Supporting Information

Gold-Catalyzed Intermolecular Tandem Cyclization/[4+3] Cycloaddition of 2-(1-Alkynyl)-cyclopropyl Pyridines with Nitrones: An Efficient Strategy for Synthesis of [1,2]Oxazepino[5,4-a] indolizines

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General information.

¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker 400 or 500 MHz spectrometer in chloroform-d₃. All signals are reported in ppm with the internal TMS signal at 0 ppm as a standard. The data is being reported as (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet or unresolved, br = broad signal, coupling constant(s) in Hz, integration). All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of nitrogen in flame-dried glassware with magnetic stirring. All solvents were freshly distilled from CaH₂ before use. Melting points were measured on a YUHUA X-4 apparatus and uncorrected. Catalysts purchased from Bidepharm Co. Ltd, J&K or Energy Chemical Company were used directly. 4 Å molecular sieves purchased from Sinopharm Chemical Reagent Co., Ltd were powdered and dried at 300 °C in a muffle furnace for 8-10 hours before use.

1. Substrate synthesis

2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines **1** were synthesized according to the reported method. And the spectral data of 2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines **1a-1f**, **1h**, **1i**, **1i**, **1p** and **1q** are consisted with the literature (R.-R. Liu, S.-C. Ye, C.-J. Lu, B. Xiang, J. Gao, Y.-X. Jia, *Org. Biomol. Chem.* 2015, **13**, 4855-4858).



1) Weinreb's amides were prepared according to the following procedure from Picolinic acid:

Picolinic acid (1.0 eq.), DMAP (0.02 eq.), EDC (1.2 eq.), and *N*,*O*-dimethyl hydroxylamine hydrochloride (1.1 eq.) were weighed into a flame-dried round bottom flask and sealed with a septa. Dry CH₂Cl₂ was added through a syringe, and the solution was cooled to 0 $^{\circ}$ C (ice bath). Triethylamine (3.0 eq.) was added through a syringe and stirring was allowed to continue at 0 $^{\circ}$ C for 15 min. The ice bath was removed and the mixture was stirred for an additional 6 hours at rt. The reaction was then quenched through the addition of water. After the separation of the organic layer, the aqueous layer was neutralized with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃. When a pH of 7-8 was reached, the aqueous layer was washed with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 50 mL). All organic layers were combined and washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (2 x 30 mL), and a saturated aqueous solution of NaCl (2 x 30 mL), dried with MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the amide as a yellow oil.

2) pyridyl-substituted alkynyl ketones:

A flame-dried round bottom flask was charged with a stir bar and sealed with septa. THF (40 mL) and phenylacetylene (1.0 eq.) were added through a syringe. The solution was cooled to -25 °C upon which LiHMDS (1.0 eq.) was added dropwise by syringe. The mixture was allowed to stir at -25 °C for 20 min, and a solution of Weinreb's amide (1.0 eq.) was added through a syringe. The mixture was allowed to

stir at rt for 1 h. The reaction was quenched through addition of a aqueous solution of citric acid (1%). The mixture was diluted with EtOAc (20 mL) and washed with a saturated solution of NaCl (2 x 25 mL). The aqueous layer was washed with EtOAc (2 x30 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting oil was purified by silica gel chromatography. The resulting red oil was loaded onto silica with PE:EA (10:1), to afford the pyridyl-substituted alkynyl ketones.

3) 2-(1-alkynyl)-2-alken-1-pyridine:

To a solution of the benzyl bromide ylide (1.2 eq.) in dry THF (50 mL) at -20 °C. n-butyllithium (1.2 eq.) was added dropwise via syringe. The white solution gradually turned red, After 15 min, pyridyl-substituted alkynyl ketones 1 (1.0 eq.) was added to the solution, and then the solution turned brown. The mixture was allowed to stir at rt , after the reaction was over, the mixture was poured into water and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic phase was dried over MgSO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with ethyl acetate/petroleum ether 1:10 (v/v), to afford the 2-(1-alkynyl)-2-alken-1-pyridine.

4) 2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1:

To a solution of the trimethylsulfoxonium iodide (1.0 eq.) in dry DMSO (50 mL) at rt. And then NaH (1.5 eq.) was added portion-wise. After 10 min, 2-(1-alkynyl)-2-alken-1-pyridine (1.0 eq.) was added to the solution. The mixture was allowed to stir at 60 °C. After the reaction was complete, the mixture was poured into water and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic phase was dried over MgSO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with ethyl acetate/petroleum ether 1:10 (v/v), to afford 2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1. The spectral data of new 2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1e, 1h, 1k, 1l, 1n, 1o and 1p are showed below.

