Stereoselective Syntheses of 2-Methyl-1,3-diol Acetals via Re-Catalyzed [1,3]-Allylic Alcohol Transposition

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Supporting Information: Experimental Procedures, Tabulated Spectroscopic Data, ¹H and

¹³C Spectra of New Compounds

General Experimental Details. All reaction solvents were purified before use. Tetrahydrofuran, dichloromethane, diethyl ether and toluene were purified by passing through a solvent column composed of activated A-1 alumina. Unless indicated otherwise, all reactions were conducted under an atmosphere of argon using flame-dried or oven-dried (120 °C) glassware. The term "concentrated under reduced pressure" refers to the removal of solvents and other volatile materials using a rotary evaporator with the water bath temperature below 30 °C, followed by removal of residual solvent at high vacuum (< 0.2 mbar).

Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H NMR) spectra were acquired on commercial instruments (400 and 600 MHz) at Auburn University NMR facility. Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C NMR) spectra were acquired at 126 and 151 MHz. The proton signal for residual nondeuterated solvent (δ 7.26 for CHCl₃) was used as an internal reference for the ¹H NMR spectra. For the ¹³C NMR spectra, chemical shifts are reported relative to the δ 77.36 resonance of CHCl₃. Coupling constants are reported in Hz. Optical rotations were measured on a PerkinElmer 241 Automatic Polarimeter. High-resolution mass spectra were recorded on a commercial high-resolution mass spectrometer via the Micro Mass/Analytical Facility operated by the College of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Auburn University.

Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Kieselgel 60 F254 glass plates precoated with a 0.25 mm thickness of silica gel. The TLC plates were visualized with UV light and/or by staining with Hanessian solution (ceric sulfate and ammonium molybdate in aqueous sulfuric acid) or KMnO₄. Column chromatography was generally performed using Kieselgel 60 (230-400 mesh) silica gel, typically using a 50-100:1 weight ratio of silica gel to crude product.



General procedure for the syntheses of acetonides 4 from diols 1: In an Ar-filled glove box, $Re_2O_7(0.5 \text{ mg}, 0.001 \text{ mmol}, 1 \text{ mol }\%)$ and a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar were added into a reaction vial. The vial was sealed with rubber septum and removed from the glove box. Then a solution of 2,2-dimethoxypropane (0.2 mmol, 21 mg, 2.0 equiv) and diol 1 (0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in dichloromethane (1 mL) were added to the vial under an argon atmosphere. The vial was sealed with a cap containing a PTFE-lined silicone septum and kept stirring at ambient temperature for 12 h. Then saturated NaHCO₃ solution (1.0 mL) was added to the reaction mixture. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et_2O (2 mL x 3). The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product was performed by flash column chromatography (gradient elution with hexane and ethyl acetate 100:1 to 50:1) to give product **4**.

(4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-2,2,5-trimethyl-4-phenyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4a) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4a in 95% yield (22 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 7.26 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 5.81 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 1.7, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 1.58 – 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.60 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 3H), 0.63 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.8, 137.3, 128.7, 128.4, 128.0, 118.6, 99.2, 78.7, 77.7, 40.5, 30.6, 20.1, 12.6. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for C₁₅H₂₀O₂ [M]⁺ calcd. 232.1463, found: 232.1450.



(4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-4-(4-bromophenyl)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4b) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4b in

84% yield (26 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.79 (ddd, J = 17.4, 10.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (dd, J = 10.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (dd, J = 10.2, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 1.58 (s, 3H), 1.53 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 0.62 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR

(126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 139.9, 137.1, 131.8, 129.7, 122.2, 118.7, 99.3, 78.1, 77.5, 40.5, 30.5, 20.0, 12.5. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for C₁₅H₁₉BrO₂ [M]⁺ calcd. 310.0568, found: 310.0578.

Methyl 4-((4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxan-4yl)benzoate (4c) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4c in 96% yield (28 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.79 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 1.56 – 1.62 (m, 1H), 1.60 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 3H), 0.62 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.3, 145.8, 137.1, 130.2, 130.0, 128.0, 118.8, 99.3, 78.3, 77.5, 52.5, 40.5, 30.5, 20.0, 12.5. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₁₇H₂₂O₄Na [M+Na]⁺ calcd. 313.1416, found: 313.1429.

