Supplementary Information

# Synthesis of 1,2-Bisalkylidenecyclopentanes from 1,6-Allenynes *via* Stereoselective Addition of Nucleophiles to Ruthenacyclopentenes

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#### **Additional Information**

When 1,6-allenynes 3j-l were employed (Table 1, runs 10–12), cycloisomerization products 6j-l and MeOH adduct 7l were obtained in low yields. Formation of these by-products is rationalized by b-hydride elimination from C or E followed by reductive elimination, as explained in CpRu-catalyzed enyne cycloisomerization. See: B. M. Trost and F. D. Toste, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2000, 122, 714. These results also suggested that the reaction proceeded via ruthenacyclopentenes C and E.



### **Experimental Procedure and Spectral Data**

### **General Experimental Details**

All manipulations were performed under an argon atmosphere unless stated otherwise. THF, Et<sub>2</sub>O, toluene and DMF were purified under argon using The Ultimate Solvent System (Glass Counter Inc.). MeOH, EtOH, <sup>*i*</sup>PrOH, and <sup>*i*</sup>BuOH were distilled from sodium under argon atmosphere. AcOH was dried by azeotropic removal of water with benzene and then distilled under reduced pressure. All other solvents and reagents were purified when necessary by standard procedures. Chromatography was performed on silica gel 60 (Merck, 230–400 mesh) with the indicated solvent as eluent. IR spectra were obtained on a Perkin-Elmer FTIR 1605 spectrometer. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz) spectroscopy were carried out on a Jeol ECX400 or a Jeol ECS400 NMR spectrometer, and <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz) spectroscopy were carried out on a Jeol ECA500 NMR spectrometer. Mass spectra were obtained on a Jeol JMS-100GCv mass spectrometer for EI-LRMS and EI-HRMS, and on a Jeol JMS-T100LP or a Thermo Scientific Exactive mass spectrometer for ESI-LRMS and ESI-HRMS.

### **General Procedure for Ruthenium-Catalyzed Reactions**

### Method A (Without Acid Treatment)

A mixture of an allenyne and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (5 mol% to the allenyne) in degassed MeOH (0.1 M) was stirred at room temperature under argon atmosphere (1 atm). After removal of volatiles, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give a product.

### Method B (With Acid Treatment)

A mixture of an allenyne and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (5 mol% to the allenyne) in degassed MeOH (0.1 M) was stirred at room temperature under argon atmosphere (1 atm). To the mixture was added 10% HCl aqueous solution at 0 °C and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for ca. 10 min. To the mixture was added saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution at 0 °C, and the aqueous layer was extracted with AcOEt. The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give a product.

### Method C (Without Acid Treatment, Table 2)

A mixture of an allenyne,  $[Cp*Ru(MeCN)_3]PF_6$  (5 mol% to the allenyne) and a nucleophile (10 equiv. to the allenyne) in degassed THF (0.1 M) was stirred at room temperature under argon

atmosphere (1 atm). After removal of volatiles, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give a product.

**Dimethyl** (3*E*,4*Z*)-3-(2,2-dimethylpropylidene)-4-(1-methoxyethylidene)cyclopentane-1,1-dicarboxylate (4a). According to the General Procedure (*Method A*), a crude product, which was obtained from 3a (19.5 mg, 70.0 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (1.3 mg, 3.4 µmol) in MeOH (0.70 mL)

for 1 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 15/1) to give **4a** (20.4 mg, 94%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1738, 1656, 1435, 1269, 1205 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.41 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 6H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.09 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 2.88 (br s, 2H), 1.90 (s, 3H), 1.13 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.0 (2C), 147.1, 136.1, 133.2, 115.1, 58.2, 54.7, 52.7 (2C), 39.1, 37.8, 32.8, 30.7 (3C), 15.7; ESI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Na 333.16725 [(M+Na)<sup>+</sup>], found 333.16748.



**Dimethyl 3-acetyl-4-neopentylcyclopent-3-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate** (**5a**). According to the General Procedure (*Method B*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3a** (21.2 mg, 76.1 µmol), Cp\*RuCl(cod) (1.5 mg, 3.9 µmol) in MeOH (0.76 mL) for 1 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 15/1) to give **5a** (24.5 mg, quant) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1734, 1681, 1606, 1268, 1216 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.75 (s, 6H), 3.33 (s, 2H), 3.18 (s, 2H), 2.49 (s, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 0.94 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  197.2, 171.8 (2C), 152.2, 134.0, 57.2, 53.0 (2C), 47.3, 42.2, 41.9, 33.1, 30.6, 30.3 (3C); ESI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Na 319.15160 [(M+Na)<sup>+</sup>], found 319.15162.

**1-Acetyl-4,4-bis**[(benzyloxy)methyl]-2-neopentylcyclopentene (5b). According to the General Procedure (*Method B*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3b** (42.6 mg, 105 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (2.0 mg, 5.3 µmol) in MeOH (1.06 mL) for 1 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1) to give **5b** (36.6 mg, 82%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1678, 1604, 1227, 1100 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.36-7.26 (m, 10H), 4.53 (s, 4H), 3.44 (s, 4H), 2.60 (s, 2H), 2.49 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 0.93 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  198.6, 153.9, 138.5 (2C), 135.2, 128.3 (2C), 127.49 (4C), 127.47 (4C), 73.5 (2C), 73.2 (2C), 46.6, 45.1, 42.5, 40.9, 32.9, 30.6, 30.5 (3C); EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 420 (M<sup>+</sup>), 329, 299, 91, 57, 43; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 420.26644, found 420.26483.

**1-Acetyl-4,4-bis(hydroxymethyl)-2-neopentylcyclopentene** (**5**c). According to the General Procedure (*Method B*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3**c (15.0 mg, 67.5 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (1.2 mg, 3.2 µmol) in MeOH (0.67 mL) for 1 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 1/1) to give **5**c (14.1 mg, 87%) as a colorless oil. IR (film, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3399, 1671, 1600, 1039 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.68 (dd, *J* = 12.7, 10.4 Hz, 4H), 2.87 (br s, 2H), 2.56 (s, 2H), 2.48 (s, 2H), 2.43 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 0.93 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  198.9, 153.8, 135.2, 69.3 (2C), 46.1, 45.7, 42.7, 40.2, 32.9, 30.6, 30.5 (3C); EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 240 (M<sup>+</sup>), 184, 153, 57, 43; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 240.17254, found 240.17175.