2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1e



The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 hours at 60 °C until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, ethyl acetate:petroleum ether = 1:5). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 10/1; yield = 73%, white solid; m.p. 93-95 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.51-8.49 (m, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 7H), 7.09-7.08 (m, 1H), 6.89-6.86 (m, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.10 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz 1H), 2.37 (dd, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4.0 Hz 1H), 1.93 (dd, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4.4 Hz 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.5, 158.4, 149.0, 136.0, 131.5, 129.9, 129.6, 128.1, 127.7, 123.5, 121.5, 120.8, 113.3, 89.6, 83.7, 55.3, 37.2, 27.6, 25.7; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺:Calculated forC₂₃H₁₉ONH⁺ ([M⁺H]⁺): 326.1545, Found: 326.1549.

2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1h



The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 hours at 60 °C until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, ethyl acetate:petroleum ether = 1:5). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 10/1; yield = 57%, yellow liquid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.45 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.52-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.07-7.02 (m, 1H), 1.97-1.75 (m, 1H), 1.72-1.70 (m, 1H), 1.67-1.64 (m, 1H), 1.62-1.59 (m, 1H), 1.58-1.51 (m, 2H), 1.23 (dd, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3.8 Hz 1H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 160.7, 148.9, 135.9, 131.7, 128.3, 127.7, 123.8, 121.3, 120. 5, 90.4, 82.0, 33.1, 32.7, 27.7, 23.8, 22.3, 14.0; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calculated for C₁₉H₁₉NH⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 262.1596, Found: 262.1589.

2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1k



The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 hours at 60 °C until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, ethyl acetate:petroleum ether = 1:5). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 10/1; yield = 36%; brown solid, m.p. 97-99°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.54 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz 1H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz 1H), 7.71-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.36-7.33 (m, 4H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.12 (m, 1H), 3.27 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz 1H), 2.46 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.4, 149.3, 146.6, 137.3, 136.2, 132.0, 130.4, 128.6, 127.9, 126.8, 123.4, 121.3, 121.2, 95.9, 82.1, 38.1, 27.8. 25.5; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calculated for C₂₂H₁₆N₂O₂H⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 341.1290, Found: 341.1292.

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The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 hours at 60 °C until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, ethyl acetate:petroleum ether = 1:5). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 10/1; yield = 50%. yellow liquid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.59-8.57 (m, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.46-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.34-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.02 (m, 5H), 3.26 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.11-2.03 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.4, 149.0, 137.7, 137.66, 136.0, 132.1, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 127.7, 126.4, 123.2, 121.5, 120.8, 88.9, 83.9, 37.6, 27.7, 25.4, 21.1; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calculated for C₂₃H₁₉NH ([M+H]⁺): 310.1596, Found: 310.1602.

2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1n



The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 hours at 60 °C until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, ethyl acetate:petroleum ether = 1:5). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 10/1; yield = 82%; yellowish solid, m.p. 62-64°C;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.52-8.48 (m, 1H), 7.89-7.84 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.05 (m, 5H), 7.13-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz 1H), 6.89-6.84 (m, 1H), 3.21-3.14 (m, 1H), 2.43-2.38 (m, 1H) 2.04-1.97 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.0, 149.1, 137.4, 136.1, 131.4, 128.5, 127.8, 126.7, 126.6, 126.3, 123.5, 121.5, 120.9, 93.4, 76.8, 38.0, 28.0, 25.6; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calculated for C₂₀H₁₅NSH ([M+H]⁺): 302.1002, Found: 302.1003.

2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 10



The reaction mixture was stirred for 6 hours at 60 °C until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, ethyl acetate:petroleum ether = 1:5). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 10/1; yield = 63%; yellowish solid, m.p. 61-63 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.86 (dd, 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.30 (m, 4H), 7.28-7.18 (m, 5H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 2H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 4.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 161.4, 141.6, 138.3, 137.3, 131.4, 128.6, 128.1, 127.84, 127.8, 126.7, 125.1, 123.2, 120.3, 88.4, 84.0, 38.4, 27.6, 25.9; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calculated for C₂₂H₁₆NBrNa ([M+Na]⁺): 396.0360, Found: 396.0364.

2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1p



The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 hours at 60 °C until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, ethyl acetate:petroleum ether = 1:5). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 10/1; yield = 49%; yellowish solid, m.p. 77-79°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.55 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 4H), 7.18-7.12 (m, 2H), 3.14 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (dd, *J* = 9.2 Hz 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 4.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.3, 150.0, 138.5, 137.4, 131.4, 128.6, 128.1, 127.8, 126.7, 123.2, 123.0, 117.6, 88.7, 83.9, 38.1, 27.5, 25.6; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calculated

for $C_{22}H_{16}NBrNa$ ([M+Na]⁺): 396.0364, Found: 396.0365.



X-ray crystal structure of compound **3aj** (CCDC 2312481).

Structure factor report

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2. Typical procedure for Gold-catalyzed cyclization reaction.



