Exploitation of Rh (I)-Rh (III) Cycles in Enantioselective C-C Bond Cleavages: Access to β-Tetralones and Benzobicyclo[2.2.2]octenones

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General Methods:

All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of nitrogen in oven-dried glassware with magnetic stirring, unless otherwise indicated. Toluene, THF, diethyl ether, DCM were purified by a Innovative Technology Solvent Delivery System. All other reagents were used as obtained from the suppliers. Flash Chromatography was performed with Fluka silica gel 60 (0.040-0.063 µm grade). Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed with commercial glass plates coated with 0.25 mm silica gel (E. Merck, Kieselgel 60 F254). Compounds were visualized by UV-light at 254 nm and by dipping the plates in an ethanolic vanillin/sulfuric acid solution or an aqueous potassium permanganate solution followed by heating. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H-NMR) data were acquired on a Bruker AV400 (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, in parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane. Splitting patterns are designated as s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; g, guartet; sept, septet; m, multiplet, br, broad. Proton decoupled Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C-NMR) data were acquired at 100 MHz on a Bruker AV400 spectrometer, at 125 MHz on a Bruker AV500, at 150 MHz on a Bruker DRX600. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to the center line of a triplet at 77.0 ppm for chloroform-d. Infrared (IR) data were recorded on an Alpha-P Bruker FT-IR Spectrometer. Absorbance frequencies are reported in reciprocal centimeters (cm⁻¹). High resolution mass spectra were performed by a Agilent LC-MS TOF and are given in m/z. Optical rotations were measured on a Polartronic M polarimeter using a 0.5 cm cell with a Na 589 nm filter. The specific solvents and concentrations (in g/100 mL) are indicated.

Experimental Section

General procedure for substrates synthesis:

Cyclobutanones Syntheses: The required cyclobutanones were prepared according to: a) L. R. Krepski, A. Hassner *J. Org. Chem.* **1978**, *43*, 2879–2882; b) B. D. Johnston, E. Czyzewska, A. C. Oehlschlager *J. Org. Chem.*, **1987**, *52*, 3693-3697; c) P. P. Shao, F. Ye *Tetrahedron Lett.* **2008**, *49*, 3554–3557; d) W. Cao, I. Erden, R. H. Grow, J. R. Keeffe, J. Song, M. B. Trudell, T. L. Wadsworth, F. Xu, J. Zheng *Can. J. Chem.* **1999**, *77*, 1009; e) R. R. Galucci, R. Going *J. Org. Chem.* **1981**, *46*, 2532; f) K. Sugimoto, R. Hayashi, H. Nemoto, N. Toyooka, Y. Matsuya, *Org. Lett.* **2012**, *14*, 3510-3513.



Reaction conditions:

if X= Br, I: a) 1.2eq. NaH, 1.2eq. MePPh₃Br, DMSO. 60° C, 6h; b) i) 6eq. Zn/Cu, 1.5eq. POCl₃, 1.5eq. trichloroacetyl chloride, Et₂O, 40°C, sonication; ii) 6eq. Zn/Cu, 3eq. NH₄Cl, MeOH, 23°C; if X = OH: a) i) 1.1eq. BnBr, 1.2eq. K₂CO₃, 0.1eq. Kl, acetone, 50°C; ii) 1.2eq. NaH, 1.2eq. MePPh₃Br, DMSO. 60° C, 6h; b) i) 6eq. Zn/Cu, 1.5eq. POCl₃, 1.5eq. trichloroacetyl chloride, Et₂O, 40°C, sonication; ii) 6eq. Zn/Cu, 3eq. NH₄Cl, MeOH, 23°C; if X = OH: a) i) 1.1eq. BnBr, 1.2eq. NaH, 1.2eq. POCl₃, 1.5eq. trichloroacetyl chloride, Et₂O, 40°C, sonication; ii) 6eq. Zn/Cu, 3eq. NH₄Cl, MeOH, 23°C; iii) 1.2eq. ethylene glycol,0.1eq. p-TsOH, toluene, 120°C, 3h; iv) 0.1eq. Pd/C, H₂ 1atm, MeOH; v) 1.2eq. NaH, 1.2eq. PhNTf₂,THF, 23°C, 4h; vi) 5eq. 2M H₂SO₄, THF/water, 60°C, 4h.



Reaction conditions:

c) i) 10mol% [Pd(PPh₃)Cl₂], 20mol% Cul, 3eq. TMS-acetylene, THF/Et₃N 1:1, 24h, 23°C ; ii) 1.5eq. K₂CO₃, MeOH, 23°C, 1h; d) i) 5eq. Zn/Cu, 2.5eq. trichloroacetyl chloride, Et₂O/DME, 23°C, 2h, ii) 6eq. Zn/Cu, 3eq. NH₄Cl, MeOH, 23°C; e) i) 1.2eq. NaH, 1.1eq. PhNTf₂, THF, 23°C, 4h, ii) 10mol% Cul, 1.5 eq. RMgX, THF, -78°C, 2h.



Reaction conditions:

a) 2.5eq. NaH, 1.2eq. 1,3-dibromo-2,2-dimethoxypropane, DMSO, 70°C, 40h; b) 1.1eq. DIBAL-H, DCM, 1h, 0°C; c) 1.1eq. NaBH₄, MeOH, 0°C, 15min; d) 1.1eq. BnBr, 1.1eq. NaH, DMF, 2h, 23°C; e) 5eq. NaCN, DMSO, 180°C, 8h; f) 1.2eq. NaH, 1.1eq. PhNTf₂, THF, 23°C, 1h; g) 3eq. 2N HCl, acetone, 23°C, 1h; h) NaClO₂, H₂O₂, NaH₂PO₄, ACN/water, 1h, 23°C; i) 1.1eq. Mel, 1.1eq. K₂CO₃, DMF, 23°C, 24h; j) 1.1eq. BBr₃, DCM, -78°C, 1h.

