

# Electronic Supplementary Information

## Stille couplings in water at room temperature

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## 1. Experimental

### 1.1 General

All reactions were carried out under an Ar atmosphere with flame-dried microwave vials. Column chromatography was performed using Silicycle Silia-P 60 mesh flash silica gel. Thin-Layer-Chromatography analysis was conducted using commercially available EMD silica gel 60 F<sub>254</sub> plates. alkenyl halides and alkenyl triflates were prepared following literature procedures.<sup>1</sup> Organotin reagents such as (*E*)-3-(tributylstannyl)prop-2-en-1-ol and (*E*)-3-(tributylstannyl)allyl acetate were synthesized according to known procedures.<sup>2</sup> Solvents and other reagents were all obtained from commercial vendors and used with no further purification. All known compounds were identified by appropriate technique such as <sup>1</sup>H NMR, and compared with previously reported data. All new compounds were characterized by <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR, and HRMS analyses. TPGS-750-M can be obtained from Sigma-Aldrich as a 2 wt % solution in water (catalog #733857).

Nuclear Magnetic Resonance spectra were obtained on a Varian Inova system, in CDCl<sub>3</sub>, with <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C resonances at 500 and 125 MHz, respectively, and are referenced to the residual solvent signal at d 7.26 ppm for <sup>1</sup>H and d 77.00 ppm for <sup>13</sup>C. Data for <sup>1</sup>H are reported as follows: chemical shift (ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constant and integration. Data for <sup>13</sup>C NMR are reported in terms of chemical shift. GC/MS data was recorded on a 5975C Mass Selective Detector, coupled with a 7890A Gas Chromatograph (Agilent Technologies). As capillary column a HP-5MS cross-linked 5% phenylmethylpolysiloxanediphenyl column (30 m x 0.250 mm, 0.25 micron, Agilent Technologies) was employed. Helium was used as carrier gas at a constant flow of 1 mL/min. Retention times (t<sub>R</sub>) refer to the following temperature program: 70 °C for 0 min; heating rate 16 °C/min; 300°C for 5.625 min; injection temperature 250 °C; detection temperature 280 °C. GC analyses were recorded on a Hewlett-Packard HP 6890 chromatograph equipped with a capillary column HP-1 (30 m × 0.25 mm × 0.25 μm). Retention times (t<sub>R</sub>) refer to the following temperature program: 70 °C for 0 min; heating rate 20 °C/min; 280°C for 8.50 min; injection temperature 200 °C; detection temperature 290 °C. High resolution mass spectral data were acquired on either a VF Autospec or an analytical VG-70-250 HF spectrometer.

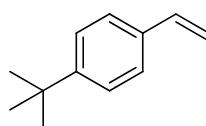
### 1.2 Experimental Procedures

**General procedure for Stille couplings in aqueous TPGS-750-M micelles:** Palladium catalyst (0.005 mmol), organohalides (0.250 mmol), DABCO (0.750 mmol), and NaCl (0.250 mmol) were weighed into a microwave vial at rt, and the organotin reagent (0.275 mmol) and 2 wt.% aqueous TPGS-750-M solution (1.0 mL) were then added by syringe (liquid organohalides were also added by syringe). The resulting solution was allowed to stir at rt, monitored by GC or TLC (slight of heating was needed in some cases). When the reaction was complete, the mixture was diluted with NEt<sub>3</sub> (0.3 mL) and EtOAc (4.0 mL), filtered through a bed of silica gel layered over Celite. The volatiles were removed *in vacuo* to afford the crude product that was analyzed by GC to obtain the extent of conversion (and Z/E ratio

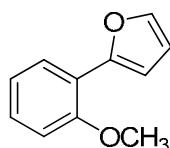
in the case of Z-alkenyl halides). Further column chromatography on silica gel was needed to afford the pure desired product.

**Procedure for recycling the aqueous solution of TPGS-750-M.** After completion of the reaction, the mixture was extracted with hexane (1 mL x 4). The organic layer was removed from the aqueous layer by syringe. The remaining hexane in the micellar solution was removed *in vacuo*. For the second run, fresh starting materials, along with Pd(P(*t*-Bu)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (2 mol %) and DABCO were added to the aqueous solution, and the reaction was conducted as described for the first run.

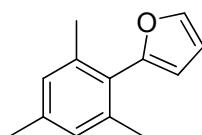
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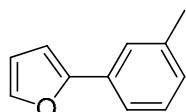
**1-*tert*-Butyl-4-vinylbenzene<sup>3</sup> (1).** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 1.34 (br, 9H), 5.20-5.22 (dd, J = 10.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.71-5.74 (dd, J = 17.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.69-6.75 (m, 1H), 7.37 (br, 4H).



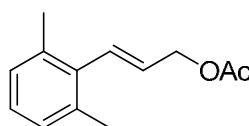
**2-(2-Methoxyphenyl)furan<sup>4</sup> (2).** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.96 (s, 3H), 6.51-6.52 (q, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.97-7.06 (m, 3H), 7.24-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.87-7.89 (dd, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H).



