Mechanistic Insight into Transition Metal-Catalyzed Reaction of Enynal/Enynone with Alkenes: Metal-Dependent Reaction Pathway

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: A systematic study of the transition metalcatalyzed reaction of enynal/enynone with alkenes has been reported. It was found that the reaction has two metaldependent reaction pathways. One led to the formation of 1,2-DHN, while another led to cyclic-*o*-QDM.



INTRODUCTION

Enynal/enynone is a versatile building block for the construction of the benzannulated system. Among the different methods, the transition metal-catalyzed reaction of enynal/ enynone with alkenes is one of the most efficient and straightforward ways to construct aphthalene derivatives.¹ For example, Asao and Yamamoto synthesized a series of functionalized 1,2-dihydronaphthalene through Cu(OTf)₂-catalyzed [4 + 2] cycloaddition of enynal with alkenes (Scheme 1).^{1b}

Scheme 1. Copper-Catalyzed Reaction of Enynals/Enynones with Alkenes



Recently, we reported a gold-catalyzed reaction of enynal/ enynone with different alkenes to synthesize different structurally unique polycyclic structures I-III (Scheme 2).² However, the reactions worked efficiently only when highreactive alkenes, norborenes, and 1,3-dienes were used as the substrates (Scheme 2).

The reaction was believed to proceed through the goldcatalyzed tandem Diels–Alder reactions via trapping of the key intermediate cyclic *o*-quinodimethane^{3,4} (cyclic-*o*-QDM), a highly reactive species (Scheme 3).

When styrene was tested as the substrate, however, the expected propeller-like molecule I was not formed. 1,2-Dihydronaphthalene (1,2-DHN) 4 was formed as the product instead (Scheme 4, eq 4). It seems that the reaction is identical to the $Cu(OTf)_2$ -catalyzed system reported by Asao and Yamamoto (Scheme 1).^{1b} Trying to trap the proposed cyclic-*o*QDM intermediate by addition of 1,4-benzoquinone (1,4-BQ) as the more reactive dienophile also failed. Naphthalene 5, not

Scheme 2. Our Previous Work



the desired propeller-like molecule II, was isolated as the only product (eq 5). Interestingly, 1,2-DHN 4 could not be oxidized into naphthalene 5 with 1,4-BQ as the oxidant (eq 6). It indicated that naphthalene 5 may not simply come from the oxidation of 1,2-DHN 4.

Through carefully controlling the reaction conditions, it was found that the desired propeller-like product **6a** was actually generated during the reaction course. However, this molecule was unstable and would aromatize into naphthalene **5a** immediately after treatment with silica gel/air (Scheme 5). The propeller-like structure of **6a** was confirmed by the X-ray diffraction analysis of its single crystal (see the SI).

The $Cu(OTf)_2$ -catalyzed reaction of 1a, 2a, and 3a under similar conditions resulted in a complex system. Both adducts of 5a and 6a were not detected in the reaction system (Scheme 6). It indicated that copper-catalyzed and gold-catalyzed

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Scheme 3. Possible Reaction Mechanism





Scheme 5. Gold-Catalyzed Reaction of Enynal with Styrene and 1,4-BQ



reactions of enynal with alkenes might experience different reaction mechanisms.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

To figure out the underlying reaction mechanism, a systematic study was then carried out. Initially, different metal catalysts

Scheme 6. Copper-Catalyzed Reaction of Enynal with Styrene and 1,4-BQ



were investigated. Styrene 2a and tetracyanoethylene (TCE) 3b were chosen as the dienophiles for the model reactions (Table 1). Among the different metal salts being tested, silver, copper,

Table 1. Screen Different Catalytic Conditions^a

	Me ₊ + NC Ph NC	CN Cat., CN DCE,	Add. 80°C	Me Ph ⁺ F	Ph CN Ph CN Ph CN CN
1b	2a	3b		4b	6b
entry	cat. (5 mol	%) add.	(10 mol %)	yield (4b) yield (6b)
1	AgSbF ₆			69%	
2	AgOTf			55%	
3	AgNTf ₂			44%	
4	$Cu(OTf)_2$			72%	
5	$CuCl_2 \bullet 2H_2$	0		13%	
6	$ZnCl_2$			32%	
7	ZnI_2			33%	
8	FeCl ₃			19%	
9^b	CdCl ₂				
10^{b}	$MnCl_2$				
11^{b}	NiCl ₂				
12^{b}	CoCl ₂				
13	InCl ₃			15%	40%
14	$CrCl_2$				24%
15	PtCl ₂				28%
16	HgI_2				32%
17	KAuCl₄●2H	I ₂ O			32%
18	PicAuCl ₂				41%
19	IMes-AuCl ₃				57%
20	IMes-AuCl				52%
21	IMes-AuCl	Se	lectfluor		81%
22	SIMes-AuC	l Se	lectfluor		67%
23	IPr-AuCl	Se	lectfluor		46%
24	SIPr-AuCl	Se	lectfluor		42%
25 ^c	IMes-AuCl	Se	lectfluor		93 % ^d
26		Se	lectfluor		

^{*a*}Unless otherwise noted, the reactions were performed in DCE at 80 °C for 24 h using 5 mol % catalyst and 10 mol % additive under N₂, 1/ 2/3 = 1:5:1. [1] = 0.1 M. The yield was determined by ¹H NMR with MeNO₂ as internal standard. **Pic**: 2-picolinate, **IMes**: 1,3-dimesitylimidazol-2-ylidene; **SIMes**: 1,3-dimesitylimidazolin-2-ylidene; **IPr**: 1,3-bis(2,6-diisopropylphenyl)-imidazol-2-ylidene; **SIPr**: 1,3-bis(2,6-diisopropylphenyl)imidazolin-2-ylidene. ^{*b*}No reaction. ^{*c*}1/2/3 = 1:5:2. ^{*d*}Isolated yield.

zinc, and iron salts furnished 1,2-DHN **4b** in 13–72% yields (entries 1–8). Silver and copper salts functioned better than zinc and iron. The yield is up to 72% when $Cu(OTf)_2$ was used as catalyst, which is consistent with the literature results.^{1b} CdCl₂, MnCl₂, NiCl₂, and CoCl₂ were inefficient for this transformation (entries 9–12). InCl₃ gave the mixture of **4b** and **6b**, with the yields being 15% and 40%, respectively (entry 13). The desired product **6b** could be obtained as the sole product when chromium (CrCl₂), platinum (PtCl₂), mercury (HgI₂), and gold (KAuCl₄*2H₂O) salts were used as catalysts, albeit in modest yields (24–32%, entries 14–17). Comparing with the inorganic gold salts, the organic gold-complex gave superior results (entries 18–20). For instance, 2-picolinate and N-heterocyclic carbene (NHC) supported gold complexes, PicAuCl₂, IMes-AuCl₃, and IMes-AuCl, could catalyze the

Table 2. Substrate Scopes^a



^{*a*}The reaction was performed at 80 °C for 24 h using 5 mol % cat and 10 mol % add under N₂; 1:2:3 = 1:5:2, [1] = 0.1 M, isolated yield. ^{*b*}Purified by crystallization. ^{*c*}The stereochemistry was determined by its NOE spectrum (see the SI).