Under N₂, a flame-dried via (10 mL) was charged with 5 mol % PPh₃AuCl, 5 mol % AgNTf₂, dry DCM (1.5 mL), and the mixture was stirred at rt for 2 h. The resulting AgCl was filtered off, and the filtrate was collected, evaporated, and transferred into another flame-dried schlenk tube (25 mL). And then, 2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines **1a** (0.2 mmol), nitrone **2a** (0.4 mmol), 100 mg of activated 4Å molecular sieves powder (M. S.), dry toluene (2.0 mL) was successively added to the schlenk tube (25 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 16 hours until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, hexanes: AcOEt = 20:1). The reaction mixture was passed over a plug of silica gel with 15 mL of CH₂Cl₂. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography, eluting with (hexanes: AcOEt = 100:1 to 30:1) to afford 89 mg (90%) of **3aa** (dr = 10:1), yellow solid. m.p. 207-209 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.96 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.31 (m, 11H), 7.25-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.11 (m, 4H), 6.86-6.83 (m, 3H), 6.72-6.68 (m, 1H), 6.43 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 5.29-5.26 (m, 1H), 3.60-3.54 (m, 1H), 3.50-3.46 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.6, 141.6, 139.2, 130.9, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 128.0, 127.7, 127.6, 126.9, 126.6, 126.4, 122.3, 122.2, 120.7, 117.1, 116.7, 115.9, 110.1, 109.3, 85.5, 67.0, 34.7; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for $C_{35}H_{29}N_2O^+$ ([M+H]⁺): 493.2274, Found: 493.2274.

Gram synthesis of indolizine 3aa.

Under N₂, a flame-dried via (20 mL) was charged with 5 mol % PPh₃AuCl, 5 mol % AgNTf₂, dry DCM (5 mL), and the mixture was stirred at rt for 2 h. The resulting AgCl was filtered off, and the filtrate was collected, evaporated, and transferred into another flame-dried schlenk tube (100 mL). And then, 2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines **1a** (3 mmol), nitrone **2a** (6 mmol), 800 mg of activated 4Å molecular sieves powder (M. S.), dry toluene (30 mL) was successively added to the schlenk tube. The reaction mixture was stirred at 100 °C for overnight until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, hexanes:AcOEt = 20:1). The reaction mixture was passed over a plug of silica gel with 100 mL of CH₂Cl₂. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography, eluting

with (hexanes: AcOEt = 100:1 to 30:1) to afford 1.18 g (80%).

Synthesis of 3ba



The reaction mixture was stirred for 19 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 89 mg (87%) of **3ba** (dr = 9:1), light yellow solid, m.p. 184-186 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.39 (m, 7H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.15-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.09 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.88-6.85 (m, 3H), 6.74-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.45 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 5.31-5.28 (m, 1H), 3.61-3.54 (m, 1H), 3.52-3.48 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.3 (d, *J* = 244.3 Hz), 149.6, 139.1, 137.4, 130.9, 130.2, 130.1, 129.3, 129.0, 128.7, 128.1 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 128.0, 127.6, 126.9, 126.6, 122.3, 120.8, 117.0, 116.7, 115.9, 115.3, 115.1, 110.2, 109.0, 84.8, 67.2, 34.7; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₅H₂₈FN₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 511.2180, Found: 511.2180.

Synthesis of 3ca



The reaction mixture was stirred for 25 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 101 mg (87%) of **3ca** (dr = 7:1); yellow solid, m.p. 171-173 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.53-7.36 (m, 7H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 3H), 7.19-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.08 (m, 2H), 6.89-6.83 (m, 3H), 6.72 (dd, J = 6.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.46-6.43 (m, 1H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 5.25 (dd, J = 3.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.56-3.45 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 140.6, 139.0, 131.5, 130.9, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.7, 128.1, 128.0, 127.6, 127.0, 126.6, 122.4, 122.3, 121.6, 120.9, 117.0, 116.8, 116.0, 110.2, 108.9, 84.9, 67.4, 34.7; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₅H₂₈BrN₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 571.1380, Found: 571.1373.

Synthesis of 3da



The reaction mixture was stirred for 13 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 95 mg (92%) of **3da** (dr = 12:1); yellow solid, m.p. 185-187 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.34 (m, 7H), 7.28-7.16 (m, 10H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 3H), 6.75-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.46 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (s, 1H), 5.29 (dd, J = 2.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.65-3.59 (m, 1H), 3.53-3.48 (m, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.5, 139.2, 138.6, 137.3, 130.8, 130.1, 129.3, 129.0, 128.9, 128.6, 127.9, 127.6, 126.9, 126.5, 126.4, 122.3, 122.2, 120.6, 117.1, 116.7, 115.8, 110.1, 109.3, 85.3, 66.8, 34.6, 21.2; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₆H₃₁N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 507.2431, Found: 507.2429.

