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Attempts to Improve the Overall Stereoselectivity of Ireland-Claisen Rearrangement

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General Experimental Practices

Tetrahydrofuran, dimethylformamide, and toluene were dried according to the procedure described by Grubbs.¹ All solvents were determined to contain less than 50 ppm H₂O by Karl Fischer coulometric moisture analysis. Reagents are commercial grade and were used as supplied. Reactions involving air or moisture sensitive reagents or intermediates were performed under an inert atmosphere of nitrogen or argon in glassware that was flame dried. LHMDS was purchased from Sigma-Aldrich (225770-100mL), and it was used within two months when the bottle was opened (Good quality is significant important for silyl ketene acetal formation). Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed with E. Merck precoated TLC plates, silica gel 60F-254, layer thickness 0.25 mm. TLC plates were visualized by staining with AMCAN (ammonium molybdate/cerium ammonium nitrate), potassium permagnate, or panisaldehyde. Flash chromatography separations were performed on E. Merck kieselgel 60 (230-400) mesh silica gel. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Inova 600 or Varian Inova 500. Chemical shifts were reported in parts per million (ppm). The residual solvent peak was used as an internal reference. Coupling constants (J) are reported in Hz and the splitting abbreviations used are: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; app t, apparent triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplet; comp, complex multiplet; br, broad. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 125 MHz. Fast atom bombardment (FAB) mass spectra were obtained with 3-nitrobenzyl alcohol or glycerol as the matrix. Sodium iodide was added when indicated. Chemical ionization (CI) mass spectra were obtained with ammonia as the reagent gas. Electrospray ionization experiments were performed on Micromass Inc., Platform II Atmospheric Pressure Ionization Mass Spectrometer.

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(a) Preparation of Propionate 5:



(4aR,8R,8aR)-2,2-Di-tert-butyl-4,4a,8,8a-tetrahydropyrano[3,2-

d][1,3,2]dioxasilin-8-yl propionate (5). A solution of $(t-Bu)_2SiOTf_2$ (26.7 mL, 73.2 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (133 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of D-galactal 15 (10.0 g, 68.4 mmol, from Carbosynth Limited in UK) in DMF (342 mL) at -45 °C over 40 min. After stirring at -45 °C for 1 h, freshly distilled pyridine (20.3 mL, 205 mmol) was added. The reaction was allowed to warm to 0 °C and stirred at 0 °C for 1 h. The mixture was quenched by addition of saturated NaHCO₃ (50 mL) and diluted with hexanes/EtOAc (5:1, 2.5 L). The organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 500 mL, 4 x 200 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated to give crude allylic alcohol 16 whose ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data were consistent with those reported.²

A solution of crude alcohol **16**, propionic anhydride (21.9 mL, 171 mmol), and DMAP (835 mg, 6.8 mmol) in Et₃N (456 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 13 h. The mixture was concentrated and then diluted with hexanes/EtOAc (10:1, 0.8 L). The organic layer was washed with water (4 x 100 mL) and brine (100 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (40:1 to 10:1) to afford 21.2 g (91% over 2 steps from **15**) of propionate **5** as a white solid; mp 86 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$ +117 (*c* 1.00, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S18) δ 6.41 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.26-5.23 (m, 1 H), 4.80 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.64 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.26 (dd, *J* = 13.0, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.87 (br, 1 H), 2.37 (dq, *J* = 7.6, 1.8 Hz, 2 H),

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1.16 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.00 (s, 9 H), 0.99 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S19) δ 174.6, 145.9, 98.8, 73.3, 67.6, 67.5, 65.2, 28.0. 27.8, 27.2, 23.5, 21.1, 9.6; mass spectrum (ESI) m/z 365.1742 [C₁₇H₃₀O₅SiNa (M+Na) requires 365.1760].

(b) Ireland-Claisen Rearrangement for One Day, and The Yield was Determined at Lactone Stage:



Iodolactone 17. A solution of LHMDS (91.5 mL of a 1.0 M solution in THF, 91.5 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of TBSCl (15.9 g, 106 mmol) in THF (240 mL) and HMPA (fresh distilled, 120 mL) at -78 °C. Once addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 10 min, warmed to 0 °C and stirred at 0 °C for 10 min, and then cooled to -78 °C. A solution of propionate **5** (12.0 g, 35 mmol) in THF (60 mL) was added dropwise over 40 min. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h, warmed to 0 °C over 30 min, and stirred at 0 °C for 20 min. The mixture was poured onto cold hexanes (-15 °C, 3 L). The organic layer was washed with water (5 x 600 mL) and brine (2 x 600 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated to afford silyl ketene acetal **6** (*Z*/*E* = 7.3:1, ¹H NMR, C₆D₆; see the spectrum on page S20).

