# **Supporting Information**

# Visible-Light-Driven Reductive Carboarylation of Styrenes with CO<sub>2</sub> and Aryl Halides

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## **1. General Information**

Unless otherwise noted, commercial available reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers (such as Strem, Alfa Aesar, J&K Chemical Co., Energy Chemical, Sinocompound and Adamas) and used as received. Solvents were generally dried over 4 Å molecular sieves. Purification of products was performed by flash chromatography (FC) using silica gel or preparative thin layer chromatography. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AVANCE III spectrometer (400 MHz and 101 MHz, respectively). Chemical shifts are reported parts per million (ppm) referenced to CDCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta$  7.26 ppm), tetramethylsilane (TMS,  $\delta$  0.00 ppm) for <sup>1</sup>H NMR; CDCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta$  77.16 ppm) for <sup>13</sup>C NMR. The following abbreviations (or combinations thereof) were used to explain multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dd = doublet of doublet, td = triplet of doublet and m = multiplet,. To distinguish, some <sup>13</sup>C NMR chemical shifts retain two decimal places. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on an Impact II UHR-TOF mass spectrometry equipped with an ESI source from Bruker at Fujian Institute of Research on the Structure of Matter. The Blue LED strips (1 meter, 30W) were purchased from Prime LED Co., Ltd. (China). CO<sub>2</sub> gas (Purity: 99.995%) was purchased from Linde. <sup>13</sup>CO<sub>2</sub> gas (99% <sup>13</sup>C) was purchased from Shanghai Wusheng Biological Technology Co., Ltd., who buys from Sigma-Aldrich, USA.

## 2. Experimental Section

## 2.1 Optimization of reaction conditions

Table S1. Photocatalyst optimization.[a]



[a] Reaction conditions: 1,1-diphenylethylene (0.2 mmol), iodobenzene (0.4 mmol), photocatalyst (2 mol %), DABCO (0.1 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.5 mmol), HCOOK (0.4 mmol), 1 atm CO<sub>2</sub>, 30 W blue LEDs, rt, 24 h. DABCO = triethylenediamine. [b] Yield was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR with CH<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>2</sub> as internal standard.





Table S2. Reductant optimization.[a]

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	PhI (2 equiv) + CO <sub>2</sub> (1 atm)	[Ir(ppy) <sub>2</sub> (dtbbpy)]PF <sub>6</sub> (2 mol %) DABCO (50 mol %) K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (2.5 equiv) Reductant (2 equiv) DMSO (0.1 M) 465 nm, 30 W rt, 24 h 1
Entry	Reductant	Yield <sup>[b]</sup> [%]
1	HCO <sub>2</sub> K	82%
2	HCO <sub>2</sub> Cs	82%
3	HCO <sub>2</sub> Na	82%
4	(HCO <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Ca	11%
5	NaH	9%
6	$CaH_2$	7%

[a] Reaction conditions: 1,1-diphenylethylene (0.2 mmol), iodobenzene (0.4 mmol),  $[Ir(ppy)_2(dtbbpy)]PF_6$  (2 mol %), DABCO (0.1 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.5 mmol), reductant (0.4 mmol), 1 atm CO<sub>2</sub>, 30 W blue LEDs, rt, 24 h. DABCO = triethylenediamine. [b] Yield was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR with CH<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>2</sub> as internal standard.

## 2.2 General procedures for synthesis of products

## **General Procedure A**

The oven-dried Schlenk tube (38 mL) containing a stirring bar was charged with alkene (0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), corresponding halide (2.0 equiv), photocatalyst (2 mol%), DABCO (50 mol%),  $K_2CO_3$  (2.0 equiv), HCOOK (2.0 equiv) and anhydrous DMSO (2 mL) (Note that ahydrous condition is important in order to avoid the alkene reduction reactions with water). N<sub>2</sub> gas in a balloon was bubbled into the mixture under stirring for 30 seconds through a needle and the tube was then evacuated and back-filled with  $CO_2$  for 3 times. The mixture was placed under a 30 W blue LED ( $\lambda$ max=465 nm, 3 cm-4.5 cm away from the LEDs, with cooling fan to keep the reaction temperature at 25~30 °C) light source and stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h or 48 h (for some aryl bromides and

chlorides). Upon completion of the reaction, all the solvent were removed under reduced pressure at high temperature. (The following procedure is different from **General procedure B**) The crude residue was dissolved in 10 mL acetone, and  $K_2CO_3$  (5 equiv) and  $CH_3I$  (10 equiv) were added. The mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 2 h and then cooled to room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtered through a short pad of Celite. The sealed tube and Celite pad were washed with an additional 25 mL of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo, and crude <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was taken using  $CH_2Br_2$  as internal standard. The resulting residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography or preparative thin layer chromatography using petroleum ether/EtOAc (100:1-10:1) as the eluent to give the desired products.

## **General Procedure B**

The oven-dried Schlenk tube (38 mL) containing a stirring bar was charged with alkene (0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), corresponding halide (2.0 equiv), photocatalyst (2 mol%), DABCO (50 mol%), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (2.0 equiv), HCOOK (2.0 equiv) and anhydrous DMSO (2 mL) (Note that ahydrous condition is important in order to avoid the alkene reduction reactions with water). N<sub>2</sub> gas in a balloon was bubbled into the mixture under stirring for 30 seconds through a needle and the tube was then evacuated and back-filled with CO<sub>2</sub> for 3 times. The mixture was placed under a 30 W blue LED  $(\lambda max=465 \text{ nm}, 3 \text{ cm}-4.5 \text{ cm} \text{ away from the LEDs}, with cooling fan to keep the reaction temperature at$ 25~30 °C) light source and stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h or 48 h (for some aryl bromides and chlorides).. Upon completion of the reaction, then AcOH (0.2 mL) was added and the system was stirred for 10 min at room temperature. The solvent along with other volatile matter was removed directly under reduced pressure at high temperature. The residue was re-dissolved in MeOH (4 mL) and then SOCl<sub>2</sub> (0.4 mL) was added dropwise carefully. The Schlenk tube was capped and stirred at 100 °C for 6 h. After cooled to room temperature, the mixture was diluted with EtOAc (10 mL) and quenched with saturated aqueous solution of sodium hydrogen carbonate. The reaction was extracted with EtOAc (30 mL  $\times$ 3) and the organic layers were combined and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. After concentrated under reduced pressure, crude <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was taken using CH<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>2</sub> as internal standard. The resulting residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography or preparative thin layer chromatography using petroleum ether/EtOAc (100:1-10:1) as the eluent to give the desired products.







