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Visible Light Induced Hydrophosphinylation of Unactivated Alkenes Catalyzed by Salicylaldehyde

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1. General methods

NMR spectra were acquired on a Bruker Ascend 600 spectrometer or a Varian 400 spectrometer, running at 600 MHz for ¹H, 150 MHz for ¹³C, 162 or 243 MHz for ³¹P and 376 or 564 MHz for ¹⁹F. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm relative to internal standard signals (tetramethylsilane TMS, 0.00 ppm for ¹H NMR; chloroform CDCl₃, 77.16 ppm for ¹³C NMR; phosphoric acid H₃PO₄, 0.00 ppm for ³¹P NMR). The following abbreviations are used to indicate the multiplicity in NMR spectra: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; p, pentet; m, multiplet; bs, broad signal. ¹³C NMR spectra were acquired in a broad band decoupled mode. For characterization of isomeric mixtures, *denotes minor isomer, ⁺denotes overlap of signals from both isomers. Electrospray ionization high-resolution mass spectra (ESI-HRMS) were recorded on a Bruke P-SIMS-Gly FT-ICR mass spectrometer. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using silica gel (SiO₂, 200-300 mesh) was used. For high performance thin layer chromatography (HPTLC) silica gel (SiO₂, 200-300 mesh) was used. For high performance thin layer chromatography (HPTLC) silica gel (SiO₂, 10-40 um) was used. Unless otherwise noted, commercially available reagents were used without further purification.

2. Synthesis of substrates

Numbering of starting materials

Secondary phosphine oxide (1):



Secondary phosphine oxide 1a, 1d and 1i are commercially available. Secondary phosphine oxide 1b-c and **1e-h** were prepared according to the procedure reported.¹ Secondary phosphine oxide **1** was prepared according to known procedure.² Secondary phosphine oxide 1k was prepared according to known procedure.³ All spectroscopic data are identical to those reported.

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3. Screening results



All reactions were performed using **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), 5.0 mol% **cat.1**, 1.5 equivalent K_3PO_4 and 0.2 mL anhydrous solvent under 30W blue LED irradiation in argon atmosphere. Yields were determined by crude ¹H NMR using 1,2-dichloroethane (CICH₂CH₂Cl) as internal standard.



6	KBr	>59%
7	КІ	18%
8	КОН	60%
9	KOMe	56%
10	KO ^t Bu	67%
11	K ₂ CO ₃	79%

All reactions were performed using **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), 5.0 mol% **cat.1**, 1.5 equivalent base and 0.2 mL distilled H_2O under 30W blue LED irradiation in air atmosphere. Yields were determined by crude ¹H NMR using 1,2-dichloroethane (CICH₂CH₂Cl) as internal standard.



All reactions were performed using **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), 5.0 mol% **cat.1**, 1.5 equivalent base and 0.2 mL distilled H_2O under 30W blue LED irradiation in air atmosphere. Yields were determined by crude ¹H NMR using 1,2-dichloroethane (CICH₂CH₂Cl) as internal standard.

O ₽h−₽−H + Ph 1a	2a (2.0 equiv)	$\begin{array}{c} & & \\$	HO nol%) C equiv) → Ph−P 30W) Ph M) ight)
	Entry	Na ₂ CO ₃	NMR yield	_
	1	0.5 equiv	26%	_
	2	1.0 equiv	73%	
	3	2.0 equiv	83%	
	4	3.0 equiv	78%	

All reactions were performed using **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), 5.0 mol% **cat.1**, Na₂CO₃ and 0.2 mL distilled H₂O under 30W blue LED irradiation in air atmosphere. Yields were determined by crude ¹H NMR using 1,2-dichloroethane (CICH₂CH₂Cl) as internal standard.



Entry	catalyst	NMR yield
1	Cat. a	31%
2	Cat. b	<5%
3	Cat. c	56%
4	Cat. d	23%
5	Cat. e	68%
6	Cat. f	44%
7	Cat. g	80%
8	Cat. h	50%

All reactions were performed using **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), 5.0 mol% catalyst, 2.0 equivalent Na₂CO₃ and 0.2 mL distilled H₂O under 30W blue LED irradiation in air atmosphere. Yields were determined by crude ¹H NMR using 1,2-dichloroethane (CICH₂CH₂Cl) as internal standard.



All reactions were performed using **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), 2.5 mol% **cat.1**, Na₂CO₃ and distilled H₂O under 30W blue LED irradiation in air atmosphere. Yields were determined by crude ¹H NMR using 1,2-dichloroethane (CICH₂CH₂CI) as internal standard.

4. General procedure for the salicylaldehyde catalyzed hydrophosphinylation and spectroscopic data of novel compounds



In a screw cap glass vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, secondary phosphine oxide **1** (0.2 mmol), Na_2CO_3 (0.5 mmol), distilled water (0.2 mL), alkene **2** or alkyne **4** (0.4 mmol) and catalyst **1** (0.005 mmol) was added. The two phase solution was stirred under the irradiation of 30W blue LED for noted time. After full conversion of **1**, the reaction was extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over Na_2SO_4 , and purified by FC or HPTLC.

Hexyldiphenylphosphine oxide (3aa):

NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.18 (s). **HRMS** (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄OP⁺ 287.1565; found: 287.1562.

Hexyldi-p-tolylphosphine oxide (3ba):



Following the procedure (3h), **3ba** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1-1:4-EtOAc) in 94% yield (58.5 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 – 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 2.37 (s, 6H), 2.25 – 2.18 (m, 2H), 1.64 – 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.41 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 1.28 – 1.22 (m, 4H), 0.84 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.95 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 2C), 130.78 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 4C), 130.06 (d, J = 100.3 Hz, 2C), 129.32 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 4C), 31.28, 30.68 (d, J = 14.3 Hz), 29.91 (d, J = 72.8 Hz), 22.41, 21.54 (2C), 21.45 (d, J = 4.1 Hz),

14.00. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.69 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₂₈OP⁺ 315.1878; found: 315.1880.