reaction smoothly to furnish the corresponding product **6b**, with the yields ranging from 41% to 57% (entries 18–20). The NHC-Au(III) complex proved to be better than PicAuCl₂ and NHC-Au(I). In our previous work, it was found that the combination of NHC-Au(I)/Selectfluor was a more reliable and efficient system than the NHC-Au(III) one for the reaction of enynal/enynone with alkenes.^{2,5} It was proposed that Selectfluor severed as a mild organic oxidant to oxidize NHC-Au(I) into NHC-Au(III)⁺, which is the real catalyst for the reaction. Inspired by these facts, four different NHC-AuCl/Selectfluor (1:2) combinations was then tested (entries 21–24). As expected, a significant positive effect was observed when the combination of NHC-AuCl/Selectfluor (1:2) was applied. Among four different NHC-complexes, IMes-AuCl

functioned better than the other three. The yield of **6b** was improved to 81% for the combination of IMes-AuCl/ Selectfluor (entry 21). Increasing the amount of TCE **3b** could improve the yield further (93%, entry 25). The reaction did not occur without NHC-AuCl (entry 26).

With the optimized reaction conditions (Table 1, entry 25) in hand, the substrate scope was then examined. As summarized in Table 2, the catalytic process could be successfully applied to a variety of enynals/enynones 1 and alkenes 2. For example, in addition to styrene 2a, various styrene derivatives could be effectively reacted with enynal/enynone 1 as well (Table 2, 6a-6n). The reaction was sensitive to the steric hindrance of the alkenes. For example, bulky 2,5-dimethylstyrene and 2,4,6-trimethylstyrene gave the products 6g and 6h only in 32% and





29% yields, respectively. Electron-rich alkenes were better substrates than the electron-poor ones (electron-rich: **6a-6f**; electron-poor: **6i-6m**).

For the extremely electron-deficient 2,3,4,5,6-pentafluorostyrene, the yield was only 12% (6m). Indene, a cyclic alkene, was an efficient substrate for this transformation, with the yield being almost quantitative (6n). In addition to styrene derivatives, the aliphatic alkene could be used as the substrate as well, giving the desired product 60 in 44% yield. Comparing with the styrene derivatives 2, the reaction was less sensitive to the properties of enynals/enynones 1 (6p-6x). For example, both the enynals substituted with electron-donating and electron-withdrawing groups furnished the desired products in good to excellent yields (6p-6v). For enynal bearing the alkyl group, the reactions proceed smoothly as well, giving the product 6w in 99% yield. For the enynal with a cyclohexenyl group, the product 6x could be obtained in 56% yield. In addition to 1,4-BQ and TCE, N-methyl maleimide could be used as a good dienophile as well (6y). However, acrylonitrile and dimethyl acetylene-dicarboxylate were not efficient dienophiles for this reaction (6z, 6aa). For all the products 6 in Table 2, only the endoadduct isomers were detected.

Based on the above results, the reaction mechanism was then proposed (Scheme 7). The coordination of the triple bond of enynal **1a** to [M] enhanced the electrophilicity of alkyne, and the subsequent nucleophilic attack of the carbonyl oxygen to the electron-deficient alkyne would form the intermediate pyrylium A.⁶ A Diels-Alder reaction between styrene and pyrylium A then occurred to furnish the key intermediate B. Two different possible reaction pathways would then follow. Path a): β -H elimination of intermediate **B** led to the formation of 1,2-DHN 4a; Path b): δ -metal elimination of intermediate B led to the formation of the cyclic-o-QDM. In the absence of dienophile or dioxygen, the 1,5-H shift would happen to furnish 1,2-DHN 4a. While in the presence of dienophile or dioxygen, the cyclic-o-QDM could be trapped through the second Diels-Alder reaction to form the adducts 6 and 7a. Among them, the unstable peroxide 7a would decompose into naphthalene 5a. Based on the results shown in Tables 1 and 2, the reaction pathway is metal-dependent. When silver, copper, zinc, and iron salts were used as the catalysts, reaction path a was followed. While chromium, platinum, mercury, and gold salts were applied as the catalysts, reaction path b was followed.

To further prove the above reaction mechanism, especially the reaction pathway of the cyclic-*o*-QDM, two control reactions were then carried out. As shown in Scheme 7, 1,2-DHN **4a** would be formed when the reactions were set without the dienophile or dioxygen. Therefore, the first set control reactions without addition of the electron-deficient olefins were then conducted under the N₂ atmosphere. As shown in Table 3, a variety of 1,2-DHNs **4** could be generated in good to excellent yields as expected.

Table 3. Control Reaction^a



^aThe reaction was performed at 80 °C for 24 h using 5 mol % cat., 10 mol % Selectfluor, and 1.0 equiv of H_2O under N_2 ; **1:2** = 1:5; **[1]** = 0.05 M, isolated yield; the stereochemistry was determined by ¹H NMR.

As shown in Scheme 7, a peroxide 7a would be generated if the cyclic-*o*-QDM was trapped by the dioxygen. Therefore, another control reaction was then performed under the oxygen atmosphere. As expected, the aromatization product naphthalene **5b** was isolated in 71% yield when enynone **1b** reacted with styrene **2a** (Scheme 8). Furthermore, the key intermediate 7b, an unstable peroxide, could be detected by the ¹H NMR spectrum and HRMS analysis of the crude reaction mixture (see the SI).



CONCLUSIONS

In conclusion, we have conducted a systematic study of the transition metal-catalyzed reaction of enynals/enynones with alkenes. It was found that the reactions have two metaldependent reaction pathways. The reactions started with the nucleophilic attack of the carbonyl oxygen to the alkyne, which was activated by the coordination of metal catalysts, forming the intermediate pyrylium A. It subsequently reacted with alkenes through the Diels-Alder reactions to form the bridge intermediate B. When silver, copper, zinc, and iron salts were used as the catalysts, a β -H elimination of the intermediate **B** led to the formation of 1,2-DHN 4. When chromium, platinum, mercury, and gold salts were applied as the catalysts, the δ metal elimination of the intermediate B led to the formation of the cyclic-o-ODM. The highly reactive transient species could rearrange to 1,2-DHN 4 through the 1,5-H shift. Furthermore, the cyclic-o-QDM was also a good diene which could be trapped by the dienophiles (electron deficient alkenes/alkynes or dioxygen molecules) through the Diels-Alder reactions. We believe such metal-dependent reaction mechanisms would render useful information to the organometallic chemists in understanding the catalytic behavior of different transition metals.

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Information. All reactions were carried out under an inert atmosphere of dry N₂ in a Schlenk tube, and solvents were purified by standard methods. ¹H, ¹³C, and ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded on 400 MHz, 100 MHz, and 376 MHz spectrometers, respectively. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to internal standard TMS at δ 0.0, and ¹⁹F NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to CFCl₃ as external standard. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm, and coupling constants (*J*) are in Hertz (Hz). The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad. The mass analyzer type used for the HRMS is Fourier transform ion cyclotron resonance mass spectrometry (FT-ICR-MS). All reagents were used as received from commercial sources, unless specified otherwise, or prepared as described in the literature.