Cyclobutanol Syntheses: To a 0°C cold solution of the Grignard reagent (1.5 equiv.) in dry THF (1 mL / mmol) was added the cyclobutanone (1 equiv.) as solution in dry THF (1 mL / mmol). The reaction was stirred for 4 h at 0°C. The reaction was quenched with sat. aq. NH₄Cl and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified on a short silica gel plug to give a mixture of *cis / trans* isomers of the *tert*-cyclobutanol in 50–95% yield. The cis and trans isomers of the cyclobutanols were separated by preparative HPLC and assigned by nOe analysis (see examples on scheme below).





trans-2-(3-hydroxy-1,3-dimethylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoromethane sulfonate (1a):

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.37 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 2.62 – 2.53 (m, 2H), 2.48 - 2.35 (m, 2H), 1.65 (s, 1H), 1.64 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, $CDCI_3$) δ = 148.0 , 142.8 , 129.1 , 128.2 , 128.0 , 121.6 - 120.8 (q, J = 1.4 Hz), 118.6 (q, J = 319.6 Hz), 70.1 , 49.1 , 34.6 , 31.2 , 30.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.4; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3366, 2970, 2932, 2872, 1443, 1204

1136, 1059, 892, 764, 651, 630, 959, 507 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₃H₁₆F₃O₄S - H₂O]⁺: 307.0610, found: 307.0607; **R**_f = 0.30 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 6:1).



trans-4-fluoro-2-(3-hydroxy-1,3-dimethylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoro methanesulfonate (1b):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.19 (dd, J = 8.6, 6.3 Hz, 2H), 7.13 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 2.60 - 2.45 (m, 1H), 2.45 - 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.68 (s, 1H), 1.62 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 161.0 (d, J = 249.2 Hz), 147.2 (d, J = 10.4 Hz), 139.9 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 129.6 (d, J = 8.7 Hz), 118.6 (g, J = 319.8 Hz), 115.4 (d, J = 20.5 Hz), 109.3 (d, J = 26.6 Hz), 68.8, 50.3, 31.2, 30.0, 30.0; ¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.3, -112.5; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3375, 2971,

2931, 2901, 1409, 1248, 1215, 1141, 1055, 970, 858, 847, 601 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calculated for $[C_{13}H_{15}F_4O_4S - H_2O]^+$: 325.0516, found: 325.0521; $R_f = 0.46$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 5:1).



trans-3-(2-bromo-5-methoxyphenyl)-3-methyl-1-methylcyclobutanol (1c):

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.39 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (dd, J = 8.7, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 2.69 – 2.56 (m, 2H), 2.47 – 2.32 (m, 2H), 1.65 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 158.8, 149.8, 134.8, 114.3, 112.5, 112.2, 69.4, 55.4, 49.1, 37.8, 30.4, 29.5; **IR (ATR)** \tilde{v} = 2962, 2929, 2867, 2836, 1591, 1568, 1466, 1408, 1374, 1295, 1246, 1228, 1196, 1066, 1047, 1017, 933, 802, 602 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calculated for $[C_{13}H_{17}BrO_2 - H_2O]^+$: 267.0379, found: 267.0374; $R_f = 0.19$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate).



trans-3-(2-bromo-4-methylphenyl)-1,3-dimethylcyclobutanol (1d):

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =7.35 (s, 1H), 7.06 (m, 2H), 2.69 – 2.58 (m, 2H), 2.45 - 2.35 (m, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.64 (s, 3H), 1.60 (s, 1H), 1.26 (s, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 145.6, 137.3, 134.6, 128.0, 127.5, 121.8, 69.6, 49.2, 37.3, 30.4, 29.7, 20.4; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3376, 2968, 2926, 2866, 1487, 1451, 1417, 1372, 1245, 1197, 1091, 1034, 952, 931, 819, 672, 564 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{13}H_{17}BrO - H_2O]^+$: 251.0430, found: 251.0429;

 $R_f = 0.25$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1).



trans-2-(1-ethyl-3-hydroxy-3-methylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoromethane sulfonate (1e):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.35 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.19 – 7.15 (m, 1H), 2.58 -2.50 (m, 2H), 2.44 - 2.36 (m, 2H), 2.05 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.60 (s, 1H), 1.26 (s, 3H), 0.62 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H);¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta = 148.3$, 139.4, 130.5, 127.9, 127.2, 120.8, 118.4 (q, *J* = 319.6 Hz), 69.6, 47.5, 38.1,

34.7, 30.7, 8.9; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.4; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3342, 2967, 2935, 2877, 1416, 1207, 1137, 1068, 893, 764, 652, 630, 596 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calculated for $[C_{14}H_{18}F_{3}O_{4}S - H_{2}O]^{+}$: 321.0767, found: 321.0765; *R* = 0.32 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 6:1).



trans-3-methoxy-2-(3-hydroxy-1-ethyl-3-methylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (1f):

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.20 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 2.57 - 2.38 (m, 4H), 2.29 - 2.15 (m, 1H), 2.15 - 2.00 (m, 1H), 1.60 (s, 1H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 0.77 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 159.7 , 149.1 , 128.8 , 127.8 , 118.7

(q, J = 319.8 Hz), 112.8, 110.6, 71.6, 55.9, 48.3, 48.3, 38.6, 34.2, 31.2, 9.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta = -74.3$; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu} = 3348$, 2958, 2916, 2849, 1605, 1575, 1466, 1438, 1417, 1266, 1251, 1213, 1142, 1083, 1057, 933, 843, 827, 730, 605, 512 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{15}H_{20}F_{3}O_{5}S - H_{2}O]^{+}$: 351.0872, found: 351.0870; $R_{f} = 0.35$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1).



*trans-*4-methyl-2-(3-hydroxy-1-ethyl-3-methylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (1g):

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (s, 1H), 2.55 – 2.48 (m, 2H), 2.44 – 2.32 (m, 5H), 2.03 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.57 (s, 1H), 1.27 (s, 3H), 0.63 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 146.4, 139.3, 137.3, 131.2, 128.6, 120.7, 118.7 (q, J = 319.7 Hz), 70.1, 47.8, 38.3, 34.8, 30.9, 21.4, 9.2; ¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.2 ; **IR (ATR)** \tilde{V} = 3345, 2967, 2934, 2877, 1488, 1416, 1378, 1247,

1207, 1140, 1065, 905, 879, 813, 705, 646, 623, 593, 584, 502 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{15}H_{20}F_{3}O_{4}S-H_{2}O]^{+}$: 335.0923, found: 335.0920; *R*_f = 0.52 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1).



cis-methyl 3-hydroxy-3-methyl-1-(2-(((trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl)oxy) phenyl)cyclobutanecarboxylate (1h):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 4.23 (s, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.01 – 2.92 (m, 2H), 2.72 – 2.63 (m, 2H), 1.30 (s, 3H); 1³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 177.7, 148.2, 135.2, 129.4, 129.1, 127.8, 120.9 (q, J = 1.5 Hz), 118.3 (q, J = 319.5 Hz), 69.8, 53.3, 47.4, 43.2, 28.7;

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.7; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3412, 2958, 2925, 2855, 1734, 1716, 1420, 1249, 1212, 1140, 1084, 1050, 895, 767, 591 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{15}H_{16}F_3O_6S - H_2O]^+$: 351. 0509, found: 351.0515; *R*_f = 0.15 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 5:1)



trans-2-(1-((benzyloxy)methyl)3-hydroxy-3-methylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (1i):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.40 – 7.28 (m, 8H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 4.64 (s, 2H), 4.37 (s, 1H), 3.53 (s, 2H), 2.78 – 2.66 (m, 2H), 2.65 – 2.51 (m, 2H), 1.27 (s, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 148.2, 138.3, 137.3, 130.5, 129.0, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 121.2, 118.6 (q, *J* = 319.7 Hz), 76.6, 74.2, 68.6, 46.8, 39.0, 29.0; ¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.4; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3297,