Hexyldi-*m*-tolylphosphine oxide (3ca):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ca** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 77% yield (48.1 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 2H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 4H), 2.38 (s, 6H), 2.28 – 2.20 (m, 2H), 1.66 – 1.57 (m, 2H), 1.45 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 1.30 – 1.21 (m, 4H), 0.84 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.53 (d, J = 11.0 Hz), 133.16 (d, J = 97.1 Hz), 132.42 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 131.40 (d, J = 8.7 Hz), 128.48 (d, J = 12.0 Hz), 127.68 (d, J = 9.0 Hz), 31.29, 30.70 (d, J = 14.9 Hz), 29.78 (d, J = 71.9 Hz),

22.45, 21.47 (2C), 21.42 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 14.03. ³¹P NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.37 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₂₈OP⁺ 315.1878; found: 315.1880.

Bis(3,5-dimethylphenyl)(hexyl)phosphine oxide (3da):



3da

Following the procedure (3h), **3da** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1-1:4-EtOAc) in 77% yield (52.3 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 4H), 7.11 (s, 2H), 2.34 (s, 12H), 2.27 – 2.16 (m, 2H), 1.66 – 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.30 – 1.22 (m, 4H), 0.85 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.23 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 4C), 133.52 – 132.76 (m, 4C), 128.30 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 4C), 31.26, 30.68 (d, J = 15.0 Hz), 29.69 (d, J = 71.8 Hz), 22.42, 21.44 – 21.26 (m, 5C), 14.01. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.55 (s). HRMS

(ESI) m/z: $[M+H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{22}H_{32}OP^+$ 343.2191; found: 343.2164.

Hexylbis(4-methoxyphenyl)phosphine oxide (**3ea**):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ea** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 86% yield (59.3 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 – 7.54 (m, 4H), 6.97 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 4H), 3.83 (s, 6H), 2.27 – 2.11 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.41 – 1.33 (m, 2H), 1.28 – 1.21 (m, 4H), 0.84 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.25 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 2C), 132.70 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 4C), 124.82 (d, J = 104.1 Hz, 2C), 114.23 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 4C), 55.43 (2C), 31.42, 30.82 (d, J = 14.7 Hz), 30.35 (d, J = 72.9 Hz),

22.54, 21.65 (d, J = 3.8 Hz), 14.12.

³¹**P** NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.40 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₂₈O₃P⁺ 347.1776; found: 347.1768.

Bis(4-chlorophenyl)(hexyl)phosphine oxide (3fa):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3fa** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1-1:4-EtOAc) in 71% yield (50.0 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H **NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 7.60 – 7.55 (m, 4H), 7.40 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 2.19 – 2.11 (m, 2H), 1.56 – 1.45 (m, 2H), 1.38 – 1.27 (m, 2H), 1.23 – 1.13 (m, 4H), 0.77 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.57 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 2C), 132.19 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 4C), 131.38 (d, J = 99.0 Hz, 2C), 129.21 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 4C), 31.30, 30.65 (d, J = 15.0 Hz), 29.71 (d, J = 72.8 Hz), 22.45, 21.37 (d, J = 4.1 Hz), 14.05.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.25 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: $[M+H]^+$ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂Cl₂OP⁺ 355.0785, 357.0756, 359.0726; found: 359.0705, 357.0730, 355.0772.

Bis(4-fluorophenyl)(hexyl)phosphine oxide (3ga):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ga** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1-1:4-EtOAc) in 80% yield (51.1 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H **NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 7.64 (dd, J = 14.0, 8.9 Hz, 4H), 7.09 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 4H), 2.16 (m, 2H), 1.56 – 1.46 (m, 2H), 1.40 – 1.27 (m, 2H), 1.21 – 1.13 (m, 4H), 0.77 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 165.02 (d, J = 253.1 Hz, 2C), 133.27 (t, J = 9.5 Hz, 4C), 129.06 (d, J = 100.8 Hz, 2C), 116.19 (dd, J = 21.6, 11.9 Hz, 4C), 31.30, 30.65 (d, J = 14.2 Hz), 30.07 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.45, 21.42 (d, J = 14.2 Hz), 30.07 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.45, 21.42 (d, J = 21.45) (d,

2.5 Hz), 14.03. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.24 (s). ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -106.82 – -107.08 (m). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂F₂OP⁺ 323.1376; found: 323.1368.

Bis(3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)(hexyl)phosphine oxide (**3ha**):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ha** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1) in 59% yield (65.7 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 4H), 8.08 (s, 2H), 2.44 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 1.70 – 1.60 (m, 2H), 1.50 – 1.42 (m, 2H), 1.32 – 1.24 (m, 4H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.63 (d, J = 95.2 Hz, 2C), 132.94 (qd, J = 34.0, 11.4 Hz, 4C), 130.81 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 4C), 126.39 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 2C), 122.79 (q, J = 273.3 Hz, 2C), 31.18, 30.44 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 29.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 29.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 22.39, 21.16 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 20.39 (d, J = 14.6 Hz), 20.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 20.39 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 20.39 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 20.39 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 20.31 (d, J =

4.2 Hz), 13.94.³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 29.26 (s). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -63.10 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₂H₂₀F₁₂OP⁺ 559.1060; found: 559.1050.