A solution of silyl ketene acetal **6** in benzene (500 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 26 h under nitrogen and then concentrated under reduce pressure. The residue was dried under vacuum for 18 h at room temperature to give crude carboxylate **7** together with propionate **5** and silyl ketene acetal E-**6** in a ca. 12% combined yield. Without purification, carboxylate **7** was submitted to iodolactonization condition.

Saturated sodium bicarbonate solution (350 mL) was added to a solution of carboxylate 7 in THF (700 mL), and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. Potassium iodide (23.2 g, 140 mmol), iodine (35.4 g, 140 mmol), and sodium bicarbonate (11.8 g, 140 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred for 69 h, quenched with saturated Na₂S₂O₃ (200 mL), and diluted with hexanes/EtOAc (1:1, 2 L). The organic layer was washed with brine (3 x 500 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated to give crude iodolactone 17, which was subjected to the following reduction condition (n-Bu₃SnH, Et_3B) without purification. The crude iodolactone 17 can be purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (15:1 to 10:1) to afford a white solid; mp 143 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ -18.2 (*c* 0.61, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S22) δ 4.73 (s, 1 H), 4.68-4.64 (m, 1 H), 4.53-4.51 (m, 1 H), 4.32 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.24 (dd, J = 12.9, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.21 (dd, J = 12.9, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.99 (t, J = 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.75 (q, J = 8.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.26 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.01 (s, 9 H), 0.96 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S23) δ 177.7, 77.6, 76.7, 71.9, 69.3, 67.8, 44.2, 27.5, 27.0, 25.5, 23.3, 20.3, 12.4; mass spectrum (ESI) m/z469.0884 [C₁₇H₃₀IO₅Si (M+H) requires 469.0907].

Lactone 9. Triethylborane (1.75 mL, 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 1.75 mmol) was added to a solution of crude iodolactone **17** and *n*-Bu₃SnH (14 mL, 52.5 mmol) in toluene (233 mL) under nitrogen. The mixture was stirred for 1.5 h and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (4:1 to 1:1) to afford 10.1 g (84% from propionate **5**) of lactone **9** as a white solid; mp 102 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ -40.5 (*c* 0.95, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S24) δ 4.42-4.39 (m, 1 H), 4.31-4.29 (m, 1 H), 4.24 (dd, *J* = 12.3, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.16 (dd, *J* = 12.3, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.31-3.28 (m, 1 H), 2.73 (q, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.58 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.94 (ddd, *J* = 15.9, 5.2, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.27 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.02 (s, 9 H), 0.97 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S25) δ 178.7, 79.8, 73.8, 72.4, 67.6, 65.7, 44.1, 32.2, 27.5, 27.0, 23.2, 20.1, 12.6; mass spectrum (ESI) *m/z* 343.1933 [C₁₇H₃₁O₃Si (M+H) requires 343.1941].

(c) Ireland-Claisen Rearrangement for Three Days:

Iodolactone 17. A solution of LHMDS (38.0 mL of a 1.0 M solution in THF, 38.0 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of TBSCI (6.60 g, 43.8 mmol) in THF (100 mL) and HMPA (fresh distilled, 50 mL) at -78 °C. Once addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 10 min, warmed to 0 °C and stirred at 0 °C for 10 min, and then cooled to -78 °C. A solution of propionate **5** (5.0 g, 14.6 mmol) in THF (25 mL) was added dropwise over 40 min. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h, warmed to 0 °C over 30 min, and stirred at 0 °C for 30 min. The mixture was poured onto cold hexanes (-15 °C, 1.5 L). The organic layer was washed with water (5 x 300 mL) and brine (2 x 300 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated to afford silyl ketene acetal **6** (*Z*/*E* = 6.5:1, ¹H NMR, C₆D₆).