General Procedure for the Preparation of 1a-k. PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂ (3% mmol) and CuI (5% mmol) were added to a solution of 2bromobenzaldehyde or 2-iodoacetophenone (1.0 mmol), phenylacetylene (1.2 mmol), and NEt₃ (2 mmol) in THF (1.2 mL). The mixture was heated under reflux or RT overnight under N₂. The system was filtered by short silica, then the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography with petroleum to afford the desired products 1.⁷ 2-(Phenylethynyl)benzaldehyde (1a).^{7a} Eluent petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (198 mg, 96%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.65 (s, 1H), 7.95 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.60–7.54 (m, 3H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40–7.34 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.7, 135.9, 133.8, 133.2, 131.7, 129.1, 128.6, 128.5, 127.3, 126.9, 122.4, 96.4, 85.0.

1-[2-(Phenylethynyl)phenyl]ethanone (1b).^{7b} Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (210 mg, 95%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 4.0, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43–7.39 (m, 1H), 7.39–7.34 (m, 3H), 2.80 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.4, 140.8, 133.9, 131.5, 131.3, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 122.9, 121.7, 95.1, 88.5, 30.0.

2-(*p*-Tolylethynyl)benzaldehyde (1c).^{7a} Eluent petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow solid, yield (202 mg, 92%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.62 (s, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.7, 139.4, 135.8, 133.8, 133.2, 131.7, 129.4, 128.4, 127.2 (2C), 119.4, 96.8, 84.5, 21.6.

2-[(4-Methoxyphenyl)ethynyl]benzaldehyde (1d).^{7a} Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow solid, yield (233 mg, 98%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.64 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.9, 160.3, 135.7, 133.8, 133.3, 133.1, 128.2, 127.4, 127.2, 114.4, 114.2, 96.6, 83.8, 55.4.

2-[(3-Fluorophenyl)ethynyl]benzaldehyde (1e).^{7a} Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (194 mg, 87%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.50 (s, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (dd, *J* = 5.3, 4.6 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.01–6.95 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.3, 162.4 (d, *J* = =247.2 Hz), 136.0, 133.8, 133.3, 130.2 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 129.0, 127.6 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 127.5, 126.2, 124.2 (d, *J* = 9.4 Hz), 118.5 (d, *J* = 22.9 Hz), 116.4 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 94.8 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz), 85.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –112.4.

2-[(4-Chlorophenyl)ethynyl]benzaldehyde (1f).^{7a} Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow solid, yield (218 mg, 91%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.60 (s, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (ddd, J = 14.9, 7.7, 4.1 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (dd, J = 14.2, 7.9 Hz, 3H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.4, 135.9, 135.2, 133.8, 133.3, 132.9, 128.9 (2C), 127.5, 126.4, 120.8, 95.1, 85.9. 4-Methyl-2-(phenylethynyl)benzaldehyde (1g).^{7a,c} Eluent petro-

4-Methyl-2-(phenylethynyl)benzaldehyde (**1g**).^{7a,c} Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow solid, yield (196 mg, 89%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.58 (s, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 3.9, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (s, 1H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 3H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.4, 144.9, 133.7, 133.6, 131.7, 129.7, 129.0, 128.5, 127.4, 126.9, 122.5, 95.9, 85.1, 21.6.

5-Methoxy-2-(phenylethynyl)benzaldehyde (1h).^{7c} Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow solid, yield (223 mg, 94%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.59 (s, 1H), 7.53 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 3H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.5, 159.8, 137.2, 134.6, 131.5, 128.8, 128.5, 122.7, 121.7, 119.6, 109.9, 94.9, 84.9, 55.6.

5-*Fluoro-2-(phenylethynyl)benzaldehyde* (1*i*).^{7c} Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow solid, yield (211 mg, 95%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.56 (s, 1H), 7.58 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.54–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 3H), 7.24 (dd, *J* = 10.9, 5.3 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.3, 162.4 (d, *J* = 252.6 Hz), 137.8 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz), 135.3 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 131.7, 129.2, 128.6, 123.0 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz), 122.2, 121.3 (d, *J* = 22.8 Hz), 113.7 (d, *J* = 23.0 Hz), 96.1, 83.9; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –108.9.

2-(Cyclohex-1-en-1-ylethynyl)benzaldehyde (1j).^{7d} Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (201 mg, 95%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.56 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.56–7.53 (m, 2H), 7.44–7.38 (m, 1H), 6.35–6.30 (m, 1H), 2.31– 2.25 (m, 2H), 2.20 (dd, J = 6.0, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 1.76–1.70 (m, 2H), 1.68–1.64 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.0, 136.9, 135.6, 133.7, 133.0, 128.0, 127.6, 127.1, 120.3, 98.5, 82.4, 29.0, 25.8, 22.2, 21.4.

2⁻(*Oct-1-yn-1-yl*)*benzaldehyde* (1*k*).^{7a} Eluent petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (199 mg, 93%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.54 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (s, 2H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 2.47 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 4.4 Hz, 2H), 1.66–1.60 (m, 2H), 1.47 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 2H), 1.32 (s, 4H), 0.91 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.0, 136.0, 133.6, 133.3, 128.0, 127.8, 126.9, 98.2, 76.3, 31.3, 28.6, 28.5, 22.5, 19.6, 14.0.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Product 4*a*–*i*. The corresponding enynals/enynones (1.0 equiv, 0.2 mmol) and styrene (5.0 equiv) were added to a solution of the catalyst combination of [AuCl(IMes)] (5% equiv) and Selectfluor (10% equiv) in DCE (4.0 mL) and H₂O (1.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred under a nitrogen atmosphere at 80 °C for 24 h. After the reaction was finished, the mixture was filtered by short silica, then the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel to afford the desired products 4.^{1b}

Phenyl(2-phenyl-1,2-dłhydronaphthalen-1-yl)methanone (4a). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (22 mg, 36%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 5H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.90 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.20–4.02 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.1, 142.9, 137.2, 133.7, 133.1, 131.9, 130.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.4, 127.0, 126.7, 53.4, 44.0.

(4-Methyl-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**4b**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (64 mg, 98%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 16.4, 8.3 Hz, 3H), 7.30–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 4H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.88–5.72 (m, 1H), 4.99 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.22–4.05 (m, 1H), 2.16 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.4, 143.3, 137.3, 135.4, 133.0, 132.8, 132.0, 129.6, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 127.4, 126.9, 123.4, 53.9, 44.0, 19.4. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3060.6, 2923.6, 1680.3, 1597.0, 1491.3, 1448.5, 1028.8, 759.5, 697.6 cm⁻¹.

[2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-methyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalen-1-yl]-(phenyl)methanone (**4c**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/ 1), yellow oil, yield (62 mg, 87%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.39 (m, 3H), 7.31 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 3H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.81 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.18–4.06 (m, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.19 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.4, 158.5, 137.3, 135.4, 133.0, 131.8, 130.6, 129.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.6, 127.9, 127.7, 127.5, 123.3, 114.0, 113.7, 55.2, 54.2, 43.1, 19.4. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3503.5, 2934.6, 2837.3, 1680.8, 1607.4, 1512.4, 1448.9, 1374.2, 1178.5, 1109.4, 1035.0, 895.3, 830.2, 760.9, 694.9, 560.1 cm⁻¹. MS (EI): *m*/*z* 368, 352, 275, 249, 234, 202, 105, 77, 43. HRMS (EI) calcd for C₂₅H₂₂O₂ [M]: 354.1620; Found: 354.1618.