Synthesis of 3ea



The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 76 mg (77%) of **3ea** (dr = 7:1); yellow solid, m.p. 113-115 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, *J* =7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.30 (m, 7H), 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.10 (m, 5H), 7.20-7.11 (m, 2H), 6.80-9-6.76 (m, 3H), 6.68-6.62 (m, 1H), 6.42-6.35 (m, 1H), 5.83 (s, 1H), 5.18 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.57-3.4 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.1, 149.5, 139.2, 133.8, 130.9, 130.7, 130.1, 129.3,129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 127.4, 126.9, 126.5, 122.3, 120.9, 120.5, 117.1, 116.7, 115.8, 113.7, 113.4, 110.1, 109.3, 85.0, 66.7, 55.3, 34.4; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺):Calculated for C₃₆H₃₁N₂O₂⁺([M⁺H]⁺): 523.2386, Found: 523.2381.

Synthesis of 3fa



The reaction mixture was stirred for 15 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 82 mg (80%) of **3fa** (dr = 7:1); yellow solid, m.p. 205-207 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.32 (m, 6H), 77.26-7.09 (m, 10H), 7.03 (td, *J* = 2.0, 8.5Hz, 1H), 6.90-6.84 (m, 3H), 6.75-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.45 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.06 (s, 1H), 5.29 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.58-3.47 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.7 (*J* = 237.5 Hz), 149.5, 144.0 (*J* = 7.5 Hz), 138.9, 130.8, 130.2, 129.9 (*J* = 7.5 Hz), 129.0, 128.7, 128.0, 127.6, 127.0, 126.5, 122.34, 122.26, 122.0 (*J* = 7.5 Hz), 121.0, 117.0, 116.8, 116.1, 114.6, 114.4, 113.4, 113.2, 110.2, 108.8, 84.8, 67.3, 34.8; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₅H₂₈FN₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 511.2180, Found: 511.2180.

Synthesis of 3ga



The reaction mixture was stirred for 13 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 94 mg (93%) of **3ga** (dr = 8:1); yellow solid, m.p. 199-201 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.40 (m, 5H), 7.33-7.25 (m, 7H), 7.21-7.17 (m, 5H),6.90-6.86 (m, 3H), 6.75-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.46 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (s, 2H), 5.30-5.27 (m, 1H), 3.65-3.59 (m, 1H), 3.52-3.48 (m, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H);¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 141.5, 139.2, 137.9, 130.9, 130.2, 130.1, 129.3, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.6, 127.1, 126.9, 126.6, 123.5, 122.3, 122.2, 120.6, 117.1, 116.6, 115.9, 110.1, 109.4, 85.7, 66.8, 34.8, 21.5; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₆H₃₁N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 507.2431, Found: 507.2436.

Synthesis of 3ha



The reaction mixture was stirred for 48 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 61 mg (67%) of **3ha** (dr = 6:1); yellow solid, m.p. 141-143 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.35 (m, 5H), 7.23-7.15 (m, 6H), 6.97 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 18.0Hz, 4H), 6.90 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.73-6.69 (m, 1H), 6.42 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.96 (s, 1H), 4.33-4.30 (m, 1H), 3.37-3.32 (m, 1H), 3.21-3.15 (m, 1H), 1.86-1.79 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.53-1.46 (m, 1H), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H);¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.4, 139.0, 131.0, 130.1, 130.0, 129. 5, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 127.8, 127.4, 126.8, 122.2, 121.9, 120.9, 117.1, 116.5, 116.3, 110.0, 109.5, 84.1, 68.4, 37.2, 32.5, 19.6, 14.1; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₂H₃₁N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 459.2431, Found: 459.2436.

Synthesis of 3ia



The reaction mixture was stirred for 11 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 94 mg (93%) of **3ia** (dr = 20:1); yellow solid, m.p. 201-203 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.34 (m, 7H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 6H), 7.20-7.15 (m, 4H), 6.91-6.86 (m, 3H), 6.73-6.69 (m, 1H), 6.44 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 5.31 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 11.0 Hz, 1H), 3.64-3.58 (m, 1H), 3.52-3.48 (m, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 141.6, 139.2, 137.8, 130.0, 129.7, 129.3, 128.6, 128.3, 127.8, 127.6, 127.6, 126.8, 126.4, 122.4, 122.3, 120.6, 117.1, 116.5, 115.9, 110.0, 109.2, 85.6, 66.91, 34.8, 21.3; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₆H₃₁N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 507.2431, Found: 507.2431.

Synthesis of 3ja



The reaction mixture was stirred for 13 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 87 mg (84%) of **3ja** (dr = 20:1); yellow solid, m.p.

214-216 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.34 (m, 7H), 7.26-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.21-7.14 (m, 5H), 7.01 (s, 2H), 6.91-6.87 (m, 3H), 6.72-6.68 (m, 1H), 6.46-6.42 (m, 1H), 6.08 (s, 1H), 5.32 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 11.0 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.64-3.58 (m, 1H), 3.53-3.49 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.4, 149.7, 141.6, 139.3, 131.5, 129.9, 129.3, 128.6, 128.3, 127.6, 127.6, 126.9, 126.4, 126.4, 123.0, 122.3, 122.0, 120.7, 117.0, 116.4, 116.0, 114.4, 110.0, 109.0, 85.7, 67.1, 55.2, 34.8; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₆H₃₁N₂O₂⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 523.2380, Found: 523.2385.