A solution of silyl ketene acetal **6** in benzene (210 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 72 h under nitrogen and then concentrated under reduce pressure. The residue was dried under vacuum for 14 h at room temperature to give crude carboxylate **7** together with 2% propionate **5** (All silyl ketene acetals were consumed; For ¹H NMR, see the spectrum on page S21). Without purification, carboxylate **7** was submitted to iodolactonization condition.

Saturated sodium bicarbonate solution (73 mL) was added to a solution of carboxylate 7 in THF (146 mL), and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. Potassium iodide (9.70 g, 58.4 mmol), iodine (14.8 g, 58.4 mmol), and sodium bicarbonate (4.90 g, 58.4 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred for 72 h, quenched with saturated $Na_2S_2O_3$ (90 mL), and diluted with hexanes/EtOAc (1:1, 1 L). The organic layer was washed with brine (3 x 200 mL), dried (Na_2SO_4) and concentrated to give crude iodolactone **17**, which was subjected to the following reduction condition (*n*-Bu₃SnH, Et₃B) without purification.

Lactone 9. Triethylborane (0.73 mL, 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 0.73 mmol) was added to a solution of crude iodolactone **17** and n-Bu₃SnH (5.87 mL, 21.9 mmol) in toluene (97 mL) under nitrogen. The mixture was stirred for 1.5 h and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (4:1 to 1:1) to afford 4.72 g (94% from propionate **5**) of lactone **9** as a white solid.

(d) Epimerization of Lactone 9:



Epimer 10. TBSOTf (805 µL, 3.50 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of lactone 9 (100 mg, 0.29 mmol) and Et₃N (813 µL, 5.84 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (4.1 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, diluted with EtOAc (30 mL), washed with NaHCO₃ (3 x 5 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The residue was dissolved in THF/H₂O/NH₄Cl(sat, aq) (10:1:1, 6 mL). The mixture was stirred at 50 °C for 14 h, and then diluted with EtOAc (30 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine $(2 \times 4 \text{ mL})$, dried (Na_2SO_4) and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (4:1 to 1:1) to afford 95 mg (95%) of lactone **10** as a white solid; mp 146 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ -24.1 (c 0.75, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S26) δ 4.30 (ddd, J = 4.8, 2.4, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.27 (dd, J = 12.3, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.23-4.21 (m, 1 H), 4.19 (dd, J = 12.3, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.13 (dd, J = 4.2, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.30-3.28 (m, 1 H), 2.70 (dq, J = 7.2, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.57 (dt, J = 7.15.6, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.94 (ddd, J = 15.6, 4.8, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.28 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.01 (s, 9 H), 0.96 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S27) δ 177.9, 76.4, 74.1, 72.7, 67.7, 65.7, 42.2, 32.6, 27.7, 27.1, 23.3, 20.2, 7.8; mass spectrum (ESI) m/z 343.1945 [C₁₇H₃₁O₅Si (M+H) requires 343.1941].

(e) Reduction of Lactone 9 to Diol i:



(4aR,6S,7S,8aR)-2,2-di-tert-butyl-hexahydro-6-((R)-1-hydroxypropan-2-

vl)pvrano[3,2-d][1,3,2]dioxasilin-7-ol (i). Lithium borohydride (1.40 g, 64.3 mmol) was added slowly to a solution of lactone 9 (2.20 g, 6.42 mmol) in THF (64 mL) at 0 °C. After stirring for 2 h, methanol (0.64 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 12 h and then room temperature for another 12 h. The reaction was quenched at 0 °C by carefully addition of EtOAc (20 mL), followed by saturated sodium bicarbonate (40 mL). The mixture was stirred at 0 °C until all bubbles disappeared. Hexanes (60 mL) was added, and organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with hexanes/Et₂O (1:1, 4 x 80 mL). All organic layers were combined, dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (4:1 to 1:1) to afford 2.08 g (93%) of diol i as a white solid; mp 143 °C; $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{25}$ +2.9 (c 0.48, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S28) δ 4.43 (t, J = 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.26 (dd, J = 12.6, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.20 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.07 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.85-3.81 (m, 1 H), 3.76 (ddd, J = 11.4, 5.1, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.50 (dt, J = 11.4, 6.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.38-3.36 (m, 1 H), 3.22 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.00 (dd, J = 6.3, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.32 (dt, J = 14.7, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.09 (dq, J = 6.8, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.77 (dt, J = 14.7, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.06 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 1.04 (s, 9 H), 1.03 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S29) δ 84.0, 76.9, 69.3, 68.6, 64.4, 63.5, 37.9, 36.6, 27.7, 27.1, 23.1, 20.2, 13.9; mass spectrum (ESI) m/z 369.2072 $[C_{17}H_{34}O_5SiNa (M+Na)$ requires 369.2073]. (For X-ray analysis, see the attached cif file.)

