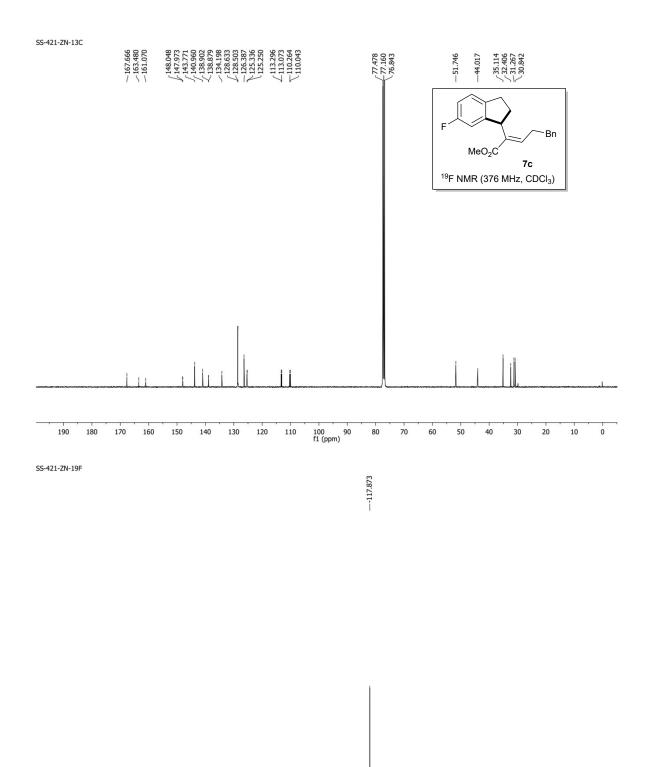












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