**Dimethyl 3-neopentyl-4-propionylcyclopent-3-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate** (5d). According to the General Procedure (*Method B*), a crude product, which was obtained from 3d (57.1 mg, 195 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (3.7 mg, 9.7 µmol) in MeOH (1.95 mL) for 2 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 15/1) to give 5d (60.7 mg, quant) as a colorless oil.

IR (neat) 1738, 1685, 1609, 1263, 1202 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.73 (s, 6H), 3.31 (br s, 2H), 3.15 (br s, 2H), 2.48 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (s, 2H), 1.03 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  199.8, 171.8 (2C), 151.8, 133.6, 57.4, 53.0 (2C), 47.1, 42.1, 41.4, 35.7, 33.0, 30.3 (3C), 7.4; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 310 (M<sup>+</sup>), 281, 251, 197, 195, 59, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 310.17802, found 310.17759.

**Dimethyl 3-[(2-hydroxy)ethanoyl]-4-neopentylcyclopent-3-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate** (5e). According to the General Procedure (*Method B*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3e** (30.6 mg, 104  $\mu$ mol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (2.1 mg, 9.7  $\mu$ mol) in MeOH (1.0 mL) for 2 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel

purified by column enfomatography on since get (hexane/AcOEt = 5/2) to give **5e** (27.4 mg, 84%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 3466, 1737, 1683, 1266, 1207 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  4.29 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 4.29 (t, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 2H), 3.21 (s, 2H), 2.58 (s, 2H), 0.96 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  196.4, 171.5 (2C), 157.3, 129.9, 67.8, 57.6, 53.1 (2C), 47.3, 42.8, 39.3, 33.4, 30.3 (3C); EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 312 (M<sup>+</sup>), 281, 253, 221, 59, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>6</sub> 312.15729, found 312.15730.



**Dimethyl** (*3E*,*4Z*)-3-(2,2-dimethylpropylidene)-4-[methoxy(phenyl)methylene]cyclopentane-1,1-dicarboxylate (4f). According to the General Procedure (*Method A*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3f** (26.5 mg, 77.8 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (1.6 mg, 4.2 µmol) in MeOH (0.78 mL) for 16 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (toluene) to give **4f** (28.9 mg, quant) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1738, 1647, 1435, 1261 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.40-7.28 (m, 5H), 6.65 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (s, 6H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 3.16 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 2.85 (s, 2H), 1.19 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.7 (2C), 149.9, 137.8, 135.9, 133.3, 128.9 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 128.0, 119.4, 58.6, 56.6, 52.7 (2C), 38.9, 38.7, 33.0, 30.6 (3C); EI-LRMS *m/z* 372 (M<sup>+</sup>), 357, 313, 281, 77, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 372.19367, found 372.19303.

Dimethyl (3*E*,4*Z*)-3-(2,2-dimethylpropylidene)-4-{methoxy[4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl] methylene}cyclopentane-1,1-dicarboxylate (4g). According to the General Procedure (*Method A*), a crude product, which was obtained from 3g (30.2 mg, 75.8 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (1.3 mg, 3.4 µmol) in MeOH (0.76 mL) for 75 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 9/1) to give 4g (27.3 mg, 84%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1736, 1607, 1435, 1279, 1207 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 6H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 3.16 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 2.87 (s, 2H), 1.18 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 171.5 (2C), 166.7, 148.8, 140.7, 139.0, 133.1, 129.53 (2C), 129.48 (2C), 128.8, 121.8, 58.6, 56.9, 52.7 (2C), 52.1, 38.7 (2C), 33.1, 30.5 (3C); EI-LRMS *m/z* 430 (M<sup>+</sup>), 415, 373, 339, 313; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>7</sub> 430.19915, found 430.19910.

## Dimethyl

(3*E*,4*Z*)-3-(2,2-dimethylpropylidene)-4-{methoxy[4-(methoxy)phenyl]methylene}cyclopentane-1,1-dicarboxylate (4h). According to the General Procedure (*Method A*), a crude product, which was obtained from 3h (20.7 mg, 55.9 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (1.0 mg, 2.6 µmol) in MeOH (0.56 mL) for 5 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (toluene/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> = 5/1) to give 4h (18.9 mg, 84%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1737, 1645, 1436, 1251, 1173 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.28-7.24 (m, 2H), 6.92-6.88 (m, 2H), 6.61 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 6H), 3.39 (s. 3H), 3.15 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 2.84 (br s, 2H), 1.18 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.8 (2C), 159.2, 149.7, 137.3, 133.3, 130.2 (2C), 128.2, 118.7, 113.6 (2C), 58.6, 56.5, 55.2, 52.7 (2C), 38.9, 38.8, 33.0, 30.6 (3C); EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 402 (M<sup>+</sup>), 387, 371, 345, 311, 295, 59; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>6</sub> 402.20424, found 402.20315.

Dimethyl (3Z,4*E*)-3-(2,2-dimethylpropylidene)-4-[methoxy(methoxycarbonyl)methylene]cyclo pentane-1,1-dicarboxylate (4i). According to the General Procedure (*Method A*), a crude product, which was obtained from 3i (28.3 mg, 87.8 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (1.8 mg, 4.8 µmol) in MeOH (0.88 mL) for 72 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 8/1) to give 4i (19.5 mg, 63%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1738, 1634, 1436, 1268, 1202 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.87 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.72 (s, 6H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 3.36 (s, 2H),

3.10 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 1.15 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.6 (2C), 165.3, 145.3, 140.1, 138.7, 133.2, 58.2, 58.1, 52.8 (2C), 51.7, 38.8, 38.0, 33.4, 30.2 (3C); EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 354 (M<sup>+</sup>), 297, 59, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>7</sub> 354.16785, found 354.16753.