[2-(4-(tert-Butyl)phenyl)-4-methyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalen-1-yl]-(phenyl)methanone (**4d**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (72 mg, 94%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44–7.36 (m, 3H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 5.8 Hz, 3H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.78 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 4.97 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.11–4.02 (m, 1H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.24 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.1, 149.7, 140.2, 137.2, 135.6, 132.9, 132.7, 131.7, 128.6 (2C), 128.1, 127.5 (2C), 127.3, 125.5, 123.4, 53.8, 43.4, 34.4, 31.3, 19.4. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3061.3, 2962.5, 2921.1, 1682.4, 1597.7, 1511.2, 1449.0, 1368.7, 1045.9, 828.9, 759.7, 694.3, 579.3 cm⁻¹. MS (EI): *m*/*z* 394, 378, 275, 259, 219, 105, 77, 57, 41. HRMS (EI) calcd for C₂₈H₂₈O [M]: 380.2140; Found: 380.2139.

[2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4-methyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalen-1-yl]-(phenyl)methanone (**4e**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/ 1), yellow oil, yield (59 mg, 87%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.12–7.06 (m, 2H), 7.03 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 6.84–6.77 (m, 3H), 5.69 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 4.12–4.02 (m, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.4, 161.8 (d, J = 245.0 Hz), 139.0 (d, J = 3.2 Hz), 137.4, 135.3, 133.1, 132.8, 132.3, 129.5, 129.4, 128.7, 128.5, 127.7 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 127.6, 127.4, 123.4, 115.4 (d, J = 21.2 Hz), 54.1, 43.3, 19.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –116.0. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3062.3, 2924.4, 1680.7, 1599.7, 1509.2, 1448.2, 1374.6, 1046.2, 833.0, 760.8, 694.4, 554.9 cm⁻¹. MS (EI): m/z 340, 263, 236, 220, 202, 122, 105, 77, 61, 43. HRMS (EI) calcd for C₂₄H₁₉FO [M]: 342.1420; Found: 342.1418.

[2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4-methyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalen-1-yl]-(phenyl)methanone (4f). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow solid (mp 140–141 °C), yield (63 mg, 88%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.35 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19–7.07 (m, 5H), 6.86 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.75 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.17–4.07 (m, 1H), 2.16 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.1, 141.9, 137.3, 135.2, 133.2, 132.6 (2C), 132.4, 129.4, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 127.8, 127.7 (2C), 127.0, 123.4, 53.9, 43.3, 19.3. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3061.6, 2920.9, 1682.2, 1595.8, 1488.8, 1446.9, 1090.5, 1015.0, 860.0, 821.1, 758.7, 697.7, 551.8 cm⁻¹. MS (EI): m/z 358, 253, 238, 218, 202, 141, 105, 77, 55. HRMS (EI) calcd for C₂₄H₁₉ClO [M]: 358.1118; Found: 358.1119.

[2-(4-Bromophenyl)-4-methyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalen-1-yl]-(phenyl)methanone (**4g**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/ 1), yellow oil, yield (75 mg, 94%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 7.9 Hz, 3H), 7.09 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 8.1 Hz, 3H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.74 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.1, 142.4, 137.2, 135.2, 133.2, 132.6, 132.5, 131.7, 129.8, 128.8, 128.6, 127.8, 127.7 (2C), 126.9, 123.5, 120.7, 53.7, 43.3, 19.4. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3064.4, 2927.3, 1681.4, 1596.4, 1487.7, 1447.3, 1374.5, 1046.1, 1008.8, 895.9, 820.3, 759.8, 695.3, 551.5 cm⁻¹. MS (EI): *m*/*z* 402, 296, 244, 218, 202, 122, 105, 77, 43. HRMS (EI) calcd for C₂₄H₁₉BrO [M]: 402.0619; Found: 402.0620.

[2-(Cyclohexylmethyl)-4-methyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalen-1-yl]-(phenyl)methanone (**4h**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (47 mg, 68%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.99–2.85 (m, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 1.72–1.61 (m, 4H), 1.48–1.33 (m, 2H), 1.30–1.09 (m, 5H), 0.90–0.77 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.1, 137.1, 135.7, 133.1, 132.9, 131.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 127.4, 127.2, 127.1, 123.2, 52.5, 42.0, 34.6, 34.2, 34.1, 32.7, 26.6, 26.3, 26.2, 19.4. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3061.5, 2922.6, 2850.3, 1684.9, 1596.7, 1489.4, 1447.9, 1044.3, 756.8, 696.4 cm⁻¹. MS (EI): *m/z* 344, 239, 157, 143, 115, 97, 77, 55, 41. HRMS (EI) calcd for C₂₅H₂₈O [M]: 344.2140; Found: 344.2142.

(12-Methyl-5,5*a*,6,7,8,9,10,11-octahydrocycloocta[*b*]naphthalen-5-yl)(phenyl)methanone (*4i*). Eluent petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (44 mg, 66%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85–7.74 (m, 2H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.19–7.16 (m, 1H), 6.98 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (ddd, *J* = 14.9, 9.0, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.66–1.56 (m, 2H), 1.54–1.43 (m, 4H), 1.42–1.27 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.1, 137.7, 137.1, 136.9, 132.5, 132.0, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 127.5, 125.9, 125.0, 123.2, 54.2, 40.7, 34.1, 33.3, 28.7, 26.2, 25.5, 24.2, 14.4. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3061.4, 2924.9, 1685.4, 1597.9, 1449.5, 1373.0, 1045.9, 760.5, 695.8 cm⁻¹. MS (EI): *m*/z 330, 224, 181, 155, 141, 122, 105, 77, 61, 43. HRMS (EI) calcd for C₂₄H₂₆O [M]: 330.1984; Found: 330.1981.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Product 5a and 5b. The corresponding enynals/enynones (1.0 equiv, 0.25 mmol) and styrene (5.0 equiv) were added to a solution of 1,4-benzoquinone (2.0 equiv) and the catalyst combination of [AuCl(IMes)] (5% equiv) and Selectfluor (10% equiv) in DCE (5.0 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred under a nitrogen atmosphere at 80 °C for 24 h. After the

reaction was finished, the mixture was filtered by short silica, then the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel to afford the desired products $\mathbf{5.}^8$

Phenyl(2-*phenylnaphthalen-1-yl)methanone* (*5a*). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow oil, yield (39 mg, 50%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.1Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41–7.35 (m, 1H), 7.31 (dd, J = 14.2, 7.0 Hz, 3H), 7.19–7.12 (m, 4H), 7.12–7.06 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.7, 140.2, 138.0, 137.5, 135.7, 133.2, 132.4, 130.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.4, 127.2, 126.3, 125.6.