Hexyldi(naphthalen-2-yl)phosphine oxide (3ia):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ia** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1-1:4-EtOAc) in 85% yield (65.5 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H **NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 8.43 (d, J = 13.1 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (dd, J = 14.3, 5.4 Hz, 4H), 7.85 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (t, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 2.44 (dt, J = 27.0, 13.5 Hz, 2H), 1.73 – 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.49 – 1.38 (m, 2H), 1.31 – 1.20 (m, 4H), 0.83 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 134.69 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 2C), 132.85 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2C), 132.70 (d, J = 12.7 Hz, 2C), 130.37 (d, J = 98.0

Hz, 2C), 128.96 (2C), 128.60 (d, J = 11.3 Hz, 2C), 128.17 (2C), 127.91 (2C), 127.04 (2C), 125.79 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, C), 31.36, 30.80 (d, J = 14.9 Hz), 29.70 (d, J = 72.2 Hz), 22.49, 21.58 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 14.07. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.58 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: $[M+H]^+$ Calcd for C₂₆H₂₈OP⁺ 387.1878; found: 387.1851.

Hexyldiphenylphosphine sulfide (3ja):

Following the procedure (overnight), **3ja** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 50% yield (30 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 Ph-P Ph' **3ja a b b b c**₄H₉ **c**₄H₉ **c**₄H₁, 7.51 - 7.41 (m, 6H), 2.48 - 2.38 (m, 2H), 1.67 - 1.55 (m, 2H), 1.42 - 1.34 (m, 2H), 1.29 - 1.22 (m, 4H), 0.84 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 133.12 (d, J = 79.6 Hz, 2C), 131.48 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 2C), 131.18 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 4C), 128.71 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 4C), 32.69 (d, J = 56.5 Hz), 31.39, 30.42 (d, J = 16.4 Hz), 22.55, 22.22 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 14.10.³¹P NMR **(162 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 43.35 (s). **HRMS** (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄PS⁺ 303.1336; found: 303.1316. Hexyl(methyl)(phenyl)phosphine oxide (3ka):

$$Ph - P - P - C_4H_9$$

 H_3C
3ka

Following the procedure (overnight), 3ka was obtained after HPTLC (EtOAc) in 67% yield (49.8 mg) as colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.55 - 7.47 (m, 3H), 1.99 - 1.84 (m, 2H), 1.70 (d, J = 12.7 Hz, 3H), 1.66 - 1.55 (m, 1H), 1.53 -1.42 (m, 1H), 1.40 – 1.31 (m, 2H), 1.30 – 1.21 (m, 4H), 0.85 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H).¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 133.79 (d, J = 95.6 Hz), 131.65 (d, J = 2.2 Hz), 130.08 (d, J = 8.9 Hz,

2C), 128.72 (d, J = 11.1 Hz, 2C), 31.84 (d, J = 70.5 Hz), 31.33, 30.64 (d, J = 14.9 Hz), 22.46, 21.65 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 16.08 (d, J = 69.6 Hz), 14.07. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 38.37 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₃H₂₂OP⁺ 225.1408; found: 225.1413.

Octyldiphenylphosphine oxide (**3ab**):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ab** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1) in 83% yield (52.3 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 – 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.46 – 7.32 (m, 6H), 2.20 – 2.14 (m, 2H), 1.58 – 1.49 (m, 2H), 1.34 - 1.26 (m, 2H), 1.20 - 1.10 (m, 8H), 0.77 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 133.21 (d, J = 97.9 Hz, 2C), 131.67 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 2C), 130.80 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 4C), 128.65

(d, J = 11.8 Hz, 4C), 31.78, 31.00 (d, J = 14.4 Hz), 29.76 (d, J = 72.0 Hz), 29.06, 29.04, 22.63, 21.43 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 14.11. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.28 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₂₈OP⁺ 315.1878; found: 315.1880.

(3,3-Dimethylbutyl)diphenylphosphine oxide (3ac):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ac** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 77% yield (44.1 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 – 7.64 (m, 4H), 7.46 – 7.36 (m, 6H), 2.17 – 2.10 (m, 2H), 1.46 – 1.39 (m, 2H), 0.81 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 133.14 (d, J = 97.9 Hz, 2C), 131.73 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 2C), 130.84 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 4C), 128.72 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 4C), 34.81 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 30.60 (d, J = 14.0 Hz), 28.89,

25.11 (d, J = 72.6 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 34.23 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄OP⁺ 287.1565; found: 287.1562.

(2-Cyclohexylethyl)diphenylphosphine oxide (3ad):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ad** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1) in 80% yield (50.2 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76 - 7.70 (m, 4H), 7.53 - 7.42 (m, 6H), 2.30 - 2.21 (m, 2H), 1.74 - 1.64 (m, 4H), 1.64 -1.59 (m, 1H), 1.55 – 1.47 (m, 2H), 1.31 – 1.05 (m, 4H), 0.91 – 0.83 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 133.21 (d, J = 98.0 Hz, 2C), 131.66 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 2C), 130.80 (d, J =

9.7 Hz, 4C), 128.65 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 4C), 38.68 (d, J = 14.1 Hz), 32.79 (2C), 28.53 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 27.22 (d, J = 72.2 Hz), 26.50, 26.20 (2C). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.78 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₂₆OP⁺ 313.1721; found: 313.1720.

Diphenyl(3-phenylpropyl)phosphine oxide (3ae):



Following the procedure (overnight), 3ae was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 70% yield (45.1 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 - 7.56 (m, 4H), 7.44 - 7.33 (m, 6H), 7.20 - 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.13 - 7.08 (m, 1H), 7.05 - 7.00 (m, 2H), 2.64 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.21 – 2.13 (m, 2H), 1.92 – 1.84 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.92, 133.03 (d, J = 98.1 Hz, 2C), 131.78 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 2C), 130.85 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 4C), 128.77 (2C), 128.65 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 4C), 128.52 (2C), 126.21, 36.74 (d, J = 15.1 Hz), 29.02 (d, J =

72.0 Hz), 23.10 (d, J = 3.5 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.15 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₂₂OP⁺ 321.1408; found: 321.1395.