## 2.2 Characterization of products



## methyl 2,2,3-triphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 49.6 mg (78%) for X = I; 43.1 mg (68%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.23 – 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.17 – 7.15 (m, 4H), 7.11 –7.08 (m, 1H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.71 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 174.1, 142.8, 137.4, 131.0, 129.4, 127.8, 127.6, 127.0, 126.4, 62.1, 52.4, 44.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 339.1356, found 339.1353.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(o-tolyl)propanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 47.5 mg (72%) for X = I; 42.1 mg (64%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.26 – 7.16 (m, 7H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 4H), 7.07 – 7.04 (m, 2H), 6.91 – 6.89 (m, 1H), 3.77 (s, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 174.6, 142.5, 138.9, 136.1, 130.1, 129.9, 129.2, 127.8, 127.0, 126.6, 125.7, 61.9, 52.4, 39.7, 18.9. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 353.1512, found 353.1509.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(m-tolyl)propanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 47.1 mg (71%) for X = I; 48.3 mg (73%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.24 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 7.18 – 7.15 (m, 4H), 6.96 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.52 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (s, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, 2H), 2.12 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 142.9, 137.2, 136.9, 132.0, 129.4, 127.9, 127.7, 127.4, 127.0, 126.9, 62.1, 52.3, 44.5, 21.4. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 353.1512, found 353.1511.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(p-tolyl)propanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 50.2 mg (76%) for X = I; 44.0 mg (67%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.24 – 7.16 (m, 10H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 3.67 (s, 5H), 2.24 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 142.9, 135.8, 134.1, 130.8, 129.4, 128.3, 127.7, 126.9, 62.1, 52.3, 44.1, 21.1. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 353.1512, found 353.1512.



## methyl 3-(2-methoxyphenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 38.8 mg (56%) for X = I.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.23 – 7.08 (m, 12H), 6.79 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.15 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.7, 158.0, 143.0, 131.1, 129.3, 127.8, 127.4, 126.7, 126.3, 119.9, 109.7, 61.8, 54.7, 52.3, 36.4. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 369.1461, found 369.1460.



methyl 3-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 49.2 mg (71%) for X = I; 47.1 mg (68%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.25 – 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.20 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 6.97 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 3.69 (s, 5H), 3.53 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 158.8, 142.8, 138.9, 129.4, 128.5, 127.8, 127.0, 123.4, 115.9, 112.6, 62.1, 55.0, 52.4, 44.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 369.1461, found 369.1461.



#### methyl 3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 46.4 mg (67%) for X = I.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.24 – 7.15 (m, 10H), 6.60 – 6.55 (m, 4H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.65 (s, 2H).<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.2, 158.2, 142.9, 132.0, 129.4, 129.3, 127.8, 126.9, 112.9, 62.2, 55.2, 52.3, 43.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 369.1461, found 369.1460.



## methyl 3-(3-(methylthio)phenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 47.8 mg (66%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.25 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 7.19 – 7.15 (m, 4H), 7.02 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.58 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (s, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 2.21 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.9, 142.7, 138.1, 137.2, 129.4, 128.9, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.0, 124.9, 62.1, 52.4, 44.3, 15.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SNa<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 385.1233, found 385.1233.



## methyl 3-(4-(methylthio)phenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 48.0 mg (66%) for X = I.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.24 – 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.0, 142.7, 136.1, 134.2, 131.5, 129.3, 127.8, 127.0, 125.8, 62.1, 52.3, 44.0, 15.9. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SNa<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 385.1233, found 385.1232.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(3-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)propanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 53.9 mg (67%) for X = I; 58.8 mg (73%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.25 – 7.23 (m, 6H), 7.17 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 7.04 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.9, 148.7, 142.5, 139.8, 129.5, 129.2, 128.7, 127.9, 127.2, 123.5, 120.5 (q, *J* = 257.3 Hz), 119.0, 62.1, 52.4, 44.3. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 423.1178, found 423.1182.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)propanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 51.9 mg (65%) for X = I; 53.8 mg (67%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.23 – 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.17 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.0, 147.9, 142.5, 136.3, 132.3, 129.3, 127.9, 127.1, 120.6 (q, *J* = 257.6 Hz), 119.9, 62.2, 52.4, 43.8. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 423.1178, found 423.1181.



## methyl 3-(2-fluorophenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 38.7 mg (58%) for X = I; 40.2 mg (60%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.24 – 7.16 (m, 10H), 7.11 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 6.91 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.3, 161.8 (d, *J* = 246.6 Hz), 142.5, 132.1 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 129.2, 128.3 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 127.8, 127.0, 124.8 (d, *J* = 14.7 Hz), 123.5 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 114.9 (d, *J* = 23.4 Hz), 61.6, 52.5, 36.3. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 357.1261, found 357.1261.



#### methyl 3-(3-fluorophenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 45.1 mg (67%) for X = I; 51.4 mg (77%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.27 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 7.18 – 7.15 (m, 4H), 7.00 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 6.78 (td, J = 8.4, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.9, 162.2 (d, J = 244.2 Hz), 142.5, 140.0 (d, J = 7.5 Hz), 129.3, 128.8 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 127.9, 127.1, 126.7 (d, J = 2.7 Hz), 117.7 (d, J = 21.5 Hz), 113.2 (d, J = 20.9 Hz), 62.1, 52.5, 44.2 (d, J = 1.8 Hz). HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 357.1261, found 357.1262.



## methyl 3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 46.8 mg (70%) for X = I.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.24 –7.21 (m, 6H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 6.71 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.62 – 6.59 (m, 2H), 3.68 (s, 5H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.0, 161.7 (d, *J* = 244.5 Hz), 142.7, 133.0 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 132.4 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 129.4, 127.8, 127.1, 114.3 (d, *J* = 20.9 Hz), 62.2, 52.4, 43.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 357.1261, found 357.1261.



#### methyl 3-(2-chlorophenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 39.1 mg (56%) for X = I; 44.9 mg (64%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.26 – 7.05 (m, 14H), 3.99 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.4, 142.1, 136.4, 135.7, 131.3, 129.2, 129.2, 127.8, 127.0, 126.3, 61.6, 52.5, 39.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 373.0966, found 373.0966.



## methyl 3-(3-chlorophenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 45.8 mg (65%) for X = I; 51.5 mg (73%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.25 – 7.24 (m, 6H), 7.17 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.9, 142.5, 139.5, 133.3, 131.1, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 127.9, 127.2, 126.5, 62.1, 52.4, 44.2. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 373.0966, found 373.0965.



