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# Phosphine-Catalyzed Divergent Reactivity of Alkynoates with Acid Anhydrides: Chemo- and Stereoselective Synthesis of Polysubstituted Olefins and Dienes

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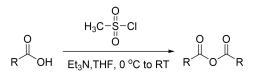
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# I. General Information

Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out in nitrogen atmosphere under anhydrous conditions. Solvents were purified prior to use according to standard procedures. <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AV-III400 (400 MHz) spectrometer. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded in benzene-d<sub>6</sub> ( $\delta$  7.16) or CDCl<sub>3</sub>( $\delta$  7.26) with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the internal standard. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (200-300 mesh) using a mixture of petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluant. Multiplicity was indicated as follows: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet), dd (doublet of doublet), br s (broad singlet). HRMS spectra were acquired in ESI mode with the mass analyzer of TOF used. All the commercially available reagents were used without any purification. Some of alkyl acid anhydrides and acyl chlorides were prepared according to the known procedures.<sup>1-9</sup>

# II. General Procedures for the Synthesis of Anhydrides 2

#### Method A:



The anhydrides **2** were synthesized according to a known procedure. Triethylamine (3.4 equiv.) in THF (0.30 M) was added dropwise to a THF solution (0.34 M) containing organic acid (2.0 equiv.) and methanesulfonyl chloride (1.1 equiv.) at 0 °C. The resulting mixture was stirred for 12 h and concentrated in vacuo. The mixture was extracted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution and ethyl acetate for three times, and the combined organic phase was washed with brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated to obtain the anhydride.

#### **Method B:**

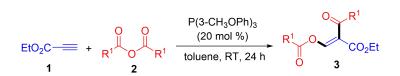
Prepared according to a known procedure. Acid chloride (5.0 mmol) and water (2.5 mmol) were mixed in acetone (5 mL). The resulting mixture was then slowly added triethylamine (5.0 mmol) over 2 minutes. After the completion of the reaction as monitored by TLC, the precipitated triethylamine hydrochloride was filtered off. Then, the solid triethylamine hydrochloride was washed with (5 mL  $\times$  3) acetone. The combined solutions were evaporated under vacuum to give the product.

#### Method C:

A procedure from the literature was used. Under argon and at 0 °C, acid chloride (4.0 mmol) was added dropwise to a suspension of zinc powder (144.0 mg, 2.2 mmol) in pentane (4.0 mL) and anhydrous DMF (0.6 mL, 8.0 mmol). The resulting mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 20 h. The mixture was then filtered on a pad of flash silica eluting with pentane /  $Et_2O$ . Removal of the solvents in vacuo furnished the corresponding anhydrides.

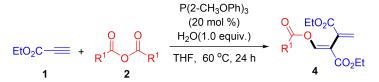
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#### Produce A: typical procedure for the synthesis polysubstituted olefins 3



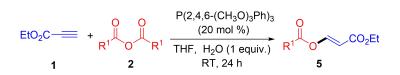
Under argon atmosphere, to a 10 mL Schlenk tube was added propiolate 1 (0.20 mmol), acid anhydride 2 (0.30 mmol), P(3-CH<sub>3</sub>OPh)<sub>3</sub> (14.1 mg, 20 mol %) and toluene (2.0 mL). The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The solvent was removed on a rotary evaporator under reduced pressure and the residue was subjected to column chromatography isolation on silica gel by gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1-5:1) to give the product polysubstituted olefine **3**.

#### Produce B: typical procedure for the synthesis of conjugated dienes 4



Under argon atmosphere, propiolate 1 (0.40 mmol), acid anhydride 2 (0.20 mmol), P(2-CH<sub>3</sub>OPh)<sub>3</sub> (14.1 mg, 20 mol %), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv) and THF (2.0 mL) were added to a 10 mL Schlenk tube. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. The solvent was removed on a rotary evaporator under reduced pressure and the residue was subjected to column chromatography isolation on silica gel by gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1) to give the product conjugated diene **4**.

#### Produce C: typical procedure for the synthesis of vinyl esters 5



Also under argon atmosphere, ethyl propiolate 1 (0.30 mmol), acid anhydride 2 (0.20 mmol), P(2,4,6-(CH<sub>3</sub>O)<sub>3</sub>Ph)<sub>3</sub> (21.3 mg, 20 mol %), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and THF (2.0 mL) were added to a 10 mL Schlenk tube. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The solvent was removed on a rotary evaporator under reduced pressure and the residue was subjected to column chromatography isolation on silica gel by gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (40:1-10:1) to give the product vinyl esters 5.

#### **IV. Survey of the Reaction Conditions**

#### Table S1. Survey of conditions for the synthesis of conjugated dienes 4<sup>a</sup>

	$EtO_2C \longrightarrow + \underbrace{)}_{2i} O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O$	PR <sub>3</sub> (20 mol %) solvent, RT, 24 h	tO <sub>2</sub> C CO <sub>2</sub> Et 4d
Entry	PR <sub>3</sub>	Solvent	Yield of $4d (\%)^b$
1	PPh <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	20
2	PMePh <sub>2</sub>	Toluene	10
3	P(4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	10
4	P(2-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	22

5	P(3-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	12
6	P(4-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	13
7	PBu <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	11
8	P(2,4,6-(CH <sub>3</sub> O) <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	Trace
9	P(3,5-(CH <sub>3</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	Trace
10	P(2-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	1,4-Dioxane	20
11	P(2-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	DMF	17
12	P(2-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	THF	24
13	P(2-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OH	-
14	P(2-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	THF	38 <sup>c</sup>
15	P(2-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	THF	$26^d$
16	P(2-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	THF	26 <sup>e</sup>
17	P(2-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	THF	47 <sup><i>c</i>,<i>f</i></sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> Reaction conditions: ethyl propiolate **1** (0.4 mmol), isobutyric anhydride **2i** (0.2 mmol), PR<sub>3</sub> (20 mol %), solvent (2.0 mL), RT, 24 h. <sup>*b*</sup> Isolated yield based on **2i**. <sup>*c*</sup> H<sub>2</sub>O (0.2 mmol) was added. <sup>*d*</sup> PhOH (0.2 mmol) was added. <sup>*f*</sup> Conducted at 60 °C instead of RT.

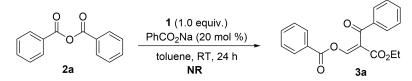
## Table S2. Survey of conditions for synthesis of the vinyl esters $5^a$

	$EtO_2C \longrightarrow + Ar O Ar \frac{(2)}{solvent},$ 1 2e	$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} $	SCO₂Et
Entry	PR <sub>3</sub>	Solvent	Yield of <b>5b</b> $(\%)^b$
1	PPh <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	28
2	PMePh <sub>2</sub>	Toluene	18
3	P(4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	25
4	P(2-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	21
5	P(3-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	22
6	P(4-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	21
7	P(3,5-(CH <sub>3</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	28
8	P(2,4,6-(CH <sub>3</sub> O) <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	47
9	PBu <sub>3</sub>	Toluene	17
10	P(2,4,6-(CH <sub>3</sub> O) <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	THF	61
11	P(2,4,6-(CH <sub>3</sub> O) <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	1,4-Dioxane	59

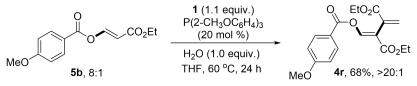
12	P(2,4,6-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	35
13	P(2,4,6-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	53
14	P(2,4,6-(CH <sub>3</sub> O) <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	THF	79 <sup>c</sup>
15	P(2,4,6-(CH <sub>3</sub> O) <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	THF	$90^d$
16	P(2,4,6-(CH <sub>3</sub> O) <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	THF	64 <sup>e</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> Reaction conditions: ethyl propiolate **1** (0.3 mmol), 4-methoxybenzoic anhydride **2e** (0.2 mmol), PR<sub>3</sub> (20 mol %), solvent (2.0 mL), RT, 24 h. <sup>*b*</sup> Isolated yield based on **2e** and dr 8:1. <sup>*c*</sup> H<sub>2</sub>O (0.1 mmol) was added. <sup>*d*</sup> H<sub>2</sub>O (0.2 mmol) was added. <sup>*e*</sup> Ethyl propiolate **1** (0.2 mmol) and 4-methoxybenzoic anhydride **2e** (0.3 mmol) were used.

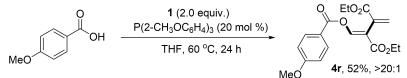
#### V. Control Experiments for Mechanistic Investigation



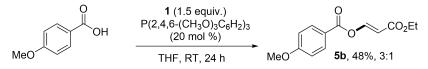
Under argon atmosphere, ethyl propiolate 1 (0.20 mmol), benzoic anhydride 2a (67.9 mg, 0.30 mmol), toluene (2.0 mL) and PhCO<sub>2</sub>Na (8.7 mg, 20 mol %) were added to a 10 mL Schlenk tube. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h, and no reaction occurred according to TLC detection.



Under argon atmosphere, 3-ethoxy-3-oxoprop-1-en-1-yl 4-methoxybenzoate **5b** (50.0 mg, 0.20 mmol), ethyl propiolate **1** (22.0  $\mu$ L, 0.22 mmol), P(2-CH<sub>3</sub>OPh)<sub>3</sub> (14.1 mg, 20 mol %), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and THF (2.0 mL) were added to a 10 mL Schlenk tube. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. The solvent was removed on a rotary evaporator under reduced pressure and the residue was subjected to column chromatography isolation to give the product **4r** in 68 % yiled with dr > 20:1.

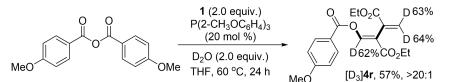


In argon atmosphere, ethyl propiolate 1 (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.40 mmol), 4-methoxybenzoic acid (30.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), P(2-CH<sub>3</sub>OPh)<sub>3</sub> (14.1 mg, 20 mol %) and THF (2.0 mL) were added to a 10 mL Schlenk tube. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. The solvent was removed on a rotary evaporator under reduced pressure and the residue was subjected to column chromatography isolation to give the product 4**r** in 52% yield with dr >20:1.

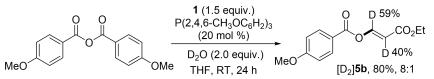


In argon atmosphere, ethyl propiolate 1 (30.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol), 4-methoxybenzoic acid (30.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), P(2,4,6-(CH<sub>3</sub>O)<sub>3</sub>Ph)<sub>3</sub> (21.3 mg, 20 mol %) and THF (2.0 mL) were added to a 10 mL Schlenk tube. The resulting

reaction mixture was then stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The solvent was removed on a rotary evaporator under reduced pressure and the residue was subjected to column chromatography isolation to give the product **5b** in 48% yield with dr 3:1

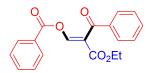


In argon atmosphere, ethyl propiolate 1 (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.40 mmol), 4-methoxybenzoic anhydride 2e (57.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), P(2-CH<sub>3</sub>OPh)<sub>3</sub> (14.1 mg, 20 mol %), D<sub>2</sub>O (10.0  $\mu$ L, 2.0 equiv.) and THF (2.0 mL) were added to a 10 mL Schlenk tube. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. The solvent was removed on a rotary evaporator under reduced pressure and the residue was subjected to column chromatography isolation to give the product [D<sub>3</sub>]4r in 57% yield with dr > 20:1.

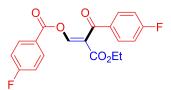


In the argon atmosphere, ethyl propiolate 1 (30.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol), 4-methoxybenzoic anhydride 2e (57.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), P(2,4,6-(CH<sub>3</sub>O)<sub>3</sub>Ph)<sub>3</sub> (21.3 mg, 20 mol %), D<sub>2</sub>O (10.0  $\mu$ L, 2.0 equiv.) and THF (2.0 mL) were added to a 10 mL Schlenk tube. The resulting reaction mixture was then stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The solvent was removed on a rotary evaporator under reduced pressure and the residue was subjected to column chromatography isolation to give the product [D<sub>2</sub>]**5b** in 80% yield with dr 8:1.

#### VI. Analytical Data for Compounds 3, 4, and 5

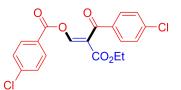


**3a** (63%,40.8 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 2; prepared according to the Produce A. Ethyl propiolate **1** (20.0  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) and benzoic anhydride **2a** (67.9 mg, 0.3 mmol) were employed to give **3a** in 63% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1-10:1). A white solid, mp: 76-78 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.98 (s, 1H), 7.95 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 4.8 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 0.81 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  190.3, 164.2, 161.8, 147.2, 137.5, 134.3, 133.5, 130.5, 129.4, 129.0, 128.7, 127.5, 119.2, 61.3, 14.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NaO<sub>5</sub> 347.0890; found 347.0895.