(4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-4-(2-fluorophenyl)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4d) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4d in 76% yield (19 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 9.2 Hz, 1H), 5.77 – 5.84 (m, 1H), 5.34 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.97 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.58 – 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.62 (s, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H), 0.66 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.6 (d, *J* = 245.9 Hz), 137.2, 129.6 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 128.9 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 128.2 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz), 125.0 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 118.7, 115.4 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz), 99.4, 77.7 (via DEPT 135), 70.3, 40.6, 30.5, 20.0, 12.1. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for C₁₅H₁₉FO₂ [M]⁺ calcd. 250.1369 found: 250.1376.

(4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-4-(3-bromophenyl)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4e) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4e in

77% yield (24 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.55 (dd, J = 1.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.21 (dd, J = 7.8, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.79 (ddd, J = 17.4, 10.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (ddd, J = 17.2, 1.7, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (ddd, J = 10.3, 1.7, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (dd, J = 10.2, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 1.56 – 1.61 (m, 1H), 1.58 (s, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H), 0.64 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.1, 137.1, 131.5, 131.0, 130.2, 126.7, 122.9, 118.8, 99.3, 78.1, 77.5, 40.4,

30.5, 20.0, 12.6. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for $C_{15}H_{19}BrO_2$ [M]⁺ calcd. 310.0568, found: 310.0561.

MeO (4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-4-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxa ne (4f) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4f in 72% yield (19 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 6.94 – 6.96 (m, 2H), 6.82 – 6.84 (m, 1H), 5.80 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.2, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 1.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 1.57 – 1.65 (m, 1H), 1.60 (s, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H), 0.64 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.1, 142.3, 137.3, 129.6, 120.5, 118.6, 114.0, 113.4, 99.2, 78.6, 77.6 (via DEPT 135), 55.6, 40.4, 30.6, 20.1, 12.7. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₁₆H₂₂O₃Na [M+Na]⁺ calcd. 285.1467, found: 285.1453.

(4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxa ne (4g) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4g in 80% yield (24 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.79 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.3, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.58 (s, 3H), 1.51 – 1.56 (m, 1H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 0.64 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.1, 136.9, 132.9, 132.3, 130.6, 130.0, 127.4, 118.9, 99.4, 77.6 (via DEPT 135), 77.4 (via DEPT 135), 40.5, 30.5, 20.0, 12.5. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for C₁₅H₁₈Cl₂O₂ [M]⁺ calcd. 300.0684, found: 300.0688.

(4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-2,2,5-trimethyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4i) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4i in 66% yield (17 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 5.75 – 5.82 (m, 1H), 5.32 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 1.71 – 1.80 (m, 1H), 1.55 (s, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H), 0.99 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.9, 132.3, 128.8, 128.5, 122.9, 118.8, 99.5, 87.2, 85.6, 77.3, 67.4, 39.8, 30.4, 19.7, 13.2. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for C₁₇H₂₀O₂ [M]⁺ calcd. 256.1463, found: 256.1471.



(4S,5S,6R)-2,2,5-trimethyl-4-phenethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4i)

Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4j in 69% yield (18 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 5.74 (ddd, J = 17.4, 10.3, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (dd, J = 10.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (dd, J = 10.2, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (td, J = 9.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.80 - 2.85 (m, 1H), 2.60 - 2.66 (m, 1H), 1.90 - 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.65 - 1.73 (m, 1H), 1.455 (s, 3H), 1.447 (s, 3H), 1.29 – 1.37 (m, 1H), 0.73 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) § 142.7, 137.7, 128.9, 128.6, 126.0, 118.5, 98.5, 77.4, 73.3, 38.6, 35.3, 31.4, 30.6, 20.1, 12.5. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for $C_{17}H_{24}O_2$ [M]⁺ calcd. 260.1776, found: 260.1788.