## methyl 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 47.2 mg (67%) for X = I; 43.5 mg (62%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.25 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.58 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.9, 142.5, 135.9, 132.4, 132.3, 129.3, 127.9, 127.6, 127.1, 62.1, 52.4, 43.9. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 373.0966, found 373.0966.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)propanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 48.9 mg (55%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.49 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.03 (m, 10H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.72 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.0, 142.8, 140.8, 134.0, 130.5, 129.3, 127.8, 127.0, 83.8, 62.1, 52.3, 44.8, 25.0. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>31</sub>BO<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 465.2208, found 465.2208.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)propanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 53.1 mg (69%) for X = Br; 36.6 mg (48%) for X = Cl. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.42 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.01 (m, 13H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 3.61 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.77, 142.54, 137.24 (q, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 131.21, 130.59, 129.45 (q, *J* = 29.1 Hz), 128.97, 128.00, 127.05, 126.24, 126.14 (q, *J* = 6.1 Hz), 124.44 (q, *J* = 274.4 Hz), 60.72, 52.65, 39.05 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz). HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 407.1229, found 407.1228.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)propanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 47.1 mg (61%) for X = I; 53.9 mg (70%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 6H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 5H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.7, 142.3, 138.3, 134.3, 129.7 (q, *J* = 31.9 Hz), 129.2, 127.9, 127.83, 127.78, 127.2, 124.1 (q, *J* = 273.3 Hz), 123.1 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 62.1, 52.3, 44.2. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 407.1229, found 407.1229.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)propanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 52.2 mg (68%) for X = I; 53.8 mg (70%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.29 – 7.23 (m, 8H), 7.17 – 7.15 (m, 4H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.76 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.9, 142.4, 141.7, 131.3, 129.3, 128.6 (q, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 127.9, 127.2, 124.4 (q, *J* = 272.6 Hz), 124.3 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 62.1, 52.5, 44.3. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 407.1229, found 407.1225.



## methyl 3-(3-methoxy-3-oxo-2,2-diphenylpropyl)benzoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 48.1 mg (64%) for X = I; 52.3 mg (70%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.78 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.25 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.8, 167.2, 142.5, 137.7, 135.7, 132.1, 129.4, 129.3, 127.9, 127.7, 127.5, 127.1, 62.1, 52.4, 52.0, 44.3. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 397.1410, found 397.1409.



## methyl 4-(3-methoxy-3-oxo-2,2-diphenylpropyl)benzoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 49.6 mg (66%) for X = I; 57.6 mg (77%) for X = Br; 52.1 mg (70%) for X = Cl.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.71 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.9, 167.3, 143.1, 142.4, 131.0, 129.3, 128.7, 128.2, 127.9, 127.1, 62.1, 52.5, 52.1, 44.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 397.1410, found 397.1410.



## methyl 3-(4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 50.6 mg (64%) for X = Br; 48.7 mg (62%) for X = Cl. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.59 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.24 (m, 6H), 7.17 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.99 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.7, 144.3, 142.1, 138.3, 132.0, 129.2, 128.0, 127.3, 126.4, 62.1, 52.6, 44.6, 44.4. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SNa<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 417.1131, found 417.1131.



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## methyl 3-(3-acetylphenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 48.8 mg (68%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.72 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 –7.23 (m, 6H), 7.19 – 7.14 (m, 5H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 7.01 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 198.3, 173.8, 142.5, 137.8, 136.3, 135.8, 131.5, 129.4, 127.9, 127.8, 127.2, 126.1, 62.1, 52.4, 44.3, 26.6. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 381.1461, found 381.1460.



## methyl 3-(4-acetylphenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 43.1 mg (60%) for X = I; 47.5 mg (66%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.63 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.23 (m, 6H), 7.17 – 7.15 (m, 4H), 6.76 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.76 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.52 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  198.2, 173.9, 143.4, 142.4, 135.3, 131.2, 129.3, 127.9, 127.6, 127.2, 62.1, 52.5, 44.5, 26.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for  $C_{24}H_{22}O_3Na^+$  [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 381.1461, found 381.1461.



## methyl 3-(4-benzoylphenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 44.8 mg (53%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.73 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.43 (m, 4H), 7.25 – 7.23 (m, 6H), 7.20 – 7.17 (m, 4H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  196.7, 173.9, 142.7, 142.5, 137.9, 135.5, 132.3, 130.9, 130.0, 129.4, 129.3, 128.3, 127.9, 127.2, 62.1, 52.5, 44.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 443.1618, found 443.1616.



## methyl 3-(2-cyanophenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 41.2 mg (60%) for X = Br; 43.5 mg (64%) for X = Cl. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.38 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 7H), 7.19 – 7.15 (m, 5H), 4.05 (s, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 141.7, 141.6, 132.6, 132.0, 130.7, 129.3, 128.0, 127.3, 127.0, 117.8, 115.0, 62.1, 52.7, 41.9. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 364.1308, found 364.1307.



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#### methyl 3-(3-cyanophenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 39.6 mg (58%) for X = I; 45.8 mg (67%) for X = Br; 37.2 mg (54%) for X = Cl.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.37 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 6H), 7.17 – 7.10 (m, 5H), 6.92 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 3.72 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.7, 142.1, 139.0, 135.6, 134.6, 130.1, 129.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.4, 119.0, 111.4, 62.1, 52.6, 44.1. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 364.1308, found 364.1311.



## methyl 3-(4-cyanophenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 44.4 mg (65%) for X = I; 46.7 mg (68%) for X = Br; 49.2 mg (72%) for X = Cl.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.30 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 7.17 – 7.13 (m, 4H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.8, 143.3, 142.1, 131.7, 131.2, 129.2, 128.0, 127.3, 119.2, 110.1, 62.1, 52.6, 44.6. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 364.1308, found 364.1309.



## methyl 3-(3,5-dimethylphenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 49.7 mg (72%) for X = I.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.25 – 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.18 – 7.15 (m, 4H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 6.22 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.61 (s, 2H), 2.10 (s, 6H).; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 143.0, 137.0, 136.7, 129.5, 128.9, 127.9, 127.7, 126.9, 62.1, 52.2, 44.4, 21.3. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 367.1669, found 367.1670.



## methyl 3-(3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 44.8 mg (50%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.61 (s, 1H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 6H), 7.17 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 7.06 (s, 2H), 3.79 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.5, 141.9, 139.9, 131.4 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 130.5 (q, *J* = 33.0 Hz), 129.2, 128.2, 127.6, 123.4 (q, *J* = 273.7 Hz), 120.4 – 120.3 (m), 62.2, 52.6, 44.2. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 475.1103, found 475.1102.