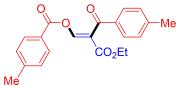


**3b** (56%, 40.3 mg, dr = 7:1), Scheme 2; prepared according to the Produce A. Ethyl propiolate **1** (20.0  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) and 4-fluorobenzoic anhydride **2b** (78.7 mg, 0.3 mmol) were employed to give **3b** in 56% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1-10:1). A white solid, mp: 89-91 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.86 (s, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 0.82 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H)

ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ 188.7, 166.7 (d, *J* = 256.5 Hz), 166.3 (d, *J* = 255.2 Hz), 164.0, 160.7, 147.2, 133.8 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 133.2 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz), 132.1 (d, *J* = 9.4 Hz), 123.5 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 118.9, 116.1 (d, *J* = 22.1 Hz), 116.0 (d, *J* = 22.3 Hz), 61.4, 14.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>14</sub>F<sub>2</sub>NaO<sub>5</sub> 383.0702; found 383.0694.



**3c** (48%, 37.6 mg, dr = 10:1), Scheme 2; prepared according to the Produce A. Ethyl propiolate **1** (20.0  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) and 4-chlorobenzoic anhydride **2c** (88.5 mg, 0.3 mmol) were employed to give **3c** in 48% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1-10:1). A white solid, mp: 104-105 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.86 (s, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 0.82 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  189.0, 163.9, 160.9, 147.2, 141.1, 140.2, 135.7, 131.7, 130.8, 129.3, 129.2, 125.6, 118.9, 61.5, 14.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>14</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>NaO<sub>5</sub> 415.0110; found 415.0134.



**3d** (51%, 35.9 mg, dr = 11:1), Scheme 2; prepared according to the Produce A. Ethyl propiolate **1** (20.0  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) and 4-methylbenzoic anhydride **2d** (76.3 mg, 0.3 mmol) were employed to give **3d** in 51% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1-10:1). A white solid, mp: 91-93 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  9.03 (s, 1H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 1.78 (s, 3H), 0.83 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  190.0, 172.4, 164.4, 161.9, 147.1, 145.3, 144.3, 135.2, 130.7, 129.7, 129.5, 124.9, 119.3, 61.2, 21.4, 21.4, 14.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>5</sub> 357.1203; found 357.1184.

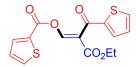


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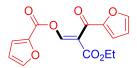
**3e** (41%, 31.5 mg, dr = 13:1), Scheme 2; prepared according to the Produce A. Ethyl propiolate **1** (20.0  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) and 4-methoxybenzoic anhydride **2e** (85.9 mg, 0.3 mmol) were employed to give **3e** in 41% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1-5:1). A white solid, mp: 78-80 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  9.11 (s, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.58 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.29 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 3.96 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.07 (s, 3H), 2.97 (s, 3H), 0.84 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  189.0, 164.7, 164.5, 161.6, 147.0, 132.9, 131.9, 114.3, 114.2, 61.2, 54.9, 54.8, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>7</sub> 407.1101; found 407.1101.



**3f** (63%, 47.9 mg, dr = 9:1), Scheme 2; prepared according to the Produce A. Ethyl propiolate **1** (20.0  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) and 3,5-dimethylbenzoic anhydride **2f** (82.3 mg, 0.3 mmol) were employed to give **3f** in 63% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1-5:1). A white solid, mp: 110-112 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  9.09 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 3.98 (m, 2H), 1.98 (s, 6H), 1.83 (s, 6H), 0.88 (m, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  190.5, 164.5, 162.1, 147.2, 138.6, 138.5, 137.9, 136.2, 135.3, 128.4, 127.5, 127.5, 119.5, 61.3, 21.0, 20.7, 14.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NaO<sub>5</sub> 403.1516; found 403.1521.



**3g** (68%, 45.7 mg, dr = 10:1), Scheme 2; prepared according to the Produce A. Ethyl propiolate **1** (20.0  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) and thiophene-2-carboxylic anhydride **2g** (71.5 mg, 0.3 mmol) were employed to give **3g** in 68% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (10:1-5:1). A white solid, mp: 120 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.86 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (t, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 6.23 (t, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 0.83 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  182.1, 163.8, 161.5, 157.1, 146.7, 141.0, 136.0, 135.1, 134.7, 134.3, 132.0, 129.3, 119.2, 61.4, 14.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>S<sub>2</sub>NaO<sub>5</sub> 359.0018; found 359.0019.



**3h** (66%, 40.1 mg, dr = 20:1), Scheme 2; prepared according to the Produce A. Ethyl propiolate **1** (20.0  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) and furan-2-carboxylic anhydride **2h** (61.9 mg, 0.3 mmol) were employed to give **3h** in 66% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (10:1-5:1). A white solid, mp: 107-109 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.94 (s, 1H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (dd, *J* = 3.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (dd, *J* = 3.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 0.89 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  177.3, 163.9, 153.3, 153.2, 148.3, 147.0, 146.9, 142.1, 121.5, 118.8, 112.5, 112.3, 61.3, 14.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O<sub>7</sub> 305.0656; found 305.0654.

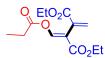


**3i** (54%, 38.0 mg, dr > 10:1), Scheme 2; prepared according to the Produce A. *Tert*-butyl propiolate (26.3 µL, 0.2 mmol) and benzoic anhydride **2a** (67.9 mg, 0.3 mmol) were employed to give **3i** in 54% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-10:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.95 (s, 1H), 7.96 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 7.3 Hz, 3H), 6.92 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.25 (s, 9H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  190.1, 163.1, 161.5, 146.5, 137.4, 133.8, 132.9, 130.2, 128.9, 128.5, 128.3, 127.2, 120.2, 81.6, 27.5 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>5</sub> 375.1203; found 375.1203.

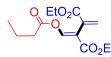


4a (43%, 22.0 mg, dr = 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate 1 (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and acetic anhydride 2i (18.9  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give 4a in 43%

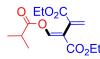
yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.75 (s, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (qd, *J* = 7.1, 5.1 Hz, 4H), 1.41 (s, 3H), 1.00 (td, *J* = 7.1, 5.9 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  166.1, 165.7, 165.6, 145.2, 133.5, 129.9, 115.6, 61.0, 60.9, 19.6, 14.2, 14.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup>Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>6</sub>257.1020; found 257.1025.



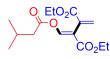
**4b** (41%, 22.2 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and propionic anhydride **2j** (25.6  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4b** in 41% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.70 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 5.57 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (m, 4H), 1.73 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 0.93 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H), 0.69 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  169.7, 165.7, 165.6, 145.3, 133.6, 129.9, 115.5, 61.0, 60.9, 26.9, 14.2, 14.1, 8.4 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 293.0996; found 293.0984.



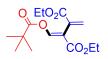
**4c** (46%, 26.1 mg, dr = 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0 μL, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and butyric anhydride **2k** (32.7 μL, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4c** in 46% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.71 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (t, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (m, 4H), 1.78 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.26 (m, 2H), 0.93 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H), 0.59 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 168.9, 165.7, 165.6, 145.3, 133.6, 129.9, 115.5, 61.0, 60.9, 35.3, 17.9, 14.2, 14.1, 13.3 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 307.1152; found 307.1165.



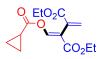
**4d** (47%, 26.7 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and isobutyric anhydride **2l** (32.4  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4d** in 47% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.68 (s, 1H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 4.07 – 3.91 (m, 4H), 2.09 (dt, *J* = 13.9, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 0.93 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 6H), 0.81 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  172.2, 165.7, 165.6, 145.5, 133.6, 129.8, 115.6, 61.0, 60.9, 33.8, 18.2, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 307.1152; found 307.1153.



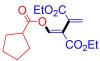
4e (41%, 24.5 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate 1 (40.0 μL, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and 3-methylbutanoic anhydride **2m** (39.0 μL, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4e** in 41% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.85 (s, 1H), 6.74 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.70 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (m, 4H), 1.94 (m, 1H), 1.88 (m, 2H), 1.04 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H), 0.75 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 168.3, 165.7, 165.6, 145.3, 133.7, 129.9, 115.6, 61.0, 60.9, 42.3, 25.3, 22.0, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 321.1309; found 321.1301.



**4f** (64%, 38.2 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0 μL, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and pivalic anhydride **2n** (38.9 μL, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4f** in 64% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.68 (s, 1H), 6.59 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.57 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (qd, J = 7.1, 5.4 Hz, 4H), 0.92 (m, 15H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 173.6, 165.7, 165.6, 145.6, 133.7, 129.7, 115.7, 61.0, 60.9, 38.9, 26.5, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 321.1309; found 321.1319.



**4g** (53%, 29.9 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0 μL, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and cyclopropanecarboxylic anhydride **2o** (27.7 μL, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4g** in 53% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.70 (s, 1H), 6.62 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (dq, J = 14.2, 7.1 Hz, 4H), 1.10 (dd, J = 12.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 0.92 (dt, J = 13.3, 7.1 Hz, 6H), 0.82 – 0.71 (m, 2H), 0.28 (dd, J = 8.0, 3.2 Hz, 2H). ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 170.4, 165.7, 165.6, 145.4, 133.6, 129.9, 115.3, 61.0, 60.9, 14.1, 12.7, 9.7, 9.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 305.0996; found 305.1003.



**4h** (45%, 27.9 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and cyclopentanecarboxylic anhydride **2p** (42.1  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4h** in 45% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.72 (s, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.60 (d, *J* = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (m, 4H), 2.33 (p, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 1.59 (td, *J* = 14.5, 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.47 (m, 2H), 1.37 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 5.9 Hz, 2H), 1.18 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 4.2 Hz, 2H), 0.93 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  171.9, 165.8, 165.6, 145.7, 133.7, 129.8, 115.5, 61.0, 60.9, 43.5, 30.1, 29.7, 26.0, 25.8, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 333.1309; found 333.1319.

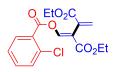


**4i** (42%, 27.2 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and cyclohexanecarboxylic anhydride **2q** (45.4  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4i** in 42% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.78 (s, 1H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (m, 4H), 1.95 (tt, *J* = 11.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.81 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 1.64 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, 2H), 1.48 (m, 1H), 1.42 (m, 2H), 1.26 (m, 3H), 0.93 (dt, *J* = 15.6, 7.8 Hz, 7H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  171.1, 165.7, 165.6, 145.6, 133.7, 129.8, 115.6, 61.0, 60.9, 42.6, 29.2, 28.5, 25.7, 25.5, 25.2, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 347.1465; found 347.1458.



**4j** (71%, 45.2 mg, dr = 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and benzoic anhydride **2a** (45.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4j** in 71% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A white solid. mp: 61 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.88 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 4H), 0.94 (dd, *J* = 13.3, 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  172.6, 165.8, 165.6, 162.1, 145.5, 134.2, 133.8, 130.51, 130.49, 130.1, 128.8, 128.6, 116.3, 61.14, 61.01, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 341.0991; found 341.0996.

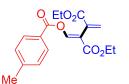
**4k** (61%, 43.0 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and 4-chlorobenzoic anhydride **2c** (59.0 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4k** in 61% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-10:1). A white solid. mp: 63-65 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.82 (s, 1H), 7.61 (m, 2H), 6.85 (m, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.60 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 0.94 (td, *J* = 7.1, 4.7 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  165.6, 165.4, 161.3, 145.2, 141.7, 140.8, 133.8, 132.3, 131.8, 130.0, 129.2, 126.5, 116.6, 61.2, 61.1, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClNaO<sub>6</sub> 375.0606; found 375.0596.



**41** (70%, 49.3 mg, dr = 5:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and 2-chlorobenzoic anhydride **2t** (59.0 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4l** in 70% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1- 4:1). A white solid. mp: 62 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.84 (s, 1H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (tdd, *J* = 12.5, 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 3H), 5.62 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 5.5 Hz, 4H), 0.93 (dt, *J* = 8.9, 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  165.5, 165.5, 160.7, 145.2, 136.7, 135.3, 133.8, 133.5, 132.4, 131.6, 130.3, 126.7, 116.8, 61.1, 61.0, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClNaO<sub>6</sub> 375.0606; found 375.0620.



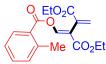
**4m** (77%, 51.8 mg, dr = 11:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0 µL, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 µL, 1.0 equiv.) and 4-fluorobenzoic anhydride **2b** (52.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4m** in 77% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1- 4:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.85 (s, 1H), 7.71 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 5.61 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (qd, *J* = 7.1, 1.6 Hz, 4H), 0.93 (td, *J* = 7.1, 3.9 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  166.6 (d, *J* = 255.7 Hz), 165.7, 165.5, 161.1, 145.2, 133.8, 133.1 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 130.0, 124.3 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 116.4, 116.0 (d, *J* = 22.3 Hz), 61.1, 61.0, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>17</sub>FNaO<sub>6</sub> 359.0901; found 359.0907.