Diphenyl(3-(trimethylsilyl)propyl)phosphine oxide (**3af**):



4C), 33.77 (d, J = 69.8 Hz), 18.94 (d, J = 12.9 Hz), 16.49 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), -1.64 (3C).³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.65 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₆OPSi⁺ 317.1491; found: 317.1487.

(4-Bromobutyl)diphenylphosphine oxide (3ag):



Following the procedure (12h, 2.0 equivalent extra alkene was added and reacted for additional 12h), **3ag** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 50%
 ^{Br} yield (33.8 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 – 7.63 (m, 4H), 7.56 – 7.37 (m, 6H), 3.30 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.25 – 2.17 (m, 2H), 1.96 – 1.83 (m, 2H), 1.77 – 1.67 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 132.89 (d, J = 98.4 Hz, 2C), 131.95 (d, J =

2.2 Hz, 2C), 130.88 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 4C), 128.85 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 4C), 33.61 (d, J = 14.1 Hz), 32.72 (s), 28.92 (d, J = 71.9 Hz), 20.48 (d, J = 3.6 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 32.74 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₁₉BrOP⁺ 337.0357, 339.0336; found: 337.0328, 339.0338.

(5-Hydroxypentyl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**3ah**):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ah** was obtained after HPTLC (MeOH/DCM 1:10) in 69% yield (39.5 mg) as colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 – 7.61 (m, 4H), 7.46 – 7.36 (m, 6H), 3.51 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 2.24 – 2.16 (m, 2H), 1.61 – 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.51 – 1.37 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 133.00 (d, J = 98.1 Hz, 2C), 131.85 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 2C), 130.84 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 4C), 128.78 (d, J = 11.8 Hz,

4C), 62.27 (s), 32.18 (s), 29.63 (d, J = 71.9 Hz), 27.12 (d, J = 13.9 Hz), 21.30 (d, J = 4.1 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.71 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₂₂O₂P⁺ 289.1357; found: 289.1355.

(3-Phenoxypropyl)diphenylphosphine oxide (3ai):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ai** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 74% yield (49.8 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 - 7.64 (m, 4H), 7.47 - 7.34 (m, 6H), 7.23 - 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.88 - 6.82 (m, 1H), 6.81 - 6.73 (m, 2H), 3.92 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 2.45 - 2.36 (m, 2H), 2.09 - 1.98 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.69, 132.91 (d, J = 98.9 Hz, 2C), 131.88 (d, J = 2.7 Hz,

2C), 130.86 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 4C), 129.54 (2C), 128.79 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 4C), 120.91, 114.54 (2C), 67.51 (d, J = 14.2 Hz), 26.50 (d, J = 72.9 Hz), 21.89 (d, J = 3.2 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.17 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₂₂O₂P⁺ 337.1357; found: 337.1342.

(2-Ethoxyethyl)diphenylphosphine oxide (3aj):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3aj** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 45% yield (23.4 mg) as colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 – 7.65 (m, 4H), 7.46 – 7.37 (m, 6H), 3.67 (dd, J = 16.4, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 3.32 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.60 – 2.55 (m, 2H), 1.00 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ

133.05 (d, J = 99.7 Hz, 2C), 131.89 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 2C), 130.82 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 4C), 128.72 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 4C), 66.37, 63.89, 30.99 (d, J = 70.8 Hz), 15.07. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 30.46 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₂₀O₂P⁺ 275.1201; found: 275.1207.

Cyclohexyldiphenylphosphine oxide (3ak):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3ak** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1) in 85% yield (48.0 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 – 7.68 (m, 4H), 7.45 – 7.36 (m, 6H), 2.21 – 2.12 (m, 1H), 1.77 – 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.69 – 1.59 (m, 3H), 1.52 – 1.40 (m, 2H), 1.24 – 1.14 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) 132.18 (d, J = 94.7 Hz, 2C), 131.56 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 2C), 131.20 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 4C), 128.66 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 4C), 37.31 (d, J = 73.1 Hz), 26.49 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 2C), 25.89, 24.90 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, 2C). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 35.11 (s).

HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂OP⁺ 285.1408; found: 285.1387.

Bicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-yldiphenylphosphine oxide (3al):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3al** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 4:1-1:1-EtOAc) in 90% yield (53.3 mg) and 1:1 dr as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 – 7.71⁺ (m, 4H, 4H*), 7.51 – 7.40⁺ (m, 6H, 6H*), 2.51 – 2.47⁺ (m, 1H, 1H*), 2.36⁺ (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H, 1H*), 2.29⁺ (td, J = 7.8, 7.1, 1.8 Hz, 1H, 1H*), 1.98 – 1.88⁺ (m, 1H, 1H*), 1.85⁺ (dt, J = 9.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H, 1H*), 1.58⁺ (ddt, J = 11.1, 7.6, 3.4 Hz, 2H, 2H*), 1.42⁺ (dddd, J = 12.2, 9.6, 7.6, 2.5 Hz, 1H, 1H*), 1.35 – 1.22⁺ (m, 2H, 2H*), 1.17⁺ (dt, J = 10.0, 1.7 NMR (1EO MUE CDCL) δ 122 60⁺ (dd L = 0.5 6 46 0 Hz 2C 2C*) 121 41⁺ (dd L = 0.7 2 2 Hz

Hz, 1H, 1H*). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 133.60⁺ (dd, J = 95.6, 46.0 Hz, 2C, 2C*), 131.41⁺ (dd, J = 9.7, 2.2 Hz, 2C, 2C*), 131.12 – 130.82⁺ (m, 4C, 4C*), 128.57⁺ (dd, J = 15.6, 11.3 Hz, 4C, 4C*), 40.00⁺ (d, J = 73.0 Hz, 1C, 1C*), 38.20⁺ (1C, 1C*), 37.35⁺ (1C, 1C*), 36.48⁺ (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1C, 1C*), 32.17⁺ (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1C, 1C*), 31.50⁺ (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1C, 1C*), 28.73⁺ (1C, 1C*). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 34.43⁺ (s, 1P, 1P*). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₉H₂₂OP⁺ 297.1408; found: 297.1386.

