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ABSTRACT: We report a highly chemoselective palladium-catalyzed Catellani-type amination of aryl iodides terminated by Heck reaction using allylic esters as terminating reagents. 2-Aminocinnamyl esters were formed exclusively via β -H elimination rather than β -OAc elimination without the assistance of a silver salt. This protocol represents a useful extension of Catellani-type transformations.

The introduction of functional groups into aromatics is a fundamental strategy for the synthesis of multisubstituted arenes. Traditional methods, including nucleophilic aromatic substitutions (S_NAr) and transition metal-catalyzed crosscouplings, have limitation that generally introduces only one substituent in a single procedure. During the past decades, the Pd/NBE-catalyzed ortho-functionalization of aryl halides with concomitant ipso-termination reaction, namely Catellani reaction, has emerged as a powerful method for the construction of multisubstituted arenes (Scheme 1a).^{1,2} A wide range of terminating reagents has been proved to be suitable for this reaction. Among them, α,β -unsaturated olefins and styrenes are commonly used reagents in Catellani reaction terminated by Heck reaction.^{3,4} In 2008, Jiao and co-workers reported a stoichiometric Ag(I)-promoted Heck reaction, which proceeded through β -H elimination to form cinnamyl acetate derivatives (Scheme 1b, path a).^{5,6} However, to the best of our knowledge, the application of allylic esters as terminating reagents in Catellani reaction to form cinnamyl esters has not been realized (Scheme 1b, path b). Probably because there are two possible competitive pathways in Pdcatalyzed Heck reaction between aryl halides and allylic esters: (1) β-OAc elimination. Lautens and co-workers had obtained the allylbenzene products from Heck reaction of aryl iodides and allylic esters via β-OAc elimination (Scheme 1b, path b).⁷ (2) Tsuii–Trost reaction.⁸ The allvlic ester could form a π -allyl Pd^{II} species through oxidative addition to Pd⁰, which could be captured by nucleophiles (Scheme 1b, path c).

As a part of our ongoing interest in Catellani reaction,⁹ we now describe an efficient and highly selective Catellani reaction of aryl iodides with allylic esters as new terminating reagents (Scheme 1c). Inspired by Dong's Pd/NBE-catalyzed arene C–H amination,¹⁰ we chose *N*-benzoyloxy amine as an *ortho* electrophile to begin our research.

Scheme 1. The Pd/NBE-Catalyzed Reaction of Iodobenzenes and Allyl Esters

a) Catellani reaction terminated by Heck reaction



Table 1. Optimization of the Reaction Conditions^a



entry	catalyst	solvent	ligand	yield (%) ^b	
				4a	5a
1	Pd(OAc) ₂	THF	L1	22	12
2	Pd(OAc) ₂	MTBE	L1	50	34
3	Pd(OAc) ₂	1,4- dioxane	L1	46	32
4	Pd(OAc) ₂	DMF	L1	trace	0
5	Pd(OAc) ₂	DMSO	L1	trace	0
6	Pd(OAc) ₂	CH₃CN	L1	trace	trace
7	Pd(OAc) ₂	toluene	L1	66	6
8	[(allyl)PdCl] ₂	toluene	L1	33	trace
9	(dppf)PdCl ₂	toluene	L1	66	7
10	PdCl ₂	toluene	L1	75	trace
11	PdCl ₂	toluene	L2	56	<5
12	PdCl ₂	toluene	L3	trace	trace
13	PdCl ₂	toluene	L4	46	<5
14 ^c	PdCl ₂	toluene	L1	40	<5
15 ^d	PdCl ₂	toluene	L1	92	trace
16 ^e	PdCl ₂	toluene	L1	86	trace
17 ^f	PdCl ₂	toluene	L1	80	trace
18 ^g	PdCl ₂	toluene	L1	0	78
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^a1a (0.1 mmol), 2a (1.5 equiv), 3a (2.0 equiv), catalyst (10 mol%), ligand (25 mol%), base (2.5 equiv), NBE (2.0 equiv), solvent (1 mL) at 80 °C under nitrogen atmosphere for 24 h. ^bThe yields were determined by ¹H NMR analysis of the crude product using CH₂Br₂ as the internal standard. ^cK₂CO₃ was used instead of Cs₂CO₃ ^d1.8 equiv of 2a were used. ^e2.0 equiv of 2a were used. ^fAt 100 °C. ^gwithout NBE. MTBE = Methyl tertiary butyl ether. DMF = *N*,*N*-Dimethylformamide. DMSO = Dimethylsulfoxide.