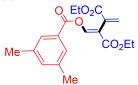
**4n** (83%, 55.1 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and 4-methylbenzoic anhydride **2d** (50.9 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4n** in 83% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A white solid. mp: 120-122 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.93 (s, 1H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (qd, *J* = 7.1, 1.4 Hz, 4H), 1.89 (s, 3H), 0.93 (td, *J* = 7.1, 4.9 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  165.8, 165.6, 162.2, 145.6, 145.3, 144.4, 133.9, 130.6, 130.0, 129.7, 129.4, 125.5, 116.0, 61.1, 61.0, 21.5, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 355.1152; found 355.1151.



**4o** (77%, 51.2 mg, dr = 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and 3-methylbenzoic anhydride **2r** (50.9 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4o** in 77% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A white solid. mp: 108-110 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.92 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 6.95 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (qd, *J* = 7.1, 2.2 Hz, 4H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 0.93 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 7.2 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  165.8, 165.6, 162.3, 145.5, 138.8, 135.1, 133.9, 131.2 130.0, 128.8, 128.2, 127.7, 116.2, 61.1, 61.0, 20.9, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 355.1152; found 355.1158.



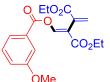
**4p** (65%, 43.2 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0 μL, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and 2-methylbenzoic anhydride **2s** (50.9 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4p** in 65% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A white solid. mp: 102-104 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.90 (s, 1H), 7.86(m, 1H), 6.99 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (dd, J = 12.1, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.64 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (qd, J = 7.1, 3.6 Hz, 4H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 0.94 (dt, J = 8.7, 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 165.68, 165.66, 162.3, 145.6, 142.5, 134.0, 133.4, 132.2, 131.5, 130.0, 127.0, 126.2, 115.9, 61.1, 60.9, 22.1, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 355.1152; found 355.1152.



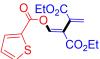
**4q** (58%, 40.2 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0 μL, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and 3,5-dimethylbenzoic anhydride **2f** (54.9 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4q** in 58% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-5:1). A white solid. mp: 95-97 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.96 (s, 1H), 7.69 (s, 2H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 6.70 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.69 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (dd, J = 7.1, 3.9 Hz, 4H), 1.94 (s, 6H), 0.92 (dt, J = 8.8, 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 165.8, 165.6, 162.5, 145.7, 138.6, 136.1, 133.9, 129.9, 116.1, 61.0, 20.9, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 369.1309; found 369.1318.



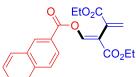
**4r** (59%, 41.1 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0 μL, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and 4-methoxybenzoic anhydride **2e** (57.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4r** in 59% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1-5:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.93 (s, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 5.70 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (qd, J = 7.1, 3.1 Hz, 4H), 3.16 (s, 3H), 0.94 (td, J = 7.1, 4.2 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 165.9, 165.7, 164.8, 161.8, 145.7, 133.9, 132.8, 129.9, 120.3, 115.7, 114.3, 61.1, 60.9, 55.1, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>7</sub> 371.1101; found 371.1099.



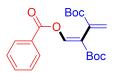
**4s** (62%, 43.2 mg, dr = 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0 μL, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and 3-methoxybenzoic anhydride **2u** (57.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4s** in 62% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-10:1). A white solid. mp: 69-71 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.89 (s, 1H), 7.62-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.57-7.54 (m, 1H), 6.89 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (ddd, J = 8.3, 2.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (qd, J = 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 4H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 0.92 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 165.8, 165.5, 162.1, 160.2, 145.4, 133.8, 130.0, 129.5, 128.2, 122.9, 121.3, 116.3, 114.7, 61.1, 61.0, 54.9, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 371.1101; found 371.1100.



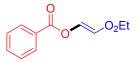
**4t** (68%, 44.1 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and thiophene-2-carboxylic anhydride **2g** (47.7 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4t** in 68% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1-5:1). A white solid. mp: 72-74 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.80 (s, 1H), 7.53 (dd, *J* = 3.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.78 – 6.68 (m, 2H), 6.39 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 5.65 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (dq, *J* = 14.2, 7.1 Hz, 4H), 0.93 (td, *J* = 7.1, 2.8 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  165.7, 165.5, 157.6, 145.0, 135.6, 134.6, 133.6, 131.3, 130.1, 128.2,116.2, 61.1, 61.0, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>SNaO<sub>6</sub> 347.0560; found 347.0570.



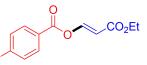
**4u** (70%, 51.5 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. Ethyl propiolate **1** (40.0  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and 2-naphthoic anhydride **2v** (67.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4u** in 70% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (30:1-4:1). A white solid. mp: 76 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.99 (s, 1H), 8.55 (s, 1H), 8.00 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 4H), 0.94 (dt, *J* = 10.7, 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  165.9, 165.6, 162.3, 145.6, 142.1, 136.3, 133.9, 132.9, 132.7, 130.1, 129.9, 129.1, 128.9, 127.1, 125.9, 125.4, 116.3, 61.1, 61.0, 14.2, 14.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 391.1152; found 391.1143.



**4v** (31%, 23.2 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 4; prepared according to the Produce B. *Tert*-butyl propiolate (53.3 μL, 0.4 mmol) and benzoic anhydride **2a** (45.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **4v** in 70% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (20:1-10:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.40 (s, 1H), 7.95 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.46 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.69 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (d, J = 14.9 Hz, 18H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.0, 163.9, 161.3, 143.2, 133.3, 129.3, 128.2, 127.8, 126.9, 116.3, 80.4, 80.2, 27.1, 27.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z:  $[M + Na]^+$  Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub> 397.1622; found 397.1631.

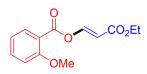


**5a** (77%, 32.0 mg, dr = 6:1), Scheme 5; prepared according to the Produce C. Ethyl propiolate **1** (30.0  $\mu$ L, 0.3 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and benzoic anhydride **2a** (45.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **5a** in 77% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (40:1-10:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.75 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 5.87 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 0.95 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  165.7, 162.5, 149.8, 134.1, 130.5, 128.7, 128.2, 106.7, 60.4, 14.2 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NaO<sub>4</sub> 243.0628; found 243.0635.

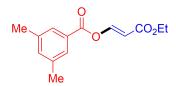


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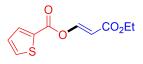
**5b** (90%, 45.0 mg, dr = 8:1), Scheme 5; prepared according to the Produce C. Ethyl propiolate **1** (30.0 μL, 0.3 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and 4-methoxybenzoic anhydride **2e** (57.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **5b** in 90% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (40:1-10:1). A white solid. mp: 80 - 82 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.83 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.54 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 5.90 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 0.96 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 165.9, 164.7, 162.2, 150.1, 132.8, 120.4, 114.2, 106.2, 60.3, 55.0, 14.3 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NaO<sub>5</sub> 273.0733; found 273.0722.



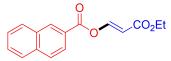
**5c** (84%, 42.0 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 5; prepared according to the Produce C. Ethyl propiolate **1** (30.0 μL, 0.3 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and 2-methoxybenzoic anhydride **2w** (57.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **5c** in 84% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (40:1-10:1). A white solid. mp: 72 - 74 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.85 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (ddd, J = 8.6, 7.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (td, J = 7.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.90 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 0.94 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 165.9, 161.5, 160.5, 150.2, 134.8, 132.6, 120.2, 117.9, 112.3, 106.2, 60.3, 55.4, 14.2 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NaO<sub>5</sub> 273.0733; found 273.0730.



**5d** (98%, 48.6 mg, dr = 6:1), Scheme 5; prepared according to the Produce C. Ethyl propiolate **1** (30.0  $\mu$ L, 0.3 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and 3,5-dimethylbenzoic anhydride **2f** (54.9 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **5d** in 98% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (40:1-10:1). A white solid. mp: 75 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.57 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 5.64 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 3.77(m, 2H), 1.73 (d, *J* = 0.4 Hz, 6H), 0.71 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  164.6, 161.6, 148.8, 137.3, 134.9, 127.5, 127.2, 105.3, 59.2, 19.7, 13.1 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NaO<sub>4</sub> 271.0941; found 271.0953.



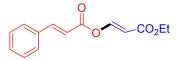
**5e** (64%, 28.9 mg, dr = 5:1), Scheme 5; prepared according to the Produce C. Ethyl propiolate **1** (30.0  $\mu$ L, 0.3 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and thiophene-2-carboxylic anhydride **2g** (47.7 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **5e** in 64% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (40:1-10:1). A white solid. mp: 62 - 64 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.47 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (dd, *J* = 3.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 5.88 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  164.7, 153.2, 135.4, 127.7, 121.6, 87.0, 81.5, 62.5, 61.4, 14.0 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>SNaO<sub>4</sub> 249.0192; found 249.0197.



**5f** (70%, 37.8 mg, dr = 9:1), Scheme 5; prepared according to the Produce C. Ethyl propiolate **1** (30.0  $\mu$ L, 0.3 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and 2-naphthoic anhydride **2v** (67.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **5f** in 70% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (40:1-10:1). A white solid. mp: 82 - 84 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.83 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 8.49 (s, 1H), 8.00 -7.91 (m, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.47-7.42 (m, 2H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  166.3, 162.8, 149.9, 136.3, 132.9, 132.6, 129.7, 129.3, 128.9, 127.9, 127.2, 125.4, 125.2, 106.5, 60.6, 14.3 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NaO<sub>4</sub>293.0784; found 293.0785.

# CO2Et

**5g** (53%, 21.2 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 5; prepared according to the Produce C. Ethyl propiolate **1** (30.0 μL, 0.3 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 μL, 1.0 equiv.) and 3-methylbutanoic anhydride **2m** (39.0 μL, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **5g** in 53% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (40:1-10:1). A colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.65 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 5.81 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.82 (dd, J = 13.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 1.76 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 0.94 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.67 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>) δ 168.5, 165.8, 149.6, 106.0, 60.4, 42.3, 25.3, 22.0, 14.2 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 201.1121; found 201.1129.



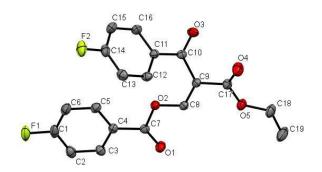
**5h** (75%, 36.9 mg, dr > 20:1), Scheme 5; prepared according to the Produce C. Ethyl propiolate **1** (30.0  $\mu$ L, 0.3 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0  $\mu$ L, 1.0 equiv.) and cinnamic anhydride **2x** (55.6 mg, 0.2 mmol) were employed to give **5h** in

75% yield by column chromatography isolation on silica gel via gradient elution with petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (40:1-10:1). A white solid. mp: 63 - 65 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.80 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.05 - 6.88 (m, 5H), 6.10 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.91 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  165.8, 162.5, 149.9, 148.2, 134.1, 131.0, 129.0, 128.7, 115.7, 106.2, 60.4, 14.3 ppm. HRMS(ESI) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NaO<sub>4</sub> 269.0784; found 269.0790.