## Dimethyl

3-acetyl-4-ethylcyclopent-3-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate (5j) and (*E*)-Dimethyl 4-ethylidene-3-vinylcyclopent-2-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate (6j). According to the General Procedure (Method B), a crude product, which was obtained from 3j (51.0 mg, 216 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (4.2 mg, 11.1 µmol) in MeOH (2.15 mL) for 24 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1) to give **5**i (44.6 mg, 81%) as a colorless oil, and 6j (3.1 mg, 6%) as a colorless oil, respectively. 5j: IR (neat) 1737, 1683, 1435, 1263, 1201 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.71 (s, 6H), 3.30-3.28 (m, 2H), 3.15 (br s, 2H), 2.51 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 1.03 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  196.5, 171.8 (2C), 155.6, 131.6, 56.5, 52.9 (2C), 44.8, 41.8, 30.2, 23.0, 12.0; EI-LRMS *m/z* 254 (M<sup>+</sup>), 195, 163, 152, 135, 59, 43; EI-HRMS calcd for  $C_{13}H_{18}O_5$  268.11542, found 268.11512. **6**j: IR (film, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 1737, 1435, 1252, 1056 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.35 (dd, J = 17.6, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 6.07

(s, 1H), 5.63 (dd, J = 17.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.62-5.57 (m, 1H), 5.29 (dd, J = 11.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 3.17 (br s, 2H), 1.73 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.2 (2C), 145.1, 141.4, 128.5, 127.3, 118.6, 116.0, 63.3, 52.9 (2C), 35.9, 14.8; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 236 (M<sup>+</sup>), 177, 145, 117; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 236.10486, found 236.10446.



3-acetyl-4-propylcyclopent-3-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate (*E*)-Dimethyl (5k) Dimethyl and 4-ethylidene-3-[(*E*)-prop-1-enyl]cyclopent-2-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate (6k). According to the General Procedure (*Method B*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3k** (56.5 mg, 226 umol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (4.3 mg, 11.3 µmol) in MeOH (2.25 mL) for 24 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1) to give **5k** (46.8 mg, 77%) as a colorless oil, and **6k** (5.1 mg, 9%) as a colorless oil, respectively. **5k**: IR (neat) 1737, 1683, 1435, 1253, 1201  $cm^{-1}$ ; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.75 (s, 6H), 3.34-3.32 (m, 2H), 3.18-3.16 (m, 2H), 2.50 (tt, J = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.50 (ttq, J = 1.9, 7.6, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 0.93 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>2</sub>) & 196.6, 171.8 (2C), 154.2, 132.3, 56.5, 52.9 (2C), 45.2, 41.8, 31.6, 30.3, 21.0, 13.9; EI-LRMS m/z 268 (M<sup>+</sup>), 237, 209, 177, 166, 149, 59, 43; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 268.13107, found 238.13065. **6k**: IR (neat) 1737, 1435, 1263, 1172 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, 

2.5, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 6H), 3.16-3.14 (m, 2H), 1.81 (dd, J = 6.6, 1.7 Hz, 3H), 1.72 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.4 (2C), 144.8, 141.8, 130.4, 125.7, 122.3, 115.6, 63.3, 52.9 (2C), 35.8, 18.7, 14.8; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 250 (M<sup>+</sup>), 191, 159, 131, 59; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 250.12051, found 250.12019.

3-acetyl-4-isobutylcyclopent-3-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate **Dimethyl** (**5l**), (*E*)-Dimethyl 4-ethylidene-3-(2-methylprop-1-enyl)cyclopent-2-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate (61), and Dimethyl 3-(1-methoxyethyl)-4-(2-methylprop-1-enyl)cyclopent-3-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate (7l). According to the General Procedure (Method B), a crude product, which was obtained from 31 (57.8 mg, 219 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (4.2 mg, 11.1 µmol) in MeOH (2.2 mL) for 4 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1) to give 51 (52.0 mg, 84%) as a colorless oil, **61** (3.5 mg, 6%) as a colorless oil, and **71** (2.1 mg, 3%) as a colorless oil, respectively. 5l: IR (neat) 1737, 1684, 1435, 1254, 1201 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.73 (s, 6H), 3.33-3.32 (m, 2H), 3.14-3.13 (m, 2H), 2.42-2.39 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.85 (septet, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H),  $0.88 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H); {}^{13}C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) \delta 196.8, 171.9 (2C), 153.5, 133.1, 56.7, 53.0$ (2C), 45.6, 41.9, 38.5, 30.5, 27.6, 22.5 (2C); EI-LRMS *m/z* 282 (M<sup>+</sup>), 267, 251, 223, 191, 163, 59, 43; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 282.14672, found 282.14611. **6I**: IR (neat) 1736, 1436, 1250, 1172 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.83 (br s, 1H), 5.71-5.69 (m, 1H), 5.44 (tq, J = 2.4, 7.0Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 3.13-3.11 (m, 2H), 1.82 (br s, 3H), 1.80-1.78 (m, 3H), 1.71 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>2</sub>) δ 171.6 (2C), 144.2, 143.2, 139.8, 128.5, 116.4, 115.6, 63.8, 52.9 (2C), 35.0, 26.5, 20.1, 14.7; EI-LRMS m/z 264 (M<sup>+</sup>), 205, 173, 145, 59; EI-HRMS calcd for  $C_{15}H_{20}O_4$  264.13616, found 264.13546. **71**: IR (neat) 1737, 1435, 1259, 1199, 1087 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR

(500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.77 (br s, 1H), 4.13 (q, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.31-3.17 (m, 2H), 3.15 (s, 3H), 3.01 (br s, 2H), 1.80 (br s, 3H), 1.74 (br s, 3H), 1.22 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.7, 172.6, 136.3, 136.2, 134.5, 118.5, 72.4, 57.7, 55.8, 52.80, 52.75, 44.4, 38.1, 27.0, 20.0, 19.2; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 296 (M<sup>+</sup>), 281, 265, 264, 205, 59; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 296.16237, found 296.16201.