Initially, we employed 1-iodo-2-methylbenzene (1a), morpholino benzoate (2a), and allyl acetate (3a) as model substrates to optimize the reaction conditions. To our delight, we got the desired product (4a) in 22% yield on our first try, by using Pd(OAc)₂ (10 mol%), tri(2-furyl)phosphane (TFP, 25 mol%), NBE (2.0 equiv) in the presence of Cs_2CO_3 (2.0 equiv) in THF (Table 1, entry 1). Then, a series of solvents were screened (Table 1, entries 2-7). MTBE and 1,4-dioxane could provide the desired product in moderate yields (Table 1, entries 2, 3), while a trace amount of 4a was obtained using DMF, DMSO, and CH₃CN (Table 1, entries 4-6). To our delight, 66% vield of 4a was achieved when toluene was used (Table 1, entry 7). The effect of the catalysts was subsequently investigated (Table 1, entries 8-10), and a 75% yield was obtained in the presence of PdCl₂ (Table 1, entry 10). A further evaluation of phosphine ligands revealed that no better result was achieved than TFP (Table 1, entries 11–13). Switching the base to K₂CO₃ could give 40% yield of product (Table 1, entry 14). Remarkably, 1.8 equiv of 2a could promote this reaction to afford 4a in 92% yield (Table 1, entry 15), whereas the yield was reduced to 86% when the loadings of **2a** were further increased to 2.0 equiv (Table 1, entry 16). A lower yield was observed when the reaction was conducted at a higher temperature (Table 1, entry 17). No **4a** was detected and cinnamyl ester (**5a**) was formed in 78% yield in the absence of NBE (Table 1, entry 18). Through systematic conditional screening, the optimum reaction conditions were determined as follows: PdCl₂ (10 mol%), TFP (25 mol%), Cs₂CO₃ (2.5 equiv), and NBE (2.0 equiv) in toluene (1 mL) under N₂ at 80 °C (Table 1, entry 15).

Scheme 2. Scope of Aryl Iodides^a



^a**1** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (1.8 equiv), **3a** (2.0 equiv), $PdCl_2$ (10 mol%), TFP (25 mol%), Cs_2CO_3 (2.5 equiv), NBE (2.0 equiv), toluene (1 mL) at 80 °C under nitrogen atmosphere for 24 h. ^b1-Bromo-2-methylbenzene was used as substrate. ^c**2a** (3.0 equiv) was used.

With the established optimal reaction conditions in hand, we first investigated the substrate scope of aryl iodides by using **2a** and **3a** as coupling partners (Scheme 2). In the process, we used a variety of *ortho-*, *para-*, and disubstituted iodobenzenes to extend the reaction. The corresponding target products (**4a**–**o**) were obtained, and the yields ranged from 43% to 89%. However, **4a** was formed in trace amount when 1-bromo-2-methylbenzene was used. Aryl iodides with a large variety of functional groups could be applied to the reaction system, such as alkyl, ester, halogen, ketone, nitro, cyano, and trifluoromethoxyl. Notably, diamination products were observed as the only products when *para-*substituted iodobenzenes (**4i–o**) were subjected to the reaction. It is

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noteworthy that the coordinative cyano group gave the desired product (**4n**) without obstacle. It should be noted that the structure of **4j** was confirmed by single-crystal X-ray crystallography.

And then, we continued to use 1-iodo-2-methylbenzene (1a) and allyl acetate (3a) as the model substrates to explore the scope of the amination reagents (2) (Scheme 3). Piperidine, thiomorpholine, tert-butyl piperazine-1-carboxylate, 4methylpiperidine, 1,4-dioxa-8-azaspiro[4,5]decane, azepane, and 2,6-dimethylmorpholine-derived cyclic amination reagents were proved to be viable substrates, producing the desired products (4p-v) in moderate to good yields. However, noncyclic amination reagents, such as O-benzoyl-N,Ndimethylhydroxylamine, was not tolerated. Dimethyl benzoyl hydroxylamine was completely decomposed, and only cinnamyl esters (5a) were detected. Our further investigations that expanded the scope of allyl acetates indicated that the desired products (4w-z) could be formed in moderate yields by using but-3-en-2-yl acetate (3b), pent-1-en-3-yl acetate (3c), allyl benzoate (3d), and allyl *tert*-butyl carbonate (3e) as the substrates. In the case of 3e, 33% yield of the desired product (4z) and 20% yield of 4y were isolated. However, only 4y was detected when allyl trifluoriacetate (3f) and allyl dimethyl phosphate (3g) were used. Probably, 4y was formed through transesterification. Importantly, homoallylic esters (3h) could deliver the desired product (4aa) in 72% yield (E:Z=7:1).

Scheme 3. Scope of Amination Reagents^a



^a**1a** (0.1 mmol), **2** (1.8 equiv), **3** (2.0 equiv), $PdCl_2$ (10 mol%), TFP (25 mol%), Cs_2CO_3 (2.5 equiv), NBE (2.0 equiv), toluene (1 mL) at 80 °C under nitrogen atmosphere for 24 h.