# VII. ORTEP Drawings for 3b, 4k, 5b

# Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement for 3b (ellipsoids at 50% probability)

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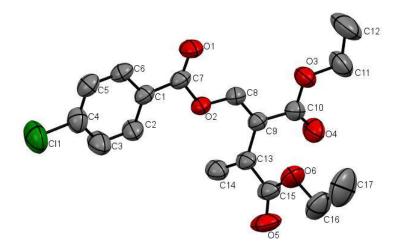


#### Figure S1. X-ray Crystal Structure of 3b

Identification code	3b
Empirical formula	$C_{19}H_{14}F_2O_5$
Formula weight	360.30
Temperature	113.15 K
Crystal system, Space group	orthorhombic, Pna21
Unit cell dimensions	a=7.2621(2) Å, α=90°
	b=14.5996(4) Å, β=90°
	c=15.7127(5) Å, γ=90°
Volume	1665.92(8) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z, Calculated density	4, 1.437 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Absorption coefficient	0.118 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	744.0
Crystal size	$0.23 \times 0.2 \times 0.14 \text{ mm}^3$
Radiation	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ )
$2\Theta$ range for data collection	5.186 to 65.81°
Limiting indices	$-10 \le h \le 10, -22 \le k \le 21, -23 \le l \le 23$
Reflections collected/unique	23672/5790 [Rint = 0.0466, Rsigma = 0.0352]
Data/restraints/parameters	5790/1/237
Goodness-of-fit on F2	1.023
Final R indexes [I>= $2\sigma$ (I)]	R1 = 0.0385, wR2 = 0.0925
Final R indexes [all data]	R1 = 0.0443, wR2 = 0.0965
Largest diff. peak/hole	0.30/-0.25 e Å <sup>-3</sup>
Flack parameter	-0.3(3)
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## Table S4. Crystal data and structure refinement for 4k (ellipsoids at 50% probability)

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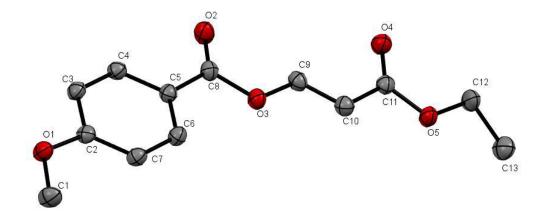


## Figure S2. X-ray Crystal Structure of 4k

Identification code	4k
Empirical formula	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>17</sub> ClO <sub>6</sub>
Formula weight	352.75
Temperature	300.85(10) K
Crystal system, Space group	triclinic, P-1
Unit cell dimensions	a=7.7704(5) Å, α=91.269(5)°
	b=10.7352(7) Å, β=97.889(5)°
	c=10.8707(7) Å, γ=90.643(5)°
Volume	897.90(10) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z, Calculated density	2, 1.305 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Absorption coefficient	0.240 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	368.0
Crystal size	$0.25\times0.21\times0.15$
Radiation	Mo Ka ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ )
$2\Theta$ range for data collection	3.784 to 61.814°
Limiting indices	$-10 \le h \le 9, -15 \le k \le 13, -13 \le l \le 15$
Reflections collected/unique	12562, 4507 [Rint = 0.0267, Rsigma = 0.0325]
Data/restraints/parameters	4507/24/246
Goodness-of-fit on F2	1.044
Final R indexes [I>= $2\sigma$ (I)]	R1 = 0.0498, wR2 = 0.1386
Final R indexes [all data]	R1 = 0.0920, wR2 = 0.1583
Largest diff. peak/hole	0.26/-0.33 e Å <sup>-3</sup>
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# Table S5. Crystal data and structure refinement for 5b (ellipsoids at 50% probability)

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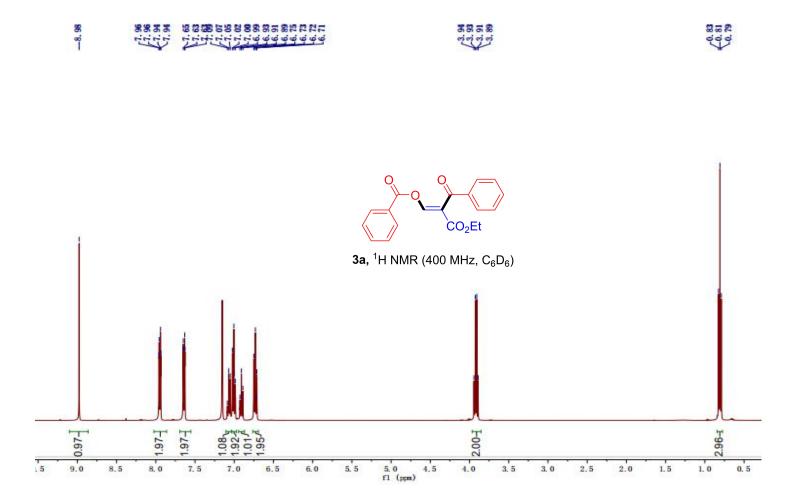


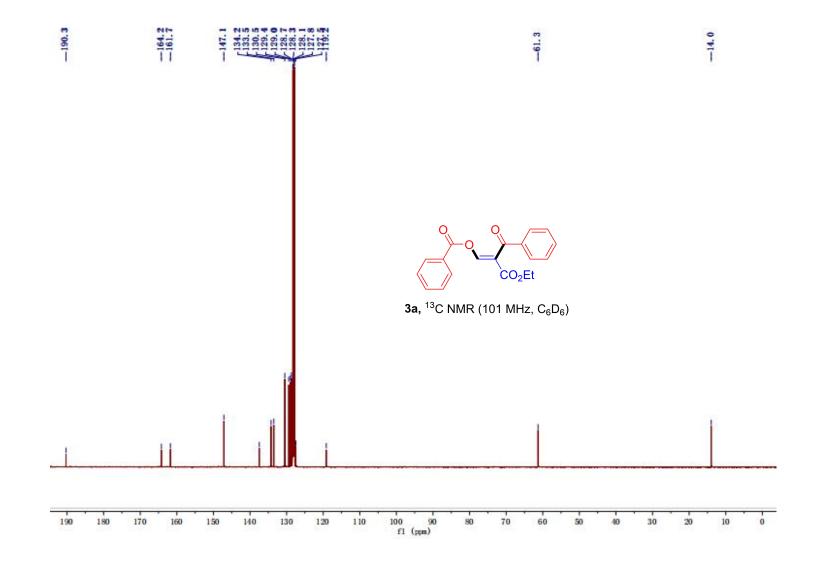
Figu	re S3. X-ray Crystal Structure of 5b
Identification code	5b
Empirical formula	$C_{13}H_{14}O_5$
Formula weight	250.24
Temperature	113.15 K
Crystal system, Space group	triclinic, P-1
Unit cell dimensions	a=8.4627(5) Å, α=79.025(5)°
	b=8.5873(4) Å, β=66.995(6)°
	c=9.3807(7) Å, γ=77.883(5)°
Volume	609.05(7) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z, Calculated density	2, 1.365 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Absorption coefficient	0.105 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	264.0
Crystal size	$0.24\times0.22\times0.17$
Radiation	MoKa ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ )
$2\Theta$ range for data collection	4.752 to 65.818°
Limiting indices	$-12 \le h \le 12, -12 \le k \le 11, -13 \le l \le 14$
Reflections collected/unique	9172, 4079 [Rint = 0.0293, Rsigma = 0.0375]
Data/restraints/parameters	4079/0/166
Goodness-of-fit on F2	1.045
Final R indexes [I>=2 $\sigma$ (I)]	R1 = 0.0479, wR2 = 0.1217
Final R indexes [all data]	R1 = 0.0649, wR2 = 0.1370
Largest diff. peak/hole	0.34/-0.25 e Å <sup>-3</sup>
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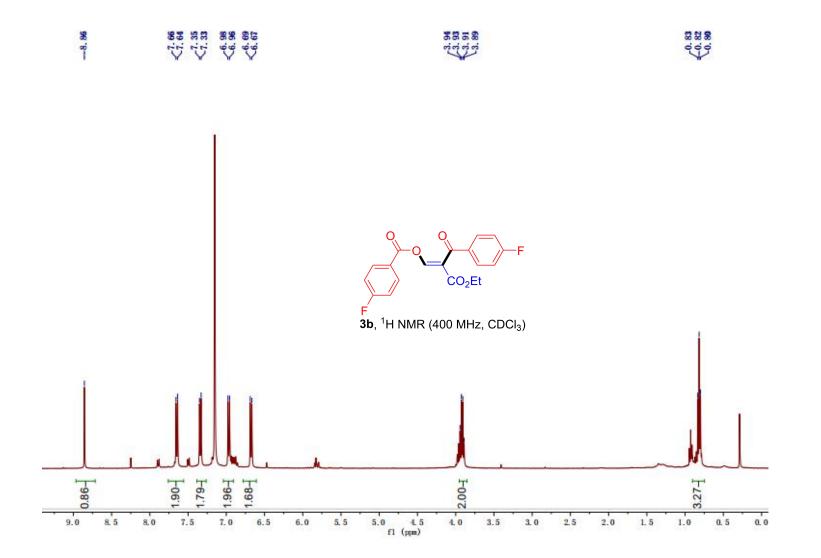
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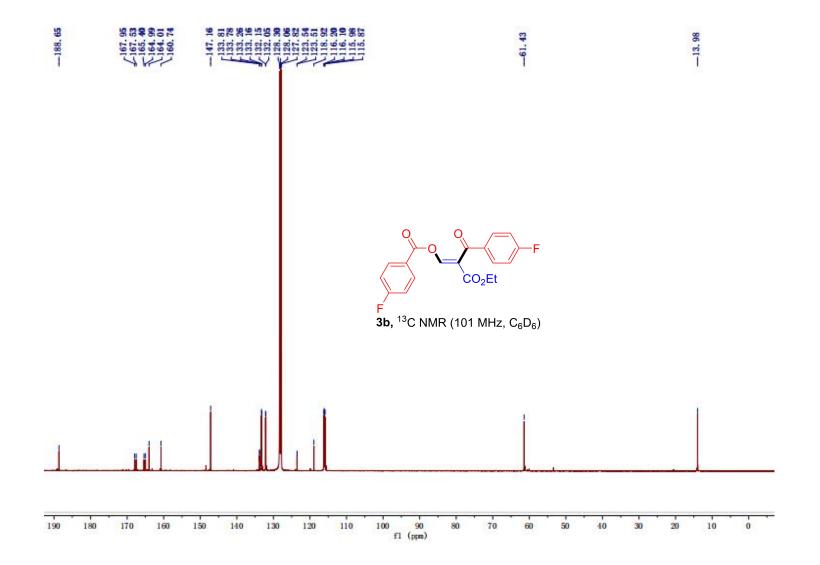
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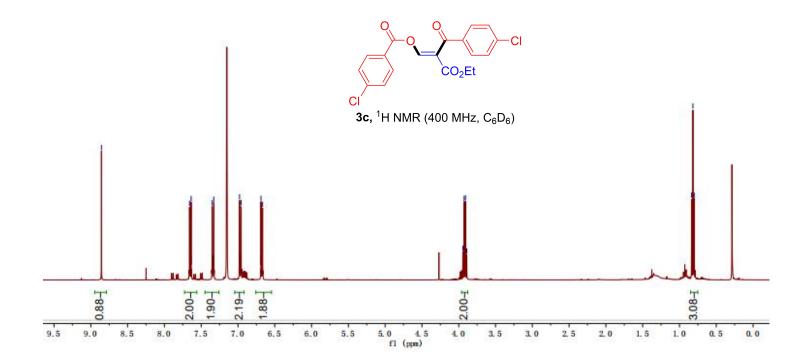