**Dimethyl 3-acetyl-4-[(methoxycarbonyl)methyl]cyclopent-3-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate** (5m). According to the General Procedure (*Method B*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3m** (69.8 mg, 249 μmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (4.8 mg, 12.6 μmol) in MeOH (2.5 mL) for 85 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 8/1) to give **5m** (19.8 mg, 27%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1737, 1685, 1436, 1257, 1203 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 3.76 (s, 6H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.65-3.63 (m, 2H), 3.39-3.38 (m, 2H), 3.27-3.25 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 196.6, 171.5 (2C), 170.1, 144.8, 134.4, 57.0, 53.1 (2C), 52.0, 45.3, 41.6, 34.9, 30.2; EI-LRMS *m/z* 298 (M<sup>+</sup>), 267, 239, 207, 179, 59; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>7</sub> 298.10525, found 298.10558.

**Compound 4f-D.** According to the General Procedure (*Method A*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3f** (26.3 mg, 77.3 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (1.5 mg, 3.9 µmol) in MeOH (0.77 mL) for 44 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (toluene/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> = 5/1) to give **4f-D** (24.0 mg, 83%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1737, 1645, 1435, 1261 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.40-7.29 (m, 5H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (s, 6H), 3.14 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (s, 2H), 1.19 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.72, 171.70, 149.9, 137.8, 135.9, 133.2, 128.9 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 128.0, 119.4, 58.5, 55.7 (septet, *J* = 21.8 Hz), 52.6 (2C), 38.7, 38.6 (t, *J* = 20.5 Hz), 33.0, 30.6 (3C); EI-LRMS *m/z* 376 (M<sup>+</sup>), 361, 317, 77; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>24</sub>D<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

376.21878, found 376.21776.

**Dimethyl 3-ethyl-4-propionylcyclopent-3-ene-1,1-dicarboxylate** (**5n**). According to the General Procedure (*Method B*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3n** (50.0 mg, 200 µmol) and Cp\*RuCl(cod) (3.8 mg, 10 µmol) in MeOH (2.0 mL) for 24 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1) to give **5n** (45.9 mg, 86%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1737, 1683, 1435, 1263, 1201 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.72 (s, 6H), 3.30 (br s, 2H), 3.13 (br s, 2H), 2.52 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.03 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.03 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  199.4, 171.9 (2C), 155.3, 131.0, 56.8, 53.0 (2C), 44.6, 41.5, 35.4, 23.0, 12.0, 7.4; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 269 [(M+H)<sup>+</sup>], 268 (M<sup>+</sup>), 209, 177, 152, 149, 59, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 268.13107, found 268.13076.

**Compound 4a and 5a** (Table 2, run 1). According to the General Procedure (*Method C*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3a** (28.1 mg, 101  $\mu$ mol), [Cp\*Ru(MeCN)<sub>3</sub>]PF<sub>6</sub> (2.6 mg, 5.2  $\mu$ mol), and MeOH (41  $\mu$ L, 1.01 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) for 2 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 15/1 with 1% Et<sub>3</sub>N) to give **4a** (27.0 mg, 86%) as a colorless oil and **5a** (2.2 mg, 7%) as a colorless oil, respectively.

Dimethyl (3*E*,4*Z*)-3-(2,2-dimethylpropylidene)-4-(1-ethoxyethylidene)cyclopentane-1,1-dicarboxylate (40). According to the General Procedure (*Method C*), a crude product, which was obtained from 3a (25.8 mg, 92.7  $\mu$ mol), [Cp\*Ru(MeCN)<sub>3</sub>]PF<sub>6</sub> (2.3 mg, 4.6  $\mu$ mol), and EtOH (54  $\mu$ L, 0.92 mmol) in THF (0.92 mL) for 4 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel

(hexane/AcOEt = 15/1 with 1% Et<sub>3</sub>N) to give **4o** (22.2 mg, 74%) as a colorless oil and **5a** (4.4 mg, 16%) as a colorless oil, respectively. IR (neat) 1738, 1655, 1435, 1259, 1201 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.53 (t, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.72 (s, 6H), 3.09 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 2H), 2.88 (br s, 2H), 1.90 (br s, 3H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.13 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.0 (2C), 146.4, 136.2, 133.2, 115.5, 62.9, 58.2, 52.7 (2C), 39.1, 37.7, 32.8, 30.7 (3C), 16.2, 15.2; ESI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>29</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [(M+H)<sup>+</sup>] 325.20150, found 325.20155.



**Dimethyl (3***E***,4***Z***)-3-(2,2-dimethylpropylidene)-4-(1-isopropoxyethylidene)cyclopentane-1,1-dicarboxylate (4p).** According to the General Procedure (*Method C*), a crude product, which was obtained from **3a** (27.1 mg, 97.4 µmol),  $[Cp*Ru(MeCN)_3]PF_6$  (2.5 mg, 5.0 µmol), and <sup>*i*</sup>PrOH (75 µL, 0.97 mmol) in THF (0.97 mL) for 4 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 15/1 with 1% Et<sub>3</sub>N) to give **4p** (28.9 mg, 88%) as a colorless oil and **5a** (1.4 mg, 5%) as a colorless oil, respectively. **4p**: IR (neat) 1739, 1655, 1435, 1269, 1213 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR

(500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.61 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (septet, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.07 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 2.87 (br s, 2H), 1.85 (s, 3H), 1.20 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 6H), 1.11 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.0 (2C), 144.7, 136.3, 132.8, 118.3, 69.2, 58.3, 52.7 (2C), 39.0, 37.9, 32.8, 30.7 (3C), 22.6 (2C), 16.7; ESI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>31</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [(M+H)<sup>+</sup>] 339.21715, found 339.21695.



Dimethyl (3Z,4E)-3-(1-acetoxyethylidene)-4-(2,2-dimethylpropylidene)cyclopentane-1,1-dicarboxylate (4q). According to the General Procedure (*Method C*), a crude product, which was obtained from 3a (28.0 mg, 101  $\mu$ mol), [Cp\*Ru(MeCN)<sub>3</sub>]PF<sub>6</sub> (2.7 mg, 5.4  $\mu$ mol), and AcOH (57  $\mu$ L, 1.00 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) for 19 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 15/1 with 1% Et<sub>3</sub>N) to give 4q (25.4 mg, 75%) as a white solid. mp:

110-112 °C; IR (film, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 1745, 1736, 1436, 1370 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.99 (t, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 6H), 3.06 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 2H), 2.93 (br s, 2H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.10 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 171.5 (2C), 168.5, 139.4, 138.2, 132.2, 124.5, 57.9, 52.8 (2C), 38.6, 37.2, 32.9, 30.5 (3C), 21.0, 18.9; EI-LRMS *m/z* 338 (M<sup>+</sup>), 296, 281, 240, 181; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>6</sub> 338.17294, found 338.17268.