## methyl 3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 52.4 mg (67%) for X = I.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.18 (m, 13H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 142.8, 141.0, 139.1, 136.5, 131.4, 129.4, 128.8, 127.8, 127.2, 127.0, 126.2, 62.2, 52.4, 44.2. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 415.1669, found 415.1669.



## methyl 3-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 46.2 mg (63%) for X = I.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.70 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.02 (m, 15H), 4.24 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.5, 142.7, 134.0, 133.4, 133.3, 129.2, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 127.3, 126.9, 125.2, 125.0, 124.9, 123.6, 62.0, 52.4, 39.2. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 389.1512, found 389.1512.



## methyl 3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 36.5 mg (50%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.72 – 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 11H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 142.8, 135.0, 133.1, 132.2, 129.9, 129.4, 127.8, 127.5, 127.0, 126.7, 125.6, 125.5, 62.3, 52.4, 44.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 389.1512, found 389.1512.



## methyl 3-cyclohexyl-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 38.3 mg (59%) for X = I; 45.9 mg (71%) for X = Br. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.33 – 7.20 (m, 10H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 2.30 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 2H), 1.53 – 1.49 (m, 3H), 1.22 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 2H), 1.11 – 0.96 (m, 4H), 0.90 – 0.81 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.2, 143.8, 129.1, 127.9, 126.8, 59.9, 52.2, 45.5, 34.8, 34.6, 26.5, 26.4. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 345.1825, found 345.1826.



## tert-butyl 4-(3-methoxy-3-oxo-2,2-diphenylpropyl)piperidine-1-carboxylate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 54.4 mg (64%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.32 – 7.22 (m, 10H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 2.45 (t, *J* = 13.4 Hz, 2H), 2.34 (s, 2H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.26 – 1.04 (m, 5H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.9, 154.9, 143.4, 129.0, 128.0, 127.0, 79.2, 60.0, 52.4, 44.6, 33.4, 33.3, 28.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>33</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 446.2302, found 446.2301.



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## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-yl)propanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 46.5 mg (72%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.77 – 6.74 (m, 10H), 3.77 - 3.73 (m, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.14 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 2.35 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 2H), 1.42 - 1.16 (m, 3H), 1.04 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 174.9, 143.4, 129.0, 128.0, 127.0, 68.1, 59.9, 52.4, 45.1, 34.4, 32.4. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 347.1618, found 347.1618.



## methyl 3-((3r,5r,7r)-adamantan-1-yl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 48.6 mg (65%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.46 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 4H), 7.25 – 7.15 (m, 6H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 2H), 1.75 (s, 3H), 1.56 – 1.53 (m, 3H), 1.47 – 1.44 (m, 3H), 1.23 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.8, 145.5, 129.1, 127.8, 126.5, 56.6, 52.0, 51.9, 42.8, 36.9, 33.8, 28.9. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 397.2138, found 397.2138.



**methyl 2-(2-methoxyphenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate** The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 47.4 mg (68%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.59 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.04 – 6.95 (m, 4H), 6.84 – 6.70 (m, 4H), 4.00 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 3.47 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.5, 157.5, 141.6, 137.9, 131.8, 131.0, 129.9, 129.5, 128.3, 127.7, 127.2, 127.0, 126.0, 120.0, 111.2, 58.5, 55.1, 52.0, 42.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 369.1461, found 369.1462.

## methyl 2,3-diphenyl-2-(o-tolyl)propanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 43.4 mg (66%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.44 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.11 (m, 6H), 7.08 – 7.04 (m, 3H), 6.60 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.63 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 1.73 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.7, 142.3, 141.7, 138.0, 136.8, 132.3, 130.9, 129.2, 128.3, 127.58, 127.56, 127.2, 126.6, 125.6, 60.4, 52.2, 46.0, 21.1. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 353.1512, found 353.1515.



#### methyl 2-(2-fluorophenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 47.4 mg (71%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.52 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 7.11 – 6.94 (m, 5H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 11.6, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.08 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.48 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.5, 161.1 (d, *J* = 247.9 Hz), 141.3, 137.1, 130.9, 130.8, 130.3 (d, *J* = 11.7 Hz), 128.9 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz), 128.8, 128.1, 127.5, 127.4, 126.4, 123.4 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 115.9 (d, *J* = 23.5 Hz), 58.8 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz), 52.5, 42.8. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 357.1261, found 357.1261.



## methyl 2-(2-chlorophenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 47.1 mg (67%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.51 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.12 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (d, *J* = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (d, *J* = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.5, 140.9, 140.6, 136.8, 134.9,

131.2, 131.1, 130.8, 129.4, 128.4, 127.9, 127.6, 127.1, 126.6, 126.1, 61.1, 52.5, 42.6. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for  $C_{22}H_{19}ClO_2Na^+$  [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 373.0966, found 373.0966.



## methyl 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 50.8 mg (73%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.23 – 7.12 (m, 6H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 3.73 – 3.64 (m, 8H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.0, 159.0, 144.4, 142.6, 137.4, 130.9, 129.4, 128.7, 127.7, 127.6, 127.0, 126.4, 121.7, 115.6, 112.3, 62.1, 55.3, 52.3, 44.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 369.1461, found 369.1459.



## methyl 2,3-diphenyl-2-(m-tolyl)propanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 45.8 mg (69%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.21 – 6.99 (m, 12H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.76 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.62 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.2, 142.79, 142.76, 137.5, 137.3, 131.0, 130.0, 129.5, 127.74, 127.70, 127.6, 127.5, 126.8, 126.4, 126.2, 62.1, 52.3, 44.6, 21.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 353.1512, found 353.1512.



#### methyl 2-(3-fluorophenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 44.4 mg (66%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.26 – 7.03 (m, 9H), 6.94 – 6.84 (m, 3H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.77 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.62 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.6, 162.3 (d, *J* = 244.7 Hz), 145.4 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz), 142.4, 137.0, 130.8, 129.1, 129.0 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 128.0, 127.7, 127.3, 126.6, 125.2 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 116.8 (d, *J* = 23.0 Hz), 113.9 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 62.0 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 52.5, 44.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 357.1261, found 357.1261.



## methyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 49.3 mg (70%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.28 – 7.03 (m, 11H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 3.77 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.60 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.6, 144.9, 142.2, 136.9, 133.6, 130.8, 129.7, 129.1, 128.8, 128.1, 127.8, 127.7, 127.3, 127.1, 126.6, 62.0, 52.5, 44.4. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 373.0966, found 373.0966.