We also evaluated the reactivity of allyl alcohol (**6a–c**) in our reaction system. The cinnamyl alcohol product (**7a–c**) and ketone product (**8a–c**) were isolated in 23% to 40% yields (eq. 1). These control experiments indicated that the acetate moiety plays an important role in directing the reaction pathways and products distribution. 2-Acylcinnamyl ester (10) and 2arylcinnamyl esters (11a and 11b) were also formed under the standard reaction conditions, albeit in lower yields (eq. 2 and eq. 3). It should be noted that aryl iodide substrates were consumed completely in all cases of the above mentioned reactions, and cinnamyl esters (5) and 2-arylcinnamyl esters (11) could be detected as the byproducts. A gram-scale experiment was performed using 1a, 2a, and 3a as starting substrates, and the desired product 4a was isolated in 77% yield (eq. 4). It is worth mentioning that cinnamyl acetate is versatile synthetic intermediate. For example, 4a could lead to azidesubstituted product 12 in 81% yield (eq. 5).



Scheme 4. Proposed Reaction Pathway



We propose a mechanism of this transformation (Scheme 4).¹ After the formation of aryl Pd(II) species (I) from the

oxidative addition of aryl iodides (1) to Pd⁰ catalyst, the Catellani-type C–H activation takes place, giving the palladacycle (II). Subsequently, another oxidative addition of *N*-benzoyloxy amine (2) to palladacycle (II) occurs, leading to palladacycle (III), which further transforms to intermediate (IV) via reductive elimination. Then, intermediate (V) is generated via β -C elimination. Finally, Heck-type carbopalladation of allylic esters generates a palladium species (VI), which could undergo β -H elimination to form the final products (4).⁵

In conclusion, we have described the efforts of developing a Catellani-type amination of aryl iodides terminated by a highly chemoselective Heck reaction. The use of allylic esters as terminating reagents could give a range of 2-aminocinnamyl esters chemoselectively, which is a good extension of Catellani-type reactions.

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

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General Information. All commercially available solvents were of analytical grade and used as received. The other commercial chemicals were used without further purification. All reactions were performed under an inert atmosphere of nitrogen in flame-dried glassware, unless otherwise stated. Analytical thin layer chromatography was performed on 0.25 mm silica gel 60-F254. Visualization was carried out with UV light and Vogel's permanganate. Preparative TLC was performed on 1.0 mm silica gel. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance III instrument (500 MHz). ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance III instrument (126 MHz) were fully decoupled by broad band proton decoupling. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on an Agilent 1290 Mass spectrometer using ESI-TOF (electrospray ionization-time of flight). NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃. ¹H NMR spectra were referenced to residual CHCl₃ at 7.26 ppm, and ¹³C NMR spectra were referenced to the central peak of CDCl₃ at 77.0 ppm. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm, and coupling constants (J) are in Hertz (Hz). Multiplicities are reported using the following abbreviations: s = singlet, d = doublet, t =triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet.

General procedure 1.¹²

Benzoyl peroxide (2.9 g, 12 mmol, 1.2 equiv), dipotassium hydrogen phosphate trihydrate (4.5 g, 20 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and DMF (35 ml) were added to a dry round bottom flask. The resultant reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 minutes, and then amine (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added. After reaction mixture was stirred for 24 hours, water (100 mL) was added to quench the reaction, and the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The organic phase was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and filtered. The organic phase was concentrated under vacuum, and purified by chromatography on silica gel with hexanes/ethyl acetate (4:1) to afford **2**.

General procedure 2.

A dried 15 ml Schlenk tube was charged with aryl iodide **1** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), amine benzoate **2** (0.18 mmol, 1.8 equiv), allyl esters **3** (2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), PdCl₂ (1.8 mg, 0.01 mmol, 10 mol%), TFP (5.8 mg, 0.025 mmol, 25 mol%), Cs_2CO_3 (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv), norbornene (18.9 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and toluene (1 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C for 24 hours on a heating plate under nitrogen atmosphere. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and filtered. The

mixture was concentrated under vacuum, and purified by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) with hexanes/ethyl acetate to give the corresponding products (4a-h, 4p-z, and 4aa).

General procedure 3.

A dried 15 ml Schlenk tube was charged with aryl iodide **1** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), amine benzoate **2** (0.3 mmol, 3.0 equiv), allyl acetate **3a** (2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), PdCl₂ (1.8 mg, 0.01 mmol, 10 mol%), TFP (5.8 mg, 0.025 mmol, 25 mol%), Cs₂CO₃ (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv), norbornene (18.9 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and toluene (1 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C for 24 hours on a heating plate under nitrogen atmosphere. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was concentrated under vacuum, and purified by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) with hexanes/ethyl acetate to give the corresponding products (**4i-o**).



(*E*)-3-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)allyl acetate (4a) (24.4 mg, 89%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (dt, *J* = 16.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 3.82 – 3.78 (m, 4H), 2.95 – 2.91 (m, 4H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl3) δ 170.7, 151.3, 137.0, 130.9, 130.1, 127.7, 127.5, 125.5, 115.9, 67.2, 65.7, 52.3, 21.4, 20.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₂₂NO₃⁺ 276.1594; Found 276.1597.