2959, 2927, 2859, 1450, 1516, 1370, 1255, 1206, 1070, 752, 698 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{20}H_{22}F_3O_5S - H_2O]^+$: 413.1029, found: 413.1032; *R* = 0.34 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 6:1)



trans-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methyl-1-(((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)methyl) cyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (1j):

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.37 – 7.12 (m, 4H), 4.44 (s, 1H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 2.74 – 2.62 (m, 2H), 2.61 – 2.48 (m, 2H), 1.24 (s, 3H), 1.15 – 1.05 (m, 3H), 1.03 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 18H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 148.3, 138.5, 130.7, 128.9, 128.2, 121.23, 118.6 (q, *J* = 319.7 Hz), 70.1, 68.7, 46.4, 40.4, 28.9, 18.2, 12.3; ¹⁹**F** NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.3; **IR (ATR)** \tilde{V} = 3448,

2944, 2894, 2868, 1420, 1248, 1213, 1141, 1094, 1056, 893, 791, 765, 684, 652, 597 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{23}H_{35}F_3O_5SSi - H_2O]^+$: 479.1894, found: 479.1899; *R*_f = 0.47 (Pentane/Dichloromethane 2:1)



trans-2-(3-hydroxy-1-methyl-3-vinylcyclobutyl)phenyltrifluoromethane sulfonate (1k):

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.36 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.21 (ddd, J = 7.1, 2.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (dd, J = 17.3, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (dd, J = 17.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (dd, J = 10.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 2.75 – 2.66 (m, 2H), 2.49 – 2.39 (m, 2H), 1.75 (s, 1H), 1.72 (s, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 147.8, 144.6,

143.0, 128.9, 128.3, 128.1, 118.6 (q, J = 319.5 Hz), 121.1 (q, J = 1.5 Hz), 111.9, 72.3, 47.5, 35.6, 30.7.; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta = -74.4$; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu} = 3359$, 2982, 2933, 1486, 1417, 1247, 1211, 1140, 1059, 920, 894, 851, 765, 650, 630, 596, 524 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₄H₁₆F₃O₄S - H₂O]⁺: 319.0610, found: 319.0608; **R**_f = 0.28 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 6:1).



trans-2-(1-ethyl-3-hydroxy-3-vinylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoromethane sulfonate (1I):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.37 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.22 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 5.97 (dd, J = 17.2, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (dd, J = 17.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (dd, J = 10.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 2.74 – 2.65 (m, 2H), 2.54 – 2.45 (m, 2H), 2.19 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.95 (s, 1H), 0.67 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** δ = 148.3, 144.7,

139.7, 130.6, 128.2, 127.4, 121.0, 118.6 (q, J = 319.7 Hz), 111.9, 72.3, 46.2, 39.3, 34.2, 9.1; ¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.4; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3340, 2968, 2936, 1444, 1416, 1206, 1136, 1068, 993, 889, 864, 763, 650, 628, 595, 522 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₅H₁₈F₃O₄S - H₂O]⁺: 333.0767, found: 333.0765; **R**_f = 0.53 (Pentane/Dichloromethane 1:1).



trans-2-(3-hydroxy-1-phenethyl-3-vinylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoro methanesulfonate (1m):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.40 – 7.27 (m, 8H), 7.22 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 5.92 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (dd, *J* = 10.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 3.59 (s, 2H), 2.90 – 2.68 (m, 4H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 148.1, 143.4, 138.1, 137.2, 130.4, 129.0, 129.0, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 121. , 118.5 (q, *J* = 319.7 Hz), 112.3, 76.3,

74.1, 70.6, 45.9, 39.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.4; ; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3426, 2927, 2857, 1417, 1363, 1247, 1207, 1137, 1120, 1075, 892, 747, 698, 629, 594, 524 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{21}H_{22}F_3O_5S - H_2O]^+$: 425.1029, found: 425.1032; **R**_f = 0.44 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 6:1).



trans-2-(3-hydroxy-1-phenethyl-3-vinylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoromethane sulfonate (1n):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.36 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 5.95 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 10.7 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (dd, *J* = 10.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 2H), 2.80 – 2.70 (m, 4H), 1.22 – 1.12 (m, 3H), 1.10 – 1.05 (m, 18H).; ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 148.2, 143.5, 138.4, 130.8, 128.9, 128.2, 121.2, 118.7 (g, *J* = 319.5 Hz), 112.4, 70.7, 70.0, 45.3, 40.8, 18.2, 12.3;

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.3; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3428, 2944, 2893, 2867, 1463, 1445, 1420, 1248, 1213, 1140, 1101, 1065, 920, 886, 791, 765, 682, 650, 597, 524 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{23}H_{35}F_3O_5SSi - H_2O]^+$: 491.1894, found: 491.1892; *R*_f = 0.33 (Pentane/Dichloromethane 3:1).



cis-methyl 3-hydroxy-1-(2-(((trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl)oxy)phenyl)-3vinylcyclobutanecarboxylate (10):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.43 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.32 (m, 2H), 5.93 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 10.7 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (dd, J = 17.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (dd, J = 10.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (s, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.09 – 2.98 (m, 2H), 2.93 – 2.81 (m, 2H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 177.7, 148.3, 142.6, 135.3, 129.7, 129.3, 128.2, 121.3 (d, J = 1.5 Hz), 118.6 (q, J = 319.6 Hz), 113.5, 72.0, 53.7,

46.8, 44.1; ¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.7; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3448, 2988, 2956, 2925, 1734, 1715, 1487, 1420, 1248, 1210, 1139, 893, 767, 629, 592, 523 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calculated for $[C_{15}H_{16}F_{3}O_{6}S - H_{2}O]^{+}$: 363.0509, found: 363.0509; $R_{f} = 0.29$ (Dichloromethane).



trans-4-chloro-2-(3-hydroxy-1-ethyl-3-vinylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoro methanesulfonate (1p):

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.26 - 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.10 (dd, J = 1.9, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.95 (dd, J = 17.2, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (dd, J = 17.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (dd, J = 10.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 2.73 - 2.56 (m, 2H), 2.54 - 2.35 (m, 2H), 2.16 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.61 (s, 1H), 0.67 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 146.6, 144.5, 142.0, 133.3, 130.5, 128.1 , 122.3, 118.6 (q, J = 319.8 Hz), 112.2, 72.2, 46.1, 39.6, 33.9, 9.1; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃)