Synthesis of 3ka



The reaction mixture was stirred for 37 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 57 mg (56%) of **3ka** (dr > 99:1); red solid, m.p. 240-242 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.26 (d, *J* = 8 Hz 1H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 8 Hz 1H), 7.43-7.32 (m, 8H), 7.22-7.13 (m, 5H), 7.04 (m, 2H), 6.89-6.77 (m, 4H), 6.55-6.52 (m, 1H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 5.30-5.26 (m, 1H), 3.56 (t, *J* = 4Hz 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.5, 146.5, 141.2, 138.3, 137.7, 131.8, 130.0, 129.4, 128.7, 128.4, 127.8, 127.4, 126.4, 121.9, 121.3, 119.7, 118.2, 117.5, 116.3, 111.4, 110.6, 85.6, 68.1, 34.6; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calculated for C₃₅H₂₇N₃O₃K⁺ ([M+K]⁺) : 576.1688, Found: 576.1689.

Synthesis of 3la



The reaction mixture was stirred for 15 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (10 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 80 mg (79%) of **3la** (dr = 17:1); red solid, m.p. 138-140°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.35-8.32 (m, 1H), 8.20-8.18 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.32 (m, 7H), 7.21 (m, 5H), 7.12-7.09 (m, 5H), 6.85 (dd, J = 12 Hz , 8Hz 4H), 6.68 (dd, J = 8Hz, 8Hz 1H), 6.43-6.40 (m, 1H), 6.04 (s, 1H),

5.30-5.27 (m, 1H), 3.61-3.55 (m, 1H), 3.49 (dd, J = 16 Hz, 4Hz 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.7, 141.6, 139.2, 138.5, 129.4, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 127.6, 127.5, 126.9, 126.6, 126.4, 125.5, 122.4, 120.8, 117.1, 116.6, 116.1, 110.1, 109.2, 85.7, 67.4, 34.8, 21.4; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calculated for C₃₆H₃₀N₂OK⁺ ([M+K]⁺): 545.1995, Found: 545.2003.

Synthesis of 3ma



The reaction mixture was stirred for 15 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 82 mg (80%) of **3ma** (dr = 10:1); yellow solid, m.p. 144-146 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23-7.13 (m, 8H), 6.98 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.68-6.64 (m, 1H), 6.54 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 5.41 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.72-3.68 (m, 1H), 3.57-3.51 (m, 1H), 2.86-2.75 (m, 2H), 1.57-1.53 (m, 1H), 1.35-1.27 (m, 3H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.1, 141.7, 138.6, 129.6, 128.7, 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 127.0, 126.5, 125.4, 121.4, 121.2, 120.8, 117.1, 116.7, 114.8, 109.8, 107.8, 86.0, 68.9, 33.9, 29.3, 24.0, 22.6, 13.8; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₃H₃₃N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 473.2578, Found: 473.2590.

Synthesis of 3na



The reaction mixture was stirred for 42 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 59 mg (61%) of **3na** (dr = 25:1); yellow solid, m.p. 238-240°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz 1H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz 1H), 7.37-7.32 (m, 7H), 7.19-7.16 (m, 6H), 7.12-7.11 (m, 1H), 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.94-6.92 (m, 2H), 6.85 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz 1H), 6.74-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.50-6.47 (m, 1H), 6.20

(s, 1H), 5.29 (q, J = 4.0 Hz 1H), 3.56-3.46 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.7, 141.5, 138.9, 131.2, 131.0, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 128.4, 127.7, 127.5, 127.3, 126.9, 126.4, 122.9, 120.8, 117.2, 116.9, 116.0, 114.5, 110.5, 109.3, 85.6, 67.3, 34.5; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calculated for C₃₃H₂₆N₂OSK⁺ ([M+K]⁺): 537.1403, Found: 537.1406.

Synthesis of 3oa (unsuccessful)



The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Unfortunately, a complex mixture was obtained.

Synthesis of 3pa



The reaction mixture was stirred for 31 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 72 mg (63%) of **3pa** (dr = 50:1); brown solid, m.p. 203-205 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.43-7.31 (m, 9H), 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.16-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz 2H), 6.84 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz 3H), 6.75-6.72 (m, 1 H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 5.27 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz 1H), 3.55 (dd, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 12.0 Hz 1H), 3.46 (dd, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 4.0 Hz 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.5, 141.3, 138.8, 130.2, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 127.7, 127.6, 127.2, 127.0, 126.4, 122.9, 122.1, 120.9, 119.9, 117.9, 116.0, 110.7, 105.5, 85.4, 67.2, 34.7; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calculated for C₃₅H₂₇N₂OBrK⁺ ([M+K]⁺): 609.0941, Found: 609.0944.