(*E*)-3-(2-ethyl-6-morpholinophenyl)allyl acetate (4b) (21.9 mg, 76%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.19 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.14 (dt, *J* = 16.3, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 3.92 – 3.61 (m, 4H), 3.09 – 2.88 (m, 4H), 2.71 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.19 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C {1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.8, 151.3, 143.3, 130.7, 129.8, 128.0, 127.2, 123.9, 116.0, 67.2, 65.7, 52.3, 26.6, 21.0, 15.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₂₄NO₃⁺ 290.1751; Found 290.1753.



(*E*)-3-(2-isopropyl-6-morpholinophenyl)allyl acetate (4c) (21.4 mg, 71%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as

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vellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, J= 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (dt, J = 16.3, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.00 - 3.66 (m, 4H), 3.44 - 3.19 (m, 1H), 2.97 - 2.89 (m, 4H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.20 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 151.1, 147.9, 130.7, 129.9, 128.2, 127.6, 120.5, 115.9, 67.3, 65.6, 52.4, 29.2, 24.1, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{18}H_{26}NO_3^+$ 304.1907; Found 304.1908.



ethyl (E)-2-(3-acetoxyprop-1-en-1-yl)-3morpholinobenzoate (4d) (21.1 mg, 63%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow solid, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). Mp: 58-59 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 - 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.13 - 7.05 (m, 1H), 6.95 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (dt, J = 16.2, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (dd, J = 6.2, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 4.31 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.97 – 3.83 (m, 4H), 2.96–2.92 (m, 4H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.35 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 169.3, 151.3, 133.4, 130.4, 129.7, 128.1, 127.5, 123.4, 121.0, 77.3, 77.0, 76.8, 67.1, 65.2, 61.2, 52.2, 20.9, 14.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄NO₅⁺ 334.1649; Found 334.1652.



(E)-3-(2,3-dimethyl-6-morpholinophenyl)allyl acetate (4e) (17.1 mg, 59%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.06 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.94 – 6.61 (m, 2H), 5.99 (dt, J = 16.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (dd, J = 6.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 3.81–3.75 (m, 4H), 2.93–2.85 (m, 4H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) & 170.8, 149.3, 135.4, 132.1, 131.5, 131.0, 129.2, 128.0, 115.7, 67.3, 65.6, 52.4, 21.0, 20.5, 17.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{17}H_{24}NO_3^+$ 290.1751; Found 290.1754.



(E)-3-(3-chloro-2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)allyl

acetate (4f) (20.1 mg, 63%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (dt, J =16.4, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (dd, J = 6.2, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 3.81 – 3.77 (m, 4H), 2.91 – 2.86 (m, 4H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 149.8, 134.6,

132.5, 130.5, 129.9, 129.0, 128.4, 117.1, 67.2, 65.2, 52.2, 21.0, 18.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁ClNO₃⁺ 310.1204; Found 310.1207.



(E)-3-(2,3-dichloro-6-morpholinophenyl)allyl acetate (4g) (23.1 mg, 68%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, J= 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.60 - 6.51 (m, 1H), 4.78 (dd, J = 6.0, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 3.81 – 3.77 (m, 4H), 2.95 – 2.89 (m, 4H), 2.12 (s, 3H); ${}^{13}C{1H}$ NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 150.9, 132.1, 130.9, 130.3, 129.1, 127.9, 127.8, 117.7, 67.0, 65.1, 51.0, 20.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]+ Calcd for C₁₅H₁₈Cl₂NO₃⁺ 330.0658; Found 330.0658.



methvl (E)-4-(3-acetoxyprop-1-en-1-yl)-3-methyl-5morpholinobenzoate (4h) (16.9 mg, 51%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) & 7.61 (s, 1H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (dt, J = 16.5, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (dd, J = 6.2, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.84 – 3.80 (m, 4H), 2.98 – 2.96 (m, 4H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 167.0, 151.4, 137.3, 134.8, 130.0, 129.1, 126.7, 117.2, 67.2, 65.4, 52.3, 52.1, 21.5, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄NO₅⁺ 334.1649; Found 334.1650.



(E)-3-(4-acetyl-2,6-dimorpholinophenyl)allyl acetate (4i) (21.0 mg, 54%) was prepared from general procedure 3 as yellow solid, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). Mp: 106-108 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 (s, 2H), 7.09 -7.02 (m, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (dd, J = 6.2, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 3.86 - 3.80 (m, 8H), 2.99 - 2.93 (m, 8H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.6, 170.7, 152.4, 137.0, 129.1, 128.5, 127.7, 114.5, 67.0, 66.0, 52.3, 26.6, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₂₉N₂O₅⁺ 389.2071; Found 389.2073.



methyl (*E*)-4-(3-acetoxyprop-1-en-1-yl)-3,5dimorpholinobenzoate (4j) (23.1 mg, 57%) was prepared from general procedure 3 as yellow solid, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). Mp: 128–129 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (s, 2H), 7.08 – 7.01 (m, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (dd, J = 6.2, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.85 – 3.79 (m, 8H), 2.98 – 2.91 (m, 8H), 2.11 (d, J = 18.7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 166.8, 152.2, 129.9, 128.9, 128.3, 127.8, 115.8, 67.0, 66.0, 52.3, 52.2, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₂₉N₂O₆⁺ 405.2020; Found 405.2022.