Hexan-2-yldiphenylphosphine oxide + hexan-3-yldiphenylphosphine oxide (3am):



3am (mixture of 3am' and 3an)

Following the procedure (overnight), **3am** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1) as white solid. For substrate (*E*)-2-hexene, the yield is 75% (42.7 mg), **3am':3an** = 1.1:1; for substrate (*Z*)-2-hexene, the yield is 62% (35.5 mg), **3am':3an** = 1.5:1. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 – 7.76⁺ (m, 4H, 4H*), 7.52 – 7.43⁺ (m, 6H, 6H*), 2.39 – 2.31 (m, 1H), 2.22 – 2.16* (m, 1H*), 1.81 – 1.70* (m, 1H*), 1.70 – 1.52⁺ (m, 1H, 3H*), 1.52 – 1.41 (m, 2H, 1H*), 1.31 – 1.12

(m, 6H, 1H^{*}), 0.94^{*} (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H^{*}), 0.85 – 0.78⁺ (m, 3H, 3H^{*}). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 133.27^{*} (d, J = 93.5 Hz, 2C^{*}), 132.58 (dd, J = 94.3, 14.9 Hz, 2C), 131.53 (dd, J = 7.6, 2.7 Hz, 2C), 131.44^{*} (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 2C^{*}), 131.14 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.9 Hz, 4C), 131.03^{*} (dd, J = 8.5, 4.5 Hz, 4C^{*}), 128.72 – 128.55⁺ (m, 4C, 4C^{*}), 38.46^{*} (d, J = 70.9 Hz), 32.04 (d, J = 72.3 Hz), 29.74 (d, J = 12.6 Hz), 29.17^{*} (d, J = 1.9 Hz), 28.54 (d, J = 2.0 Hz), 22.49, 21.31^{*}, 20.70^{*} (d, J = 1.9 Hz), 14.25^{*}, 13.98, 12.68^{*} (d, J = 9.5 Hz), 12.14 (d, J = 2.7 Hz). ³¹P NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 37.48^{*} (s, 1P^{*}), 36.87 (s, 1P). For substrate (*E*)-2-hexene: HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄OP⁺ 287.1559; found: 287.1559.

Hexan-3-yldiphenylphosphine oxide (3an):



Following the procedure (overnight), **3an** was obtained after FC on silica gel (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1) as white solid. For substrate (*E*)-3-hexene, the yield is 50% (28.5 mg); for substrate (*Z*)-3-hexene, the yield is 72% (41.1 mg). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 – 7.77 (m, 4H), 7.51 – 7.43 (m, 6H), 2.23 – 2.16 (m, 1H), 1.81 – 1.70 (m, 1H), 1.70 – 1.52 (m, 3H), 1.52 – 1.42 (m, 1H), 1.29 – 1.20 (m, 1H), 0.94 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 0.81 (t, J = 7.3

Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 133.20 (d, J = 93.7 Hz, 2C), 131.45 (t, J = 2.2 Hz, 2C), 131.01 (dd, J = 8.6, 4.4 Hz, 4C), 128.62 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 4C), 38.43 (d, J = 70.9 Hz), 29.15 (d, J = 1.7 Hz), 21.27 (d, J = 9.8 Hz), 20.68 (d, J = 1.9 Hz), 14.24, 12.67 (d, J = 9.3 Hz). ³¹P NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 37.22 (s). For substrate (*E*)-3-hexene: HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄OP⁺ 287.1559; found: 287.1558. For substrate (*Z*)-3-hexene: HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄OP⁺ 287.1559; found: 287.1561.

((4-Methyltetrahydrofuran-3-yl)methyl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**3ao**):

O Ph-P Ph 3ao

Following the procedure (4.0 equivalent of corresponding alkene was used; overnight), **3am** was obtained after HPTLC (DCM/MeOH 10:1) in 40% yield (24.1 mg) and 4.7:1 dr as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 – 7.65⁺ (m, 4H, 4H⁺), 7.48 – 7.37⁺ (m, 6H, 6H⁺), 3.90 – 3.80⁺ (m, 2H⁺), 3.76 (ddd, J = 25.2, 8.5, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.40 – 3.35 (m, 2H), 3.33 – 3.29⁺ (m, 1H⁺), 3.17⁺ (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H⁺), 2.51⁺ (ddtt, J = 15.0, 11.3, 7.7, 4.0 Hz, 1H,

1H*), 2.35 (ddd, J = 15.8, 11.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (hd, J = 6.9, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.14⁺ (dtd, J = 15.1, 10.5, 5.1 Hz, 1H, 1H*), 2.01 – 1.95* (m, 1H*), 1.91* (p, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H*), 0.92* (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H*), 0.89 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 133.62 – 132.59⁺ (m, 2C, 2C*), 132.05 – 131.90⁺ (m, 2C, 2C*), 130.94 – 130.71⁺ (m, 4C, 4C*), 128.94 – 128.73⁺ (m, 4C, 4C*), 74.64, 74.24*, 73.80* (d, J = 4.1 Hz), 71.90 (d, J = 4.7 Hz), 41.62* (d, J = 12.5 Hz), 41.03* (d, J = 3.3 Hz), 36.74 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 36.37 (d, J = 3.3 Hz), 32.78* (d, J = 71.0 Hz), 28.14 (d, J = 72.8 Hz), 15.82*, 13.56. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 31.83 (s), 31.01* (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂O₂P⁺ 301.0357; found: 301.1367.