(4S,5S,6R)-2,2,5-trimethyl-4-pentyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4k) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was

purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4k in 88% yield (20 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.74 (ddd, J = 17.5, 10.3,7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (ddd, J = 17.2, 1.7, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (dd, J = 10.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (dd, J = 10.2, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (ddd, J = 10.4, 8.1, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 1.57 - 1.63 (m, 1H),1.44 - 1.54 (m, 4H), 1.19 - 1.43 (m, 10H), 0.89 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.76 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.9, 118.4, 98.4, 77.5 (via DEPT 135), 74.4, 38.4, 33.5, 32.2, 30.6, 25.0, 23.0, 20.1, 14.5, 12.6. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for $C_{14}H_{26}O_2$ [M]⁺ calcd. 226.1933, found: 226.1951.

(4S,5S,6R)-4-isobutyl-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4**l**)

Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 41 in 66%

yield (14 mg) as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.74 (ddd, J = 17.5, 10.3, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (ddd, J = 17.2, 1.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (dd, J = 10.3, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (dd, J= 10.2, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (td, J = 10.0, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.82 - 1.90 (m, 1H), 1.47 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 3H), 1.30 – 1.38 (m, 1H), 1.23 – 1.29 (m, 2H), 0.91 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.87 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 0.75 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.9, 118.4, 98.3, 77.7, 72.4, 42.7, 39.1, 30.6, 24.2, 24.1, 21.7, 19.9, 12.7. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for $C_{13}H_{24}O_2$ [M]⁺ calcd. 212.1776, found: 212.1785.



(4S,5R,6R)-4-cyclohexyl-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4m) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4m in 71% yield (17 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.74 (ddd, J = 17.5, 10.3, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (ddd, J = 17.2, 1.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (dd, J = 10.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (dd, J = 10.1, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (dd, J = 10.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 1.72 – 1.77 (m, 2H), 1.61-1.66 (m, 1H), 1.56-1.61 (m, 1H), 1.46 – 1.54 (m, 3H), 1.40 – 1.45 (m, 4H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.19 – 1.30 (m, 2H), 1.10 – 1.18 (m, 2H), 0.73 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.0, 118.4, 98.3, 78.1, 77.8, 38.9, 34.9, 30.7, 30.5, 27.2, 26.93, 26.89, 25.2, 20.0, 12.2. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for C₁₅H₂₆O₂ [M]⁺ calcd. 238.1933, found: 238.1941.

(4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2,2,5-trimethyl-4-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-yl)-6-vinyl-1,3dioxane (4n) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4n in 75% yield (18 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.74 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.3, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.98 – 4.02 (m, 2H), 3.88 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.32 – 3.42 (m, 3H), 1.84 – 1.91 (m, 1H), 1.76 – 1.81 (m, 1H), 1.68 – 1.75 (m, 1H), 1.45 – 1.51 (m, 1H), 1.43 (s, 3H), 1.43 – 1.38 (m, 1H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.26 – 1.29 (m, 1H), 0.76 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.7, 118.6, 98.4, 77.5, 76.9, 68.7, 68.6, 36.3, 34.6, 30.4, 29.9, 25.5, 20.0, 12.2. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₁₄H₂₄O₃Na [M+Na]⁺ calcd. 263.1623, found: 263.1633.

 $\begin{array}{c} & \overset{\text{Me}}{\longrightarrow} & (5R,6R)-2,2,3,3,6,10,10-\text{heptamethyl-9,9-diphenyl-5-(((4S,5S,6R) -2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxan-4-yl)methyl)-4,8-dioxa-3,9-d \\ & \text{isilaundecane (40) Prepared according to the general procedure.} \end{array}$

The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound **40** in 79% yield (48 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 – 7.68 (m, 4H), 7.39 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.38 (m, 4H), 5.73 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.3, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.19 – 4.21 (m, 1H), 3.86 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.44 – 3.49 (m, 2H), 1.81 – 1.88 (m, 2H), 1.49 – 1.53 (m, 1H), 1.42 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.26 – 1.32 (m, 1H), 1.06 (s, 9H), 0.83 (s, 9H), 0.79 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.76 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.05 (s, 3H), -0.02 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.7, 135.9 (two overlapping carbon signals), 134.6, 134.5, 129.83, 129.82, 127.91, 127.89, 118.4, 98.2, 77.4 (via DEPT 135), 71.8, 67.7, 67.0, 39.1, 39.0, 38.8, 30.4, 27.3, 26.3, 19.9, 19.6, 18.4, 12.7, 9.6, -3.7, -4.5. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₃₆H₅₈O₄Si₂Na [M+Na]⁺ calcd. 633.3771, found: 633.3754.