(*E*)-3-(2,6-dimorpholino-4-nitrophenyl)allyl acetate (4k) (10.0 mg, 26%) was prepared from general procedure 3 as yellow solid, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). Mp: 101-102 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (s, 2H), 7.05 (dt, *J* = 16.4, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (dd, *J* = 6.1, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 3.90 – 3.77 (m, 8H), 3.03 – 2.92 (m, 8H), 2.14 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 152.9, 147.8, 130.7, 129.6, 126.9, 109.8, 66.9, 65.6, 52.2, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₉H₂₆N₃O₆⁺ 392.1816; Found 392.1817.



(*E*)-3-(4-chloro-2,6-dimorpholinophenyl)allyl acetate (4l) (16.2 mg, 43%) was prepared from general procedure 3 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.91 – 6.85 (m, 1H), 6.81 – 6.76 (m, 3H), 4.73 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 3.84 – 3.78 (m, 8H), 2.93 – 2.87 (m, 8H), 2.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 153.2, 134.1, 127.9, 127.0, 122.8, 115.2, 67.0, 66.2, 52.4, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₉H₂₆ClN₂O₄⁺ 381.1576; Found 381.1577.



(*E*)-3-(4-bromo-2,6-dimorpholinophenyl)allyl acetate (4m) (12.9 mg, 30%) was prepared from general procedure 3 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.92 (s, 2H), 6.92 – 6.86 (m, 1H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 3.82 – 3.78 (m, 8H), 2.92 – 2.88 (m, 8H), 2.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 153.3, 127.9, 127.1, 123.3, 122.3, 118.2, 67.0, 66.2, 52.4, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₉H₂₆BrN₂O₄⁺ 425.1070; Found 425.1073.



(*E*)-3-(4-cyano-2,6-dimorpholinophenyl)allyl acetate (4n) (13.4 mg, 36%) was prepared from general procedure 3 as white solid, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). Mp: 110–113 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.05 (s, 2H), 7.00 (dt, *J* = 16.4, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (dt, *J* = 16.4, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (dd, *J* = 6.1, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 3.85 – 3.77 (m, 8H), 2.96 – 2.89 (m, 8H), 2.13 (s, 3H); ¹³C {1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 152.8, 129.3, 129.1, 127.0, 118.8, 118.2, 111.9, 66.9, 65.7, 52.2, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₂₆N₃O₄⁺ 372.1918; Found 372.1919.



(*E*)-3-(2,6-dimorpholino-4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)allyl acetate (4o) (17.3 mg, 40%) was prepared from general procedure 3 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.88 (dt, *J* = 16.4, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (s, 2H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 3.84 – 3.78 (m, 8H), 2.94 – 2.89 (m, 8H), 2.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C {1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 153.4, 149.4, 127.8, 127.2, 122.8, 120.5 (q, *J* = 257.4Hz), 107.2, 67.0, 66.1, 52.3, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₂₆F₃N₂O₅⁺ 431.1788; Found 431.1786.



(*E*)-3-(2-methyl-6-(piperidin-1-yl)phenyl)allyl acetate (4p) (18.1mg, 66%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer

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chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.89 – 6.84 (m, 2H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dt, *J* = 16.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (dd, *J* = 6.5, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 2.92 – 2.77 (m, 4H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.68 – 1.62 (m, 4H), 1.57 – 1.50 (m, 2H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 153.1, 136.8, 131.5, 130.2, 127.6, 126.9, 125.0, 116.3, 66.0, 53.5, 26.4, 24.3, 21.5, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₂₄NO₂⁺ 274.1802; Found 274.1803.



(*E*)-3-(2-methyl-6-thiomorpholinophenyl)allyl acetate (4q) (16.5mg, 57%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (dt, *J* = 16.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 3.22 - 3.12 (m, 4H), 2.81 - 2.70 (m, 4H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 152.7, 137.1, 131.0, 130.9, 127.7, 125.9, 117.1, 65.7, 54.6, 28.3, 21.4, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₂₂NO₂S⁺ 292.1366; Found 292.1369.







(E)-3-(2-methyl-6-(4-methylpiperidin-1-yl)phenyl)allyl

acetate (4s) (18.3mg, 63%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.11 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.90 – 6.84 (m, 2H), 6.80 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dt, J = 16.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (dd, J = 6.4, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (td, J = 11.8, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.72 – 1.63 (m, 2H), 1.51 – 1.41 (m, 1H), 1.36 – 1.29 (m, 2H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C {1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 152.8, 136.8, 131.4, 130.2, 127.6, 126.9, 124.9, 116.3,

66.0, 52.8, 34.8, 30.7, 22.0, 21.5, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for $C_{18}H_{26}NO_2^+$ 288.1958; Found 288.1961.