(4-Methyl-2-phenylnaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**5b**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1), yellow solid (mp 145–146 °C), yield (80 mg, 99%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.48–7.43 (m, 1H), 7.36 (dd, J = 12.5, 5.3 Hz, 2H), 7.30–7.22 (m, 3H), 7.15–7.09 (m, 4H), 7.08–7.03 (m, 1H), 2.70 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.9, 140.4, 138.2, 137.2, 136.1, 134.2, 133.1, 131.7, 130.9, 129.6, 129.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.4, 126.9, 126.2 (2C), 124.3, 19.7.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Product 6a-y. The corresponding enynals/enynones (1.0 equiv, 0.25 mmol) and styrene (5.0 equiv) were added to a solution of olefins (2.0 equiv) (one of these olefins, including 1,4-benzoquinone, tetracyanoethlene, etc.) and the catalyst combination of [AuCl(IMes)] (5% equiv) and Selectfluor (10% equiv) in DCE (2.5 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred under a nitrogen atmosphere at 80 °C for 24 h. After the reaction was finished, the mixture was filtered by short silica, then the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel to afford the desired products 6 (except 6a, by crystallization).

9-Benzoyl-12-phenyl-4a,9,9a,10-tetrahydro-9,10-ethanoanthracene-1,4-dione (**6a**). By crystallization (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate), yellow solid (mp 175–176 °C), yield (65 mg, 62%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.18–6.97 (m, 10H), 6.58 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 6.36 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 3.81–3.71 (m, 2H), 3.45 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 2.72–2.63 (m, 1H), 1.88–1.80 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.1, 197.7, 196.1, 142.4, 141.9, 141.3, 140.6, 139.6, 136.3, 130.1, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 127.8, 127.6, 127.3, 127.2, 127.0, 124.8, 59.7, 55.1, 49.2, 46.4, 40.9, 38.6. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2926.6, 2853.5, 1597.0, 1596.9, 1595.3, 1235.7, 1088.3, 893.1, 754.2, 650.1 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z 860.2, 859.2, 441.0, 420.0, 419.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₂₉H₂₂O₃Na [M + Na]: 441.1471; Found: 441.1472.

1-Benzoyl-4-methyl-10-phenyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3-(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6b**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), purple solid (mp 230–232 °C), yield (105 mg, 93%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69–7.60 (m, 2H), 7.36 (ddd, *J* = 18.8, 10.2, 4.7 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (dd, *J* = 9.7, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (dt, *J* = 22.0, 7.7 Hz, 4H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (dd, *J* = 15.3, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (dd, *J* = 15.3, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.9, 139.9, 137.1, 136.0, 132.9, 131.3, 130.8, 130.7, 130.6, 129.6, 129.5, 128.7, 128.6, 127.4, 124.9, 112.1, 111.2, 111.1, 110.4, 67.8, 52.8, 50.1, 45.3, 43.7, 37.6, 20.2. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2924.0, 2852.4, 2025.8, 1655.9, 1385.0, 1134.3, 1098.6, 736.2, 698.0, 639.1, 618.5 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/z 475.9, 475.0, 471.0, 470.1, 318.1, 274.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₀H₂₀N₄ONa [M + Na]: 475.1542; Found: 475.1543.

1-Benzoyl-10-phenyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (6c). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), orange solid (mp 226–227 °C), yield (103 mg, 94%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67–7.56 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.35 (m, 1H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (dt, *J* = 15.6, 7.6 Hz, 4H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.09 (t, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (dd, *J* = 15.3, 5.5, 1H), 3.07 (ddd, *J* = 15.2, 10.5, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (ddd, *J* = 15.3, 5.5, 3.7 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.9, 139.8, 136.0, 134.8, 133.0, 131.5, 130.9, 130.7, 130.3, 130.0, 129.7, 128.8, 128.7, 127.6, 127.5, 112.0, 111.6, 111.1, 110.9, 68.2, 49.2, 47.1, 45.1, 42.8, 30.7. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2926.3, 2853.5, 2027.3, 1659.2, 1592.5, 1492.7, 1452.4, 1269.2, 1087.0, 1016.7, 886.9, 770.4, 731.8, 697.5, 639.6, 558.4 cm⁻¹. MS (ESI): m/z 462.0, 461.0, 457.0, 456.1, 439.0. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₉H₁₈N₄ONa [M + Na]: 461.1378; Found: 461.1373.

1-Benzoyl-4-methyl-10-(p-tolyl)-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3-(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6d**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), purple solid (mp 199–200 °C), yield (103 mg, 88%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78–7.70 (m, 2H), 7.49–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.40 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.02 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (dd, *J* = 15.3, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (dd, *J* = 15.3, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.1, 138.6, 137.1, 136.6, 136.1, 132.6, 131.3, 130.9, 130.7, 130.6, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 127.3, 124.9, 112.2, 111.3, 111.1, 110.4, 67.9, 52.8, 50.1, 45.4, 43.3, 37.6, 20.8, 20.3. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2923.9, 2851.6, 2025.4, 1656.7, 1515.2, 1385.4, 1235.5, 1099.6, 821.0, 787.0, 759.6, 737.8, 701.1, 639.4, 618.3, 550.5, 479.7 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/*z* 486.0, 485.0, 484.1, 467.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₁H₂₂N₄ONa [M + Na]: 489.1683; Found: 489.1683.

1-Benzoyl-10-(p-tolyl)-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)tetracarbonitrile (**6e**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), orange solid (mp 222–223 °C), yield (102 mg, 90%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64–7.57 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.34 (m, 1H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (dt, *J* = 8.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 4.09–4.04 (m, 1H), 3.91 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (ddd, *J* = 15.2, 10.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (ddd, *J* = 15.3, 5.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.07 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.9, 138.7, 136.6, 136.1, 134.9, 132.6, 131.3, 130.9, 130.8, 130.5 129.9, 129.5, 129.4, 127.5, 127.3, 111.9, 111.6, 111.0, 110.8, 68.3, 49.1, 47.1, 45.3, 42.5, 30.6, 20.8. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2927.5, 2854.6, 2026.9, 1660.6, 1596.7, 1267.5, 1089.3, 1017.5, 735.4, 696.3, 560.3 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/z 474.9, 471.0, 470.1, 453.1, 382.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₀H₂₁N₄O [M + H]: 453.1724; Found: 453.1723.

1-Benzoyl-10-[4-(tert-butyl)phenyl]-4-methyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6f**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), purple solid (mp 232–233 °C), yield (126 mg, 99%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.40–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (dd, *J* = 14.7, 7.8 Hz, 4H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.93 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (dd, *J* = 15.2, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 2.23 (dd, *J* = 15.2, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 1.08 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.0, 151.8, 137.1, 136.7, 136.1, 132.8, 131.3, 130.9, 130.7, 129.5, 129.2, 127.3, 125.7, 124.9, 112.2, 111.2, 111.1, 110.4, 67.8, 52.8, 50.1, 45.4, 43.2, 37.6, 34.4, 31.1, 20.3. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2962.9, 2867.7, 2027.5, 1660.7, 1596.6, 1444.9, 1259.3, 1113.5, 834.1, 700.2, 573.9 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/*z* 531.1, 527.2, 526.2, 509.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₄H₂₈N₄ONa [M + Na]: 531.2167; Found: 531.2166.