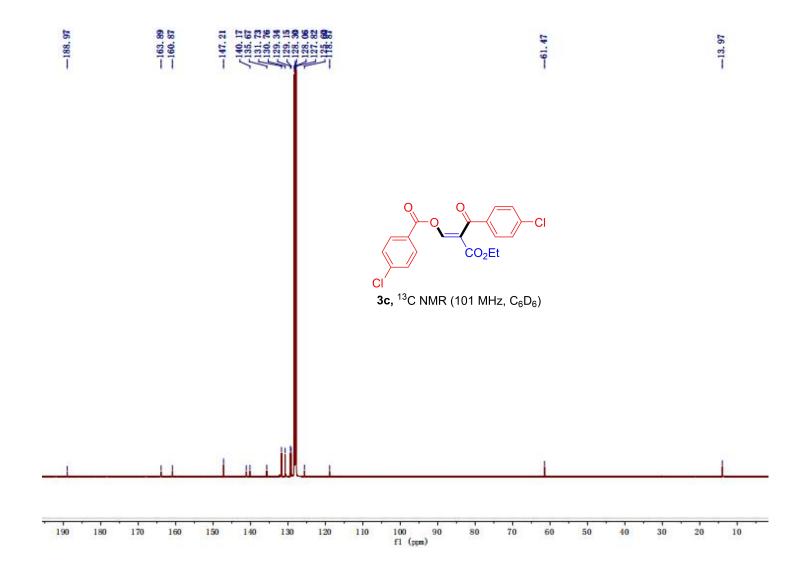


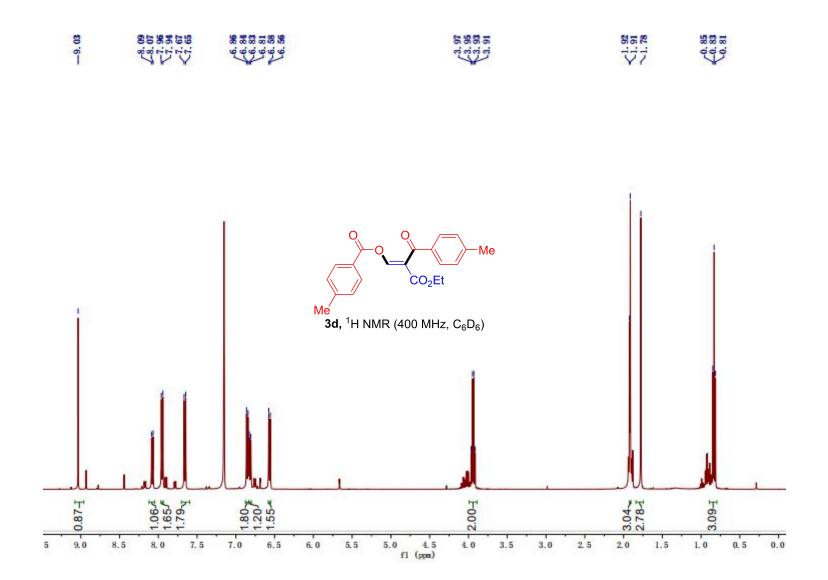


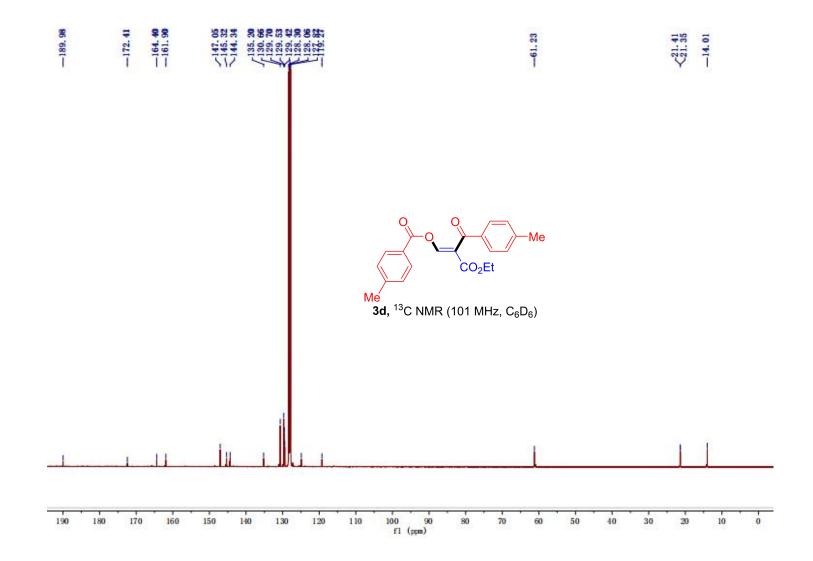


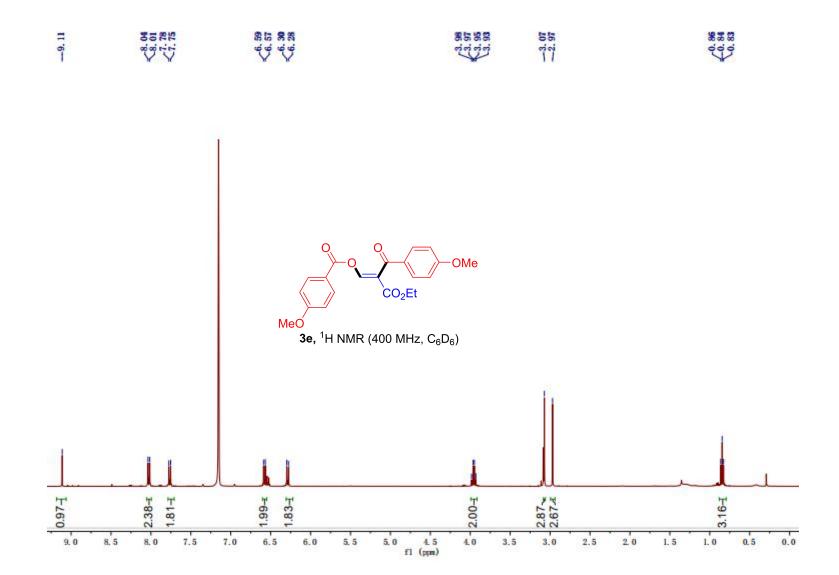


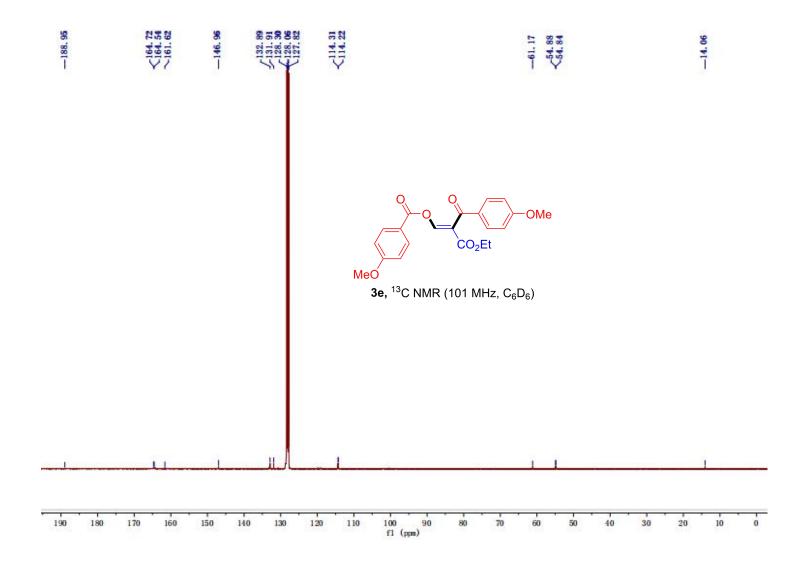


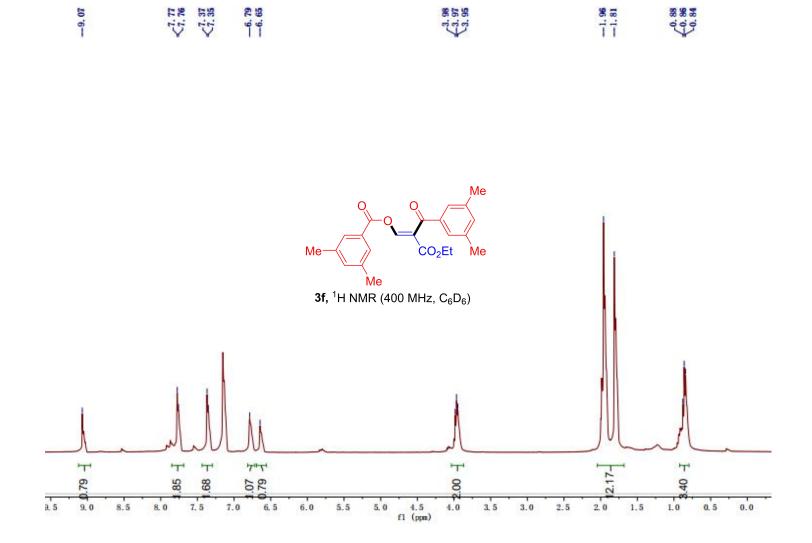


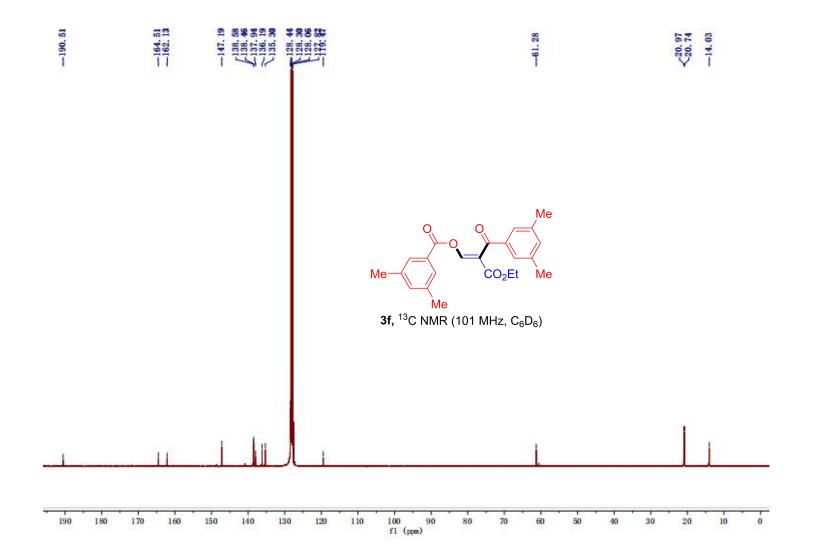


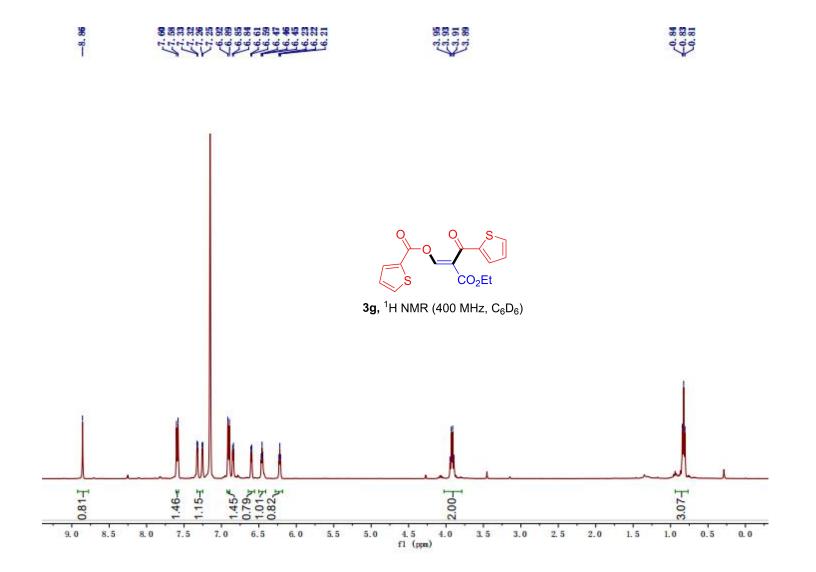


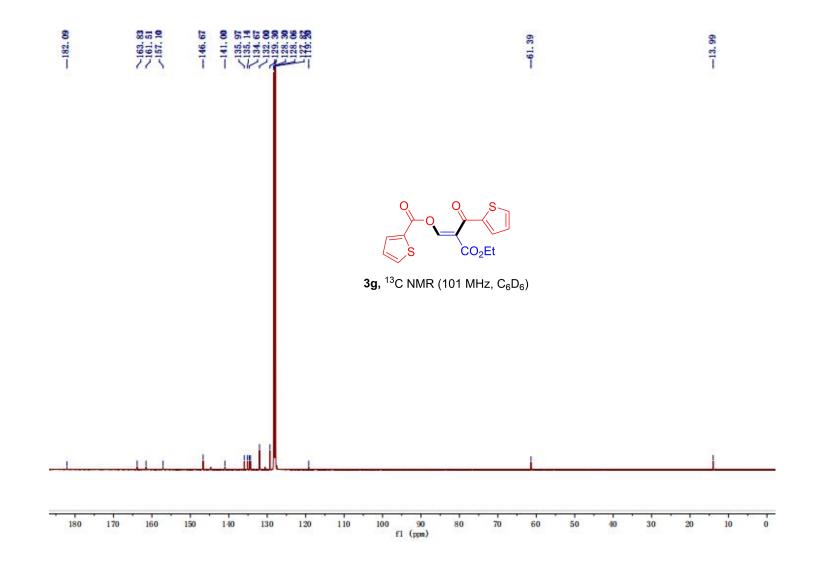




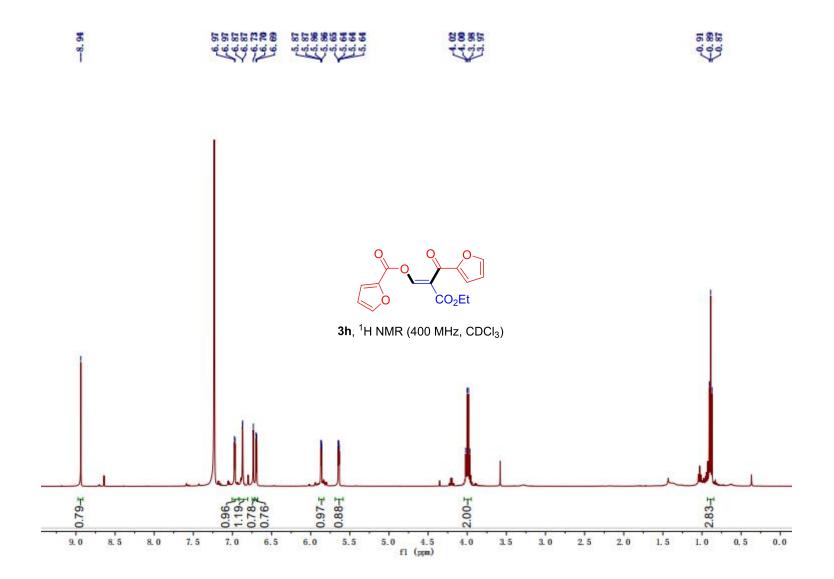