(*E*)-3-(2-methyl-6-(1,4-dioxa-8-azaspiro[4.5]decan-8yl)phenyl)allyl acetate (4t) (16.5mg, 47%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dt, *J* = 16.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 3.99 (s, 4H), 3.05 – 2.96 (m, 4H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.86 – 1.81 (m, 4H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 151.9, 136.9, 131.0, 130.3, 127.6, 127.3, 125.3, 116.5, 107.1, 65.9, 64.3, 50.3, 35.4, 21.5, 21.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₉H₂₆NO₄⁺ 332.1856; Found 332.1857.



(*E*)-3-(2-(azepan-1-yl)-6-methylphenyl)allyl acetate (4u) (13.1mg, 43%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.88 – 6.79 (m, 2H), 5.97 (dt, *J* = 16.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 3.12 – 3.05 (m, 4H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.74 – 1.67 (m, 8H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 154.7, 136.8, 132.2, 130.8, 127.4, 126.8, 124.6, 118.1, 65.9, 56.1, 29.4, 27.1, 21.6, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₆NO₂⁺ 288.1958; Found 288.1957.



(*E*)-3-(2-(2,6-dimethylmorpholino)-6-methylphenyl)allyl acetate (4v) (16.4 mg, 53%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.14 (dt, *J* = 16.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 3.83 – 3.75 (m, 2H), 3.05 (d, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.19 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 6H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 151.1, 137.1, 131.3, 130.1, 127.8, 127.5, 125.5, 116.2, 72.1, 65.8, 58.0, 21.4, 21.0, 18.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₆NO₃⁺ 304.1907; Found 304.1909.



(*E*)-4-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)but-3-en-2-yl

acetate (4w) (15.8mg, 55%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, J = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (dd, J = 16.5, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.53 (p, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.84 – 3.79 (m, 4H), 2.99 – 2.89 (m, 4H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 1.43 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3, 151.3, 137.0, 133.4, 130.3, 128.2, 127.6, 125.6, 115.9, 71.7, 67.3, 52.3, 21.4, 21.4, 20.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₂₄NO₃⁺ 290.1751; Found 290.1753.



(*E*)-1-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)pent-1-en-3-yl acetate (4x) (14.9mg, 49%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (dd, *J* = 16.5, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (q, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.86 – 3.76 (m, 4H), 2.99 – 2.88 (m, 4H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 1.82 – 1.69 (m, 2H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3, 151.3, 137.0, 132.1, 130.5, 129.3, 127.6, 125.7, 116.0, 77.0, 67.3, 52.3, 27.8, 21.5, 21.3, 9.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₆NO₃⁺ 304.1907; Found 304.1906.



(E)-3-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)allyl benzoate (4y) (9.1 mg, 27%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as colorless oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1).¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.96 – 6.85 (m, 3H), 6.25 (dt, J = 16.4, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (dd, J = 6.3, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 3.82 – 3.73 (m, 4H), 2.94 (dd, J = 5.5, 3.5 Hz, 4H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.3, 151.4, 137.1, 133.0, 131.2, 130.3, 130.3, 129.6, 128.4, 127.8, 127.6, 125.7, 116.1, 67.3, 66.1, 52.4, 21.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₂₄NO₃⁺ 338.1751; Found 338.1748.



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carbonate (4z) (10.4 mg, 33%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/DCM (2:1).¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.14 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.89 – 6.80 (m, 2H), 6.14 (dt, J = 16.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (dd, J = 6.4, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 3.84 – 3.77 (m, 4H), 2.98 – 2.89 (m, 4H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.50 (s, 9H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.5, 151.5, 137.2, 131.4, 130.1, 127.8, 127.4, 125.7, 116.0, 82.1, 68.3, 67.3, 52.4, 27.8, 21.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₉H₂₈NO₄⁺ 334.2013; Found 334.2015.



(E)-4-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)but-3-en-1-yl

acetate (4aa) (22.1 mg, 72%) was prepared from general procedure 2 as yellow oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexanes/ethyl acetate (10:1).¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.12 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (dt, J = 16.4, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.87 – 3.77 (m, 4H), 2.99 – 2.92 (m, 4H), 2.62 – 2.55 (m, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 151.1, 136.9, 131.4, 129.9, 129.1, 127.2, 125.7, 115.9, 67.3, 64.0, 52.2, 33.1, 21.5, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₂₄NO₃⁺ 290.1751; Found 290.1755.

Preparation of 7 and 8.

A dried 15 ml Schlenk tube was charged with iodobenzene 1 (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), morpholino benzoate 2a (37.4 mg, 0.18 mmol, 1.8 equiv), allyl alcohol 6 (2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), PdCl₂ (1.8 mg, 0.01 mmol, 10 mol%), TFP (5.8 mg, 0.025 mmol, 25 mol%), Cs₂CO₃ (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv), norbornene (18.9 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and toluene (1 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C for 24 hours on a heating plate under nitrogen atmosphere. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and filtered. The mixture was purified by thin layer chromatography to give 7 and 8.