Synthesis of 3qa



The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 103 mg (95%) of **3qa** (dr = 20:1); yellow solid, m.p. 231-233 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59-7.65 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.37 (m, 8H), 7.27-7.04 (m, 12H), 6.89-6.82 (m, 3H), 5.93 (s, 1H), 5.35 (dd, *J* = 2.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.64-3.52 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 141.5, 139.2, 134.4, 134.3, 131.0, 130.5, 129.2, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.43, 128.38, 127.7, 127.52, 127.48, 126.8, 126.6, 126.5, 126.4, 125.3, 123.1, 120.6, 118.7, 117.0, 116.8, 115.6, 112.6, 85.5, 66.8, 34.8; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₉H₃₁N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 543.2431, Found: 543.2442.

Synthesis of 3ra



The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 95 mg (87%) of **3ra** (dr = 11:1); yellow solid, m.p. 221-223 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.53-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.16 (m, 9H), 7.09-7.04 (m, 6H), 6.88 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.88 (s, 1H), 5.34 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.55-3.53 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.8 (d, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 149.5, 143.9 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 139.0, 134.3 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 131.0, 130.5, 129.9 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 129.2, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.52, 128.45, 127.6, 127.4, 126.9, 126.7, 126.6, 125.2, 123.1, 122.0 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 120.8, 118.8, 116.8 (d, *J* = 48.8 Hz), 115.8, 114.5 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 113.3 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz), 112.2, 84.9, 67.2, 34.8; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₉H₃₀FN₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 561.2337, Found: 561.2351.

Synthesis of 3ab



The reaction mixture was stirred for 36 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (10 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 96 mg (95%) of **3ab** (dr = 20:1); yellow solid, m.p. 195-197 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.35 (m, 11H), 7.19 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (s, 4H), 6.92-6.87 (m, 3H), 6.75-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.46 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 5.33 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 11.0 Hz, 1H), 3.68-3.61 (m, 1H), 3.55-3.50 (m, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.7, 141.6, 136.3, 136.2, 131.0, 130.2, 130.1, 129.2, 128.9, 128.6, 128.4, 127.9, 127.6, 126.9, 126.4, 122.3, 122.2, 120.6, 117.1, 116.6, 115.9, 110.1, 109.3, 85.7, 77.3, 77.0, 76.8, 66.8, 34.8, 21.1; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₆H₃₁N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 507.2431, Found: 507.2444.

Synthesis of 3ac



The reaction mixture was stirred for 19 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 94 mg (89%) of **3ac** (dr = 12:1); yellow solid, m.p. 193-195 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.35 (m, 11H), 7.19 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.92-6.87 (m, 3H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.74-6.70 (m, 1H), 6.45 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 5.34 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.67-3.52 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.5, 149.8, 141.7, 131.5, 131.0, 130.4, 130.2, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 127.9, 127.6, 127.0, 126.4, 122.3, 122.1, 120.7, 117.1, 116.6, 116.1, 113.0, 110.1, 109.2, 85.7, 66.9, 55.0, 34.8; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₆H₃₁N₂O₂⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 523.2380, Found: 523.2395.

Synthesis of 3ad



The reaction mixture was stirred for 13 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 100 mg (88%) of **3ad** (dr = 10:1); yellow solid, m.p. 208-210 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.35 (m, 12H), 7.25-7.16 (m, 5H), 6.91-6.86 (m, 3H), 6.75-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.46 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (s, 1H), 5.32 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.3, 143.3, 141.3, 130.8, 130.3, 130.1, 129.6, 129.2, 129.20, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.2, 127.8, 126.4, 125.8, 125.4, 124.6 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 123.2, 122.4, 121.2, 117.1, 116.9, 116.0, 110.4, 109.0, 85.7, 66.9, 34.4; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₆H₂₈F₃N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 561.2148, Found: 561.2159.

Synthesis of 3ae



The reaction mixture was stirred for 13 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (10 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 82 mg (80%) of **3ae** (dr = 20:1); yellow solid, m.p. 216-218 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.32 (m, 10H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.07-7.03 (m, 2H), 6.90-6.83 (m, 5H), 6.73-6.69 (m, 1H), 6.44 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 5.31-5.27 (m, 1H), 3.55-3.50 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.9 (d, *J* = 263.8 Hz), 149.5, 141.5, 135.0 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 130.93, 130.87, 130.2, 130.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 128.1, 127.7, 126.5, 126.4, 122.3, 122.2, 121.0, 117.1, 116.8, 116.2, 114.4 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 110.3, 109.0, 85.6, 66.9, 34.6; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₅H₂₈FN₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 511.2180, Found: 511.2182.

Synthesis of 3af



The reaction mixture was stirred for 22 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 85 mg (74%) of **3af** (dr = 10:1); yellow solid, m.p. 178-180 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ^{7.96} (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.31 (m, 13H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.90-6.85 (m, 3H), 6.75-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.46 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 5.31 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.61-3.51 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.3, 141.5, 141.4, 132.4, 130.8, 130.2, 130.0, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 127.8, 126.4, 125.8, 122.3, 121.8, 121.1, 117.2, 116.8, 116.1, 110.3, 109.0, 85.5, 66.9, 34.5; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₅H₂₈BrN₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 571.1380, Found: 571.1373.