Experimental Details for the Synthesis Outlined in Scheme 7

(a) Synthesis of Propionate 11:



Alcohol 19. TIPSOTF (0.84 mL, 3.14 mmol) was added to a solution of diol 18³ (730 mg, 3.14 mmol) and pyridine (0.76 mL, 9.42 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (16 mL) at -50 °C. The reaction was slowly warm up to 0 °C over 90 min, and then stirred at 0 °C for 1 h. A solution of EtOAc (30 mL) and hexanes (30 mL) was added. The organic layer was washed with H₂O (15 mL), NaHCO₃ (15 mL) and brine (15 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (40:1 to 10:1) to afford 463 mg (38%) of alcohol 19 as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ -7.8 (*c* 0.49, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S30) δ 7.37-7.27 (comp, 5 H), 6.30 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.81 (d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.69 (ddd, *J* = 6.0, 2.7, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.35-4.31 (m, 1 H), 4.02-3.98 (comp, 2 H), 3.96 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.89 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.44 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.16-1.03 (comp, 21 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S31) δ 144.2, 138.0, 128.6, 128.0, 127.9, 103.2, 76.7, 74.5, 72.6, 63.0, 61.3, 18.0, 11.9; mass spectrum (ESI) *m*/*z* 415.2264 [C₂₂H₃₆O₄SiNa (M+Na) requires 415.2281].

Propionate 11. A solution of alcohol **19** (463 mg, 1.18 mmol), propionic anhydride (0.38 mL, 2.95 mmol), DMAP (58 mg, 0.47 mmol) in Et₃N (11.8 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. The mixture was concentrated and diluted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with water (10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (40:1 to 30:1) to afford 395 mg (75%) of propionate **11** as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{25}{}_{\rm D}$ -25.1 (*c* 0.62, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S32) δ 7.34-7.23 (comp, 5 H), 6.39 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.49 (ddd, *J* = 6.0, 3.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.71 (ddd, *J* = 6.0, 3.0, 0.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.10 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.08-4.05 (m, 1 H), 3.94 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.87 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.35-2.22 (m, 2 H), 1.11 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3 H), 1.09-1.02 (comp, 21 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S33) δ

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174.1, 145.5, 138.1, 128.3, 127.8, 127.7, 98.7, 77.4, 73.7, 70.7, 65.5, 61.0, 27.7, 17.9, 11.9, 9.0; mass spectrum (ESI) *m*/*z* 471.2565 [C₂₅H₄₀O₅SiNa (M+Na) requires 471.2543].

(b) Ireland-Claisen Rearrangement of TBS Silyl Ketene Acetal 20a and Characterization at Acid 21:



Acid 21. A solution of LHMDS (0.10 mL of a 1.0 M solution in THF, 0.10 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of TBSCI (17 mg, 113 µmol) in THF (0.66 mL) and HMPA (fresh distilled, 0.33 mL) at -78 °C. Once addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 5 min, warmed to 0 °C and stirred at 0 °C for 5 min, and then cooled to -78 °C. A solution of propionate 11 (17 mg, 38 µmol) in THF (0.2 mL) was added dropwise over 2 min. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 45 min, warmed to 0 °C, and stirred at 0 °C for 15 min. The mixture was poured onto hexanes (15 mL). The organic layer was washed with water (4 x 2 mL) and brine (2 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated to afford silyl ketene acetal 20a (Z/E = 13:1, ¹H NMR, C₆D₆; see the spectrum on page S34).

A solution of silvl ketene acetal **20a** in benzene (1 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 16 h under nitrogen and then concentrated under reduce pressure. The residue was dried under vacuum for 2 h at room temperature to give crude carboxylate **12a** (dr = 11:1, ¹H NMR, C₆D₆; see the spectrum on page S35), in which TBS group tended to fall off during flash chromatography on silica gel.