(*E*)-4-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)but-3-en-2-ol (7a) (8.4 mg, 34%) was prepared as colorless oil after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (dd, J = 16.5, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.56 – 4.46 (m, 1H), 3.83 – 3.78 (m, 4H), 2.98 – 2.90 (m, 4H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.38 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.2, 138.0, 137.0, 130.7, 127.4, 125.9, 125.7, 116.0, 69.5, 67.3, 52.3, 23.7, 21.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₅H₂₂NO₂⁺ 248.1645; Found 248.1649.



4-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)butan-2-one (8a) (9.9 mg, 40%) was prepared as colorless oil after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.86 – 3.77 (m, 4H), 3.02 – 2.95 (m, 2H), 2.88 – 2.82 (m, 4H), 2.67 – 2.60 (m, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.18 (s, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.5, 151.6, 137.4, 135.9, 127.1, 126.8, 119.1, 67.6, 53.8, 43.8, 29.8, 22.0, 19.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₅H₂₂NO₂⁺ 248.1645; Found 248.1653.



(E)-1-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)pent-1-en-3-ol (7b) (7.3 mg, 28%) was as colorless oil after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1)). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (dd, *J* = 16.5, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.28 – 4.20 (m, 1H), 3.81 (t, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 4H), 3.00 – 2.89 (m, 4H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.74 – 1.61 (m, 2H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.2, 137.0, 136.7, 130.8, 127.4, 127.1, 125.8, 116.1, 75.2, 67.3, 52.3, 30.4, 21.6, 9.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₂₄NO₂⁺ 262.1802; Found 262.1800.



1-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)pentan-3-one (8b) (6.4 mg, 24%) was prepared as colorless oil after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ethyl acetate (10:1)). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.14 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 7.06 – 7.01 (m, 1H), 6.99 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 3.87 – 3.78 (m, 4H), 3.01 – 2.95 (m, 2H), 2.90 – 2.81 (m, 4H), 2.67 – 2.58 (m, 2H), 2.46 (q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.09 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.2, 151.5, 137.4, 136.0, 127.1, 126.7, 119.1, 67.6, 53.8, 42.3, 35.9, 22.1, 19.9, 7.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₂₄NO₂⁺ 262.1802; Found 262.1806.



(E)-3-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)-1-phenylprop-2-en-1-ol (7c) (11.5 mg, 33%) was prepared as colorless oil after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (4:1)). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.31

- 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.23 (dd, J = 16.4, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.70 - 3.61 (m, 4H), 2.88 - 2.79 (m, 4H), 2.36 (s, 3H); 1³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.2, 143.3, 137.0, 136.2, 130.5, 128.6, 127.7, 127.5, 126.9, 126.1, 125.7, 116.0, 76.0, 67.1, 52.2, 21.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₂₄NO₂⁺ 310.1802; Found 310.1800.



3-(2-methyl-6-morpholinophenyl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (8c) (7.0 mg, 23%) was prepared as colorless oil after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexane/ ethyl acetate (10:1)). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.82 – 3.72 (m, 4H), 3.22 – 3.10 (m, 4H), 2.92 – 2.80 (m, 4H), 2.36 (s, 3H); ¹³C {1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.9, 151.7, 137.6, 136.8, 136.1, 133.0, 128.6, 128.1, 127.2, 126.8, 119.0, 67.5, 53.8, 38.9, 22.8, 20.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₂₄NO₂⁺ 310.1802; Found 310.1805.

Preparation of 10.

A dried 15 ml Schlenk tube was charged with iodobenzene 1 (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), benzoic anhydride 9 (45.2 mg, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), allyl acetate **3a** (20.0 mg, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), PdCl₂ (1.8 mg, 0.01 mmol, 10 mol%), TFP (5.8 mg, 0.025 mmol, 25 mol%), Cs₂CO₃ (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv), norbornene (18.9 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and toluene (1 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C for 24 hours on a heating plate under nitrogen atmosphere. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and filtered. The mixture was purified by thin layer chromatography to give **10**.



(E)-3-(2-benzoyl-6-methylphenyl)allyl acetate (10) (6.7 mg, 23%) was prepared as yellow oil after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexanes/ethyl acetate (10:1).¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (dt, J = 16.0, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 4.39 (dd, J = 6.2, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.96 (s, 3H); ¹³C {1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.1, 170.4, 139.4, 137.9, 136.7, 134.9, 132.9, 131.7, 130.8, 130.1, 129.6, 128.4, 127.2, 126.1, 64.5, 20.9, 20.2; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₉H₁₉NO₃⁺ 295.1329; Found 295.1326.

Preparation of 11a.