**Dimethyl** (3*Z*,4*E*)-3-(1-chloroethylidene)-4-(2,2-dimethylpropylidene)cyclopentane-1,1-dicarboxylate (4r). According to the General Procedure (*Method C*), a crude product, which was obtained from 3a (27.7 mg, 99.5 µmol),  $[Cp*Ru(MeCN)_3]PF_6$  (2.5 mg, 5.0 µmol), and a solution of HCl in Et<sub>2</sub>O (1.0 mL, 1.0 M, 1.0 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) for 6 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1 with 1% Et<sub>3</sub>N) to give 4r (20.6 mg, 61%) as a

colorless oil. IR (film, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 1739, 1640, 1435, 1263, 1206 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.66 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 6H), 3.13 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 2.98 (d, *J* = 1.1 Hz, 2H), 2.15 (br s, 3H), 1.14 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.5 (2C), 140.3, 132.5, 132.1, 121.1, 57.5, 52.9 (2C), 39.7, 38.7, 33.1, 30.5 (3C), 25.9; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 314 (M<sup>+</sup>), 279, 278, 219, 195, 59; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>23</sub>ClO<sub>4</sub> 314.12849, found 314.12726.



## **Preparation of 1,6-Allenynes**

A new synthetic route to 1,6-allenynes bearing dialkyl malonate moieties has been established (Scheme S1).<sup>1</sup> Thus, methyl  $\alpha$ -allenylcarboxylate **9** was easily prepared from the corresponding alcohol **8** and trimethyl orthoacetate via the Johnson-Claisen rearrangement.<sup>2</sup> Next, **9** was treated with 2 equivalents of LHMDS at -78 °C, then the anion of **9** was successively reacted with methyl chloroformate and propargyl halide **10** in a one pot to give 1,6-allenyne **3**.



Scheme S1. General procedure for the synthesis of 1,6-allenynes 3

~ Preparation of 3a ~



Scheme S2. Preparation of 3a

**Methyl 6,6-dimethylhepta-3,4-dienoate (9a).** Into a flask equipped with a Dean-Stark trap were placed **8a**<sup>3</sup> (2.243 g, 20.00 mmol), trimethyl orthoacetate (15.0 mL, 120 mmol), and propanoic acid (0.30 mL, 4.02 mmol). The mixture was stirred and heated at 110 °C for 48 h and remaining trimethyl orthoacetate was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 30/1) to give **9a** (2.840 g, 84%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1968, 1737, 1435, 1229, 1061 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.27 (dt, *J* = 6.5, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (dt, *J* = 6.5, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.02 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 2.9 Hz, 2H), 1.02 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  202.3, 172.0, 104.2, 85.7, 51.8, 35.1, 31.8, 30.0 (3C); EI-LRMS *m/z* 168 (M<sup>+</sup>), 153, 140, 125, 111, 109, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 168.11503, found 168.11467.

**5,5-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)-9,9-dimethyldeca-6,7-dien-2-yne (3a).** To a solution of **9a** (917.7 mg, 5.455 mmol) in THF (6.4 mL) was slowly added a solution of LHMDS in THF (1.60 M, 7.1 mL, 11.4 mmol) at -78 °C, and the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 25 min. To the mixture was slowly added methyl chloroformate (0.42 mL, 5.44 mmol) at -78 °C, and the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 5 min. To the mixture was slowly added **10a**<sup>4</sup> (1.950 g, 10.84 mmol) in THF (3.0 mL) at -78 °C, and the mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature over 1 h and stirred at the same temperature overnight. To the mixture was added saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aqueous solution, and the aqueous layer was extracted with AcOEt. The organic layer was washed

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with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 30/1) to give **3a** (915.3 mg, 60%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1968, 1741, 1435, 1230, 1203 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.79 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 6H), 2.89-2.79 (m, 2H), 1.73 (t, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 3H), 1.03 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  200.4, 169.8, 169.7, 107.5, 91.8, 78.5, 73.7, 58.1, 52.82, 52.80, 32.2, 29.8 (3C), 25.3, 3.5; ESI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na 301.1410, found 301.1407.

## ~ Preparation of **3b** and **3c** ~



**5,5-Bis(hydroxymethyl)-9,9-dimethyldeca-6,7-dien-2-yne (3c).** To a solution of LiAlH<sub>4</sub> (50.1 mg, 1.32 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mL) was added to a solution of **3a** (118.4 mg, 425.4 µmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (1.5 mL) at 0 °C, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1.5 h. To the mixture was added Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>·10H<sub>2</sub>O/Celite<sup>®</sup> (1 to 1 mixture) at 0 °C, and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. The mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 2/1) to give **3c** (58.1 mg, 61%) as a white solid. mp; 84-86 °C; IR (film, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3310, 1959, 1037 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.29 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 4H), 2.39-2.30 (m, 2H), 2.08-2.04 (br, 2H), 1.79 (t, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 3H), 1.05 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  200.5, 105.7, 94.6, 78.4, 75.4, 67.6, 67.5, 44.4, 31.7, 30.1 (3C), 23.4, 3.6; EI-LRMS *m/z* 207 [(M-Me)<sup>+</sup>], 191, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 207.13850, found 207.13806.

5,5-Bis[(benzyloxy)methyl]-9,9-dimethyldeca-6,7-dien-2-yne (3b). To a suspension of NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 15.8 mg, 395 µmol) in DMF (0.60 mL) was added a solution of 3c (25.9 mg, 117 µmol) in DMF (0.60 mL) at 0 °C, and the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 1 h. To the mixture were slowly added BnBr (41.5  $\mu$ L, 349  $\mu$ mol) at 0 °C, and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 11 h. To the mixture was added saturated  $NH_4Cl$  aqueous solution at 0 °C, and the aqueous layer was extracted with AcOEt. The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1) to give **3b** (46.0 mg, 98%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1959, 1101, 735, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 7.32-7.30 (m, 8H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 2H), 5.33 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 4H), 3.49 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 2H)Hz, 4H), 2.42-2.33 (m, 2H), 1.74 (t, J = 2.6 Hz, 3H), 1.02 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 200.2, 138.8 (2C), 128.2 (4C), 127.38 (2C), 127.34 (2C), 127.27 (2C), 105.1, 95.5, 77.4, 76.0, 73.3 (2C), 73.2, 72.9, 43.5, 31.7, 30.1 (3C), 24.0, 3.6; EI-LRMS *m/z* 387 [(M-Me)<sup>+</sup>], 349, 311, 281, 255, 91, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>31</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 387.23240, found 387.23210.