For compound characterization, TBS group was removed to give acid **21**. H_2O (0.5 mL) was added to a solution of crude carboxylate **12a** in THF (5 mL) at room temperature, and the reaction was stirred for 14 h. The mixture was concentrated under

reduced pressure. The residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (4:1 to 1:1) to afford 14 mg (82%) of **21** as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ -77.5 (*c* 0.67, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S36) δ 7.32-7.23 (comp, 5 H), 6.14 (ddd, *J* = 10.5, 5.4, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.92 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.66 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.53 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.38 (app d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.94 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 6.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.88 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.87-3.83 (m, 1 H), 3.69 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.82-2.75 (m, 1 H), 1.25 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.16-0.97 (comp, 21 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S37) δ 175.1, 138.5, 130.4, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 127.1, 79.2, 76.2, 70.7, 67.3, 62.5, 43.4, 18.0, 12.2, 12.0, 11.9; mass spectrum (ESI) *m/z* 471.2550 [C₂₅H₄₀O₅SiNa (M+Na) requires 471.2543].

(c) General Procedure of Ireland-Claisen Rearrangement of TIPS Silyl Ketene Acetal 20b:



A solution of LHMDS (0.10 mL of a 1.0 M solution in THF, 0.10 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of TIPSCl (24 μ L, 113 μ mol) in THF (0.66 mL) and HMPA (fresh distilled, 0.33 mL) at -78 °C. Once addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 5 min, warmed to 0 °C and stirred at 0 °C for 5 min, and then cooled to -78 °C. A solution of propionate **11** (17 mg, 38 μ mol) in THF (0.2 mL) was added dropwise over 2 min. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 45 min, warmed to 0 °C, and stirred at 0 °C for 25 min. The mixture was poured onto hexanes (15 mL). The organic layer was washed with water (5 x 3 mL) and brine (3 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated to afford silyl ketene acetal **20b** (*Z*/*E* = 13:1, ¹H NMR, C₆D₆; see the spectrum on page S38). A solution of silyl ketene acetal **20b** in C_6D_6 (2 mL) was stirred at 40 °C for 4 days under nitrogen and then concentrated under the reduced pressure. The *dr* of crude carboxylate **12b** was 19:1 (¹H NMR, C_6D_6 ; see the spectrum on page S39), and 4% of silyl ketene acetal **20b** (*Z/E* = 2:1, ¹H NMR) remained in the mixture. Carboxylate **12b** can be purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (40:1 to 10:1) to afford 20 mg (87% from **11**) of carboxylate **12b** as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ -78.6 (*c* 1.10, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S40) δ 7.34-7.22 (comp, 5 H), 6.00 (ddd, *J* = 10.2, 5.4, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.89 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.65 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.62 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.44-4.40 (m, 1 H), 3.98 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.86 (app dt, *J* = 2.4, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.76 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.62-3.57 (m, 1 H), 2.58 (dq, *J* = 6.8, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.32-1.26 (comp, 3 H), 1.21 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 1.10-1.01 (comp, 39 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S41) δ 174.0, 139.3, 133.1, 128.2, 127.6, 127.3, 125.9, 78.4, 76.1, 70.9, 67.6, 62.1, 45.5, 18.0, 18.0, 17.8, 12.0, 11.9; mass spectrum (ESI) *m*/*z* 627.3888 [C₃₄H₆₀O₃Si₂Na (M+Na) requires 627.3877].

Experimental details for the synthesis outlined in Scheme 8

(a) Synthesis of Propionate 13:



Glucal 23. PivCl (0.52 mL, 3.38 mmol) was added to a solution of diol 22^4 (400 mg, 1.69 mmol), DMAP (4.1 mg, 0.34 mmol) and pyridine (1.10 mL, 13.5 mmol) in DCM (11.3 mL), and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 15 h. The mixture

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was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with saturated sodium carbonate (2 x 10 mL), water (10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated. The residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (10:1 to 7:1) to afford 343 mg (63%) of glucal **23** as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +1.5 (*c* 0.64, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S42) δ 7.36-7.25 (comp, 5 H), 6.45 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.20 (dt, *J* = 6.0, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.66 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.62 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.00-3.95 (m, 1 H), 3.92 (ddd, *J* = 9.0, 6.0, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.82-3.77 (comp, 2 H), 3.34 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.19 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S43) δ 180.0, 146.1, 137.7, 128.4, 127.7, 127.7, 98.9, 77.3, 73.6, 73.0, 68.7, 68.1, 38.8, 27.0; mass spectrum (ESI) *m/z* 343.1530 [C₁₈H₂₄O₅Na (M+Na) requires 343.1521].