1-Benzoyl-10-(2,5-dimethylphenyl)-4-methyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (6g). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), purple solid (mp 279-280 °C), yield (38 mg, 32%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.96–7.72 (m, 2H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 4.22 (dd, J = 10.0, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (dd, J = 15.2, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (dd, J = 15.2, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.04 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 6H), 1.83 (s, 3H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) δ 196.7, 138.2, 137.0, 135.6, 134.6, 134.0, 133.1, 131.0, 130.6, 130.4, 129.8, 129.7, 129.2, 128.9, 128.6, 126.9, 125.5, 112.3, 111.7, 111.6, 111.1, 67.7, 52.4, 50.3, 45.4, 37.1, 36.8, 20.6, 19.5, 18.9. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2923.6, 2851.7, 2026.5, 1659.5, 1596.9, 1451.9, 1296.7, 1070.9, 732.6, 696.9 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z 503.0, 499.1, 498.0, 481.0. HRMS (MALDI/ DHB) calcd for $C_{32}H_{24}N_4ONa$ [M + Na]: 503.1856; Found: 503.1856.

1-Benzoyl-10-mesityl-4-methyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3-(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6h**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate

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(8/1), purple solid (mp 192–193 °C), yield (36 mg, 29%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67–7.62 (m, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.47–7.41 (m, 4H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 6.13 (s, 1H), 4.37 (dd, J = 10.7, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (dd, J = 15.1, 10.9 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (dd, J = 15.0, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.88 (s, 3H), 1.50 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.4 139.3 137.8, 136.4, 136.1, 133.2, 132.7, 132.3, 131.4, 130.5, 130.0, 129.9, 128.7, 126.9, 125.2, 112.3, 111.4, 111.2, 110.6, 68.1, 52.0, 45.3, 37.7, 34.2, 22.4, 22.2, 20.3, 20.2. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2924.8, 2853.3, 2024.9, 1660.6, 1597.0, 1452.5, 1245.7, 1095.5, 769.5, 645.7, 620.2 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z 517.0, 513.2, 512.2, 495.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₃H₂₆N₄ONa [M + Na]: 517.2001; Found: 517.1999.

1-Benzoyl-10-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-methyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (6i). Eluent petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (8/1), purple solid (mp 227-228 °C), yield (73 mg, 62%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.41 (dt, J = 15.1, 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.50 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.39 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (dd, J = 10.5, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (dd, J = 15.4, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (dd, J = 15.4, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.7, 162.6 (d, J = 249.4 Hz), 137.0, 136.0, 135.7, 133.1, 131.5, 131.2 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 130.8, 130.7, 129.7, 127.5, 125.0, 115.6 (d, J = 22.5 Hz), 112.0, 111.1, 110.3 (2C), 67.8, 52.7, 50.1, 45.3, 42.7, 37.9, 20.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –112.7. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2924.7, 2853.5, 2026.3, 1660.6, 1596.5, 1512.0, 1232.6, 1152.2, 760.7, 759.0, 645.3, 620.1, 560.5 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z493.0, 489.1, 488.0, 471.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for $C_{30}H_{19}FN_4ONa [M + Na]: 493.1454;$ Found: 493.1459.

1-Benzoyl-10-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-methyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6***j*). Eluent petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (8/1), purple solid (mp 258–259 °C), yield (88 mg, 73%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72–7.62 (m, 2H), 7.41 (q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.33 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.91 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.14 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.7, 138.4, 136.9, 136.0, 134.7, 133.0, 131.5, 130.8 (2C), 130.7, 130.4, 129.7, 128.8, 127.6, 125.0, 112.0, 111.0 (2C), 110.2, 67.8, 52.7, 50.0, 45.2, 42.8, 37.7, 20.2. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2925.6, 2854.3, 2026.7, 1661.2, 1596.8, 1384.7, 1098.9, 825.3, 749.8, 630.5, 570.6 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/z 507.0, 505.1, 504.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₀H₁₉ClN₄ONa [M + Na]: 509.1155; Found: 509.1153.

1-Benzoyl-10-(4-bromophenyl)-4-methyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6k**). Eluent petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (8/1), purple solid (mp 238–239 °C), yield (89 mg, 67%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82–7.70 (m, 2H), 7.56–7.48 (m, 2H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 7.4 Hz, 4H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.99 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.08–2.96 (m, 1H), 2.28–2.18 (m, 1H), 2.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.7, 138.9, 136.9, 136.0, 133.0, 131.7, 131.5, 131.1, 130.7, 130.6, 130.4, 129.8, 127.6, 125.0, 122.8, 112.0, 111.0 (2C), 110.2, 67.8, 52.7, 50.0, 45.2, 42.9, 37.7, 20.2. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2924.9, 2853.4, 2026.9, 1660.4, 1596.5, 1240.1, 1151.4, 1011.5, 825.7, 771.8, 733.4, 697.9, 603.4 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m/z* 571.0, 552.9, 550.0, 549.0, 548.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₀H₁₉BrN₄ONa [M + Na]: 553.0654; Found: 553.0659.

1-Benzoyl-4-methyl-10-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), purple solid (mp 244–245 °C), yield (69 mg, 53%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (ddd, *J* = 13.6, 9.9, 4.2 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (dt, *J* = 15.0, 4.7 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (dd, *J* = 26.5, 7.9 Hz, 4H), 6.86 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.51 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.97 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.5, 144.0, 136.9, 136.1, 133.2, 131.7, 130.6, 130.5, 130.3, 130.0, 129.9, 127.6, 125.5 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 125.1, 111.9, 111.0, 110.9, 110.2, 67.8, 52.8, 50.0, 45.2, 43.0, 37.7, 20.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -63.1. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2926.5, 2854.6, 2026.6, 1660.7, 1594.4, 1457.8, 1325.2, 1238.3, 1171.4, 1128.3, 1067.8, 1012.5, 842.9, 772.8, 733.7, 697.4 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z 543.0, 540.0, 539.1, 538.1. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for $C_{31}H_{19}F_3N_4ONa$ [M + Na]: 543.1406; Found: 543.1405.

1-Benzoyl-4-methyl-10-(perfluorophenyl)-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6m**). Eluent petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (8/1), yellow solid (mp 261–262 °C), yield (16 mg, 12%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83–7.76 (m, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.67–7.58 (m, 4H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.39–4.30 (m, 1H), 2.92 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 11.1 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (dd, *J* = 14.8, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.7, 136.4 (d, *J* = 23.2 Hz), 133.8, 131.9, 130.5, 130.0 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 129.0, 127.7, 125.0, 111.2, 111.0, 110.5, 110.1, 66.4, 52.0, 50.7, 45.4, 34.4, 31.7, 20.0; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –136.8 (dd, *J* = 105.5, 22.5 Hz, 2H), -151.8 (t, *J* = 21.0 Hz, 1H), -160.8 (m, 2H). IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2923.7, 2025.6, 1638.8, 1522.4, 1384.8, 1096.9, 954.6, 700.7, 639.1, 618.1, 569.3 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/*z* 565.9, 564.9, 561.0, 560.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₀H₁₅F₅N₄ONa [M + Na]: 565.1050; Found: 565.1049.