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## methyl 2,3-diphenyl-2-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)propanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 54.2 mg (70%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.46 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.19 (m, 8H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.52 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.6, 143.8, 142.2, 136.7, 133.1, 130.8, 129.8 (q, *J* = 32.0 Hz), 128.9, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 127.5, 126.7, 126.6 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz), 124.2 (q, *J* = 273.3 Hz), 123.7 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz), 62.2, 52.6, 44.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 407.1229, found 407.1229.



## methyl 3-(1-methoxy-1-oxo-2,3-diphenylpropan-2-yl)benzoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 50.2 mg (67%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.91 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 7.30 – 7.24 (m, 5H), 7.19 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 2H), 3.81 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, 1H), 3.70 – 3.66 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.8, 167.1, 143.3, 142.3, 137.0, 134.4, 130.8, 130.2, 129.7, 129.1, 128.2, 128.0, 127.73, 127.70, 127.2, 126.5, 62.1, 52.5, 52.2, 44.4. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 397.1410, found 397.1410.



## methyl 2-(3-cyanophenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 45.1 mg (66%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.48 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.19 (m, 8H), 7.16 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 3.99 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.41 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.2, 144.3, 141.8, 136.4, 134.3, 133.5, 130.6, 130.4, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 126.9, 119.0, 111.5, 61.9, 52.7, 44.3. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 364.1308, found 364.1309.



## methyl 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 52.7 mg (76%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.24 – 7.21 (m, 3H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 5H), 7.04 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.72 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.64 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.3, 158.4, 143.1, 137.5, 135.0, 131.0, 130.5, 129.3, 127.7, 127.6, 126.9, 126.4, 113.1, 61.5, 55.3, 52.3, 44.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 369.1461, found 369.1463.



## methyl 2-(4-(methylthio)phenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 50.7 mg (70%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.23 – 7.02 (m, 12H), 6.67 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.68 (s, 5H), 2.45 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 174.0, 142.7, 139.6, 137.2, 137.1, 130.9, 129.8, 129.2, 127.8, 127.6, 127.0, 126.4, 125.6, 61.7, 52.3, 44.4, 15.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SNa<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 385.1233, found 385.1233.

## methyl 2,3-diphenyl-2-(p-tolyl)propanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 47.2 mg (71%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.21 – 7.01 (m, 12H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 3.76 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.62 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.2, 142.9, 139.9, 137.5, 136.6, 131.0, 129.4, 129.1, 128.5, 127.7, 127.5, 126.8, 126.3, 61.8, 52.3, 44.5, 21.1. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 353.1512, found 353.1510.



## methyl 2-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

## The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 48.0 mg (72%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.26 – 7.17 (m, 5H), 7.11 – 7.03 (m, 5H), 6.88 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 3.78 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.59 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.0, 161.7 (d, *J* = 246.3 Hz), 142.8, 138.6 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 137.2, 131.2 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 130.9, 129.0, 128.0, 127.7, 127.2, 126.5, 114.4 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 61.6, 52.4, 44.6. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 357.1261, found 357.1264.



## methyl 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 50.6 mg (72%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.27 – 7.01 (m, 12H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 3.78 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.58 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.7, 142.5, 141.3, 137.0, 132.8, 131.0, 130.9, 129.0, 128.0, 127.7, 127.3, 126.6, 61.7, 52.4, 44.4. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 373.0966, found 373.0963.



## methyl 2-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 55.8 mg (71%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.59 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.48 – 7.18 (m, 12H), 7.12 – 7.02 (m, 3H), 6.70 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 142.7, 141.9, 140.6, 139.6, 137.3, 131.0, 129.8, 129.3, 128.8, 127.8, 127.6, 127.4, 127.1, 127.0, 126.4, 126.3, 61.9, 52.4, 44.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 415.1669, found 415.1668.



**methyl 2-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate** The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 50.0 mg (71%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.47 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.12 – 6.95 (m, 7H), 6.90 – 6.85 (m, 1H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.99 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.48 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.30, 162.0 (d, *J* = 247.8 Hz), 161.0 (d, *J* = 249.1 Hz), 137.06 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 136.75, 130.80, 130.58 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 130.42 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 130.24 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz), 129.14 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz), 127.63, 126.60, 123.59 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 116.00 (d, *J* = 23.3 Hz), 114.86 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 58.18, 52.53, 43.15. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 375.1167, found 375.1168.



## methyl 2,2-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 49.9 mg (66%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.12 – 7.02 (m, 7H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 4H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 6H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.65 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.5, 158.4, 137.6, 135.2, 131.1, 130.4, 127.6, 126.3, 113.1, 60.9, 55.3, 52.3, 44.8. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 399.1567, found 399.1568.



methyl 3-phenyl-2,2-di-p-tolylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 46.9 mg (68%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.10 – 7.01 (m, 11H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.4, 140.0, 137.6, 136.5, 131.0, 129.2, 128.4, 127.5, 126.3, 61.5, 52.3, 44.5, 21.1. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 367.1669, found 367.1667.



## methyl 2,2-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 53.1 mg (75%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.14 – 7.04 (m, 7H), 6.91 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 4H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.8, 161.8 (d, *J* = 246.7 Hz), 138.5 (d, J = 246.7 Hz), 148.5 (d, J = 246.7 H

3.3 Hz), 136.9, 130.9 (d, J = 7.9 Hz), 130.8, 127.8, 126.7, 114.7 (d, J = 21.2 Hz), 61.1, 52.5, 44.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 375.1167, found 375.1166.



#### methyl 2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2,3-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 48.4 mg (66%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.80 – 7.74 (m, 3H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7. 49 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.07 (m, 7H), 7.01 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 3.93 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.74 – 3.70 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.0, 142.6, 140.3, 137.3, 132.9, 132.4, 131.0, 129.5, 128.4, 127.84, 127.80, 127.77, 127.6, 127.5, 127.3, 127.0, 126.5, 126.3, 126.1, 62.2, 52.4, 44.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 389.1512, found 389.1513.



## methyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-methyl-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 39.4 mg (68%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.27 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.20 – 7.15 (m, 4H), 6.91 – 6.89 (m, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.41 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 1.46 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.9, 145.5, 136.9, 134.4, 130.6, 129.7, 128.0, 127.3, 126.80, 126.77, 124.8, 52.4, 51.4, 45.4, 22.1. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 311.0809, found 311.0809.