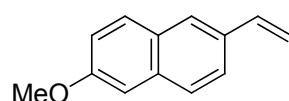
**2-Mesitylfuran<sup>5</sup> (3).** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.18 (s, 6H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 6.25-6.26 (dd, J = 3.0, 0.5 Hz, 1H), 6.48-6.49 (q, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (s, 2H), 7.50-7.51 (dd, J = 2.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H).



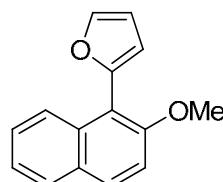
**2-*m*-Tolylfuran<sup>6</sup> (4).** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.39 (s, 3H), 6.46-6.47 (q, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.63-6.64 (dd, J = 3.0, 0.5 Hz, 1H) 7.08 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.29 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.51 (m, 3H).



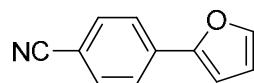
**(E)-3-(2,6-Dimethylphenyl)allyl acetate (5).** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 6H), 4.75-4.76 (dd, J = 6.5, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 5.77-5.87 (dt, J = 16.0, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 6.63-6.66 (d, J = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 7.02-7.08 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 20.8, 21.0, 65.2, 126.9, 127.7, 128.6, 131.9, 135.9, 170.8. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 204.1150, found 204.1142.



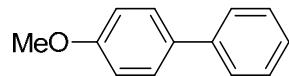
**2-Methoxy-6-vinylnaphthalene<sup>7</sup> (6).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.02 (s, 3H), 5.27-5.29 (dd,  $J = 11.0$ , 0.5 Hz, 1H), 5.80-5.84 (dd,  $J = 17.5$ , 0.5 Hz, 1H), 6.82-6.88 (dd,  $J = 18.0$ , 11.0 Hz, 1H), 7.11-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.60-7.72 (m, 4H).



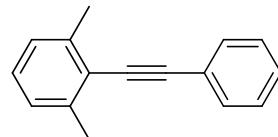
**2-(2-Methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)furan (7).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.93 (s, 3H), 6.30 (d,  $J = 1.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.34-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.66-7.67 (t,  $J = 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.81-7.91 (m, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  56.8, 110.8, 111.3, 113.5, 114.5, 123.8, 125.1, 126.9, 128.0, 129.0, 130.7, 133.7, 142.2, 148.8, 155.6. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2$  224.0837, found 224.0839.



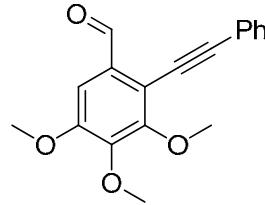
**4-(Furan-2-yl)benzonitrile<sup>8</sup> (8).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  6.52-6.53 (dd,  $J = 3.5$ , 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.81-6.82 (dd,  $J = 3.5$ , 0.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.73-7.75 (m, 2H).



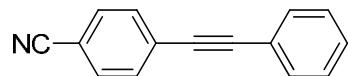
**4-Methoxybiphenyl<sup>9</sup> (9).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.86 (s, 3H), 6.98-7.00 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.44 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.53-7.57 (m, 4H).



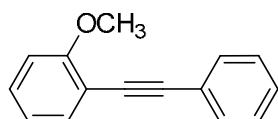
**1,3-Dimethyl-2-(phenylethynyl)benzene<sup>10</sup> (10).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.53 (s, 6H), 7.08 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.13-7.16 (dd,  $J = 8.5$ , 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.57 (m, 2H).



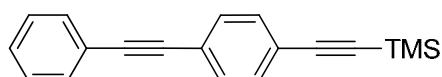
**3,4,5-Trimethoxy-2-(phenylethynyl)benzaldehyde (11).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.94 (s, 3H), 3.99 (s, 3H), 4.04 (s, 3H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.37-7.38 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.57 (m, 2H), 10.53 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  56.2, 61.2, 61.5, 80.6, 99.2, 105.3, 115.9, 122.7, 128.5, 128.8, 131.5, 131.8, 147.6, 154.0, 154.6, 190.6. HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_4$  296.1049, found  $(\text{M}+\text{Na})^+$  319.0933.



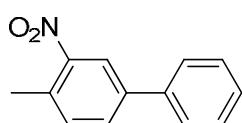
**4-(Phenylethynyl)benzonitrile<sup>11</sup> (12).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.38-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.53-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.60-7.65 (m, 4H).



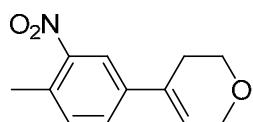
**1-Methoxy-2-(phenylethynyl)benzene<sup>12</sup> (13).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.92 (s, 3H), 6.90-6.96 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.36 (m, 4H), 7.50-7.51 (dd,  $J = 7.5, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.58 (m, 2H).



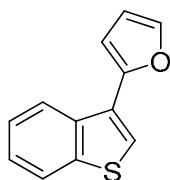
**Trimethyl((4-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)ethynyl)silane<sup>13</sup> (14).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  0.26 (s, 9H), 7.34-7.37 (m, 3H), 7.43-7.47 (m, 4H), 7.52-7.54 (m, 2H).