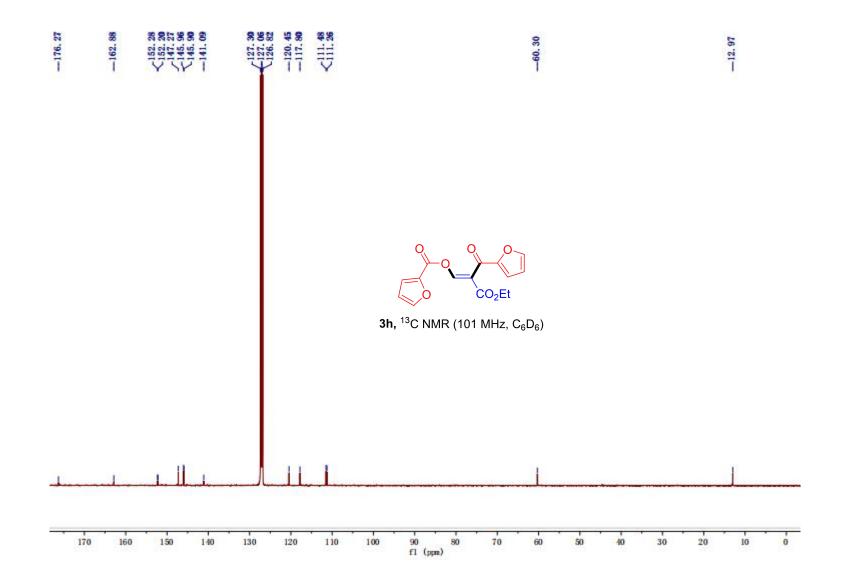




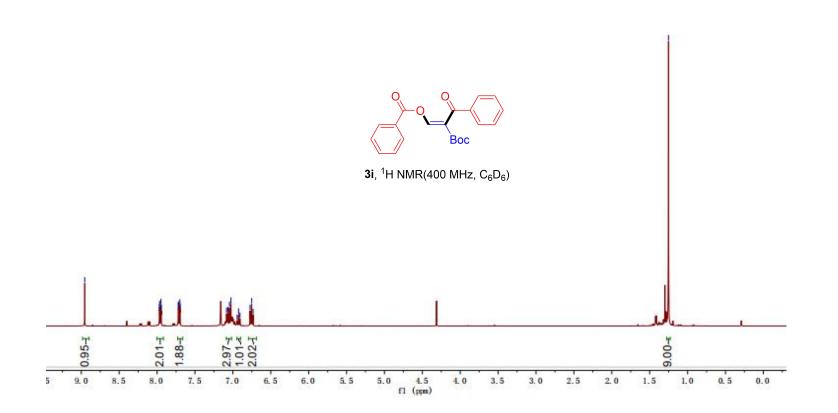


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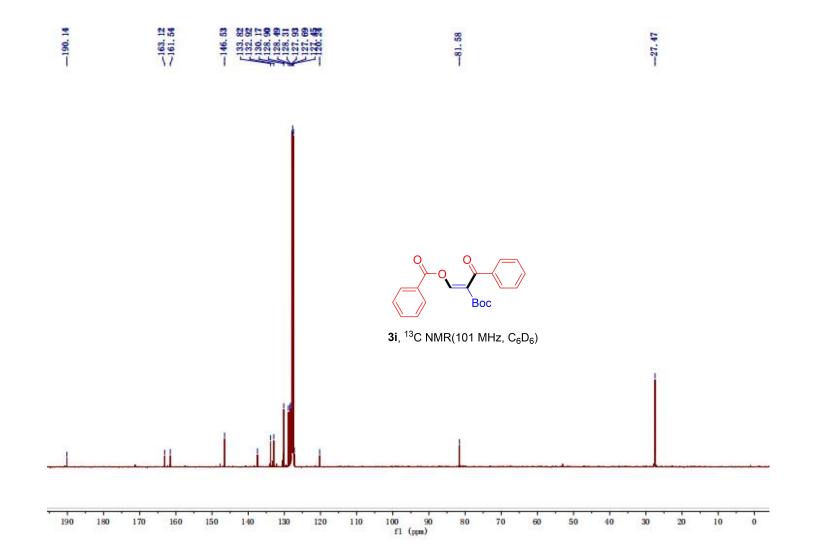


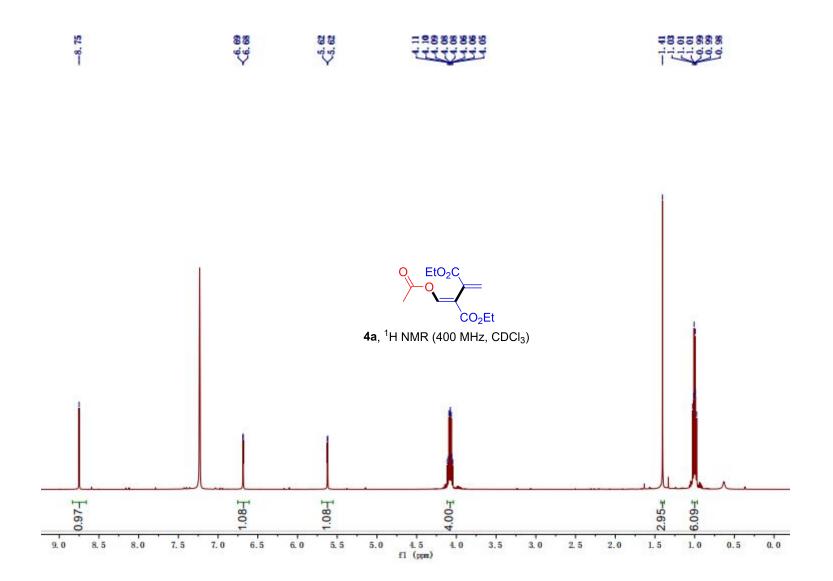


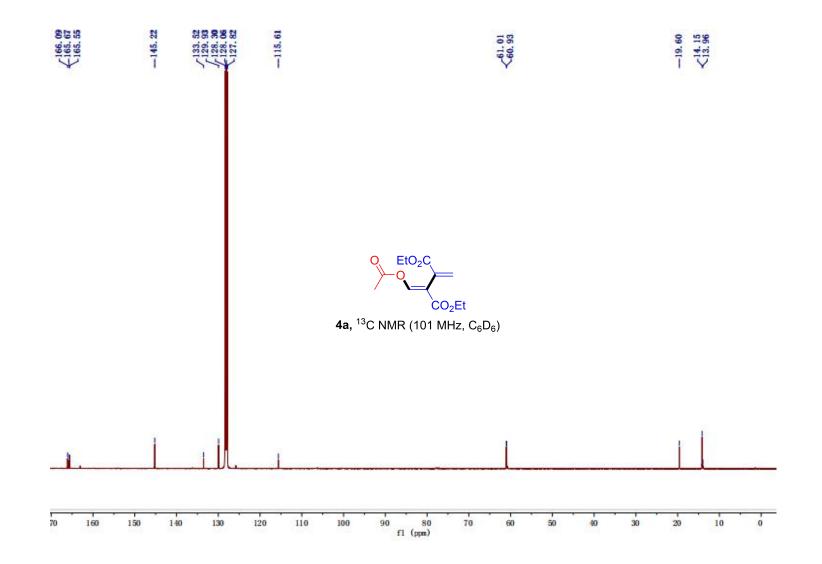


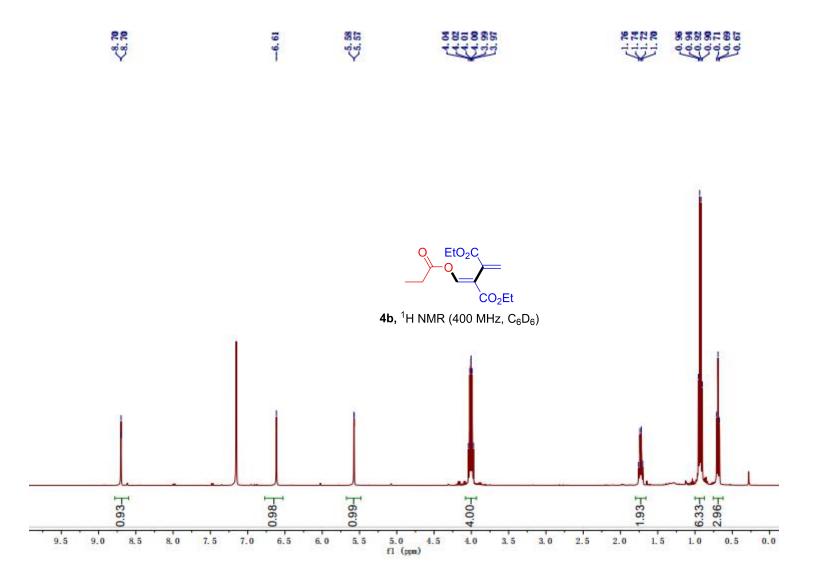


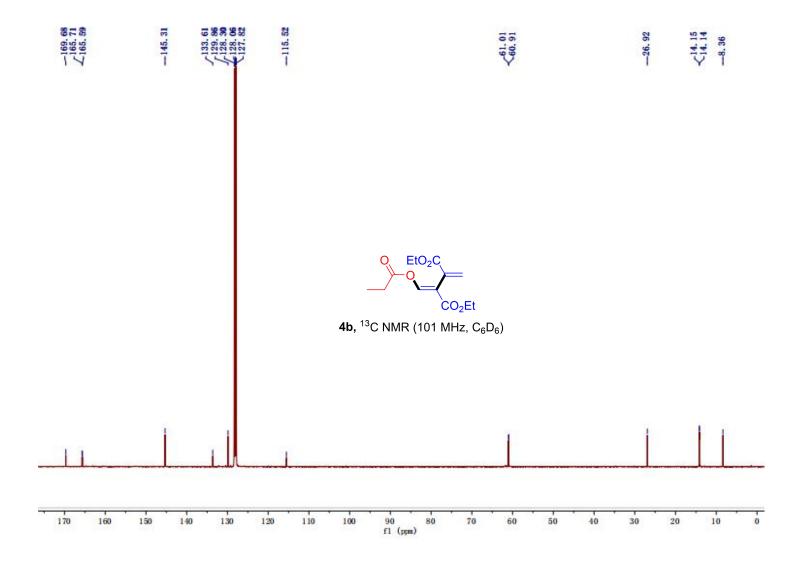
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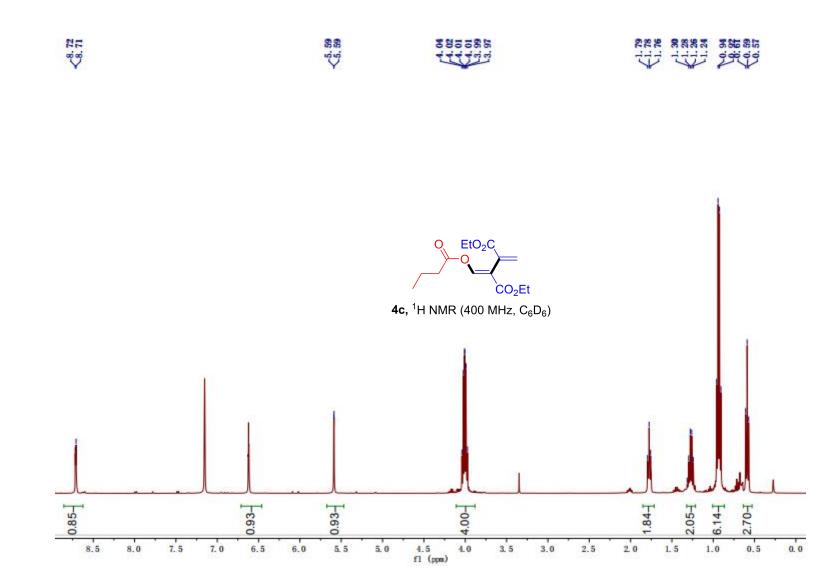


