# **Supporting Information**

# One-pot synthesis of $\alpha$ -iodoketones from alcohols using ammonium iodide and Oxone<sup>®</sup> in water

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# **General information**

All chemicals used were reagent grade and used as received without further purification. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded at 300, 400 and 500 MHz and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra 75 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>. The chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) are reported in ppm units relative to TMS as an internal standard for <sup>1</sup>H NMR and CDCl<sub>3</sub> for <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra. Coupling constants (*J*) are reported in hertz (Hz) and multiplicities are indicated as follows: s (singlet), d (doublet), dd (doublet of doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), and m (multiplet). Mass spectra were recorded under impact (EI) conditions at 70 eV. Column chromatography was carried out using silica gel (230-400 mesh).

# **General procedure**

Oxone® (2.2 mmol) was slowly added to a well stirred solution of NH<sub>4</sub>I (2.2 mmol) and alcohol (2 mmol) in water (10 ml) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stirr at 70 °C. After disappearance of alcohol (reaction was monitored by TLC) or after the appropriate time, the organic product mixture was extracted with DCM (3 x 25 mL). The organic layer was washed with 5% aqueous sodium thiosulfate solution (10 mL) and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was purified by column chromatography over silica gel using n-hexane-ethyl acetate as eluent to give desired products. All the products were identified by their <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR and mass spectra.

## <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C NMR and Mass Spectral data

### 2-Iodo-1-phenylethanone<sup>1</sup> (Table 2, entry 1)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 4.31 (s, 2H), 7.43-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.91-8.0 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ =1.6, 128.8, 130.0, 133.4, 133.7, 192.8.

MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 246 (M<sup>+</sup>) (10), 105 (100), 91 (32), 77 (41), 51 (33).

# 2-Iodo-1-(4-methylphenyl)ethanone<sup>1</sup> (Table 2, entry 2)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 2.43 (s, 3H), 4.29 (s, 2H), 7.19-7.31 (m, 2H) 7.81-7.91 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): *δ* = 1.9, 21.8, 129.1, 129.5, 130.9, 144.8, 192.5.

# 1-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-iodoethanone<sup>1</sup> (Table 2, entry 4)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 4.26 (s, 2H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.40 Hz, 2H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.40 Hz, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 1.1, 129.0, 130.4, 132.1, 191.8.

MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 324 (M<sup>+</sup>) (15), 183 (100), 169 (21), 90 (62), 50 (92).

# 1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2-iodoethanone<sup>1</sup> (Table 2, entry 5)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 4.27 (s, 2H), 7.11-7.19 (m, 2H), 7.96-8.05 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 1.3, 115.9 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 22.0 Hz), 129.8, 131.7 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 9.9 Hz),

165.9 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 256.4 Hz), 191.3.

# 2-Iodo-1-(4-nitrophenyl)ethanone<sup>1</sup> (Table 2, entry 6)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 4.34 (s, 2H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 8.33 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 0.9, 123.9, 130.0, 137.9, 150.5, 191.2.

# 2-Iodo-1-phenypropanone<sup>1</sup> (Table 2, entry 7)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 2.07 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 3H), 5.44 (q, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 18.1, 21.9, 128.6, 128.7, 130.1, 133.4, 194.7.

MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 260 (M<sup>+</sup>) (10), 105 (100), 91 (32), 77 (92), 51 (54).

#### 2-Iodocycloheptanone<sup>2</sup> (Table 2, entry 8)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 1.16-2.49 (m, 9H), 2.88-2.98 (m, 1H), 4.51 (dd, *J* = 5.28, 10.57

Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 25.4, 28.8, 30.0, 31.9, 35.6, 38.1, 207.7.

#### 2,7-Diiodocyclooctanone (Table 2, entry 9)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 1.32-1.69 (m, 6H), 2.34-2.43 (m, 4H), 4.76-4.83 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 22.4, 23.6, 23.8, 28.1, 37.5, 205.4.

#### 1-Iodo-2-nonanone (Table 2, entry 10)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.23-1.35 (m, 8H), 1.55-1.67 (m, 2H),

2.69 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.73 (s, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 6.2, 14.0, 22.5, 24.1, 28.9, 31.6, 39.3, 203.2.

#### **3-Iodo-2-nonanone (Table 2, entry 10)**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 0.82-0.97 (m, 3H), 1.19-1.39 (m, 8H), 1.83-1.97 (m, 2H), 2.39

(s, 3H), 4.39 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H).

#### 1,3-Diiodo-2-nonanone (Table 2, entry 10)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 0.89 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 1.24-1.37 (m, 8H), 1.92-2.07 (m, 2H),

3.85 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 2.6, 13.9, 22.4, 28.4, 29.0, 31.4, 34.3, 196.3.

#### 1,3-Diiodo-2-octanone (Table 2, entry 11)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 0.84-0.93 (m, 3H), 1.27-1.38 (m, 6H), 1.92-2.07 (m, 2H), 3.85 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 2.5, 13.9, 22.3, 28.4, 28.8, 30.9, 34.3, 196.4.

#### 2-Iodo-3-octanone (Table 2, entry 12)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.23-1.35 (m, 4H), 1.58-1.71 (m, 2H),

1.89 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 2.54-2.67 (m, 1H), 2.80-2.94 (m, 1H), 4.62 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 13.9, 21.6, 22.4, 24.1, 24.7, 31.2, 38.4, 205.3.

# 4-Iodo-3-octanone (Table 2, entry 12)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 0.91 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.14 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 1.23-1.45 (m,

4H), 1.86-1.99 (m, 2H), 2.55-2.70 (m, 1H), 2.79-2.95 (m, 1H), 4.46 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H).

#### 2,4-Diiodo-3-octanone (Table 2, entry 12)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 0.93 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.35-1.45 (m, 4H), 1.98 (d, J = 6.7 Hz,

3H), 2.01-2.13 (m, 2H), 5.02 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (q, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 13.8, 21.8, 21.9, 22.2, 28.9, 31.0, 33.8, 197.1.

#### 1-Iodo-4-phenyl-2-butanone<sup>3</sup> (Table 2, entry 13)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 2.87-3.05 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 2H), 7.11-7.29 (m, 5H).

### 3-Iodo-4-phenyl-2-butanone (Table 2, entry 13)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 2.33 (s, 3H), 3.09-3.21 (m, 1H), 3.41-3.52 (m, 1H), 4.64 (m, 1H), 7.11-7.33 (m, 5H).

# Copies of <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectra































































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