 δ = -74.2; **IR (ATR)** \tilde{v} = 3333, 2970, 2936, 1469, 1421, 1248, 1214, 1140, 1105, 1082, 1070, 580 cm⁻¹: 897, 870. 818, 762, 666, 618, HRMS (ESI) calculated for 920. $[C_{15}H_{17}CIF_{3}O_{4}S - H_{2}O]^{+}$: 367.0377, found: 367.0378; *R* = 0.63 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1).



trans-4-methyl-2-(3-hydroxy-1-ethyl-3-vinylcyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoro methanesulfonate (1q):

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ = 7.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 5.95 (dd, J = 17.2, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (dd, J = 17.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (dd, J = 10.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 2.76 - 2.59 (m, 2H), 2.51 - 2.40 (m, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.14 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.65 (s, 1H), 0.65 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 146.3, 144.8, 139.4, 137.3, 131.0, 128.6, 120.7, 118.7 (q, J = 319.6 Hz), 111.8, 72.3, 46.2, 39.2,

34.2, 21.3, 9.1; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.4; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3447, 2980, 2936, 2878, 1739, 1488, 1417, 1401, 1374, 1243, 1207, 1140, 1065, 1045, 901, 877, 813, 704, 645, 621, 583, 501 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{16}H_{20}F_3O_4S - H_2O]^+$: 347.0923, found: 347.0918; $R_f = 0.61$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1).



trans-3-(2-bromo-4-methylphenyl)-3-methyl-1-vinylcyclobutanol (1r):

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.38 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.11 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 7.03 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (dd, J = 17.2, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (dd, J = 17.2, 1.1 Hz. 1H). 4.96 (dd. J = 10.6. 1.1 Hz. 1H). 2.80 – 2.69 (m. 2H). 2.52 – 2.41 (m. 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.71 (s, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, $CDCI_3$) δ = 146.0, 144.8, 137.5, 134.6, 128.2, 127.6, 121.6, 111.3, 71.9, 47.9, 38.5, 29.3, 20.5; **IR (ATR)** \tilde{V} = 3385, 2977, 2926, 2867, 1488, 1451, 1415, 1381, 1369, 1261,1238, 1063, 1034, 994, 957, 918, 819, 676, 569 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for

[C₁₄H₁₇BrO - H₂O]⁺: 263.0430, found: 263.0432; *R* = 0.32 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1).



trans- 3-(2-bromo-5-methoxyphenyl)-3-methyl-1-vinylcyclobutanol (1s):

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (dd, *J* = 17.3, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (dd, *J* = 17.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (dd, *J* = 10.6, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 2.78 – 2.69 (m, 2H), 2.51 – 2.39 (m, 2H), 1.72 (s, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 159.2, 150.4, 144.9, 135.0, 114.5, 112.6, 112.5, 111.7, 72.0, 55.8, 48.0, 39.2, 29.3; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3401, 2960, 2925, 2855, 1466, 1407, 1394, 1290, 1229, 1049 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₄H₁₈BrO₂ - H₂O]⁺: 279.0379, **I: R** = 0.35 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1)

found: 279.0381; *R*_f = 0.35 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1).



trans-3-(2-bromo-5-methoxyphenyl)-1-(prop-1-en-2-yl)-3-methyl cyclobutanol (1t):

¹**H**-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.95 – 4.71 (m, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 2.88 – 2.71 (m, 2H), 2.5 – 2.4 (m, 2H), 1.6 (s, 1H), 1.73 (m, 6H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 159.0, 150.6, 149.6, 134.7, 114.3, 112.3, 112.2, 109.6, 74.0, 55.6, 45.9, 38.5, 28.7, 17.5; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3435, 2966, 2934, 1593, 1568, 1466, 1408, 1296, 1233, 1173, 1048, 1016, 902, 800, 603, 446 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for

 $[C_{15}H_{20}BrO_2 - H_2O]^+$: 293.0536, found: 293.0534; $R_f = 0.58$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 5:1).



trans-2-(3-hydroxy-1-methyl-3-(prop-1-en-2-yl)cyclobutyl)phenyltrifluoro methanesulfonate (1u):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.35 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 4.89 (dd, *J* = 1.4, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (p, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 2.83 – 2.73 (m, 2H), 2.48 – 2.38 (m, 2H), 1.76 (s, 3H), 1.75 (dd, *J* = 1.5, 0.8 Hz, 3H), 1.73 (s, 1H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 149.6, 147.8, 143.4, 128.9, 128.3, 128.0, 121.1 (q, *J* = 1.8 Hz), 118.4 (q, *J* = 319.5 Hz), 110.0, 74.6, 45.6, 35.0, 30.4, 17.6; ¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃)

δ = -74.4; **IR (ATR)** \tilde{v} = 3377, 2980, 2933, 1486, 1443, 1418, 1248, 1212, 1140, 1075, 1056, 900, 850, 765, 650, 630, 959, 520 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{15}H_{18}F_3O_4S - H_2O]^+$: 333.0767, found: 333.0764; *R*_f = 0.50 (Pentane/Dichloromethane 3:1).



trans-2-(1-ethyl-3-hydroxy-3-(prop-1-en-2-yl)cyclobutyl)phenyl trifluoro methanesulfonate (1v):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.37 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 7.18 – 7.04 (m, 1H), 4.87 – 4.85 (m, 1H), 4.76 (p, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 2.77 – 2.64 (m, 2H), 2.53 – 2.34 (m, 2H), 2.18 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.72 (q, *J* = 0.9 Hz, 3H), 1.70 (s, 1H), 0.64 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 149.6, 148.3, 140.1, 130.6, 128.0, 127.4, 120.8 (q, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 118.6 (q, *J* = 319.5 Hz), 110.0,

74.7, 44.3, 38.9, 33.6, 17.6, 9.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -74.4; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3385, 2970, 2937, 2878, 1738, 1444, 1246, 1212, 1139, 1069, 1046, 898, 765, 735, 596 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₆H₂₀F₃O₄S - H₂O]⁺: 347.0923, found: 347.0920; **R**_f = 0.49 (Pentane/Dichloromethane 3:1).

General Procedure for the Synthesis of β-Tetralones 6:



The *tert*-cyclobutanol (0.100 mmol), $[Rh(cod)(OH)]_2$ (1.14 mg, 2.50 µmol), (*R*)-Segphos (6.00 µmol), *tert*-butyl acrylate (87 µL,0.500 mmol) and cesium carbonate (162.50 mg, 0.500 mmol) were weighted into an oven-dried vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar, capped with a septum and purged with nitrogen. Dry toluene (0.5 mL) was added and the mixture was degassed with three freeze-pump-thaw cycles. The mixture was stirred for 20 min at 23°C and subsequently immersed in a preheated oil bath at the indicated temperature (110°C or 125°C). After no more starting material was detected by TLC (12 h), the reaction mixture was cooled to 23°C and purified on a silica gel column. The product was eluted with Pentane/Ethyl Acetate (10:1 to 40:1) to give the β -Tetralones **6** as colorless oils in 66–74% yield.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of β -Tetralones 8:



X = **OTf:** The *tert*-cyclobutanol (0.100 mmol), $[Rh(cod)(OH)]_2$ (1.14 mg, 2.50 µmol), (*R*)-Segphos (6.00 µmol), and cesium carbonate (48.90 mg, 0.150 mmol) were weighted into an oven-dried vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar, capped with a septum and purged with nitrogen. Dry toluene (0.5 mL) was added and the mixture was degassed with three freeze-pump-thaw cycles.