Scheme S4. Preparation of 3d

**6,6-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)-2,2-dimethylundeca-3,4-dien-8-yne (3d).** Similar to the synthesis of **3a** from **9a**, a crude product, which was obtained from **9a** (339.2 mg, 2.645 mmol), LHMDS in THF (1.00 M, 4.40 mL, 4.40 mmol), methyl chloroformate (159  $\mu$ L, 2.06 mmol), and **10d**<sup>5</sup> (724 mg, 3.73 mmol), was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 30/1) to give **3d** (379.6 mg, 64%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1968, 1737, 1435, 1229, 1061 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.78 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.36 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.88-2.78 (m, 2H), 2.09 (tq, *J* = 2.5, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.05 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 1.02 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  200.3, 169.8, 169.7, 107.5, 91.8, 84.6, 74.0, 58.1, 52.7 (2C), 32.1, 29.8 (3C), 25.3, 14.5, 12.3; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 293 [(M+H)<sup>+</sup>], 233, 225, 201, 173, 59, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 293.17528, found 293.17454.

~ Preparation of 3e ~



**5,5-bis(methoxycarbonyl)-1-**(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-9,9-dimethyldeca-6,7-dien-2-yne (11). Similar to the synthesis of **3a** from **9a**, a crude product, which was obtained from **9a** (445.6 mg, 2.649 mmol), LHMDS in THF (1.00 M, 5.40 mL, 5.40 mmol), methyl chloroformate (205  $\mu$ L, 2.65 mmol), and the crude **10e**<sup>6</sup> (819.9 mg, 3.12 mmol), was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 30/1) to give **11** (119.1 mg, 11%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1968, 1742, 1318, 1230, 1081 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.79 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 3.732 (s, 3H), 3.728 (s, 3H), 2.97-2.87 (m, 2H), 1.02 (s, 9H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 0.08 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  200.4, 169.6, 169.4, 107.7, 91.7, 81.4, 79.7, 57.7, 52.9 (2C), 51.8, 32.2, 29.9 (3C), 25.8 (3C), 25.3, 18.2, -5.2 (2C); EI-LRMS *m/z* 351 [(M-'Bu)<sup>+</sup>], 277, 225, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>27</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Si 351.16277, found 351.16276.

**5,5-Bis(methoxylcarbonyl)-9,9-dimethyldeca-6,7-dien-2-yn-1-ol (3e).** To a solution of **11** (47.2 mg, 115  $\mu$ mol) in EtOH (3.1 mL) was added 10% HCl aqueous solution (0.35 mL) at 0 °C, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2.5 h. To the mixture was added saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution, and the mixture was diluted with MeOH, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> B. Flachsbarth, M. Fritzsche, P. J. Weldon and S. Schulz, *Chem. Biodiv.*, 2009, **6**, 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> N. E. Schore and S. D. Najdi, J. Org. Chem., 1987, **52**, 5296.

The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/Et<sub>2</sub>O = 5/3) to give **3e** (32.4 mg, 95%) as a colorless oil. IR (film, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3470, 1739, 1232, 1018 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.77 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.91 (dt, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 1.99 (br s, 1H), 1.02 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  200.4, 169.6, 169.5, 107.8, 91.6, 81.2, 80.8, 57.7, 52.94, 52.93, 51.0, 32.2, 29.8 (3C), 25.2; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 225 [(M-C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O)<sup>+</sup>], 203, 59, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 225.11268, found 225.11269.

~ Preparation of 3f ~



**4,4-Bis(methoxylcarbonyl)-8,8-dimehylnona-5,6-diene-1-yne (12).** Similar to the synthesis of **3a** from **9a**, a crude product, which was obtained from **9a** (169.2 mg, 1.006 mmol), LHMDS in THF (1.00 M, 2.00 mL, 2.00 mmol), methyl chloroformate (77  $\mu$ L, 1.00 mmol), and 3-bromopropyne (95  $\mu$ L, 1.07 mmol), was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 30/1) to give **12** (92.3 mg, 35%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 3291, 1967, 1740, 1436, 1231, 1204 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.80 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.88 (d, *J* = 2.6, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 1.98 (t, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 1.03 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  200.5, 169.4, 169.3, 107.9, 91.5, 79.2, 71.0, 57.6, 52.90, 52.88, 32.2, 29.9 (3C), 24.8; EI-LRMS *m*/z 264 (M<sup>+</sup>), 205, 173, 145, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 264.13616, found 264.13557.

**4,4-Bis(methoxylcarbonyl)-8,8-dimethylnona-1-phenyl-5,6-diene-1-yne (3f).** To a solution of **12** (66.0 mg, 250 µmol) and iodobenzene (31 µL, 277 µmol) in Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.5 mL) were added CuI (8.2 mg, 43 µmol) and Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> (3.1 mg, 2.7 µmol), and the mixture was degassed by Freeze Pump Thaw cycle. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 12 h under argon (1 atm) and concentrated. To the mixture was added saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aqueous solution, and the aqueous layer was extracted with AcOEt. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 9/1) to give **3f** (75.3 mg, 89%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1967, 1740, 1201 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.36-7.23 (m, 5H), 5.86 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 6H), 3.12 (dd, *J* = 17.0, 21.0 Hz, 2H), 1.05 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  200.5, 169.6, 169.5, 131.6 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.9, 123.3, 107.8, 91.8, 84.5, 83.1, 58.0, 52.90, 52.89, 32.2, 29.9 (3C), 25.9; EI-LRMS *m/z* 340 (M<sup>+</sup>), 325, 281, 249, 225, 221, 59, 57; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 340.16746, found 340.16773.