Glucal 24. TIPSOTf (0.56 mL, 2.14 mmol) was added to a solution of glucal **23** (343 mg, 1.07 mmol) and pyridine (1.04 mL, 12.8 mmol) in DCM (10.7 mL), and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. The mixture was diluted with hexanes/EtOAc (4:1, 40 mL). The organic layer was washed with saturated sodium carbonate (2 x 10 mL), water (10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated. The residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (40:1 to 10:1) to afford 510 mg (100%) of glucal **24** as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]_{^{25}D}^{25}$ -52.9 (*c* 0.64, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S44) δ 7.34-7.24 (comp, 5 H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.97 (app t, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.77 (ddd, *J* = 5.7, 4.8, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.53 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.27-4.23 (m, 1 H), 4.07 (dt, *J* = 4.2, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.74 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.59 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.12 (s, 9 H), 1.08-1.00 (comp, 21 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S45) δ 177.6, 145.5, 137.9, 128.4, 127.7, 127.7, 97.2, 78.0, 73.4, 68.6, 68.0, 67.5, 38.7, 27.1, 26.5, 18.0, 12.5; mass spectrum (ESI) *m/z* 499.2862 [C₂₇H₄₄O₅SiNa (M+Na) requires 499.2856].

Alcohol 25. A solution of DIBAL (3.75 mL of a 1.0 M solution in hexanes, 3.75 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of glucal 24 (510 mg, 1.07 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (11 mL) at -78 °C over 4 min. Once the addition was complete, the reaction was stirred at -78 °C for 40 min and then quenched with saturated sodium potassium tartrate solution (4 mL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h and then diluted with

hexanes/EtOAc (1:1, 30 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine (5 x 3 mL), dried (Na2SO4) and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (15:1 to 7:1) to afford 352 mg (84%) of **25** as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}+13.2$ (*c* 0.64, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S46) δ 7.34-7.25 (comp, 5 H), 6.41 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.74 (ddd, *J* = 6.0, 3.6, 0.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.60 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.54 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.06-4.01 (comp, 2 H), 3.93 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.78 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.73 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.12 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.13-1.00 (comp, 21 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S47) δ 144.4, 137.6, 128.4, 127.8, 127.7, 101.8, 78.0, 73.6, 71.9, 69.5, 68.1, 18.1, 12.6; mass spectrum (ESI) *m/z* 415.2268 [C₂₂H₃₆O₄SiNa (M+Na) requires 415.2281].

Propionate 13. A solution of alcohol **25** (352 mg, 0.90 mmol), propionic anhydride (0.29 mL, 2.24 mmol), DMAP (11 mg, 0.09 mmol) in Et₃N (9 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 2 h. The mixture was concentrated and then diluted with hexanes/EtOAc (3:1, 30 mL). The organic layer was washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution (10 mL), water (2 x 10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (80:1 to 40:1) to afford 350 mg (87%) of propionate **13** as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{25}{}_{\rm D}$ -45.7 (*c* 0.64, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S48) δ 7.34-7.24 (comp, 5 H), 6.42 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 0.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.08 (dt, *J* = 3.6, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.76 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 3.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.60 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.52 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.16-4.10 (comp, 2 H), 3.74 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.70 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 3.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.31-2.20 (m, 2 H), 1.08 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3 H), 1.07-0.98 (comp, 21 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S49) δ 173.7, 145.5, 137.8, 128.3, 127.6, 127.6, 98.0, 78.0, 73.4, 70.9, 68.2, 67.5, 27.7, 18.0, 17.9, 12.6, 8.9; mass spectrum (ESI) *m/z* 471.2553 [C₂₅H₄₀O₅SiNa (M+Na) requires 471.2543].