(Z)-hex-1-en-1-yldiphenylphosphine oxide (5aa):



Following the procedure (overnight), **5aa** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1) in 47% yield (26.6 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 – 7.63 (m, 4H), 7.44 – 7.33 (m, 6H), 6.61 (ddt, J = 40.5, 12.9, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (dd, J = 25.6, 12.9 Hz, 1H), 2.49 – 2.41 (m, 2H), 1.29 – 1.20 (m, 2H), 1.20 – 1.10 (m, 2H), 0.72 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H).
 ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.23, 134.66 (d, J = 103.7 Hz, 2C), 131.58 (d, J = 2.2 Hz,

2C), 131.01 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 4C), 128.61 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 4C), 121.37 (d, J = 100.8 Hz), 31.04 (d, J = 1.4 Hz), 30.77 (d, J = 7.8 Hz), 22.33, 13.90. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.60 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂OP⁺ 285.1408; found: 285.1387.

(E)-hex-1-en-1-yldiphenylphosphine oxide (5aa'):



Following the procedure (overnight), **5aa'** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:1) in 16% yield (9.2 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 – 7.59 (m, 4H), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 6.66 (ddt, J = 19.5, 17.1, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (dd, J = 24.6, 17.0 Hz, 1H), 2.26 – 2.20 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.31 – 1.24 (m, 2H), 0.83 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.13, 133.33 (d, J =

104.7 Hz, 2C), 131.81 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 2C), 131.44 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 4C), 128.64 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 4C), 121.64 (d, J = 103.2 Hz), 34.38 (d, J = 17.2 Hz), 30.15, 22.39, 13.97. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.13 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂OP⁺ 285.1408; found: 285.1387.

(Z)-(5-chloropent-1-en-1-yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (5ab):



Following the procedure (48h), **5ab** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 44% yield (27.1 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75 – 7.70 (m, 4H), 7.54 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 4H), 6.68 (ddt, J = 39.7, 12.8, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (ddd, J = 25.4, 12.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.76 – 2.70 (m, 2H), 1.87 (p, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.76, 134.32 (d, J = 104.3 Hz,

2C), 131.79 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 2C), 130.98 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 4C), 128.73 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 4C), 122.89 (d, J = 99.6 Hz), 44.23, 32.04, 28.40 (d, J = 7.8 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.81 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₁₉ClOP⁺ 305.0862, 307.0833; found: 305.0865, 307.0836.

(E)-(5-chloropent-1-en-1-yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**5ab'**):



Following the procedure (48h), **5ab'** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 19% yield (11.3 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 – 7.66 (m, 4H), 7.56 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.49 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 6.73 (ddt, J = 19.2, 17.2, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (dd, J = 24.4, 17.0 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.51 – 2.46 (m, 2H), 1.97 (p, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.57, 133.07

(d, J = 104.9 Hz, 2C), 131.96 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 2C), 131.38 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 4C), 128.72 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 4C), 123.39 (d, J = 102.3 Hz), 44.17, 31.64 (d, J = 16.8 Hz), 30.72. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.62 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₁₉ClOP⁺ 305.0862, 307.0833; found: 305.0865, 307.0836.

(Z)-(4-hydroxybut-1-en-1-yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**5ac**):



Following the procedure (48h), **5ac** was obtained after HPTLC (DCM/MeOH 20:1) in 66% yield and 5:1 dr (36.1 mg, mixture of *Z*- and *E*-configuration) as white solid. ¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 7.75 – 7.70 (m, 4H), 7.56 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.49 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 6.85 (ddt, J = 39.9, 12.7, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (dd, J = 26.9, 12.8 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (bs, 1H), 3.76 (t, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 2.84 – 2.78 (m, 2H). ¹³**C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 151.39 (s), 133.64

(d, J = 105.1 Hz, 2C), 132.02 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 2C), 131.13 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 4C), 128.83 (d, J = 12.1 Hz, 4C), 124.54 (d, J = 99.0 Hz), 60.35 (d, J = 1.9 Hz), 33.91 (d, J = 8.3 Hz). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.65 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₁₈O₂P⁺ 273.1044; found: 273.1054.

(E)-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (5ad):



Following the procedure (48h), **5ad** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 47% yield (26.7 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 4H), 6.70 (dd, J = 20.4, 17.3 Hz, 1H), 6.04 (dd, J = 24.4, 17.3 Hz, 1H), 1.03 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.45, 133.44 (d, J = 104.6 Hz, 2C),

5ad 131.75 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 2C), 131.39 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 4C), 128.60 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 4C), 116.50 (d, J = 103.5 Hz), 35.37 (d, J = 15.2 Hz), 28.73 (3C). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.75 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂OP⁺ 285.1408; found: 285.1387.

(Z)-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (5ad'):



5ad'

Following the procedure (48h), **5ad'** was obtained after HPTLC (Petro ether/EtOAc 1:2) in 24% yield (13.5 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 – 7.63 (m, 4H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 6H), 6.61 (dd, J = 43.5, 14.6 Hz, 1H), 5.89 (dd, J = 22.3, 14.6 Hz, 1H), 1.13 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.70, 135.81 (d, J = 105.2 Hz, 2C), 131.41 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 2C), 130.97 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 4C), 128.59 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 4C), 119.37 (d, J = 98.8 Hz), 35.60 (d, J = 5.5 Hz), 30.38 (3C). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 20.18 (s). HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for

 $C_{18}H_{22}OP^+$ 285.1408; found: 285.1387.

5. Computational studies

All calculations were performed with the Gaussian 09 package.⁴ All species were fully optimized without symmetry constraints with M062X⁵ method in combination with 6–311+G(d,p) basis sets in solvent water (\mathcal{E} = 78.355) by using PCM model.⁶ Harmonic vibration frequency calculations were carried out for all the stationary points to confirm each structure being either a minimum (no imaginary frequency) or a transition structure (one imaginary frequency). The reported relative energies are electronic energies in water (ΔE , kcal/mol) at the M062X/6–311+G(d,p) level of theory without ZPVE corrections.