X = **Br:** The *tert*-cyclobutanol (0.100 mmol), $[Rh(cod)(OH)]_2$ (1.14 mg, 2.50 µmol), (*R*)-Segphos (6.00 µmol), silver acetate (16.70 mg, 0.100 mmol), triphenylphosphine (26.20 mg, 0.100 mmol) and cesium carbonate (48.90 mg, 0.150 mmol) were weighted into an oven-dried vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar, capped with a septum and purged with nitrogen. Dry toluene (0.5 mL) was added and the mixture was degassed with three freeze-pump-thaw cycles.

In both cases, the mixture was stirred for 20 min at 23°C and subsequently immersed in a preheated oil bath at the indicated temperature (110°C or 125°C). After no more starting material was detected by TLC (12 h), the reaction mixture was cooled to 23°C and purified on a silica gel column. The product was eluted with Pentane/Ethyl Acetate (10:1 to 40:1) to give the β -Tetralones **8** as colorless oils in 63–89% yield.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of benzobicyclo[2.2.2]octenones 11 :



X = OTf: The *tert*-cyclobutanol (0.100 mmol), $[Rh(cod)(OH)]_2$ (1.14 mg, 2.50 µmol), (*R*)-Segphos (6.00 µmol), and cesium carbonate (48.90 mg, 0.150 mmol) were weighted into an oven-dried vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar, capped with a septum and purged with nitrogen. Dry toluene (0.1 mL) was added and the mixture was degassed with three freeze-pump-thaw cycles.

X = **Br:** The *tert*-cyclobutanol (0.100 mmol), $[Rh(cod)(OH)]_2$ (1.14 mg, 2.50 µmol), (*R*)-Segphos (6.00 µmol), silver acetate (16.70 mg, 0.100 mmol), triphenylphosphine (26.20 mg, 0.100 mmol) and cesium carbonate (48.90 mg, 0.150 mmol) were weighted into an oven-dried vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar, capped with a septum and purged with nitrogen. Dry toluene (0.1 mL) was added and the mixture was degassed with three freeze-pump-thaw cycles.

In both cases, the mixture was stirred for 20 min at 23°C and subsequently immersed in a preheated oil bath at the indicated temperature (110°C or 125°C). After no more starting material was detected by TLC (12 h), the reaction mixture was cooled to 23°C and purified on a silica gel column. The product was eluted with Pentane/Ethyl Acetate (10:1 to 40:1) to give the benzobicyclo[2.2.2]octenones **11** as colorless oils in 48–67% yield.



di-tert-butyl 3,3'-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-1,1diyl)dipropanoate (6a):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 67% (29.1 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹H-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.42 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 3H), ²BuO₂C **6a** CO₂*t*Bu (dd, *J* = 15.3, 11.5, 4.1 Hz, 2H), 1.39 (s, 18H), 1.32 (s, 6H); ¹³C-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 211.9, 172.7, 145.0, 139.7, 127.9, 127.4, 127.3, 125.6, 80.7, 55.0, 52.3, 39.2, 35.0, 31.8, 31.4, 28.4; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2974, 2932, 2871, 1725, 1486, 1445, 1422, 1366, 1303, 1287, 1256, 1213, 1147, 847, 761, 552; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₂₆H₃₉O₅]⁺: 431.2792, found: 431.2787; **R**_f = 0.36 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1).



4,4-dimethyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-2(1H)-one (8a):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 88% (15.3 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.42 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.22 (td, J = 7.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 2.53 (s, 2H), 1.34 (s, 6H); ¹³**C-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 210.3, 144.8, 132.8,

129.2, 127.4, 127.1, 124.8, 54.2, 44.2, 37.3, 29.6; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2962, 2886, 2867, 1721, 1490, 1450, 1308, 1239, 762; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{12}H_{15}O]^+$: 175.1117, found: 175.1110; $R_f = 0.30$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1).



6-fluoro-4,4-dimethyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-2(1H)-one (8b):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.080 mmol scale, 72% (10.1 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.37 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (td, J = 8.7, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (dt, J = 8.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (s, 2H), 2.52 (s, 2H), 1.32 (s, 6H); ¹³**C-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 209.0, 160.8 (d, J = 361.2 Hz), 155.0

(d, J = 10.7 Hz), 140.6 (d, J = 62.0 Hz), 126.1 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 115.2 (d, J = 21.3 Hz), 113.9 (d, J = 20.9 Hz), 53.8, 43.8, 36.6, 29.4;¹⁹**F-NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta = -116.6$; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu} = 2959$, 2936, 2877, 2837, 1720, 1597, 1578, 1467, 1438, 1379, 1311, 1283, 1250, 1132, 1080, 1050, 777, 741; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{12}H_{14}FO]^+$: 193.1023, found: 193.1021; $R_f = 0.61$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 5:1).

4,4,7-trimethyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-2(1H)-one (8c):



Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.040 mmol scale, 74% (6.1 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.04 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.61 (s, 2H), 2.50 (s, 2H), 1.33 (s, 6H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 210.4, 158.8, 146.0, 129.8,

124.6, 111.8, 110.9, 55.5, 53.9, 43.3, 37.2, 29.3; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2961, 2874, 1717, 1611, 1577, 1494, 1464, 1424, 1291, 1235, 1191, 1166, 1077, 1043, 816, 471 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{13}H_{17}O_2]^+$: 205.1223, found: 205.1217; **R**_f = 0.42 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 8:1).

4,4,7-trimethyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-2(1H)-one (8d):



Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 77% (14.6 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (s, 2H), 2.51 (s, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 6H); 1³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 210.3, 141.7, 136.6, 132.5, 129.6, 128.0,

124.5, 54.2, 44.0, 36.9, 29.5, 21.0; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2961, 2929, 2887, 2872, 1720, 1502, 1459, 1386, 1305, 1257, 1242, 718, 545 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{13}H_{17}O]^+$: 189.1274, found: 189.1271; *R*_{*f*} = 0.27 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1).