tert-Butyldiphenyl((S)-1-((4R,5R,6R)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dio xan-4-yl)ethoxy)silane (4p) Prepared according to the general

procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound **4p** in 68% yield (30 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 – 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.67 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 5.64 (ddd, *J* = 17.5, 10.3, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.17 – 5.20 (m, 1H), 5.15 – 5.17 (m, 1H), 3.97 – 4.01 (m, 1H), 3.66 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (dd, *J* = 10.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.15 – 1.23 (m, 1H), 1.16 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 1.07 (s, 9H), 0.32 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.6, 136.4, 136.3, 134.84, 134.83, 129.9 (two overlapping carbon signals), 127.9, 127.8, 118.6, 98.5, 77.9, 77.2, 69.6, 34.8, 30.5, 27.4, 20.0, 19.6, 17.0 11.9. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₂₇H₃₈O₃SiNa [M+Na]⁺ calcd. 461.2488, found: 461.2491.

tert-Butyldiphenyl((*R*)-1-((4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-di oxan-4-yl)ethoxy)silane (4q) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4q in 64% yield (28 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 – 7.75 (m, 4H), 7.37 – 7.46 (m, 6H), 5.75 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.2, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.23 – 5.29 (m, 2H), 4.00 – 4.01 (m, 1H), 3.84 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 1.66 – 1.71 (m, 1H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.11 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 1.08 (s, 9H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.7, 136.3, 136.2, 134.8, 134.7, 130.0, 129.8, 128.0, 127.7, 118.6, 98.4, 77.5, 77.1, 71.1, 34.3, 30.4, 27.3, 19.8, 19.6, 18.6, 12.5. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₂₇H₃₈O₃SiNa [M+Na]⁺ calcd. 461.2488, found: 461.2481.

tert-Butyldiphenyl((*R***)-2-((4***S***,5***R***,6***R***)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dio xan-4-yl)propoxy)silane (4r)** Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound **4r** in 82% yield (37 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 – 7.69 (m, 4H), 7.41 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 5.77 (ddd, *J* = 17.5, 10.3, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.91 – 3.94 (m, 2H), 3.69 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 1.95 – 1.98 (m, 1H), 1.43 – 1.53 (m, 1H), 1.46 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.05 (s, 9H), 0.76 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.74 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.9, 135.9 (two overlapping carbon signals), 134.40, 134.38, 129.88, 129.85, 128.0, 127.9, 118.4, 98.3, 77.7, 72.3, 65.8, 36.6, 34.9, 30.5, 27.2, 20.2, 19.6, 12.2, 9.4. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₂₈H₄₀O₃SiNa [M+Na]⁺ calcd. 475.2644, found: 475.2627.



General procedure for the syntheses of acetonides 4 from diols 2: In an Ar-filled glove box, $Re_2O_7(0.5 \text{ mg}, 0.001 \text{ mmol}, 1 \text{ mol }\%)$ and a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar were added into a reaction vial. The vial was sealed with rubber septum and removed from the glove box. Then a solution of 2,2-dimethoxypropane (0.2 mmol, 21 mg, 2.0 equiv) and diol 2 (0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in dichloromethane (1 mL) were added to the vial under an argon atmosphere. The vial was sealed with a cap containing a PTFE-lined silicone septum and kept stirring at ambient temperature for 12 h. Then saturated NaHCO₃ solution (1.0 mL) was added to the reaction mixture. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et_2O (2 mL x 3). The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product was performed by flash column chromatography (gradient elution with hexane and ethyl acetate 100:1 to 50:1) to give product 4.