## methyl 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methyl-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 33.9 mg (59%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.29 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.16 (m, 5H), 6.89 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.38 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 3.15 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 1.46 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.1, 141.8, 137.0, 132.9, 130.6, 128.6, 128.01, 127.95, 126.7, 52.4, 51.0, 45.5, 22.1. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 311.0809, found 311.0809.



**methyl 2-methyl-3-phenyl-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)propanoate** The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 39.3 mg (61%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.58 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 2H), 7.20 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 6.90 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.44 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 1.51 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.8, 147.4, 136.8, 130.6, 129.3 (q, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 128.1, 126.9, 126.8, 125.39 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 124.2 (q, *J* = 272.7 Hz), 52.5, 51.6, 45.4, 22.2. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 345.1073, found 345.1071.



## methyl 2-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-2-methyl-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 47.1 mg (71%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.60 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.19 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 6.95 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.48 (d, J = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.51 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.4, 142.5, 140.7, 139.8, 137.4, 130.6, 128.9, 128.0, 127.4, 127.13, 127.11, 126.8, 126.6, 52.3, 51.2, 45.5, 22.3. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 353.1512, found 353.1511.



## methyl 2,2,3-triphenylbutanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 36.8 mg (56%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.46 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.19 (m, 6H), 7.14 – 7.01 (m, 5H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 4.60 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (s, 3H), 1.22 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.2, 142.1, 141.6, 138.5, 132.2, 130.8, 130.2, 127.9, 127.2, 127.1, 126.9, 126.6, 126.5, 66.4, 52.1, 42.5, 17.4. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 353.1512, found 353.1513.



#### methyl 2-(2-chlorophenyl)-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 28.6 mg (52%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 7.37 (dd, J = 15.3, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.15 (m, 7H), 4.45 (dd, J = 8.7, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 3.36 (dd, J = 13.8, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.02 (dd, J = 13.7, 6.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.3, 138.7, 136.4, 133.8, 129.7, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 128.3, 127.1, 126.4, 52.1, 49.5, 38.9. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 297.0653, found 297.0651



## methyl 2-(2-cyanophenyl)-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 27.0 mg (51%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.60 – 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.26 – 7.13 (m, 5H), 4.39 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.44 (dd, *J* = 13.8, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 7.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.5, 142.2, 137.8, 133.1, 133.1, 129.1, 128.6, 128.1, 127.9, 126.8, 117.6, 113.1, 52.5, 51.2, 39.8. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 288.0995, found 288.0995.



## methyl 2-(3-cyanophenyl)-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 25.1 mg (47%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.58 (s, 1H), 7.56 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.88 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.41 (dd, *J* = 13.8, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 7.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.0, 140.0, 138.0, 132.7, 131.9, 131.3, 129.5, 129.0, 128.6, 126.9, 118.7, 112.9, 53.2, 52.5, 39.8. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 288.0995, found 288.0993.



## **methyl 3-phenyl-2-(4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)propanoate** The general procedure **A** was followed. Yield: 41.1 mg (56%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.75 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.13 (m, 3H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (s, 3H), 3.42 (dd, *J* = 13.8, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.02 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.33 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.7, 141.8, 139.0, 135.3, 129.0, 128.5, 127.5, 126.5, 83.9, 53.9, 52.2, 39.7, 25.0. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>27</sub>BO<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 389.1895, found 389.1897.



## methyl 3-phenyl-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)propanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 33.4 mg (54%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.55 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.09 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 3.43 (dd, J = 13.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.02 (dd, J = 13.8), 8.4

J = 13.7, 7.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.3, 142.6, 138.5, 129.8 (q, J = 32.5 Hz), 129.0, 128.59, 128.55, 126.7, 125.7 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 124.2 (q, J = 273.1 Hz), 53.5, 52.3, 39.8. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 331.0916, found 331.0918.



## methyl 2-(4-cyanophenyl)-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 29.2 mg (55%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.58 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.42 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.02 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 7.7 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.8, 143.7, 138.0, 132.4, 129.0, 128.9, 128.5, 126.8, 118.7, 111.4, 53.6, 52.4, 39.6. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 288.0995, found 288.0995.



## methyl 2-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 35.1 mg (55%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.58 – 7.52 (m, 4H), 7.44 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 7.26 – 7.13 (m, 5H), 3.90 (dd, J = 8.9, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.45 (dd, J = 13.7, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (dd, J = 13.7, 6.6 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.9, 140.7, 140.4, 139.1, 137.8, 129.0, 128.9, 128.49, 128.46, 127.5, 127.4, 127.1, 126.5, 53.4, 52.2, 39.9. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 339.1356, found 339.1355.



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## methyl 2-(perfluorophenyl)-3-phenylpropanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 32.8 mg (50%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.26 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.05 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 4.26 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.61 (dd, *J* = 13.9, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, the signal of the peaks of the carbons on the pentafluoroarene are very low and not interpreted)  $\delta$  170.8, 137.7, 128.73, 128.69, 127.0, 52.9, 42.4, 36.3. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>F<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 353.0571, found 353.0567.



## methyl 2-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)propanoate

The general procedure A was followed. Yield: 38.2 mg (56%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.25 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.17 – 7.07 (m, 5H), 6.96 – 6.90 (m, 4H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.66 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.2, 161.9 (d, *J* = 246.5 Hz), 146.3, 138.8, 136.6, 130.7, , 130.1 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 127.8, 127.6, 126.9, 126.3, 125.3, 114.7 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 59.2, 52.7, 46.2. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>SNa<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 363.0825, found 363.0821.



## methyl 2-methyl-3-phenyl-2-(pyridin-3-yl)propanoate

The general procedure **B** was followed. Yield: 23.0 mg (45%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.56 (s, 1H), 8.51 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.20 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 6.90 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.43 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 1.53 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.6, 148.2, 148.2, 138.7, 136.5, 134.4, 130.6, 128.1, 126.9, 123.2, 52.5, 50.2, 45.4, 21.9. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 278.1151, found 278.1152.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(pyridin-2-yl)propanoate

The general procedure **B** was followed. Yield: 40.5 mg (64%) for X = I; 35.1 mg (55%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.38 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 10H), 7.01 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.4, 158.1, 148.8, 143.0, 135.6, 129.1, 127.8, 126.8, 124.6, 121.3, 60.6, 52.5, 46.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 340.1308, found 340.1308.



## 3-(3-methylpyridin-2-yl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoic acid

The general procedure **B** was followed. Yield: 37.3 mg (56%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.09 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.16 (m, 6H), 7.11 – 7.07 (m, 5H), 4.05 (s, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.1, 155.5, 143.7, 142.4, 140.9, 133.8, 128.4, 128.2, 126.9, 122.5, 62.6, 40.4, 19.2. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 340.1308, found 340.1308.