~ Preparation of 3g ~



Scheme S7. Preparation of 3g

4,4-Bis(methoxylcarbonyl)-1-(4-methoxycarbonylphenyl)-8,8-dimethylnona-5,6-diene-1-yne

(3g). To a solution of 12 (71.7 mg, 271µmol) and methyl *p*-iodobenzoate (78.1 mg, 298 µmol) in Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.7 mL) were added CuI (8.0 mg, 42 µmol) and PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (1.9 mg, 2.7 µmol), and the mixture was degassed by Freeze Pump Thaw cycle. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 12 h under argon (1 atm) and concentrated. To the mixture was added saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aqueous solution, and the aqueous layer was extracted with AcOEt. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 9/1) to give **3g** (94.3 mg, 87%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1967, 1740, 1727, 1276, 1201 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.92 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 5.85 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 6H), 3.13 (dd, *J* = 17.0, 19.5 Hz, 2H), 1.03 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  200.5, 169.5, 169.4, 166.5, 131.5 (2C), 129.3, 129.2, 128.0 (2C), 107.9, 91.7, 88.2, 82.5, 57.8, 52.94, 52.93, 52.1, 32.2, 29.8 (3C), 25.8; EI-LRMS *m*/z 398 (M<sup>+</sup>), 367, 339, 307, 279, 263, 225; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>6</sub> 398.17294, found 398.17278.

~ Preparation of **3h** ~



**4,4-Bis(methoxylcarbonyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-8,8-dimethylnona-5,6-diene-1-yne** (3h). Similar to the synthesis of **3f** from **12**, a crude product, which was obtained from **12** (55.5 mg, 210 µmol), *p*-iodoanisole (60.9 mg, 260 µmol), CuI (6.6 mg, 35 µmol), and Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> (2.2 mg, 1.9 µmol) in Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.1 mL) at 40 °C for 12 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (toluene) to give **3h** (89.2 mg, quant) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1968, 1739, 1248, 1202 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.29-7.26 (m, 2H), 6.80-6.76 (m, 2H), 5.86 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.764 (s, 3H), 3.761 (s, 3H), 3.14-3.06 (m, 2H), 1.05 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  200.4 169.65, 169.56, 159.2, 133.0 (2C), 115.4, 113.7 (2C), 107.7, 91.8, 83.1, 82.9, 58.1, 55.2, 52.8 (2C), 32.2, 29.9 (3C), 25.9; EI-LRMS *m/z* 370 (M<sup>+</sup>), 355, 311, 279, 263, 251, 225; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 370.17802, found 370.17762.



Methyl 5,5-bis(methoxycarbonyl)-9,9-dimethyldeca-6,7-dien-2-ynecarboxylate (3i). To a solution of *i*-Pr<sub>2</sub>NH (237 µL, 1.68 mmol) in THF (2.0 mL) was slowly added a solution of *n*-BuLi in hexane (1.65 M, 1.02 mL, 1.68 mmol) at -78 °C, and the mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min. To a solution of 12 (93.1 mg, 352 µmol) in THF (3.0 mL) was slowly added quarter amount of the mixture at -78 °C, and the resulting mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 1 h. To the mixture was slowly added methyl chloroformate (54.5 µL, 705 µmol) at -78 °C, and the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min and allowed to warm to room temperature over 1 h and stirred at the same temperature for 8 h. To the mixture was added saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aqueous solution at 0 °C, and the aqueous layer was extracted with AcOEt. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 10/1) to give **3i** (94.3 mg, 83%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1967, 1741, 1719, 1262, 1204 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.77 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.43 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.01 (s, 2H), 1.02 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 200.6, 169.0, 168.8, 153.6, 108.4, 91.2, 84.0, 74.8, 57.0, 53.14, 53.11, 52.5, 32.2, 29.8 (3C), 24.8; EI-LRMS m/z 322 (M<sup>+</sup>), 263, 231, 225, 203; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>6</sub> 322.14164, found 322.14123.



**5,5-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)nona-6,7-diene-2-yne (3j).** Similar to the synthesis of **3a** from **9a**, a crude product, which was obtained from **9j**<sup>7</sup> (389.1 mg, 3.084 mmol) in THF (3.3 mL), LHMDS in THF (1.00 M, 6.5 mL, 6.5 mmol), methyl chloroformate (250  $\mu$ L, 3.24 mmol), and **10a** (556.0 mg, 3.089 mmol), was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1) to give **3j** (307.7 mg, 42%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1970, 1740, 1436, 1230 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.66 (dq, *J* = 6.6, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (dq, *J* = 6.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.84 (q, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 2H), 1.74 (t, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 3H), 1.68 (dd, *J* = 3.2, 6.8 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  204.1, 169.7, 169.6, 90.4, 89.4, 78.2, 73.6, 57.7, 52.8 (2C), 24.7, 13.6, 3.4; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 236 (M<sup>+</sup>), 183, 177, 145, 117; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 236.10486, found 236.10473.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> S. Tsuboi, T. Masuda and A. Takeda, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1982, **47**, 4478.





**5,5-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)deca-6,7-dien-2-yne (3k).** Similar to the synthesis of **3a** from **9a**, a crude product, which was obtained from **9k**<sup>8</sup> (702.0 mg, 5.008 mmol) in THF (5.0 mL), LHMDS in THF (1.00 M, 10.0 mL, 10.0 mmol), methyl chloroformate (400  $\mu$ L, 5.18 mmol), and **10a** (903.0 mg, 5.017 mmol), was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1) to give **3k** (680.5 mg, 54%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1967, 1740, 1436, 1228 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.69 (dt, *J* = 6.5, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (dt, *J* = 6.5, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.79 (q, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 2H), 2.00 (ddt, *J* = 3.1, 6.4, 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.69 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 3H), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  202.8, 169.7, 169.6, 97.4, 90.6, 78.2, 73.6, 57.8, 52.74, 52.71, 24.9, 21.4, 12.9, 3.3; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 250 (M<sup>+</sup>), 191, 159, 131, 59; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 250.12051, found 250.12033.