10-Benzoyl-5-methyl-5, 10, 10a, 11-tetrahydro-4bH-5, 10ethanobenzo[b]fluorene-12,12,13,13-tetracarbonitrile (**6n**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), purple solid (mp 240–241 °C), yield (115 mg, 99%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.55–7.48 (m, 2H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (dt, *J* = 15.1, 7.5 Hz, 4H), 6.40 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (q, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (dd, *J* = 16.1, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (dd, *J* = 16.1, 9.1 Hz, 1H), 2.05 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.7, 141.6, 138.8, 135.1, 134.8, 134.2, 132.5, 132.1, 131.4, 131.3, 129.2, 128.9 (2C), 127.4, 125.9, 124.9, 112.2, 111.3, 110.8, 110.5, 66.1, 52.2, 51.6, 48.9, 48.0, 45.8, 35.6, 19.2. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2925.3, 2852.2, 2026.0, 1660.9, 1596.5, 1389.4, 1242.6, 1149.4, 745.6, 697.5 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/*z* 487.1, 483.1, 482.1. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₁H₂₀N₄ONa [M + Na]: 487.1546; Found: 487.1543.

1-Benzovl-10-(cvclohexvlmethvl)-4-methvl-1.4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (60). Eluent petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (8/1), brown solid (mp 222-224 °C), yield (52 mg, 44%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.60– 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.36 (m, 5H), 2.88 (dd, J = 17.6, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (dd, J = 14.2, 9.2 Hz, 1H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 1.52-1.39 (m, 5H), 1.24 (d, J = 19.3 Hz, 2H), 1.01 (t, J = 12.1 Hz, 3H), 0.81 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1.01 Hz)1H), 0.70 (t, *J* = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 0.46 (ddd, *J* = 31.9, 21.9, 10.0 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.7, 137.2, 136.8, 134.1, 131.5, 131.1, 130.8, 130.3, 129.3, 128.2, 124.3, 112.1, 111.2, 110.8, 110.4, 65.5, 51.7, 50.5, 44.6, 44.3, 36.9, 34.5, 34.4, 33.6, 31.0, 26.2, 26.0, 25.8, 20.3. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2924.0, 2852.1, 1661.4, 1448.4, 1402.1, 1384.6, 1239.1, 1184.9, 1105.3, 764.6, 736.2, 710.0, 660.8, 619.5, 479.8 cm⁻¹ MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z 495.0, 491.1, 490.1. HRMS (MALDI/ DHB) calcd for $C_{31}H_{28}N_4ONa$ [M + Na]: 495.2150; Found: 495.2153.

1-(4-Methylbenzoyl)-10-phenyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3-(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6p**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), orange solid (mp 199–200 °C), yield (112 mg, 99%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (dt, *J* = 8.7, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 3H), 6.83 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.08 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (ddd, *J* = 15.2, 10.5, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (ddd, *J* = 15.3, 5.1, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.17 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.1, 144.4, 139.9, 134.9, 133.3, 131.4, 131.0 (2C), 130.4, 129.9, 129.8, 128.8, 128.5, 128.1, 127.5, 112.1, 111.7, 111.2, 110.9, 68.2, 49.2, 47.2, 45.1, 43.0, 30.5, 21.6. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2926.5, 2853.6, 2025.5, 1658.6, 1598.0, 1240.8, 1179.2, 1021.1, 887.1, 770.3, 731.0, 703.5, 650.6 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/z 476.0, 475.0, 470.0, 454.0, 453.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₀H₂₀N₄ONa [M + Na]: 475.1539; Found: 475.1540.

1-(4-Methoxybenzoyl)-10-phenyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6q**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), purple solid (mp 258–259 °C), yield (104 mg, 89%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 2H), 7.39–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.08 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.50 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.32 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 4.09 (s,

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1H), 3.92 (dd, J = 10.4, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.05 (dd, J = 14.3, 11.6 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (dt, J = 15.3, 4.3 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.1, 163.4, 140.1, 134.9, 133.6, 131.3, 131.0, 129.9, 129.8, 128.8, 128.6, 128.3, 127.5, 112.7, 112.2, 111.7, 111.2, 110.9, 68.2, 55.5, 49.2, 47.2, 45.2, 43.0, 30.3. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2924.7, 2853.8, 2026.1, 1598.2, 1506.9, 1311.9, 1259.0, 1174.1, 1020.9, 840.2, 770.1 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z 491.0, 471.0, 470.0, 469.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₀H₂₁N₄O₂ [M + H]: 469.1677; Found: 469.1673.

1-(3-Fluorobenzoyl)-10-phenyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3-(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (6r). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), orange solid (mp 235–236 °C), yield (111 mg, 97%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71–7.57 (m, 2H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (ddt, J = 21.9, 15.0, 7.5 Hz, 6H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (s, 1H), 3.91 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.13-3.02 (m, 1H), 2.50-2.39 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.0, 161.2 (d, J = 247.4 Hz), 139.5, 137.9, 134.8, 131.7, 130.6, 130.2, 130.0, 129.6, 129.1 (d, J = 7.6 Hz), 128.9, 127.7, 126.5 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 120.3 (d, J = 21.2 Hz), 117.5 (d, J = 24.3 Hz), 111.8, 111.5, 110.9, 110.8, 68.3, 49.2, 47.1, 45.1, 42.7, 30.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –111.9. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2924.3, 2852.7, 2025.9, 1661.5, 1596.8, 1230.4, 1159.3, 767.9, 754.2, 650.1, 623.0 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/*z* 480.0, 479.0, 475.0, 474.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for $C_{29}H_{17}FN_4ONa$ [M + Na]: 479.1298; Found: 479,1303.

1-(4-Chlorobenzoyl)-10-phenyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3-(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6s**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), orange solid (mp 228–229 °C), yield (117 mg, 99%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.37 (td, *J* = 8.1, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 3H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 7.8 Hz, 4H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (s, 1H), 3.90 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.10–3.00 (m, 1H), 2.50–2.37 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.8, 139.9, 139.7, 134.9, 134.2, 132.1, 131.7, 130.6, 130.1, 129.8, 129.0, 128.8, 127.8, 127.7, 111.9, 111.6, 111.0, 110.8, 68.2, 49.1, 47.1, 45.0, 42.8, 30.5. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2927.7, 2856.3, 2033.8, 1660.8, 1595.9, 1578.9, 1233.3, 1089.0, 1017.2, 899.2, 735.2, 696.8, 555.8 cm⁻¹. MS (ESI): *m*/*z* 495.0, 493.0, 492.0, 490.0, 473.0, 358.9, 354.0, 274.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₉H₁₇ClN₄ONa [M + Na]: 495.0989; Found: 495.0983.