## methyl 3-(3-fluoropyridin-2-yl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **B** was followed. Yield: 58.1 mg (87%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.27 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.27–7.14 (m, 10H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.04 – 7.00 (m, 1H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.2, 157.9 (d, *J* = 257.1 Hz), 146.7 (d, *J* = 14.1 Hz), 144.4, 143.2, 128.9, 127.7, 126.8, 122.7 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 122.0 (d, *J* = 19.7 Hz), 58.9, 52.3, 38.9 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz). HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>FNO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 358.1214, found 358.1215.



## methyl 3-(3-chloropyridin-2-yl)-2,2-diphenylpropanoate

The general procedure **B** was followed. Yield: 45.5 mg (65%) for X = Br.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.34 (d, *J* = 4.7, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.14 (m, 10H), 7.00 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.3, 155.4, 146.4, 143.6, 136.4, 131.7, 129.0, 127.8, 126.7, 122.3, 58.5, 52.2, 42.9. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClNO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 374.0918, found 374.0918.



## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(5-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)propanoate

The general procedure **B** was followed. Yield: 60.3 mg (78%) for X = Br; 52.5 mg (68%) for X = Cl. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.65 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 10H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (s, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 162.4 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 145.6 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 142.6, 132.7 (q, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 129.0, 127.9, 127.1, 124.4, 124.3 (q, *J* = 33.0 Hz),

123.8 (q, *J* = 273.2 Hz), 60.5, 52.6, 46.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 408.1182, found 408.1182.

## methyl 2,2-diphenyl-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)propanoate

The general procedure **B** was followed. Yield: 43.3 mg (56%) for X = Cl.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.60 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 11H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 4.09 (s, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 159.9, 149.6, 142.4, 137.8 (q, *J* = 33.9 Hz), 129.1, 128.0, 127.1, 122.8 (q, *J* = 274.1 Hz), 120.5 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 116.9 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 60.8, 52.6, 46.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 408.1182, found 408.1182.

## 2.3 Mechanistic studies

## Stern-Volmer fluorescence quenching experiments

Fluorescence spectra were collected on Edinburgh FS5 spectrofluorimeter. Samples for the quenching experiments were prepared in a 4 mL glass cuvette with a septum screw cap. **1a** was irradiated at 465 nm and the emission intensity at 590 nm was observed. In a typical experiment, the emission spectrum of a  $5.0 \times 10^{-5}$  M solution of **1a** in DMSO was collected.

DABCO: A stock solution of DABCO (56.1 mg, 0.5 mmol) in 1 ml of DMSO was prepared. Then, different amounts of this stock solution were added to a solution of the photocatalyst **1a.** in DMSO (5.0 x  $10^{-5}$  M). As shown, a significant decrease of [Ir(ppy)<sub>2</sub>(dtbbpy)]PF<sub>6</sub> (**1a**) luminescence was observed, suggesting that the mechanism might operate via a canonical photo-redox cycle consisting of a reductive quenching with DABCO.



Figure S1. Stern-Volmer quenching by DABCO.



Figure S2. Stern-Volmer quenching by HCOOK.



Figure S3. Stern-Volmer quenching by iodobenzene.



Figure S4. Stern-Volmer quenching by 1,1-diphenylethylene.

## Control experiment without using aryl halide:



The oven-dried Schlenk tube (38 mL) containing a stirring bar was charged with 1,1 diphenylethylene (36  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol), [Ir(ppy)<sub>2</sub>(dtbbpy)]PF<sub>6</sub> (3.6 mg, 0.004 mmol, 2 mmol%), DABCO (11.2 mg, 0.1 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (69.1 mg, 0.5 mmol), HCOOK (33.6 g, 0.4 mmol), and anhydrous DMSO (2 mL) (Note that ahydrous condition is important in order to avoid the alkene reduction reactions with water). N<sub>2</sub> gas in a balloon was bubbled into the mixture under stirring for 30 seconds through a needle and the tube was then evacuated and back-filled with CO<sub>2</sub> for 3 times. The mixture was placed under a

30 W blue LED ( $\lambda$ max=465 nm, 3 cm-4.5 cm away from the LEDs, with cooling fan to keep the reaction temperature at 25~30 °C) light source and stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h. Upon completion of the reaction, the reaction was quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O, then extracted 3 times with EtOAc. The combined aqueous layers were acidized by 1N HCl, then extracted 5 times with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude residue was dissolved in 10 mL acetone, and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (5 equiv) and CH<sub>3</sub>I (10 equiv) were added. The mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 2 h and then cooled to room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtered through a short pad of Celite. The sealed tube and Celite pad were washed with an additional 25 mL of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified by preparative thin layer chromatography to give the product **83** in10% yield (6.0 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.57 – 6.76 (m, 10H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 3.43 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.5, 171.2, 142.5, 128.7, 128.1, 127.2, 57.7, 52.7, 51.8, 43.8. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 321.1097, found 321.1097.

## Control experiment without using aryl halide in the presence of water:



The oven-dried Schlenk tube (38 mL) containing a stirring bar was charged with 1,1 diphenylethylene (36 µL, 0.2 mmol), [Ir(ppy)<sub>2</sub>(dtbbpy)]PF<sub>6</sub> (1.8 mg, 0.002 mmol, 1 mmol%), DABCO (11.2 mg, 0.1 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (69.1 mg, 0.5 mmol), HCOOK (33.6 g, 0.4 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (36 µL, 2 mmol) and anhydrous DMSO (2 mL) (Note that ahydrous condition is important in order to avoid the alkene reduction reactions with water). N<sub>2</sub> gas in a balloon was bubbled into the mixture under stirring for 30 seconds through a needle and the tube was then evacuated and back-filled with CO<sub>2</sub> for 3 times. The mixture was placed under a 30 W blue LED (\lambda max=465 nm, 3 cm-4.5 cm away from the LEDs, with cooling fan to keep the reaction temperature at 25~30 °C) light source and stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h. Upon completion of the reaction, all the solvent were removed under reduced pressure at high temperature. The crude residue was dissolved in 10 mL acetone, and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (5 equiv) and CH<sub>3</sub>I (10 equiv) were added. The mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 2 h and then cooled to room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtered through a short pad of Celite. The sealed tube and Celite pad were washed with an additional 25 mL of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified by preparative thin layer chromatography to the product 84 in 24% yield (11.3 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.35 – 6.95 (m, 10H), 4.49 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (s, 3H), 2.99 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 172.4, 143.6, 128.7, 127.8, 126.7, 51.8, 47.1, 40.7. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 263.1043, found 263.1043.