(4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-2,2,5-trimethyl-4-phenyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4a) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4a in 73% yield (17 mg)

as colorless oil.



(4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-4-(4-bromophenyl)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4b) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4b in

77% yield (24 mg) as colorless oil.



(4*S*,5*S*,6*R*)-2,2,5-trimethyl-4-phenethyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (4j) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 4j in 65%

yield (17 mg) as colorless oil.



General procedure for the syntheses of acetals 10 from diol 1a: In an Ar-filled glove box, Re_2O_7 (0.5 mg, 0.001 mmol, 1 mol %) and a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar were added into a reaction vial. The vial was sealed with rubber septum and removed from the glove box. Then a solution of diol 1a (0.10 mmol, 19 mg, 1.0 equiv) and acetal 9 (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in dichloromethane (1 mL) were added to the vial under an argon atmosphere. The vial was sealed with a cap containing a PTFE-lined silicone septum and kept stirring at ambient temperature for 12 h. Then saturated NaHCO₃ solution (1.0 mL) was added to the reaction mixture. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O (2 mL x 3). The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product was performed by flash column chromatography (gradient elution with hexane and ethyl acetate 100:1 to 50:1) to give product 10.

 $\begin{array}{l} (2R,4R,5R,6R)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-methyl-4-phenyl-6-vinyl-1,3-diox\\ ane (10b) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound 10b in 87% yield (27 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) <math>\delta$ 7.47 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 6.86 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 5.93 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.4, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 5.38 – 5.42 (m, 1H), 5.27 – 5.29 (m, 1H), 4.42 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 1.81 – 1.89 (m, 1H), 0.68 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.3, 140.2, 136.5, 131.5, 128.7, 128.5,

128.1, 128.0, 118.7, 113.9, 101.3, 86.1, 84.8, 55.6, 40.4, 12.6. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for $C_{20}H_{22}O_3Na [M+Na]^+$ calcd. 333.1467, found: 333.1457.

(10c) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound **10c** in 90% yield (26 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 – 7.37 (m, 4H), 7.28 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 5.87 (ddd, J = 17.4, 10.4, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.33-5.37 (m, 1H), 5.25 – 5.27 (m, 1H), 4.80 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (dd, J = 9.9, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.66 – 1.74 (m, 3H), 1.40 – 1.47 (m, 2H), 1.22 – 1.32 (m, 6H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 0.61 (d, J = 6.8Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.4, 136.7, 128.7, 128.4, 128.0, 118.5, 102.2, 85.7, 84.2, 40.4, 35.5, 32.1, 29.6, 24.3, 22.9, 14.4, 12.6. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for C₁₉H₂₇O₂ [M–H]⁺ calcd. 287.2011, found: 287.2003.



General procedure for the syntheses of acetals 5 from diols 3: In an Ar-filled glove box, Re_2O_7 (0.5 mg, 0.001 mmol, 1 mol %) and a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar were added into a reaction vial. The vial was sealed with rubber septum and removed from the glove box. Then a solution of diol 3 (0.10 mmol, 19 mg, 1.0 equiv) and acetal **9b** (0.2 mmol, 36 mg, 2.0 equiv) in dichloromethane (1 mL) were added to the vial under an argon atmosphere. The vial was sealed with a cap containing a PTFE-lined silicone septum and kept stirring at ambient temperature for 12 h. Then saturated NaHCO₃ solution (1.0 mL) was added to the reaction mixture. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O (2 mL x 3). The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product was performed by flash column chromatography (gradient elution with hexane and ethyl acetate 100:1 to 50:1) to give product **5**.



(2*S*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-methyl-4-phenethyl-6-vinyl-1, 3-dioxane (5a) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound **5a** in 83% yield (28 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 6.89 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 5.85 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 5.30 – 5.34 (m, 1H), 5.18 – 5.21 (m, 1H), 4.40 – 4.42 (m, 1H), 3.86 – 3.89 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.78 – 2.84 (m, 1H), 2.66 – 2.72 (m, 1H), 2.01 – 2.09 (m, 1H), 1.68 – 1.75 (m, 1H), 1.55 – 1.60 (m, 1H), 0.99 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.2, 142.3, 137.1, 131.9, 128.9, 128.7, 127.9, 126.2, 115.6, 113.9, 101.6, 81.6, 80.0, 55.7, 36.2, 34.6, 32.0, 6.7. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₂₂H₂₇O₃ [M+H]⁺ calcd. 339.1960, found: 339.1953.