A dried 15 ml Schlenk tube was charged with iodobenzene 1a (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ethyl 2-bromobenzoate 1p (45.8 mg, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), allyl acetate 3a (20.0 mg, 2.0 mmol, 2.0



ethyl (E)-2'-(3-acetoxyprop-1-en-1-yl)-3'-methyl-[1,1'biphenyl]-2-carboxylate (11a) (11.2 mg, 33%) was prepared as yellow oil after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexanes/ethyl acetate (10:1).¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J= 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.00 (d, J = 126.1 Hz, 2H), 6.40 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 5.44 (dt, J = 16.1, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.47 – 4.35 (m, 2H), 4.09 – 3.99 (m, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 0.99 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 167.6, 142.9, 141.1, 135.7, 134.5, 131.5, 131.5, 131.2, 131.1, 129.8, 129.3, 129.1, 127.0, 126.8, 126.6, 65.0, 60.6, 20.9, 20.9, 13.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₂₃O₄⁺ 339.1591; Found 339.1586.

Preparation of 11b.

A dried 15 ml Schlenk tube was charged with ethyl 2iodobenzoate **1d** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), allyl acetate **3a** (40.0 mg, 4.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), PdCl₂ (3.6 mg, 0.02 mmol, 10 mol%), TFP (11.6 mg, 0.05 mmol, 25 mol%), Cs_2CO_3 (163.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 2.5 equiv), norbornene (37.7 mg, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and toluene (2 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C for 24 hours on a heating plate under nitrogen atmosphere. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and filtered. The mixture was purified by thin layer chromatography to give **11b**.



diethyl (E)-2'-(3-acetoxyprop-1-en-1-yl)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2,3'-dicarboxylate (11b) (18.7 mg, 48%) was prepared as yellow oil after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexanes/ethyl acetate (10:1).¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.81 – 7.77 (m, 1H), 7.54 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.44 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.19 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 5.36 (dt, J = 16.1, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.40 – 4.30 (m, 4H), 4.08 – 4.01 (m, 2H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.36 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.99 (t, J= 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.4, 168.2, 167.2, 142.1, 141.8, 135.9, 132.4, 131.5, 131.4, 131.4, 130.9, 130.8, 130.1, 128.8, 128.7, 127.2, 126.6, 64.6, 61.1, 60.7, 20.9, 14.2, 13.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₂₅O₆⁺ 397.1646; Found 397.1649.

Preparation of 5a.

A dried 15 ml Schlenk tube was charged with iodobenzene **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), allyl acetate **3a** (20.0 mg, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), PdCl₂ (1.8 mg, 0.01 mmol, 10 mol%), TFP (5.8 mg, 0.025 mmol, 25 mol%), Cs₂CO₃ (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv), norbornene (18.9 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and toluene (1 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C for 24 hours on a heating plate under nitrogen atmosphere. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and filtered. The mixture was purified by chromatography with hexanes/ethyl acetate (20:1) to give **5a**.



(E)-3-(o-tolyl)allyl acetate (5a) (13.2 mg, 76%) was prepared from preparation of product 5a as colorless oil, after purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (PTLC) (hexanes/ethyl acetate (20:1).¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.20 – 7.12 (m, 3H), 6.92 – 6.82 (m, 1H), 6.17 (dt, *J* = 15.7, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (dd, *J* = 6.5, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H); ¹³C {1H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.8, 135.6, 135.3, 132.1, 130.3, 127.9, 126.1, 125.8, 124.5, 65.3, 21.0, 19.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₂H₁₅O₂+ 191.1067; Found 191.1069.

Gram-Scale Synthesis of 4a.

A dried 15 ml Schlenk tube was charged with iodobenzene 1 (1.08 g, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), morpholino benzoate 2a (1.87 g, 0.18 mmol, 1.8 equiv), allyl acetate 3a (1.0 g, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), PdCl₂ (90 mg, 0.01 mmol, 10 mol%), TFP (292 mg, 0.025 mmol, 25 mol%), Cs₂CO₃ (4.10 g, 0.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv), norbornene (0.94 g, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and toluene (50 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C for 24 hours on a heating plate under nitrogen atmosphere. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and filtered. The mixture was purified by chromatography with hexanes/ethyl acetate (10:1) to give product 4a (1.05 g, 77%).

Preparation of product 12.

A dried 15 ml Schlenk tube was charged with **4a** (26.5 mg, 0.096 mmol, 1.0 equiv), NaN₃ (8.9 mg, 0.137 mmol, 1.4 equiv), and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (5.4 mg, 5 mol%), THF (0.75 mL), and H₂O (0.25 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 70 °C for 12 hours on a heating plate under nitrogen atmosphere. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and filtered. The mixture was purified by chromatography with hexanes/ethyl acetate (10:1) to give **12**.



(E)-4-(2-(3-azidoprop-1-en-1-yl)-3-

methylphenyl)morpholine (12) (20 mg, 81%) was prepared as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.16 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (dt, *J* = 16.2, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 – 3.79 (m, 4H), 2.98 – 2.92 (m, 4H),

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2.39 (s, 3H); $^{13}C\{1H\}$ NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.5, 137.2, 131.7, 130.2, 129.0, 126.7, 125.9, 116.3, 67.3, 54.0, 52.4, 21.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]^+ Calcd for $C_{14}H_{19}N_4O^+$ 259.1553; Found 259.1558.

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