(b) Ireland-Claisen Rearrangement of TBS Silyl Ketene Acetal and Characterization at Acid 26:



Acid 26. A solution of LHMDS (87 μ L of a 1.0 M solution in THF, 87 μ mol) was added dropwise to a solution of TBSCl (15 mg, 0.10 mmol) in THF (0.66 mL) and HMPA (fresh distilled, 0.33 mL) at -78 °C. Once addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 10 min, warmed to 0 °C and stirred at 0 °C for 5 min, and then cooled to -78 °C. A solution of propionate **13** (15 mg, 33 μ mol) in THF (0.2 mL) was added dropwise over 2 min. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 40 min, warmed to 0 °C, and stirred at 0 °C for 15 min. The mixture was poured onto hexanes (15 mL). The organic layer was washed with water (5 x 3 mL) and brine (3 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated (The *Z/E* ratio was not reliably estimated since the Ireland-Claisen rearrangement occurred at RT).

The residue in benzene (2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 24 h under nitrogen and then concentrated under reduce pressure. The residue was dried under vacuum for 2 h at room temperature to give crude carboxylate **14a** (dr = 14:1, ¹H NMR, C₆D₆; see the spectrum on page S50), in which TBS group tended to fall off during flash chromatography on silica gel.

For compound characterization, TBS group was removed to give acid **26**. H₂O (0.5 mL) was added to a solution of crude carboxylate **14a** in THF (5 mL) at room temperature, and the reaction was stirred for 24 h. The mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (5:1 to 1:1) to afford 12 mg (80%) of **26** as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +95.1 (*c* 0.67, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S51) δ 7.35-7.22 (comp, 5 H), 5.91 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.67 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.60 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.46-4.40 (comp, 2 H), 3.75 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.69 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.58-3.52 (m, 1 H), 2.73 (dq, *J* = 6.6, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.19 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.04-0.98 (comp, 21 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S52) δ 175.0, 138.1, 132.6, 128.4, 127.6, 127.6, 125.4, 79.3, 75.2, 73.3,

69.0, 63.9, 43.6, 18.1, 18.0, 12.6, 11.6; mass spectrum (ESI) *m/z* 471.2533 [C₂₅H₄₀O₅SiNa (M+Na) requires 471.2543].

(c) General Procedure of Ireland-Claisen Rearrangement of TIPS Silyl Ketene Acetal:



Carboxylate 14b. A solution of LHMDS (580 μ L of a 1.0 M solution in THF, 0.58 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of TIPSCl (143 μ g, 0.67 mmol) in THF (4.4 mL) and HMPA (fresh distilled, 2.2 mL) at -78 °C. Once addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 5 min, warmed to 0 °C and stirred at 0 °C for 5 min, and cooled to -78 °C. A solution of propionate **13** (100 mg, 0.22 mmol) in THF (1.3 mL) was added dropwise over 10 min. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 45 min, warmed to 0 °C over 30 min, and stirred at 0 °C for 25 min. The mixture was poured onto hexanes (80 mL, -10 °C). The organic layer was washed with cold water (5 x 20 mL, 0 °C) and brine (30 mL, 0 °C) (The *Z/E* ratio was not reliably estimated since the Ireland-Claisen rearrangement occurred slowly at 0 °C).

The mixture was stored at 0 °C for 3 days, dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was dried under vacuum for 2 h at room temperature to give crude carboxylate **14b** (dr = 43:1, ¹H NMR, C₆D₆; see the spectrum on page S53), which was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (40:1 to 10:1) to afford 123 mg (91% from **13**) of carboxylate **14b** as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +63.2 (c 1.01, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S54) δ 7.33-7.22 (comp, 5 H), 5.82 (dt, J = 10.5, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.69 (dt, J = 10.5, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.59 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.55 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.77-4.44 (m, 1 H), 4.35-4.31 (m, 1 H), 3.71 (dd, J = 11.1, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.65 (dd, J = 11.1, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.46 (dq, J = 5.4, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.57 (dq, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.31-1.25 (comp, 3 H), 1.19 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3

H), 1.08-0.98 (comp, 39 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃; see the spectrum on page S55) δ 173.9, 138.7, 131.2, 128.7, 128.2, 127.6, 127.3, 79.8, 75.7, 73.4, 69.8, 64.5, 45.9, 18.1, 18.1, 17.9, 17.8, 12.7, 12.1, 11.9; mass spectrum (ESI) *m*/*z* 627.3891 [C₃₄H₆₀O₅Si₂Na (M+Na) requires 627.3877].











































