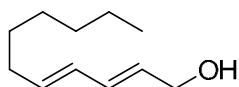
**4-Methyl-3-nitrobiphenyl<sup>14</sup> (15).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.64 (s, 3H), 7.39-7.49 (m, 4H), 7.59-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.72-7.74 (dd,  $J = 7.5, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d,  $J = 2.0$  Hz, 1H).



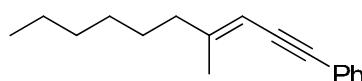
**4-(4-Methyl-3-nitrophenyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran (16).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.50-2.53 (m, 2H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 3.94-3.96 (t,  $J = 5.5$  Hz, 2H), 4.33-4.35 (q,  $J = 3.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.22-6.24 (m, 1H), 7.30 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.51-7.53 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 2.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d,  $J = 1.5$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  20.1, 26.9, 64.2, 65.7, 120.7, 124.3, 128.9, 132.1, 132.2, 132.8, 139.3, 149.3 HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_3$  219.0895, found ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$ ) 242.0781.



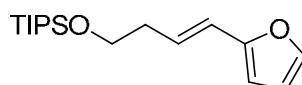
**2-(Benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)furan<sup>15</sup> (17).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  6.55-6.56 (dd,  $J = 3.0, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d,  $J = 3.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 7.90 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H).



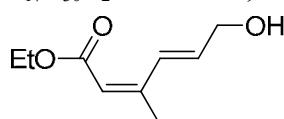
**(2E, 4E)-Undeca-2,4-dien-1-ol (18).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  0.87-0.90 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 3H), 1.26-1.39 (m, 8H), 2.06-2.10 (q,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 2H), 4.15-4.17 (t,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H), 5.68-5.75 (m, 2H), 6.02-6.07 (dd,  $J = 15.0, 10.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.19-6.24 (dd,  $J = 15.5, 10.5$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  14.1, 22.6, 28.9, 29.2, 31.7, 32.6, 63.6, 129.3, 132.2, 135.9. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}$  168.1514, found 168.1513.



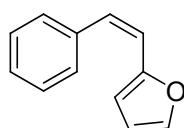
**(E)-(4-Methyldec-3-en-1-ynyl)benzene (19).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  0.88-0.91 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 3H), 1.26-1.33 (m, 6H), 1.43-1.54 (m, 2H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 2.21-2.15 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 7.26-7.32 (m, 3H), 7.42-7.44 (dd,  $J = 7.5, 1.5$  Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  14.1, 19.4, 22.6, 27.6, 28.9, 31.7, 38.8, 87.8, 91.7, 104.6, 124.1, 127.6, 128.2, 131.2, 153.0. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{22}$  226.1722, found 226.1728.



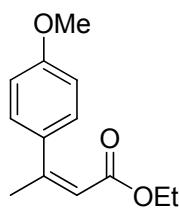
**(E)-(4-(Furan-2-yl)but-3-enyloxy)triisopropylsilane (20).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  1.07 (s, 18H), 2.41-2.45 (m, 3H), 3.69-3.83 (m, 4H), 6.14-6.39 (m, 5H), 7.03 (d,  $J = 2.0$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  12.0, 18.0, 36.6, 63.1, 106.2, 111.0, 120.2, 126.2, 141.3, 153.2. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}_2\text{Si}$  294.2015, found 294.1991.



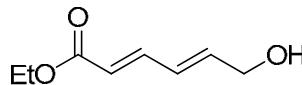
**(2Z, 4E)-Ethyl 6-hydroxy-3-methylhexa-2,4-dienoate (21).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  1.26-1.29 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H), 2.01 (d,  $J = 1.0$  Hz, 3H), 4.14-4.18 (q,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 2H), 4.32 (br, 2H), 5.70 (s, 1H), 6.20-6.25 (dt,  $J = 16.0, 5.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.76 (dd,  $J = 16.0, 1.0$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  14.3, 21.0, 59.8, 63.6, 117.9, 127.8, 135.9, 150.0, 166.2. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_3$  170.0943, found 170.0950.



**(Z)-2-Styrylfuran<sup>16</sup> (Z-22).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  6.25 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.32-6.33 (dd,  $J = 3.5, 2.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d,  $J = 12.5$  Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d,  $J = 12.5$  Hz 1H), 7.27-7.36 (m, 4H), 7.46 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H).



**(Z)-Ethyl 3-(4-methoxyphenyl)but-2-enoate<sup>17</sup> (Z-24).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  1.12-1.15 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 3H), 2.16 (d,  $J = 1.5$  Hz, 3H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 4.01-4.06 (q,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 5.87-5.88 (q,  $J = 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H).



**(2E,4E)-Ethyl 6-hydroxyhexa-2,4-dienoate<sup>18</sup> (25).**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  1.29-1.31 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz,

3H), 4.19-4.23 (q,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 2H), 4.30-4.31 (dd,  $J = 5.0, 1.0$  Hz, 2H), 5.89 (d,  $J = 15.5$  Hz, 1H), 6.20-6.25 (dt,  $J = 15.5, 5.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.39-6.45 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.32 (dd,  $J = 15.5, 11.0$  Hz, 1H).

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### 3. NMR Spectra of New Compounds