~ Preparation of 31~



**Methyl 6-methylhepta-3,4-dienoate (9I).** Similar to the synthesis of **9a** from **8a**, a crude product, which was obtained from **8l** (3.886 g, 39.60 mmol), trimethyl orthoacetate (15.0 mL, 120 mmol), and propanoic acid (0.30 mL, 4.0 mmol) at 110 °C for 6 h, was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 30/1) to give **9l** (1.735 mg, 28%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1965, 1743, 1437, 1246, 1032 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.27-5.22 (m, 1H), 5.21-5.16 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.01 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 2.9 Hz, 2H), 2.33-2.22 (m, 1H), 0.98 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 1.1 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  203.5, 172.0, 99.6, 85.1, 51.8, 35.0, 27.7, 22.32, 22.28; EI-LRMS *m/z* 154 (M<sup>+</sup>), 139, 123, 111, 95, 59, 43; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 154.09938, found 154.09972.

**5,5-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)-9-methyldeca-6,7-dien-2-yne (3l).** Similar to the synthesis of **3a** from **9a**, a crude product, which was obtained from **9l** (773.4 mg, 5.015 mmol) in THF (5.0 mL), LHMDS in THF (1.00 M, 10.0 mL, 10.0 mmol), methyl chloroformate (400  $\mu$ L, 5.18 mmol), and **10a** (903.5 mg, 5.020 mmol), was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1) to give **3l** (719.4 mg, 54%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1967, 1740, 1436, 1227 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.76 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.84-2.82 (m, 2H), 2.35-2.28 (m, 1H), 1.72 (dd, *J* = 2.6, 2.6 Hz, 3H), 0.99 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 1.1 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  201.6, 169.7, 169.6, 103.0, 91.2, 78.3, 73.6, 57.9,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> S. Tsuboi, T. Masuda, S. Mimura and A. Takeda, Org. Syn., 1988, **66**, 22.

52.74, 52.72, 27.9, 25.1, 22.2, 22.0, 3.4; EI-LRMS m/z 264 (M<sup>+</sup>), 205, 173, 145, 59; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 264.13616, found 264.13591.

## ~ Preparation of 3m ~



**3.3-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)hept-5-ynoic acid (14).** To a suspension of NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 823.3 mg, 20.58 mmol) and NaI (276.1 mg, 1.842 mmol) in THF (56 mL) was slowly added a solution of 13<sup>9</sup> (3.017 g, 16.38 mmol) in THF (8 mL) at 0 °C, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min. To the mixture was added tert-butyl chloroacetate (2.93 mL, 20.5 mmol) at 0 °C, and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. To the mixture was added saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aqueous solution at 0 °C, and the aqueous layer was extracted The organic layer was washed with water and brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and with AcOEt. The residue was roughly purified by short column chromatography on silica gel concentrated. (hexane/AcOEt = 12/1) to give a crude *tert*-butyl ester (4.260 g) as a yellow oil. To a solution of the crude tert-butyl ester (4.260 g) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 mL) was added TFA (11.0 mL, 143 mmol) at room temperature, and the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 18 h. After removal of the solvent and TFA, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 10/1) to give 14 (1.847 g, in 2 steps 47%) as a white solid. mp; 119-121 °C; IR (film, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 1740, 1714, 1438 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.95 (br s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 6H), 3.22 (s, 2H), 2.94 (q, J = 2.6 Hz, 2H), 1.75 (t, J = 2.6 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 176.6, 169.4 (2C), 79.8, 72.9, 54.8, 53.1 (2C), 36.6, 23.9, 3.5; EI-LRMS m/z 242 (M<sup>+</sup>), 224, 196, 183, 151, 123, 59, 53; EI-HRMS calcd for  $C_{11}H_{14}O_6$  242.07904, found 242.07878.

Methyl 5,5-bis(methoxycarbonyl)nona-2,3-dien-8-ynecarboxylate (3m). To a solution of 14 (459.9 mg, 1.727 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3.4 mL) was slowly added oxalyl chloride (165  $\mu$ L, 1.92 mmol) at room temperature, and the mixture was stirred at 35 °C for 2.5 h. After removal of the volatiles, the resulting crude acyl chloride was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3.4 mL) and added slowly to a stirred solution of Ph<sub>3</sub>P=CHCO<sub>2</sub>Me (698.2 mg, 2.088 mmol) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (290  $\mu$ L, 2.081 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2.8 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred for 3 h at room temperature and concentrated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 5/1) to give **3m** (290.8 mg, in 2 steps 60%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1971, 1741, 1725 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.24 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.80 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 6H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 2.92-2.83 (m, 2H), 1.73 (t, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  211.2, 168.5 (2C), 165.3, 94.5, 91.6, 79.3, 72.7, 57.6, 53.2 (2C), 52.2, 25.3, 3.5; EI-LRMS *m/z* 280(M<sup>+</sup>), 227, 221, 189, 161; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>6</sub> 280.09469, found 280.09512.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> B. M. Trost and M. T. Rudd, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 2005, 127, 4763.

~ Preparation of 3n ~



Scheme S14. Preparation of 3n

**6,6-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)deca-7,8-3-yne (3n).** Similar to the synthesis of **3a** from **9a**, a crude product, which was obtained from **9j** (379.3 mg, 3.01 mmol) in THF (3.3 mL), LHMDS in THF (1.00 M, 6.6 mL, 6.6 mmol), methyl chloroformate (239  $\mu$ L, 3.09 mmol), and **10d** (1.086 g, 5.60 mmol), was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/AcOEt = 20/1) to give **3n** (327.6 mg, 44%) as a colorless oil. IR (neat) 1970, 1741, 1436, 1231, 1061 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.65 (dq, *J* = 6.5, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 5.32 (dq, *J* = 6.5, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.83 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 2H), 2.09 (tq, *J* = 2.5, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.66 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 3.3 Hz, 3H), 1.05 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  204.1, 169.74, 169.68, 90.4, 89.4, 84.4, 73.9, 57.8, 52.80, 52.78, 24.8, 14.1, 13.7, 12.3; EI-LRMS *m*/*z* 251 [(M+H)<sup>+</sup>], 191, 183, 159, 131, 59; EI-HRMS calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 251.12833, found 251.12735.



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