PMP (2*R*,4*S*,5*S*,6*R*)-4-cyclopentyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-methyl-6-vinyl-1, **3-dioxane (5b)** Prepared according to the general procedure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound **5b** in 86% yield (26 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 6.86 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 5.87 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 5.31 – 5.36 (m, 1H), 5.18 – 5.21 (m, 1H), 4.40 – 4.42 (m, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.52 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 2.04 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 1.89 – 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.60 – 1.73 (m, 4H), 1.50 – 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.36 – 1.43 (m, 1H), 1.08 – 1.16 (m, 1H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.1, 137.4, 132.0, 127.8, 115.4, 113.9, 101.4, 86.4, 81.7, 55.7, 41.8, 35.3, 31.0, 27.9, 25.7, 25.6, 6.9. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for C₁₉H₂₆O₃ [M]⁺ calcd. 302.1882, found: 302.1871.

(2S,4S,5R,6R)-4-isobutyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-methyl-6-vinyl-1,3dioxane (5c) Prepared according to the general procedure. The crudemixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound $5c in 83% yield (24 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) <math>\delta$ 7.44 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 6.87 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 5.86 (ddd, J = 17.4, 10.8, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 5.31 – 5.35 (m, 1H), 5.19 – 5.21 (m, 1H), 4.44 – 4.46 (m, 1H), 3.96 – 3.99 (m, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 1.74 – 1.82 (m, 1H), 1.59 – 1.64 (m, 1H), 1.52 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.23 – 1.28 (m, 1H), 0.94 – 0.97 (m, 9H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.2, 137.3, 132.0, 127.8, 115.5, 113.9, 101.5, 81.7, 79.2, 55.6, 41.9, 36.3, 24.6, 23.4, 23.0, 6.7. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for C₁₈H₂₆O₃ [M]⁺ calcd. 290.1882, found: 290.1898.

 - 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.17 - 7.20 (m, 3H), 5.75 - 5.82 (m, 1H), 5.24 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.41 - 4.43 (m, 1H), 3.89 - 3.92 (m, 1H), 2.72 - 2.78 (m, 1H), 2.57 - 2.63 (m, 1H), 1.88 - 1.94 (m, 1H), 1.58 - 1.65 (m, 1H), 1.46 (s, 3H), 1.39 - 1.44 (m, 4H), 0.88 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.4, 137.9, 128.9, 128.7, 126.2, 115.4, 99.4, 74.6, 72.1, 36.4, 34.9, 31.9, 30.4, 20.1, 5.7. HRMS (EI⁺): m/z for C₁₇H₂₄O₂ [M]⁺ calcd. 260.1776, found: 260.1793.



tert-Butyl((*S*)-1-((2*R*,4*R*,5*S*,6*R*)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-methyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxan-4-yl)ethoxy)diphenylsilane (16): Prepared according to the general procedure using diol 15a and acetal 9b. The crude mixture was purified by column chromatography to give the title compound as colorless oil in 72% yield (37 mg, dr > 20:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 – 7.72 (m, 4H), 7.34 – 7.44 (m, 8H), 6.83 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 5.89 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.8, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 5.32 – 5.37 (m, 1H), 5.20 – 5.23 (m, 1H), 4.45 – 4.47 (m, 1H), 3.81 – 3.86 (m, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.71 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 2.06 – 2.11 (m, 1H), 1.10 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 1.04 (s, 9H), 0.88 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 4H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.2, 137.3, 136.29, 136.25, 135.2, 133.7, 131.7, 130.1, 129.8, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 115.5, 113.8, 101.5, 85.6, 81.6, 69.0, 55.6, 33.4, 27.3, 21.5, 19.6, 6.9. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₃₀H₄₂O₄SiNa [M+Na]⁺ calcd. 517.2750, found: 517.2775.