1-Benzoyl-7-methyl-10-phenyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3-(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6t**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), orange solid (mp 211–212 °C), yield (112 mg, 99%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 6.94 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (dt, J = 18.4, 7.5 Hz, 4H), 6.46 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 4.06 (s, 1H), 3.88 (dd, J = 10.3, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.09–2.96 (m, 1H), 2.42 (dt, J = 15.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.1, 140.3, 139.9, 136.0, 133.0, 132.1, 131.7, 131.4, 130.7, 130.1, 129.8, 128.8, 128.6, 127.4 (2C), 112.1, 111.8, 111.2, 111.0, 68.3, 49.2, 47.3, 44.8, 42.8, 30.8, 21.7. IR (KBr) $ν_{max}$ 2927.9, 2855.3, 2033.4, 1660.6, 1596.4, 1128.0, 1100.6, 989.5, 831.6, 743.1, 693.7, 621.4 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z 475.1, 474.9, 471.1, 470.1, 453.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₀H₂₁N₄O [M + H]: 453.1726; Found: 453.1723.

1-Benzoyl-6-methoxy-10-phenyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3-(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6u**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), orange solid (mp 211–212 °C), yield (115 mg, 98%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.93–6.69 (m, SH), 6.51 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 4.03 (s, 1H), 3.90 (dd, J = 10.3, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.10–2.94 (m, 1H), 2.53–2.35 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.1, 161.6, 139.8, 136.3, 135.9, 133.0, 132.2, 130.7, 129.8, 128.8, 128.6, 127.4, 121.3, 115.1, 113.1, 112.1, 111.7, 111.3, 110.9, 68.0, 55.8, 49.4, 47.1, 45.4, 43.1, 30.5. IR (KBr) $ν_{max}$ 2926.5, 2854.5, 2030.3, 1660.2, 1605.9, 1498.2, 1459.8, 1269.5, 1128.7, 1099.7, 989.5, 827.0, 743.8, 696.2, 624.2, 611.7, 552.1 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z 491.0, 488.0, 487.0, 486.0, 470.0, 469.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₃₀H₂₁N₄O₂ [M + H]: 469.1663; Found: 469.1659.

1-Benzoyl-6-fluoro-10-phenyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3-(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (**6v**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), orange solid (mp 180–181 °C), yield (63 mg, 55%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.31–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.10–6.97 (m, 4H), 6.88 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 6.51 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.08 (s, 1H), 3.96 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.14–3.02 (m, 1H), 2.51–2.41 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.4, 163.8 (d, *J* = 255.5 Hz), 139.4, 137.2 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 135.8, 133.1 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 133.0, 130.6, 129.7, 128.9, 127.6, 126.1 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 117.3 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz), 115.1 (d, *J* = 23.0 Hz), 111.8, 111.3, 111.0, 110.6, 67.7, 49.2, 46.9, 45.2, 42.9, 30.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –106.1. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2927.7, 2856.3, 2033.5, 1660.9, 1598.2, 1491.8, 1128.4, 1101.1, 989.6, 878.6, 744.6, 696.0, 623.9, 612.2, 550.5 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/*z* 480.0, 475.0, 474.0, 457.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₂₉H₁₇FN₄ONa [M + Na]: 479.1289; Found: 479.1289.

1-Heptanovl-10-phenvl-1.4-ethanonaphthalene-2.2.3.3(1H.4H)tetracarbonitrile (6w). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), yellow solid (mp 170–171 $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}),$ yield (110 mg, 99%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (dd, J = 18.0, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.52 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 3.99 (s, 1H), 3.64 (dd, J = 10.2, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.14-2.99 (m, 1H), 1.98 (td, J = 15.2, 4.9 Hz, 2H), 1.47–1.31 (m, 3H), 1.12 (dt, J =14.1, 7.0 Hz, 2H), 0.97 (m, 3H), 0.86 (dd, J = 8.7, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 0.76 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.0, 140.5, 134.5, 131.4, 130.8, 130.5, 129.3, 128.9, 128.7, 127.9, 127.7, 111.5 (2C), 111.1, 110.7, 67.2, 47.4, 46.2, 44.6, 43.5, 41.5, 33.4, 31.1, 28.5, 24.2, 22.3, 14.0. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3065.8, 3033.2, 2958.6, 2929.9, 2872.5, 2854.9, 2251.3, 2026.1, 1702.1, 1603.1, 1494.4, 1461.8, 1381.8, 1214.7, 1088.7, 910.5, 765.7, 702.0, 618.6, 548.2, 525.7, 477.4, 427.7 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z 470.1, 469.0, 465.1, 464.1. HRMS (MALDI/ DHB) calcd for $C_{29}H_{26}N_4ONa$ [M + Na]: 469.2009; Found: 469.2010.

1-(Cyclohex-1-enecarbonyl)-10-phenyl-1,4-ethanonaphthalene-2,2,3,3(1H,4H)-tetracarbonitrile (6x). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), orange solid (mp 215–216 °C), yield (62 mg, 56%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.12 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 3H), 6.73–6.50 (m, 2H), 5.69 (s, 1H), 4.02 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (dd, J = 10.2, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.08-2.96 (m, 1H), 2.39 (ddd, J = 15.2, 6.3, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (d, J = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (d, J = 17.5 Hz, 1H), 1.72 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 1.36-1.23 (m, 2H), 1.17-1.07 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.0, 150.3, 141.1, 137.3, 134.9, 131.2, 130.9, 129.9, 129.7, 129.1, 128.6, 127.3, 112.1, 111.7, 111.1, 110.9, 68.6, 49.6, 46.8, 45.1, 42.6, 30.8, 26.5, 24.2, 21.8, 20.4. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2926.4, 2855.1, 2026.1, 1623.0, 1460.3, 1384.6, 1269.5, 1095.4, 765.3, 737.0, 700.5, 639.3, 618.5, 560.1 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): m/z 465.0, 460.0, 451.0, 444.0, 443.0. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₂₉H₂₃N₄O [M + H]: 443.1877; Found: 443.1880.

4-Benzoyl-2,9-dimethyl-11-phenyl-3a,4,9,9a-tetrahydro-1H-4,9ethanobenzo[f]isoindole-1,3(2H)-dione (**6y**). Eluent petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1), yellow solid (mp 179–180 °C), yield (87 mg, 80%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.24–7.11 (m, SH), 7.10–6.95 (m, SH), 6.51 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.31 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (dd, *J* = 10.7, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.74 (s, 3H), 1.65 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 5.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.6, 176.6, 176.4, 142.4, 142.2, 140.5, 133.8, 130.2, 129.5, 128.9, 128.6, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 126.9, 122.4, 58.3, 50.2, 48.9, 47.8, 45.1, 39.1, 24.1, 20.7. IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2928.9, 2854.3, 2030.0, 1769.9, 1699.1, 1441.9, 1379.4, 1291.6, 1233.6, 1125.6, 957.9, 843.5, 761.6, 700.3 cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI/DHB): *m*/z 894.2, 893.3, 458.0, 437.0, 436.1. HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for C₂₉H₂₆NO₃ [M + H]: 436.1908; Found: 436.1907.

ASSOCIATED CONTENT

S Supporting Information

The copies of NMR spectral data, the crystallographic data (CIF file) of **6a**, and the copy of HRMS spectrum of compound **7b**. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

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