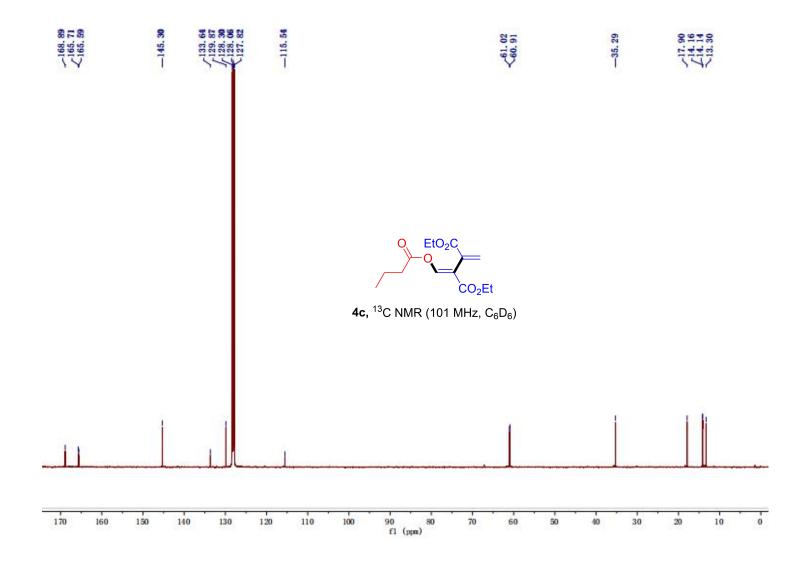


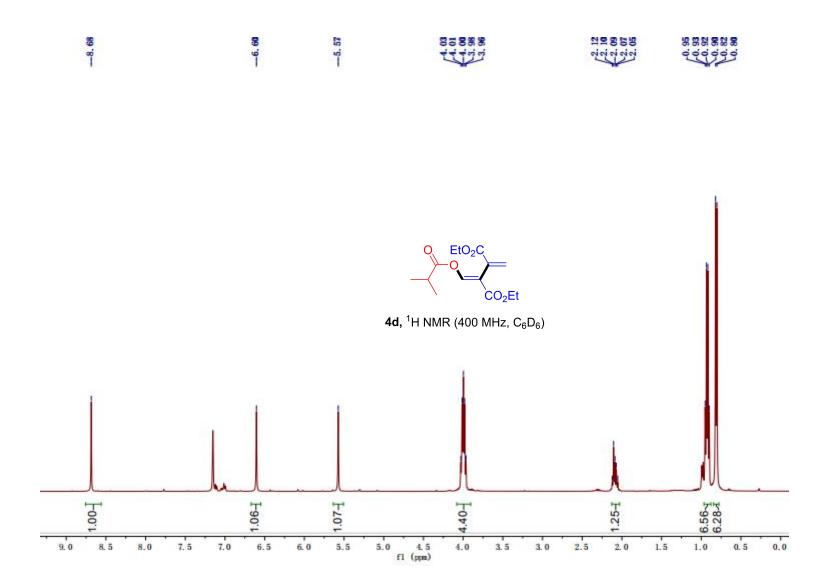


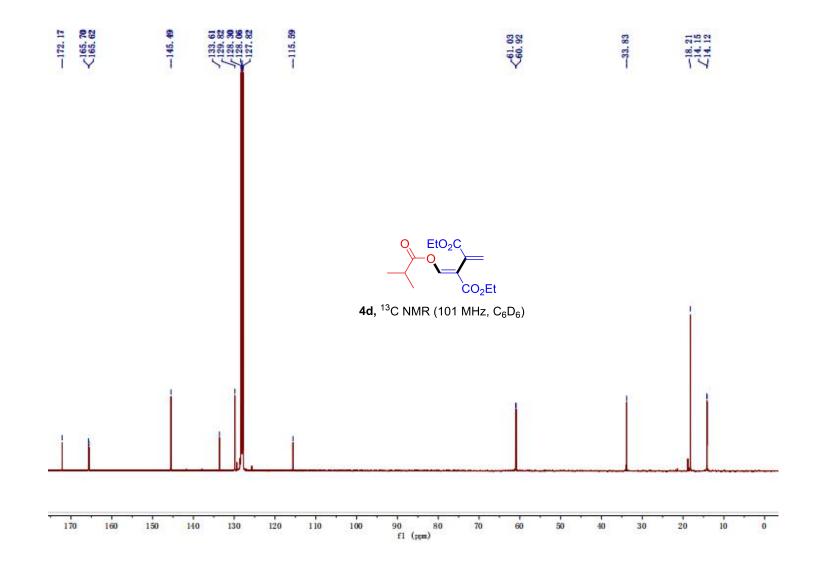


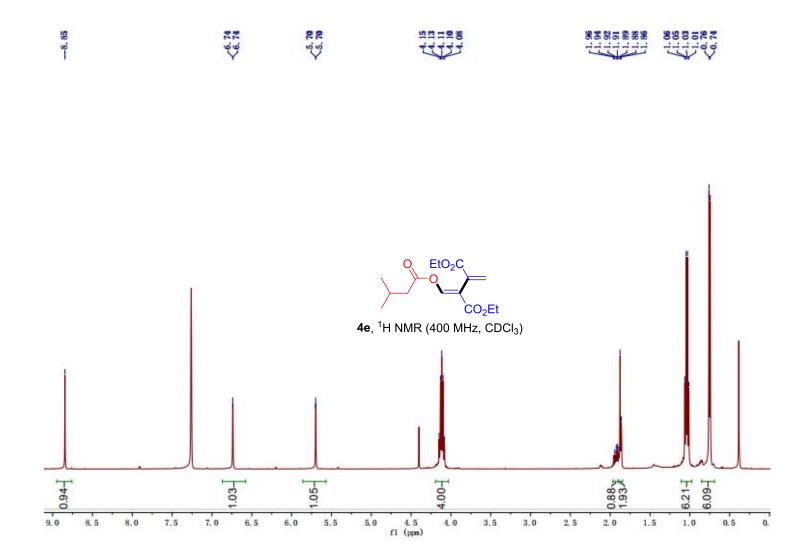


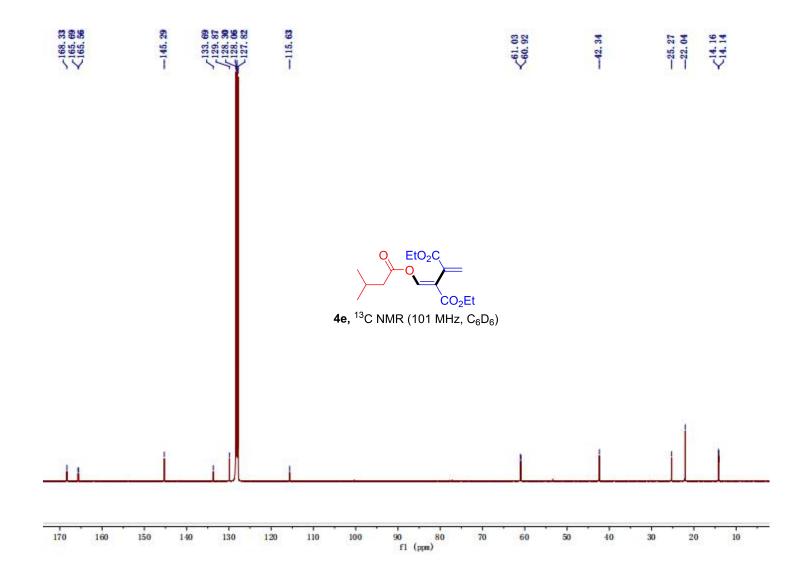


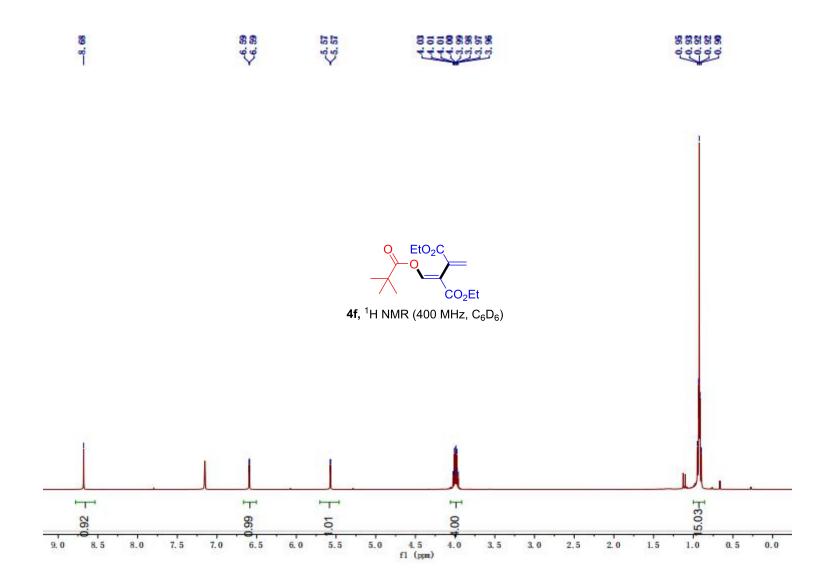


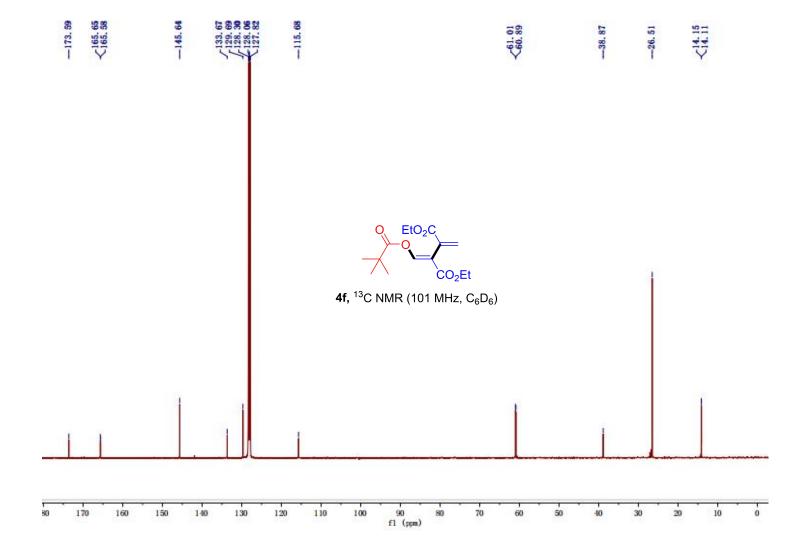


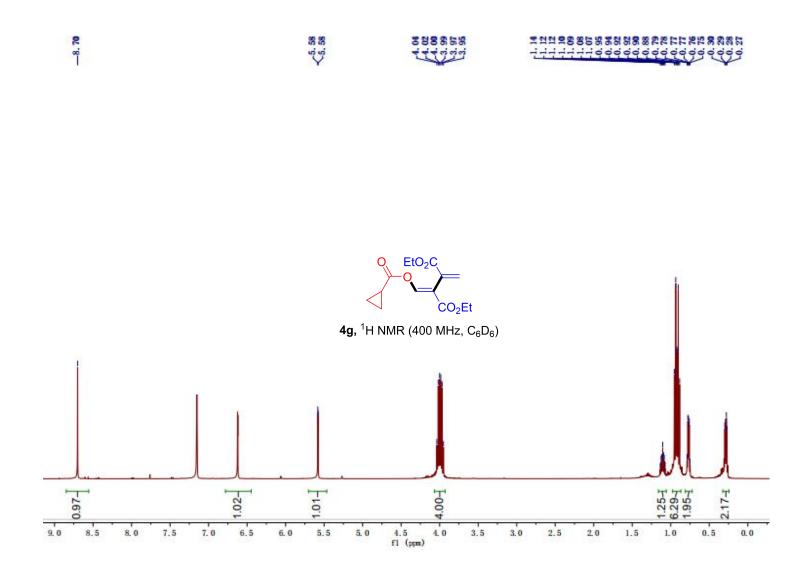


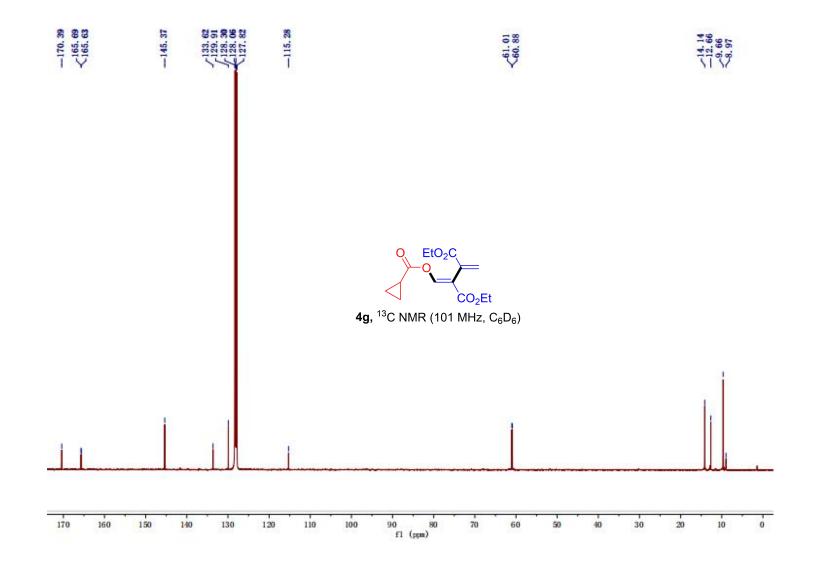