(*R*)-2-((2*R*,4*S*,5*S*,6*R*)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-methyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxan-4-yl)propan-1-ol (17): Prepared according to the general procedure using diol 15b and acetal 9b to give crude acetal product. The crude product was dissolved in THF (0.5 mL) and treated with TBAF·H₂O (65 mg, 0.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv). Then reaction mixture was kept stirring at ambient temperature for 12 h. Ethyl acetate (1 mL) and brine (1 mL) were added. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (1 mL x 3). The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered,

and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography to give compound **17** as colorless oil in 62% yield (18 mg, dr = 18:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 6.88 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 5.86 (ddd, J = 17.4, 10.8, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 5.32 – 5.36 (m, 1H), 5.19 – 5.22 (m, 1H), 4.42 – 4.44 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.74 (dd, J = 9.6, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 3.65 – 3.69 (m, 1H), 3.58 – 3.63 (m, 1H), 1.91 – 1.99 (m, 1H), 1.74 – 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.33 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 1.13 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 1.00 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.2, 137.1, 131.9, 127.8, 115.6, 113.9, 101.7, 83.1, 81.5, 64.5, 55.7, 37.1, 34.6, 14.3, 7.1. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₁₇H₂₄O₄Na [M+Na]⁺ calcd. 315.1572, found: 315.1569.



(2*R*,4*R*,5*S*,6*S*)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-(((2*S*,4*R*,5*R*)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-methyl-1, 3-dioxan-4-yl)methyl)-5-methyl-6-vinyl-1,3-dioxane (18): Prepared according to the general procedure using diol 15c and acetal 9b (3 equiv) for 24 h. The crude mixture was purified by column chromatography to give compound 18 as colorless oil in 70% yield (32 mg, dr > 20:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 – 7.48 (m, 4H), 6.89 – 6.92 (m, 4H), 5.83 (ddd, *J* = 17.3, 10.8, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 5.28 – 5.32 (m, 1H), 5.17 – 5.20 (m, 1H), 4.43 – 4.45 (m, 1H), 4.15 – 4.20 (m, 2H), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (dd, *J* = 11.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (app. s, 6H), 1.63 – 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.51 – 1.57 (m, 2H), 1.19 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.99 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.28, 160.27, 137.1, 132.0, 131.9, 127.9, 127.7, 115.6, 114.01, 113.96, 102.0, 101.6, 81.5, 76.9, 76.2, 74.1, 55.7 (two overlapping carbon signals), 37.4, 36.7, 32.8, 11.7, 6.8. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₂₇H₃₅O₆ [M+H]⁺ calcd. 455.2434, found: 455.2425.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-((4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-phenyl-1,3-dioxan-4-yl)acrylate (20): To an oven-dried 2-dram vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar was added Grubbs 2nd generation catalyst (8 mg, 0.01 mmol, 10 mol %). Then acrylate **19** (50 mg, 0.5 mmol, 5

equiv) was added to the vial followed by the addition of a solution of acetal **4a** (23 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in dichloromethane (0.5 mL). The reaction mixture was kept stirring under argon in refluxing CH₂Cl₂ for 12 h. After complete consumption of acetal **4a**, the reaction mixture was diluted with diethyl ether (10 mL). The resulting mixture was filtered through a shot pad of silica gel, and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude reaction product was purified by flash column chromatography (gradient elution with hexane and ethyl acetate, 30:1 to 10:1) to give product **20** as colorless oil (22 mg, 72% yield). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 – 7.37 (m, 4H), 7.28 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 6.96 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.62 – 1.71 (m, 1H), 1.59 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 3H), 1.29 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 4H), 0.69 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.7, 145.5, 140.3, 128.8, 128.6, 128.0, 122.9, 99.4, 78.6, 74.9, 60.8, 40.5, 30.4, 19.9, 14.6, 12.5. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₁₈H₂₈O₄N [M+NH₄]⁺ calcd. 322.2018, found: 322.2002.