Species	<i>E</i> (a.u.)	$\Delta E(kcl/mol)$
cat.1	-420.284183	0.0
cat.1*	-420.197010	54.7
1a	-880.402182	0.0
1a*	-880.266790	85.0
1a'	-880.400352	0.0
1a'*	-880.295853	65.6
1a	-880.402182	0.0
1a'	-880.400352	1.1

S1. Relative electronic energies in water at the M062X/6–311+G(d,p) level of theory.



The acyl-H bond dissociating energy of cat.1* was about 41.2 kcal/mol.

⁴ M. J. Frisch, G. W. Trucks, H. B. Schlegel, G. E. Scuseria, M. A. Robb, J. R. Cheeseman, G. Scalmani, V. Barone, B. Mennucci, G. A. Petersson et al. , *Gaussian 09*, Revision A0; Gaussian, Inc., Wallingford CT, 2009.

⁵ Y. Zhao, D. G. Truhlar, *Theor. Chem. Acc.*, 2008, **120**, 215.

⁶ J. Tomasi, M. Persico, Chem. Rev., 1994, **94**, 2027.



The P-H bond dissociating energy of 1a was about 87.7 kcal/mol.



The O-H bond dissociating energy of 1a' was about 86.5 kcal/mol.



The **cat.1*** interacts with a ground state molecule of **cat.1** furnishing two radicals: the benzoyl radical **cat.1**' and the hydroxybenzyl radical **cat.1**''. This radical-pair mechanism has been reported in 1970.⁷

S2. Calculated Cartesian coordinates of the stationary points

Cat.1				
6	0	1.758623	0.756578	0.000027
6	0	0.349318	1.082372	-0.000541
6	0	-0.536435	-0.061800	-0.000218
6	0	-0.031872	-1.378260	-0.000124
6	0	1.319059	-1.638034	-0.000070

⁷ (a) M. Cocivera, A. M. Trozzolo, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 1970, **6**, 1772-1774; (b) G. L. Closs, D. R. Paulson, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 1970, **24**, 7229-7231.

6	0	2.211103	-0.538643	0.000103
1	0	2.457460	1.587045	0.000293
1	0	-0.751616	-2.191448	-0.000064
1	0	1.696377	-2.652859	0.000018
1	0	3.281086	-0.725383	0.000331
6	0	-1.966592	0.156694	-0.000038
1	0	-2.273297	1.215263	0.000023
8	0	-2.826662	-0.720353	0.000288
8	0	-0.051992	2.282095	0.000283

Cat.1*

0	1.786807	0.750676	0.000038
0	0.393035	1.053916	0.000022
0	-0.585726	-0.065722	-0.000081
0	-0.067474	-1.373467	-0.000049
0	1.319476	-1.603913	0.000036
0	2.257291	-0.566354	0.000061
0	2.467227	1.595560	0.000031
0	-0.755445	-2.209331	-0.000090
0	1.673024	-2.630661	0.000049
0	3.317815	-0.780396	0.000091
0	-1.985066	0.206912	-0.000171
0	-2.278567	1.263404	0.000130
0	-2.872494	-0.701579	0.000172
0	-0.019269	2.245221	-0.000092
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Cat.1'

6	0	1.740617	0.730954	-0.000005
6	0	0.337352	1.091154	-0.000161
6	0	-0.567202	-0.037511	-0.000053
6	0	-0.092906	-1.371796	-0.000018
6	0	1.250805	-1.655567	-0.000020
6	0	2.164713	-0.571865	0.000011
1	0	2.456420	1.546544	0.000072

1	0	-0.826501	-2.172590	0.000017
1	0	1.608622	-2.677419	0.000006
1	0	3.230575	-0.780391	0.000061
6	0	-1.989121	0.195443	0.000006
8	0	-2.909388	-0.570535	0.000073
8	0	-0.032445	2.295409	0.000088

Cat.1"

6	0	-1.837431	0.703583	0.000048
6	0	-0.467769	1.083949	-0.000024
6	0	0.502216	-0.019779	0.000130
6	0	0.041823	-1.365169	0.000067
6	0	-1.311269	-1.668914	-0.000042
6	0	-2.250685	-0.627149	-0.000030
1	0	-2.570642	1.505034	0.000130
1	0	0.778912	-2.161339	0.000142
1	0	-1.639501	-2.702363	-0.000054
1	0	-3.311566	-0.857306	-0.000006
6	0	1.855807	0.300453	0.000193
1	0	2.212613	1.320105	-0.000138
8	0	2.790066	-0.703351	-0.000358
8	0	-0.082120	2.300007	-0.000095
1	0	3.670468	-0.319225	0.001505

1a

15	0	0.017417	1.386404	-0.423544
1	0	-0.092062	1.622820	-1.808069
8	0	0.148720	2.630212	0.409767
6	0	-1.441337	0.367948	-0.095558
6	0	-2.405195	0.162300	-1.082520
6	0	-1.595630	-0.212437	1.167372
6	0	-3.521093	-0.625165	-0.808635
1	0	-2.287908	0.610022	-2.063878
6	0	-2.711516	-0.993199	1.437889

1	0	-0.841594	-0.059387	1.933389
6	0	-3.672749	-1.200256	0.448611
1	0	-4.268628	-0.787001	-1.575832
1	0	-2.832326	-1.444268	2.415488
1	0	-4.540908	-1.812750	0.661778
6	0	1.433153	0.270932	-0.236993
6	0	1.435226	-0.988004	-0.842068
6	0	2.521960	0.686196	0.527508
6	0	2.531179	-1.827099	-0.684744
1	0	0.581887	-1.314430	-1.429069
6	0	3.615815	-0.161023	0.688043
1	0	2.503850	1.664586	0.994563
6	0	3.619791	-1.413136	0.082120
1	0	2.536145	-2.803859	-1.153110
1	0	4.461994	0.156119	1.285785
1	0	4.470899	-2.071963	0.207829