Synthesis of 3ag



The reaction mixture was stirred for 19 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 87 mg (86%) of **3ag** (dr = 10:1); yellow solid; m.p. 197-199 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.36 (m, 11H), 7.21-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.02-6.97 (m, 2H), 6.91-6.87 (m, 3H), 6.75-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.47 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 5.34-5.31 (m, 1H), 3.68-3.61 (m, 1H), 3.55-3.51 (m, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 141.6, 139.1, 136.9, 131.0, 130.2, 130.1, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 127.9, 127.7, 127.5, 126.8, 126.4, 122.3, 120.6, 117.1, 116.6, 115.9, 110.1, 109.4, 85.4, 66.8, 34.7, 21.5; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₆H₃₁N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 507.2431, Found: 507.2443.

Synthesis of 3ah



The reaction mixture was stirred for 11 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 86 mg (86%) of **3ah** (dr = 12:1); yellow solid, m.p. 180-182 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.35 (m, 12H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.97-6.94 (m, 2H), 6.92 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.73-6.69 (m, 1H), 6.45 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (s, 1H), 6.05 (s, 2H), 5.32 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 15.5 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 15.5 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.2, 150.0, 141.8, 141.6, 130.7, 130.1, 129.1, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 127.7, 127.2, 126.4, 125.0, 122.4, 122.1, 121.3, 117.2, 116.7, 116.2, 110.2, 109.9, 109.5, 109.3, 86.4, 62.0, 34.5; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₃H₂₇N₂O₂⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 483.2067, Found: 483.2078.

Synthesis of 3ai (unsuccessful)



The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Unfortunately, no desired product was detected.

Synthesis of 3aj



The reaction mixture was stirred for 7 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 91 mg (90%) of **3aj** (dr = 10:1); yellow solid, m.p. 183-185 °C;

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.33 (m, 11H), 7.26-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.16-7.14 (m, 2H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.73-6.69 (m, 1H), 6.44 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (s, 1H), 5.32 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.64-3.58 (m, 1H), 3.55-3.50 (m, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.4, 141.7, 139.2, 131.0, 130.2, 129.5, 129.2, 128.9, 128.3, 127.9, 127.6, 127.5, 126.8, 126.4, 122.3, 122.2, 117.1, 116.6, 116.4, 110.1, 109.3, 85.3, 67.5, 34.7, 20.5; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₆H₃₁N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 507.2431, Found: 507.2443.

Synthesis of 3ak



The reaction mixture was stirred for 18 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 89 mg (85%) of **3ak** (dr = 8:1); yellow solid, m.p. 98-100 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.32 (m, 11H), 7.24-7.21 (m, 3H), 7.07 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.75-6.71 (m, 3H), 6.44 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 5.38-5.34 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.66-3.55 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.6, 143.8, 141.9, 138.8, 131.0, 130.2, 129.8, 128.8, 128.3, 127.9, 127.5, 127.4, 127.0, 126.8, 126.3, 122.3, 122.0, 118.5, 117.1, 116.6, 113.8, 110.1, 109.2, 85.7, 77.3, 77.0, 76.8, 69.3, 55.4, 34.9; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₆H₃₁N₂O₂⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 523.2380, Found: 523.2390.

Synthesis of 3al



The reaction mixture was stirred for 43 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 85 mg (81%) of **3al** (dr = 7:1); yellow solid, m.p. 192-194 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.35 (m,

10H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 4H), 7.15-7.10 (m, 4H), 6.78 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.74-6.70 (m, 1H), 6.45 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 5.29-5.26 (m, 1H), 3.63-3.57 (m, 1H), 3.53-3.48 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.3, 141.3, 138.8, 130. 8, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 127.8, 127.7, 127.1, 126.4, 126.3, 125.7, 122.37, 122.3, 117.3, 117.1, 116.8, 110.3, 109.1, 85.7, 67.3, 34.6; HRMS m/z (ESI⁺): Calculated for C₃₅H₂₈N₂ClO⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 527.1885, Found: 527.1892.

Synthesis of 3am



The reaction mixture was stirred for 14 hours at 100 °C until the reaction was complete (5 mol % catalyst used). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 30:1 (v/v), affording 68 mg (79%) of **3am** (dr > 99:1); brown solid, m.p. 140-142 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.61 (d, *J* = 4.0Hz 1H), 7.32 (s, 4H), 7.19 (m, 4H), 7.10-7.05 (m, 7H), 6.98-6.96 (m, 3H), 6.48 (t, *J* = 4.0Hz 1H), 6.27-6.23 (m, 1H), 5.43 (d, *J* = 4.0Hz 1H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 2.59 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 141.8, 131.7, 130.9, 129.2, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.0, 126.9, 121.8, 121.5, 116.6, 115.7, 109.4, 82.5, 44.3, 30.2; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: Calcd for C₃₀H₂₆N₂OH ([M+H]⁺): 430.2050, Found: 431.2100.