4-ethyl-4-methyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-2(1H)-one (8e):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 85% (16.0 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

) ¹**H-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.35 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.21 (td, J = 7.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.16 – 7.08 (m, 1H), 3.69 (d, J = 21.6 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (d, J = 21.6 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (d, J = 21.6 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (d, J = 21.6 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (d, J

1H), 3.62 (d, J = 21.6 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 1.73 – 1.48 (m, 2H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 0.81 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta = 210.4$, 143.2, 133.1, 129.1, 126.9, 126.8, 125.7, 51.7, 44.0, 40.5, 33.9, 26.6, 8.9; IR (ATR) $\tilde{V} = 3064$, 3023, 2965, 2937, 2879, 1717, 1489, 1460, 1395, 1382, 1299, 1253, 1230, 759, 734, 460; HRMS (ESI) calculated for $[C_{13}H_{17}O]^+$: 189.1274, found: 189.1268; $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = +60$ (c = 3 mg/ml, CHCl₃); $R_{f} = 0.50$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1); HPLC separation (column AZH Hexane/Isopropanol 98:2 30min), 94% ee.





4-ethyl-5-methoxy-4-methyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-2(1H)-one (8f): Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.060 mmol scale, 74% (4.8 mg) isolated as a colorless oil. ¹**H-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.16 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, J = 7.9 Hz,

1H), 6.70 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.66 (d, J = 20.6 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (d, J = 20.6 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 2.16

(dq, J = 14.8, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.49 (dq, J = 14.7, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 0.75 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta = 210.7, 158.8, 135.7, 131.0, 127.8, 121.9, 110.0, 55.5, 53.4, 44.6, 43.8, 33.9, 27.8, 9.7;$ **IR (ATR)** $<math>\tilde{\nu} = 2959, 2936, 2877, 2837, 1720, 1598, 1578, 1467, 1438, 1379, 1311, 1283, 1250, 1080, 1050, 777, 741;$ **HRMS (ESI)** $calculated for <math>[C_{14}H_{19}O_2]^+$: 219.1380, found: 219.1370; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -22$ (c = 2.5 mg/ml, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.44$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1); HPLC separation (two IC column connected in series, Hexane/Isopropanol 99:1 50 min), 90% *ee*.





4-ethyl-4,6-dimethyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-2(1H)-one (8g): Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.080 mmol scale, 74% (14.0 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.14 (s, 1H), 7.08 - 6.91 (m, 2H), 3.64 (d, *J* = 21.8 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (d, *J* = 21.8 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (d, *J* = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (d, *J* = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.77 - 1.44 (m, 2H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 0.81

(t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 211.0, 143.3, 136.5, 130.1, 129.1, 127.8, 126.4, 52.0, 43.8, 40.7, 34.2, 26.8, 21.7, 9.1; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2959, 2936, 2877, 2837, 1720, 1597, 1578, 1467, 1438, 1379, 1311, 1283, 1250, 1080, 1050, 777, 741; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₄H₁₉O]⁺: 203.1430, found: 203.1427; [α]_D²⁰ = 62 (c = 8 mg/ml, CHCl₃); *R*_f = 0.72 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1); HPLC separation (column IC Hexane/Isopropanol 99:1 20min), 93% *ee*.





methyl 1-methyl-3-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-1-carboxylate (8h): Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 63% (13.8 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.46 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 3.75 (d, J = 21.0 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.58 (d, J = 21.0 Hz, 1H), 3.03 (d, J = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (d, J = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 1.70

(s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 207.5, 174.8, 137.9, 133.8, 129.1, 128.2, 127.5, 126.0, 52.9, 49.2, 43.9, 29.9, 24.0; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2942, 2891, 2866, 1723, 1492, 1463, 1388, 1368, 1146, 1105, 1068, 1013, 997, 882, 808, 759, 683, 660, 504, 457; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{13}H_{15}O_3]^+$: 219.1016, found: 219.1013; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = +45 (*c* = 10 mg/ml, CHCl₃); *R_f* = 0.47 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 4:1); HPLC separation (column AZH Hexane/Isopropanol 90:10 30min), 98% ee.





4-((benzyloxy)methyl)-4-methyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-2(1H)-one (8i): Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.090 mmol scale, 89% (22.5 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.42 – 7.07 (m, 9H), 4.43 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 209.8,

141.2, 138.3, 134.6, 129.0, 128.6, 127.9 127.7, 127.4, 127.1, 125.7, 79.1, 73.6, 50.6, 44.3, 42.1, 24.8; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3063, 3029, 2963, 2935, 2858, 1718, 1493, 1460, 1099, 762, 738, 699, 456; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{19}H_{21}O_2]^+$: 281.1536, found: 281.1536; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = +38 (*c* = 10 mg/ml, CHCl₃); *R_f* = 0.46 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 5:1); HPLC separation (column AYH Hexane/Isopropanol 95:2 20min), 89% *ee*.





4-methyl-4-(((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)methyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthalen -2(1H)-one (8j):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 72% (25.1 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.39 (dd, J = 7.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.08 (m, 1H), 3.75 – 3.56 (m, 4H), 2.72 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.47 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.04 – 0.95 (m, 3H), 0.95 – 0.89

(m, 18H); ¹³**C-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 209.6, 141.2, 134.5, 128.9, 127.3, 127.1, 126.0, 72.8, 50.1, 44.3, 43.5, 24.4, 18.2, 12.2; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2942, 2891, 2866, 1723, 1492, 1463, 1388, 1368, 1146, 1105, 1068, 1013, 997, 882, 808, 759, 683, 660, 504, 457; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{21}H_{35}O_2Si]^+$: 347.2401, found: 347.2396; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = +33 (*c* = 4 mg/ml, CHCl₃); *R_f* = 0.27 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 15:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 99:1 20min), 94% ee.





di-tert-butyl 3,3'-(4-ethyl-4-methyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro naphthalene-1,1-diyl)dipropanoate (6e):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.080 mmol scale, 67% (23.8 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.37 – 7.19 (m, 4H), 2.73 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H), 2.42 – 2.27 (m, 2H), 2.20 – 2.07 (m, 2H), 2.07 – 1.96 (m, 2H), 1.85 – 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.68 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.49

(q, J = 14.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 9H), 1.38 (s, 9H), 1.25 (s, 3H), 0.82 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta = 212.0$, 172.4, 172.4, 143.3, 140.0, 127.4, 127.0, 126.8, 126.0, 80.5, 80.5, 54.6, 48.5, 42.1, 35.5, 34.8, 34.5, 31.1, 31.0, 29.2, 28.1, 28.1, 8.7; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu} = 2974$, 2934, 2879, 1727, 1455, 1422, 1367, 1300, 1283, 1249, 1213, 1150, 892, 848, 762, 591; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{27}H_{41}O_5]^+$: 445.2949, found: 445.2953; $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = +4$ (c = 6 mg/ml, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.36$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1); HPLC separation (column IB Hexane/Isopropanol 99:1 20min), 92% *ee*.