1a*

15	0	0.769894	1.517434	-0.499166
1	0	0.856325	1.713109	-1.891474
8	0	1.016462	2.732071	0.350045
6	0	-0.849732	0.751918	-0.268747
6	0	-1.463595	0.052695	-1.310400
6	0	-1.425587	0.769821	1.003460
6	0	-2.647932	-0.637062	-1.073882
1	0	-1.020610	0.043306	-2.301056
6	0	-2.609516	0.078304	1.234411
1	0	-0.945003	1.319201	1.805981
6	0	-3.215777	-0.628709	0.198170
1	0	-3.128423	-1.178076	-1.880311
1	0	-3.058429	0.089713	2.220359
1	0	-4.137954	-1.167799	0.380726
6	0	1.968163	0.178813	-0.192021
6	0	1.983698	-0.905283	-1.197775

6	0	2.032036	-0.238292	1.227056
6	0	1.322084	-2.038888	-0.854482
1	0	2.422237	-0.757317	-2.177879
6	0	1.364050	-1.379396	1.537983
1	0	2.507113	0.386067	1.973945
6	0	0.880509	-2.236000	0.497030
1	0	1.189193	-2.839490	-1.574011
1	0	1.261027	-1.695096	2.570495
1	0	0.344004	-3.139212	0.755531

1a'

15	0	-0.001442	1.446058	-0.669429
8	0	0.147351	2.421285	0.681688
1	0	0.025910	3.347588	0.451132
6	0	-1.403264	0.370007	-0.165128
6	0	-2.460738	0.192594	-1.057357
6	0	-1.440150	-0.266394	1.080316
6	0	-3.543182	-0.618222	-0.715606
1	0	-2.439617	0.687917	-2.022865
6	0	-2.524286	-1.062293	1.427377
1	0	-0.616096	-0.137969	1.775295
6	0	-3.575587	-1.241366	0.526348
1	0	-4.357912	-0.756716	-1.416405
1	0	-2.550566	-1.550278	2.394854
1	0	-4.417950	-1.867514	0.796857
6	0	1.382213	0.296314	-0.300065
6	0	1.389672	-0.969897	-0.894762
6	0	2.466799	0.689338	0.484747
6	0	2.460817	-1.833212	-0.698466
1	0	0.548535	-1.287917	-1.504253
6	0	3.539095	-0.179406	0.682619
1	0	2.465428	1.669229	0.947389
6	0	3.539241	-1.438792	0.092526
1	0	2.453697	-2.814726	-1.157990

1	0	4.374449	0.130212	1.300245
1	0	4.373151	-2.113010	0.248369

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15	0	0.047453	1.221119	-0.594791
8	0	0.103831	2.600482	0.016304
6	0	-1.472695	0.316191	-0.220146
6	0	-1.863389	-0.771435	-1.007264
6	0	-2.280567	0.748493	0.834825
6	0	-3.042185	-1.447079	-0.714170
1	0	-1.255324	-1.085230	-1.849660
6	0	-3.460993	0.070227	1.118538
1	0	-1.980480	1.605926	1.426463
6	0	-3.838824	-1.027407	0.348664
1	0	-3.342988	-2.293360	-1.319733
1	0	-4.085785	0.398019	1.940683
1	0	-4.759467	-1.552730	0.573054
6	0	1.478532	0.193886	-0.166287
6	0	1.395568	-1.192599	-0.008306
6	0	2.712151	0.841111	-0.034488
6	0	2.541537	-1.921884	0.290984
1	0	0.444282	-1.703336	-0.098072
6	0	3.851521	0.104966	0.266137
1	0	2.772959	1.916692	-0.157793
6	0	3.767458	-1.276350	0.427338
1	0	2.474080	-2.994955	0.423958
1	0	4.804543	0.608393	0.375819
1	0	4.657049	-1.848774	0.661757

6. Photo of the reaction set up and spectral distribution of the blue LED light



A photo of the blue LEDs (3 \times 10W) and reaction set up is shown below.

The spectral irradiance for the blue LED was measured at National Institute of Measurement and Testing Technology (No. 10, Yushuang Road, Chengdu, 610021, China), and the spectral distribution is shown blow.



7. UV-visible light absorption spectra of aldehyde catalysts and 1a

UV-visible light absorption spectra were measured by PerkinElmer Lambda 950 UV/VIS/NIR Spectrometer. Sample (left): catalyst (10⁻⁴ mol/L) in distilled water.

Sample (right): catalyst (10^{-4} mol/L) and Na_2CO_3 (10^{-2} mol/L) in distilled water.







Sample (left): **1a** (10^{-4} mol/L) in distilled water.

Sample (right): **1a** (10^{-4} mol/L) and Na₂CO₃ (2.5×10^{-4} mol/L) in distilled water.



8. Fluorescence emission spectra and fluorescence quantum yield of salicylaldehyde

Fluorescence emission spectra of salicylaldehyde were measured by Horiba FluoroMax-4 Spectrofluorometer under excitation at 376nm, 400nm, 417 nm and 425 nm (slit 2nm).

Sample: salicylaldehyde **cat. 1** (10^{-4} mol/L) and Na₂CO₃ (10^{-2} mol/L) in distilled water.



The absolute fluorescence quantum yield of salicylaldehyde was measured by Horiba Quanta- ϕ Spectrometer at 417nm: 2.10 (abs error ± 0.136, relative error ± 0.06488).

Sample: salicylaldehyde **cat. 1** (10^{-4} mol/L) and Na₂CO₃ (10^{-2} mol/L) in distilled water.





























































































