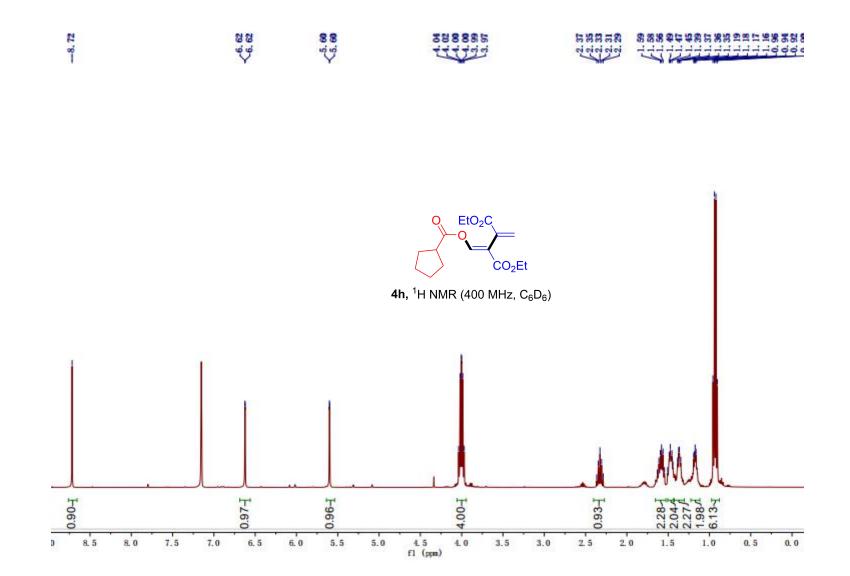


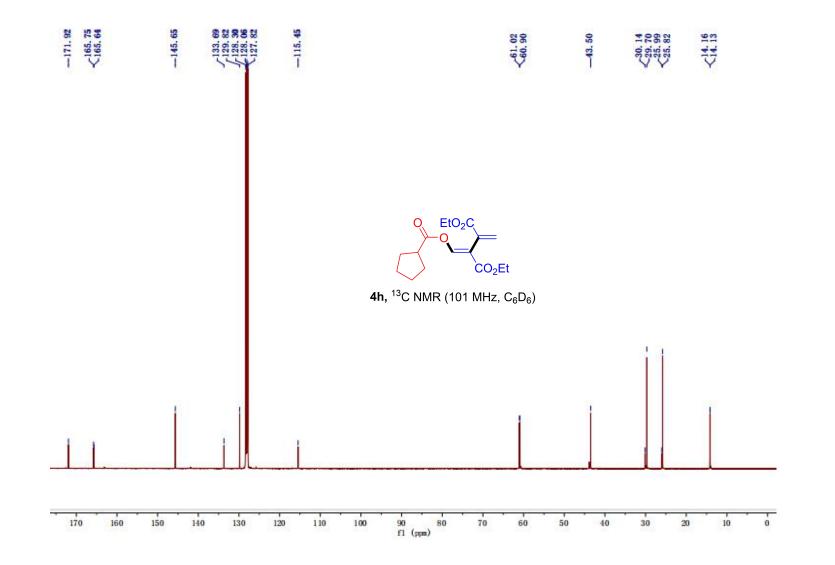


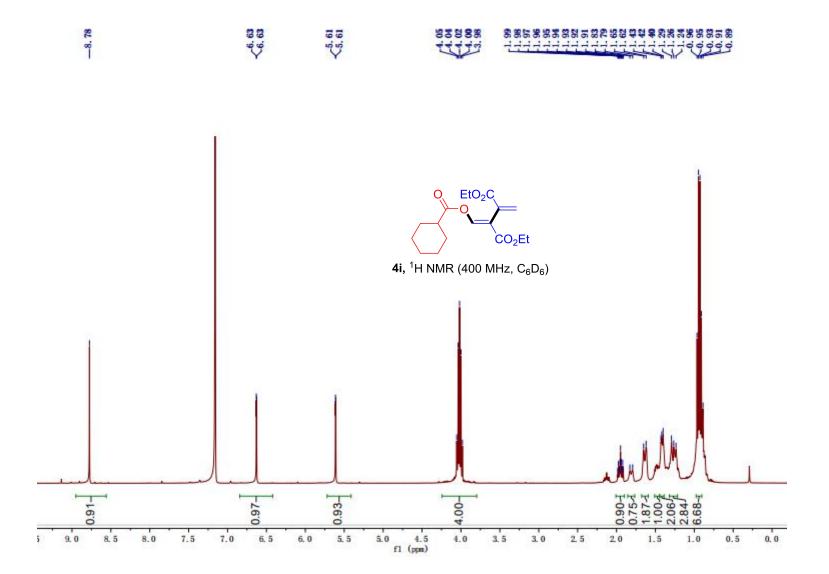


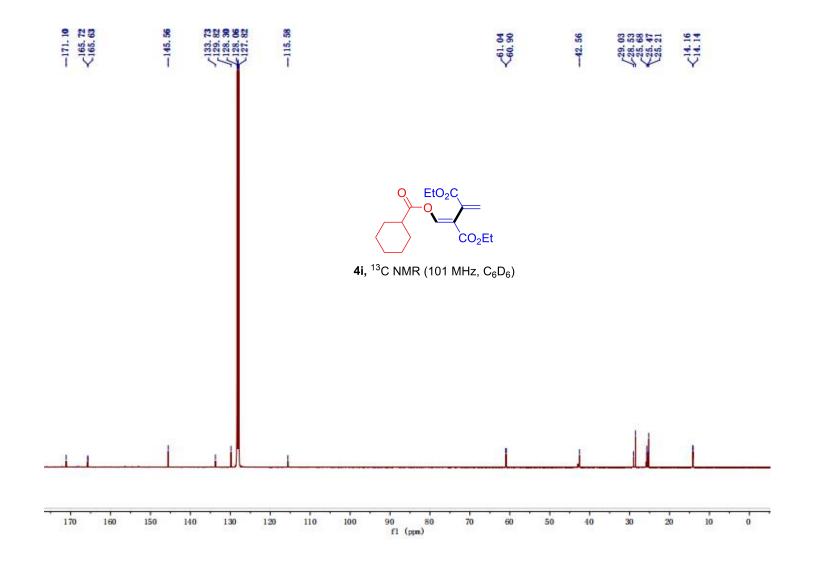


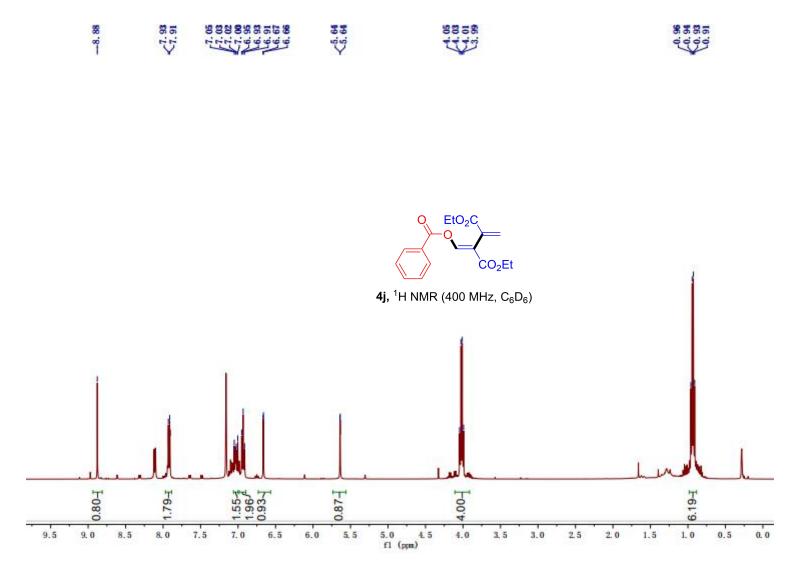


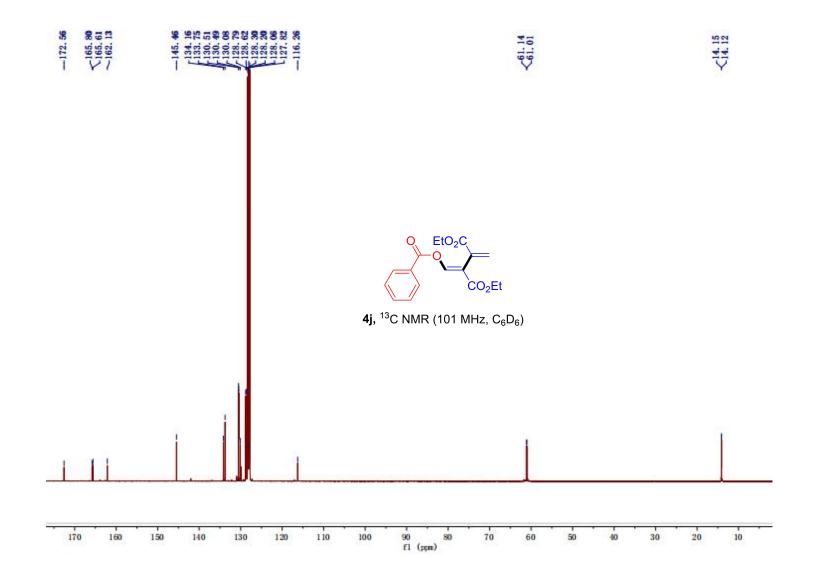




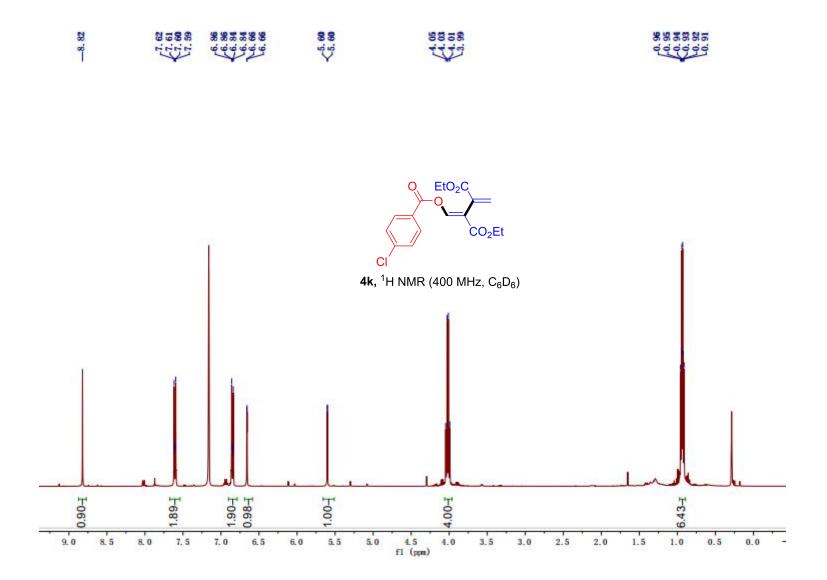


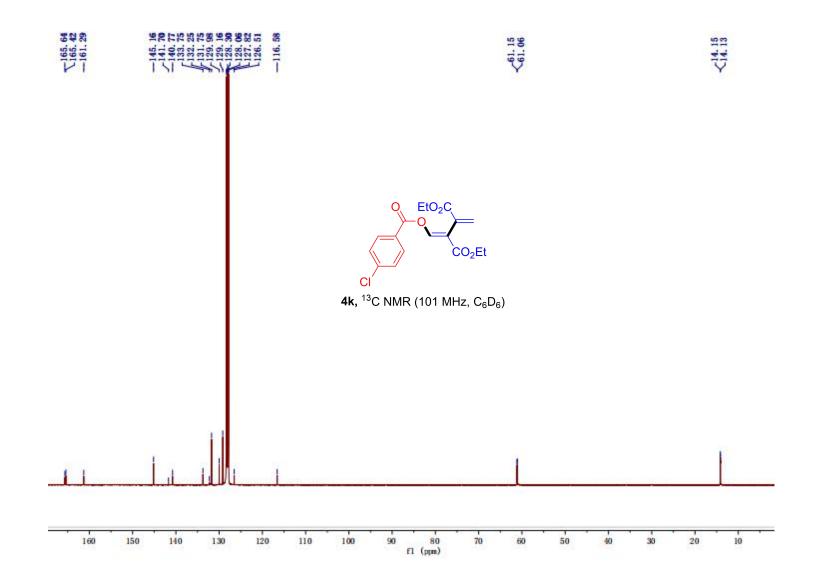






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