2-((4R,5R,6R)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-phenyl-1,3-dioxan-4-yl)ethan-1-ol (21): In an Ar-filled glove box, 4a (70 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv), THF (0.5 mL), 9-BBN (110 mg, 0.45 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar were sequentially added to a 1-dram vial. And the mixture was kept stirring for 2 h at ambient temperature in the glove box. After complete consumption of 4a, the vial was removed from the glove box. An aqueous solution of NaOH (3 N, 0.5 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, followed by slow addition a solution of 30% H₂O₂ (0.5 mL). The resulting mixture was kept stirring at ambient temperature for 1 h. Then diethyl ether (1 mL) and brine (1 mL) was added. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et_2O (2) mL x 3). The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product was performed by flash column chromatography (gradient elution with hexane and ethyl acetate 20:1 to 10:1) to give alcohol 21 in 71% yield (53 mg). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.32 - 7.38 (m, 4H), 7.27 - 7.31 (m, 1H), 4.44 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 3.90 - 3.94 (m, 1H), 3.77 - 3.87 (m, 2H), 2.73 (dd, J = 7.1, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 1.94 - 2.00 (m, 1H), 1.66 - 2.00 (m, 1H), 1.66 - 2.00 (m, 2H), 2.73 (dd, J = 7.1, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 1.94 - 2.00 (m, 2H), 1.66 1.76 (m, 2H), 1.59 (s, 3H), 1.48 (s, 3H), 0.64 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.6, 128.7, 128.5, 128.0, 99.1, 78.8, 76.0, 61.5, 40.6, 35.2, 30.6, 20.0, 12.5.



2-((4R,5R,6R)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-phenyl-1,3-dioxan-4-yl)acetaldehyde (22): То а reaction vial containing a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar were added alcohol 21 (50 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Dess-Martin periodinane (127 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and dichloromethane (1.0 mL). The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at ambient temperature for 2 h. After complete consumption of alcohol **21**, the reaction mixture was diluted with diethyl ether (5 mL). The resulting suspension was filtered through a short pad of silica gel. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product was performed by flash column chromatography (gradient elution with hexane and ethyl acetate, 30:1 to 10:1) to give aldehyde 22 in 68% yield (34 mg). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.84 (dd, J = 2.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 4.47 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.21 – 4.26 (m, 1H), 2.63 – 2.67 (m, 1H), 2.54 – 2.60 (m, 1H), 1.62 - 1.71 (m, 1H), 1.59 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H), 0.65 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.9, 140.4, 128.8, 128.6, 128.0, 99.3, 78.7, 71.3, 47.5, 40.8, 30.4, 19.9, 12.5.



Ethyl (*E*)-4-((4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-2,2,5-trimethyl-6-phenyl-1,3-dioxan-4-yl)but-2-enoate (24): To a 2-dram vial containing a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar was added aldehyde 22 (12 mg, 0.05 mmol, 1.0 equiv). Then ethyl (triphenylphosphoranylidene)acetate 23 (35 mg, 0.1 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and toluene (0.3 mL) were added to the vial. The reaction mixture was kept stirring for 48 h at ambient temperature. After complete consumption of 22, the mixture was diluted with diethyl ether (10 mL). The resulting solution was filtered through a short pad of silica gel. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product was performed by flash column chromatography

(gradient elution with hexane and ethyl acetate, 30:1 to 10:1) to give product **24** in 89% yield (14 mg, E:Z > 20:1). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 – 7.37 (m, 4H), 7.27 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.06 (dt, J = 15.7, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.89 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.77 – 3.81 (m, 1H), 2.53 – 2.59 (m, 1H), 2.34 – 2.41 (m, 1H), 1.57 – 1.65 (m, 1H), 1.55 (s, 3H), 1.47 (s, 3H), 1.30 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.64 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.9, 145.7, 140.7, 128.7, 128.4, 128.1, 123.5, 99.2, 78.7, 74.0, 60.6, 40.4, 36.3, 30.5, 19.9, 14.6, 12.5. HRMS (ESI⁺): m/z for C₁₉H₂₆O₄Na [M+Na]⁺ calcd. 341.1729, found: 341.1720.



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