di-tert-butyl 3,3'-(4-((benzyloxy)methyl)-4-methyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetra hydronaphthalene-1,1-diyl)dipropanoate (6i):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0. 800 mmol scale, 66% (28.5 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.34 – 7.18 (m, 9H), 4.45 (s, 2H), 3.42 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H) 2.48 – 2.37 (m, 1H), 2.29 (ddd, *J* = 13.6, 11.4, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.22 – 1.95 (m, 4H), 1.84 (ddd, *J* = 15.6, 11.3, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.80

- 1.68 (m, 1H), 1.39 (s, 9H), 1.37 (s, 9H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 211.4, 173.0, 172.7, 141.3, 141.0, 138.4, 128.7, 128.2, 128.0, 127.9, 127.3, 127.2, 126.4, 80.8, 80.5, 78.8, 73.4, 54.8, 48.0, 43.5, 36.6, 33.6, 31.4, 31.4, 28.4, 27.0; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2976, 2931, 2856, 1725, 1454, 1418, 1392, 1367, 1245, 1213, 1145, 1097, 1053, 930, 847, 830, 751, 735, 698, 600, 506 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{33}H_{45}O_6]^+$: 537.3211, found: 537.3199; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = 17 (*c* = 2.5 mg/ml, CHCl₃); *R_f* = 0.4 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 5:1); HPLC separation (column ID Hexane/Isopropanol 98:1 20min), 86% ee..





di-tert-butyl 3,3'-(4-ethyl-4,6-dimethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro naphthalene-1,1-diyl)dipropanoate (6g):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 74% (33.8 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (m, 2H), ^(H) 2.70 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H), 2.41 – 2.27 (m, 6H), 2.18 – 2.06 (m, 2H), 1.98 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 11.6, 4.2 Hz, 2H),

1.86 – 1.74 (m, 2H), 1.67 (dt, J = 14.8, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.53 – 1.41 (m, 3H), 1.39 (s, 9H), 1.38 (s, 9H), 0.83 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 212.6, 172.8, 172.8, 143.6, 137.3, 136.6, 128.7, 127.2, 126.8, 80.7, 54.7, 48.9, 42.4, 35.8, 35.3, 34.8, 31.5, 31.4, 29.5, 28.4, 28.4, 21.6, 9.1; **IR (ATR)** $\tilde{V} =$; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $[C_{27}H_{41}O_5]^+$: 445.2949, found: 445.2953; **[α]**_D²⁰ = +1.7 (c = 15 mg/ml, CHCl₃); $R_f =$ (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1); HPLC separation (column IB Hexane/Isopropanol 99:1 20min), 94% ee.





Me 4-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11k):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 51% (9.5 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

^O ¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ = 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.22 (m, 2H), 3.61 (t, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, 1H), 2.19 – 2.08 (m, 1H), 2.02 (dd,

J = 18.5, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.86 – 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.51 – 1.42 (m, 1H), 1.53(s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 212.2, 145.5, 137.0, 127.6, 127.2, 125.6, 121.5, 53.4, 48.6, 38.7, 32.9, 25.0, 22.2; **IR (ATR)** \tilde{V} = 2926, 2927, 2871, 1734, 1481, 1455, 1402, 1379, 1184, 1090, 755, 489 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₃H₁₅O]⁺: 187.1117, found: 187.1119; **[α]**_D²⁰ = -208.7 (*c* = 2.5 mg/ml, CHCl₃); *R*_f = 0.43 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 98:2 20min), 97% ee.



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## 4-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11I):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 74% (11.1 mg) isolated as a colorless oil. ¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  = 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.19 (m, 2H),

3.60 (t, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (dddd, J = 13.1, 10.6, 4.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.07 – 1.91 (m, 3H), 1.86 (ddd, J = 12.5, 10.5, 4.6 Hz, 1H),

1.81 – 1.71 (m, 1H), 1.38 (dddd, J = 12.4, 11.4, 4.6, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃)  $\delta = 212.4$ , 145.1, 137.5, 127.5, 127.0, 125.8, 122.0, 53.4, 45.4, 41.8, 29.6, 27.8, 24.7, 9.1; **IR (ATR)**  $\tilde{V} = 2963$ , 2939, 2869, 1732, 1480, 1459, 1181, 755, 500; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₄H₁₇O]⁺: 201.1274, found: 201.1273; **[\alpha]**_D²⁰ = -338.7 (*c* = 2.5 mg/ml, CHCl₃); **R**_f = 0.46 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 98:2 20min), 94% ee.





# A-((benzyloxy)methyl)-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11m):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.060 mmol scale, 51% (9.0 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

11m 1H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.40 – 7.21 (m, 7H), 7.18 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 3.86 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (t, J = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 1H), 2.17 – 2.00 (m, 2H), 1.93 – 1.77 (m, 1H), 1.70 (m, 1H), 1.57 – 1.54 (m, 1H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 211.5, 143.0, 138.3, 136.9, 128.6, 127.9, 127.7, 127.4, 127.1, 125.6, 122.1, 73.7, 73.2, 53.2, 44.2, 43.0, 28.0, 24.1.; **IR (ATR)**  $\tilde{\nu}$  = 3064, 3029, 2955, 2925, 2855, 1732, 1456, 1404, 1364, 1287, 1261, 1233, 1214, 1180, 1094, 754, 699, 502 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (**ESI**) calculated for [C₂₀H₂₁O₂]⁺: 293.1536, found: 293.1532; **[α]**_D²⁰ = -14 (c = 2 mg/mL, CHCl₃);  $R_f$  = 0.17 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 6.1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 95:5 20min), 89% *ee*.





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### 4-(((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)methyl)-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11n):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.060 mmol scale, 52% (11.2 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

11n ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 4.23 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (t, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 1H), 2.20 – 2.07 (m, 2H), 1.96 (ddd, J = 12.5, 10.6, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 1.78 (m, 1H), 1.51 – 1.41 (m, 1H), 1.23 – 1.13 (m, 3H), 1.11 (m, 18H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 212.0, 143.2, 137.2, 127.2, 126.9, 125.6, 122.0, 66.8, 53.3, 44.2, 43.9, 27.6, 24.1, 18.3, 12.1; **IR (ATR)**  $\tilde{\nu}$  = 2943, 2866, 1734, 1717, 1541, 1507, 1457, 1405, 1109, 1093, 1067, 882, 800, 754, 684, 502; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₂₂H₃₅O₂Si]⁺: 359.2401, found: 359.2397; [α]_D²⁰ = -30 (c = 3 mg/ml, CHCl₃);  $R_f$  = 0.4 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 15:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 99:1 20 min), 93% ee.