The reaction of enantioenriched 2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1a and nitrone 2a.

Optical resolution of racemic 2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1a with (2R,3R)-2,3-dibenzoyloxybutanedioic acid (DBTA) to afford chiral 2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines 1a, ee = 96%.



3aa, determined by HPLC, IA, Hexane/*i*-PrOH = 98/2, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm; t _{major} = $10.26 \text{ min}, t'_{\text{minor}} = 12.5 \text{ min}$).

Synthesis of 4



In a 25 mL tube, 5 mol% Pd(OAc)₂, 10 mol% PPh₃, the cycloadduct **3pa** (0.2 mmol) and 5 mol% CuI were added, and the tube was evacuated and refilled with N₂ for 3 times. After that, degassed triethylamine (2 mL) and phenylacetylene (1.5 equiv.) were added via syringe, and the mixture was stirred at 90 °C for 17 hours until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, PE:EA = 20:1). Purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 100/1; yield = 84% (99 mg); yellow solid, m.p. 226-228 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.19 (s, 1H), 7.55-7.31 (m, 16H), 7.24-7.07 (m, 7H), 6.89-6.78 (m, 4H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 5.30 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.62-3.46 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.5, 141.3, 138.8, 131.4, 130.2, 129.3, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.8, 127.7, 127.65, 127.0, 126.4, 125.9, 123.1, 122.9, 120.9, 119.2, 116.8, 116.0, 110.5, 106.5, 89.2, 87.3, 85.4, 67.2, 34.7; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺ : [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₄₃H₃₃N₂O: 593.2590, Found: 593.2593.

Synthesis of 5



In a 25 mL tube, 10 mol% Pd(OAc)₂, the cycloadduct **3pa** (0.2 mmol), phenylboric acid (2.0 equiv.) and Na_2CO_3 (2.0 equiv.) were added, and the tube was evacuated and refilled with N₂ for 3 times. After that, degassed 3 mL of DMF/H₂O (2/1) was added via syringe, and the mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 10 hours until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, PE:EA = 20:1). The reaction mixture was quenched with water (5 mL) and extracted with EA (3×5 mL), the organic phase was combined and washed with saturated NaCl(aq), and then dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, concentrated via evaporator and purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 80/1; yield = 54% (61 mg); yellow solid, m.p. 220-222 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.15 (s, 1H), 7.52-7.28 (m, 16H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.09 (m, 4H), 7.03-6.96 (m, 1H), 6.88-6.80 (m, 3H), 6.06 (s, 1H), 5.29 (dd, J = 10.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.64-3.45 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.5, 141.5, 139.1, 138.6, 130.7, 130.1, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4, 128.1, 127.7, 127.6, 127.2, 127.1, 126.9, 126.6, 126.4, 124.5, 122.8, 120.7, 119.8, 117.6, 117.2, 115.9, 109.5, 85.5, 67.0, 34.8; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺ : [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₄₁H₃₃N₂O: 569.2590, Found: 569.2593.

Synthesis of 6



In a 25 mL tube, 10 mol% Pd(OAc)₂, 22% tri(o-tolyl)phosphine and the cycloadduct **3pa** (0.2 mmol) were added, and the tube was evacuated and refilled with N₂ for 3 times. After that, methyl acrylate (1.1 equiv.), degassed Et₃N (5.0 equiv.) and

degassed 2 mL of dry DMF was added via syringe, and the mixture was stirred at 110 °C for 13 hours until the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC, PE:EA = 20:1). The reaction mixture was quenched with water (5 mL) and extracted with EA (3×5 mL), the organic phase was combined and washed with saturated NaCl(aq), and then dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, concentrated via evaporator and purified by chromatography on silica gel eluting with PE/EA = 80/1; yield = 52% (60 mg); red solid, m.p. 220-222 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.01 (s, 1H), 7.50-7.44 (m, 4H), 7.40-7.30 (m, 7H), 7.23-7.11 (m, 6H), 7.07-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 6.87-6.80 (m, 3H), 6.29 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz 1H), 6.02 (s, 1H), 5.25 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.56-3.44 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.5, 149.4, 142.3, 141.2, 138.7, 129.9, 129.5, 129.2, 129.18, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 127.7, 127.1, 126.4, 126.2, 123.9, 120.9, 118.7, 117.6, 116.0, 115.5, 113.6, 111.6, 85.3, 67.1, 51.6, 34.7; HRMS-TOF-ES⁺: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₃₉H₃₃N₂O₃: 577.2485, Found: 577.2491.



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of new 2-(1-alkynyl)-cyclopropyl pyridines.













¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of products





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enantioenriched 1a

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enantioenriched 3aa

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