# methyl 3-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-1-carboxylate (110):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 48% (11.1 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)  $\delta$  = 7.24 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.07 – 7.01 (m, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.64 – 3.52 (m, 1H), 2.54 (dd, *J* = 18.6, 1.14), 1.14 (dd, *J* = 18.6)

1.9 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 1H), 2.12 – 1.97 (m, 3H), 1.81 – 1.71 (m, 1H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃)  $\delta = 209.2$ , 173.2, 140.8, 135.8, 127.9, 127.7, 126.0, 122.6, 52.8, 52.5, 50.2, 44.0, 28.4, 23.3; **IR (ATR)**  $\tilde{V} = 2953$ , 2920, 2878, 1733, 1482, 1458, 1243, 1171, 1074, 755, 502; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{15}O_3]^+$ : 231.1016, found: 231.13013;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -20$  (c = 2 mg/ml, CHCl₃);  $R_f = 0.45$  (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 4:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 90:10 40 min), 96 % ee.





**6-chloro-4-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11p):** Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.070 mmol scale, 63% (10.3 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

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**6-methyl-4-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11q):** Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.080 mmol scale, 67% (11.5 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

11q 11q 11q 11h, 3.56 (t, J = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.25 (d, J = 18.4 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (dddd, J = 13.0, 10.5, 4.6, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 2.05 - 1.90 (m, 3H), 1.85 (ddd, J = 12.5, 10.5, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.73 (m, 1H), 1.36 (m, 1H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)  $\delta$  = 212.5, 145.1, 137.2, 134.5, 127.6, 125.6, 122.9, 53.0, 45.5, 41.7, 29.7, 27.8, 24.7, 22.0, 9.1; IR (ATR)  $\tilde{V}$  = 2964, 2940, 2868, 1732, 1487, 1462, 1401, 1382, 1227, 1214, 1185, 829, 813, 4998 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calculated for [C₁₅H₁₉O]⁺: 215.1430, found: 215.1432; ; [α]_D²⁰ = -222 (c = 3 mg/ml, CHCl₃);  $R_f$  = 0.51 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 20:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 98:1 20 min) 94% ee.





**4,7-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11r):** Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 58% (11.6 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)  $\delta$  = 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 3.56 (t, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.22 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.22 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 3.56

1H), 2.15 – 2.07 (m, 1H), 2.00 (dd, J = 18.4, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.83 – 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.51 (s, 3H), 1.46 (m, 1H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃)  $\delta = 212.2$ , 142.4, 136.7, 136.7, 127.9, 126.2, 121.2, 53.2, 48.6, 38.2, 32.9, 24.8, 22.0, 21.3; **IR (ATR)**  $\tilde{\nu} = 2954$ , 2924, 2854, 1734, 1461, 1378, 1261, 1169, 1090, 815, 506, 418 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for  $[C_{14}H_{16}O_2]^+$ : 201.1274, found: 201.1277;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -75$  (c = 5 mg/ml, CHCl₃);  $R_f = 0.34$  (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 99:1 20 min) 97% ee.





6-methoxy-4-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11s): Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 60% (13.0 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

^O ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.56 (t, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.22 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H), 2.16 – 2.05 (m, 1H), 2.05 – 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.83 – 1.67 (m, 2H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 1.48 – 1.40 (m, 1H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 211.8, 159.4, 146.8, 128.9, 126.3, 111.2, 108.6, 55.5, 52.2, 48.4, 38.7, 32.7, 24.8, 22.0; **IR (ATR)**  $\tilde{\nu}$  = 2955, 2937, 2870, 1731, 1610, 1584, 1486, 1462, 1294, 1265, 1229, 1040, 810, 496; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₄H₁₆O₂]⁺: 217.1223, found: 217.1216; [**α**]_D²⁰ = - 20 (*c* = 2 mg/ml, CHCl₃); *R*_{*f*} = 0.35 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 98:2 20 min), 86% *ee*.





e 6-methoxy-1,4-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11t):

Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.050 mmol scale, 52% (6.1 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

11t ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.13 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.26 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 1H), 2.09 – 2.01 (m, 1H), 1.95 – 1.77 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.46 (m, 2H), 1.49 (s, 3H), 1.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 212.6, 159.1, 147.0, 131.5, 123.9, 110.9, 108.4, 55.5, 49.9, 48.4, 38.2, 33.9, 32.5, 22.2, 15.6; **IR (ATR)**  $\tilde{\nu}$  = 2954, 2925, 2856, 1721, 1608, 1580, 1486, 1456, 1378, 1292, 1263, 1164, 1068, 1051, 1032, 877, 808, 501 cm⁻¹; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₅H₁₈O₂]⁺: 231.1380, found: 231.1384; [**α**]_D²⁰ = -253 (c = 5 mg/ml, CHCl₃); **R**_f = 0.45 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 5:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 98:2 20 min), 93% ee.





**1,4-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11u):** Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 52% (10.5 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  = 7.32 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 2.28 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H), 2.10 – 2.01 (m, 2H), 1.94 (td, *J* = 11.7, 11.2, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.83 (td, *J* = 11.7, 11.2, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.60 (td, *J* = 11.9, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.53 (s, 3H), 1.50 (s, 3H);

¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃)  $\delta$  = 206.1, 143.8, 136.7, 126.9, 126.7, 122.6, 121.0, 48.2, 37.8, 33.7, 32.3, 29.7, 22.1, 15.4 ; **IR (ATR)**  $\tilde{V}$  = 2923, 2856, 1725, 1461, 1419, 1405, 1381, 1245, 1211, 1139, 1087, 1062, 898, 781, 755, 502 ; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for [C₁₄H₁₇O]⁺: 201.1274, found: 201.1271; **[\alpha]**_D²⁰ = - 37 (*c* = 2.5 mg/ml, CHCl₃); *R*_f = 0.42 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 10:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 98:2 20 min), 93% *ee*.





11v

**4-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1,4-ethanonaphthalen-2(1H)-one (11v):** Synthesized according to the general procedure on a 0.100 mmol scale, 51% (11.0 mg) isolated as a colorless oil.

^O ¹**H-NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.32 – 7.22 (m, 4H), 2.32 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 1H), 2.08 – 1.86 (m, 6H), 1.49 (s, 3H), 1.44 (dt, J = 7.1, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C-NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 212.9, 145.2, 139.8, 126.9, 126.7,

122.9, 121.6, 50.6, 45.1, 40.9, 32.2, 30.5, 27.7, 15.5, 8.8; **IR (ATR)**  $\tilde{\nu}$  = 2925, 2857, 1724, 1459, 1419, 1402, 1378, 1246, 1213, 1140, 1088, 1064, 898, 779, 754, 499; **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for  $[C_{15}H_{19}O]^+$ : 215.1430, found: 215.1428;  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = -30.5 (*c* = 1.5 mg/ml, CHCl₃); *R_f* = 0.35 (Pentane/Ethyl Acetate 15:1); HPLC separation (column OZH Hexane/Isopropanol 98:2 20min), 96% *ee*.































































