## **Reaction with radical clock:**

4-(2-(1-phenylvinyl)cyclopropyl)-1,1'-biphenyl was synthesized following the literature procedures.<sup>S1</sup>



The general procedure A was followed. Yield 85: 42.6 mg (49%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.75 – 7.36 (m, 9H), 7.36 – 7.09 (m, 10H), 5.96 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.17 – 3.09 (m, 1H), 2.88 – 2.80 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.0, 140.8, 140.5, 139.9, 139.5, 137.7, 128.9, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 128.3, 127.5, 127.4, 127.2, 127.1, 127.0, 126.5, 126.0, 52.3, 51.4, 36.0, 33.2. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 455.1982, found 455.1981.

## **Isotope-labelling study:**



The oven-dried Schlenk tube (38 mL) containing a stirring bar was charged with 1,1 diphenylethylene (36  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol), iodobenzene (45  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), [Ir(ppy)<sub>2</sub>(dtbbpy)]PF<sub>6</sub> (3.6 mg, 0.004 mmol, 2 mmol%), DABCO (11.2 mg, 0.1 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (69.1 mg, 0.5 mmol), HCOOK (33.6 g, 0.4 mmol) D<sub>2</sub>O (72 $\mu$ L, 4 mmol) and anhydrous DMSO (2 mL) (Note that ahydrous condition is important in order to avoid the alkene reduction reactions with water). N<sub>2</sub> gas in a balloon was bubbled into the mixture under stirring for 30 seconds through a needle and the tube was then evacuated and back-filled with N<sub>2</sub> for 3 times. The mixture was placed under a 30 W blue LED ( $\lambda$ max=465 nm, 3 cm-4.5 cm away from the LEDs, with cooling fan to keep the reaction temperature at 25~30 °C) light source and stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h. Upon completion of the reaction, the reaction was quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O, then extracted 3 times with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by prepared TLC to give the product **86** in 82% yield (42.3 mg).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.35 – 7.13 (m, 13H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.41 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  144.5, 140.4, 129.2, 128.5, 128.2, 128.2, 126.3, 126.0, 53.2, 42.1. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>D Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 282.1363, found 282.1368.

#### Investigation of using aldehyde as the electrophile:



The oven-dried Schlenk tube (38 mL) containing a stirring bar was charged with 1,1 diphenylethylene (36  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol), iodobenzene (45  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol), [Ir(ppy)<sub>2</sub>(dtbbpy)]PF<sub>6</sub> (3.6 mg, 0.004 mmol, 2 mmol%), DABCO (11.2 mg, 0.1 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (69.1 mg, 0.5 mmol), HCOOK (33.6 g,

0.4 mmol), 4-Fluorobenzaldehyde (172  $\mu$ L, 1.6 mmol) and anhydrous DMSO (2 mL) (Note that ahydrous condition is important in order to avoid the alkene reduction reactions with water). N<sub>2</sub> gas in a balloon was bubbled into the mixture under stirring for 30 seconds through a needle and the tube was then evacuated and back-filled with N<sub>2</sub> for 3 times. The mixture was placed under a 30 W blue LED ( $\lambda$ max=465 nm, 3 cm-4.5 cm away from the LEDs, with cooling fan to keep the reaction temperature at 25~30 °C) light source and stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h. Upon completion of the reaction, the reaction was quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O, then extracted 3 times with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by prepared TLC to give the product **87** in 73% yield (55.8 mg).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.37 – 7.21 (m, 8H), 7.21 – 7.09 (m, 3H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.74 – 6.71 (m, 2H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 5.63 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (d, *J* = 13.5 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  162.4 (d, *J* = 246.4 Hz), 143.8, 141.9, 137.6, 136.3 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 131.1, 131.0, 130.6 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 130.3, 127.7, 127.5, 127.1, 126.5, 126.2, 114.2 (d, *J* = 21.1 Hz), 76.2, 58.7, 44.3. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>23</sub>FO Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 405.1625, found 405.1625.

## Reaction with <sup>13</sup>C labled CO<sub>2</sub>:



The general procedure A was followed for this reaction to give  $1^{-13}$ C.

**1-**<sup>13</sup>C

#### methyl 2,2,3-triphenylpropanoate

Yield: 50.8 mg (80%), 74% <sup>13</sup>C (calculated from GC-MS)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.29 – 7.12 (m, 10H), 7.11 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.73 – 3.69 (m, 2H), 3.69 – 3.66 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.1, 142.9, 137.4, 131.0, 129.4, 129.4, 127.8, 127.6, 12.0, 126.4, 62.2, 62.1 (d, *J* = 56.9 Hz), 52.3, 44.5. HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C<sub>21</sub><sup>13</sup>CH<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> [M+Na<sup>+</sup>] 340.1389, found 340.1389.



1-K was prepared by treating 1-H (120.9 mg, 0.4 mmol) with KOH (22.4 mg, 0.4 mmol) and stirred for 5 min at 0 °C. EtOH and H<sub>2</sub>O were then removed under high vacuum to afford 1-K as white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.17 – 6.86 (m, 13H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.58 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  179.7, 145.8, 139.6, 131.0, 129.6, 127.5, 127.4, 126.0, 125.8, 64.5, 45.2.

Stability of potassium salt of product in presence of N2 or CO2:



The oven-dried Schlenk tube (38 mL) containing a stirring bar was charged with **1-K** (34.0 mg, 0.10 mmol),  $[Ir(ppy)_2(dtbbpy)]PF_6$  (1.8 mg, 0.002 mmol, 2 mol%), DABCO (6.1 mg, 0.05 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (34.5 mg, 0.25 mmol), HCOOK (16.8 mg, 0.2 mmol) and anhydrous DMSO (1 mL). N<sub>2</sub> gas in a balloon was bubbled into the mixture under stirring for 30 seconds through a needle and the tube was then evacuated and back-filled with CO<sub>2</sub> or N<sub>2</sub> for 3 times. The mixture was placed under a 30 W blue LED ( $\lambda$ max=465 nm, 3 cm away, with cooling fan to keep the reaction temperature at 25~30 °C) light source and stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h. Upon completion of the reaction, all the solvent were removed under reduced pressure at high temperature. The crude residue was dissolved in 10 mL acetone, and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (5 equiv) and CH<sub>3</sub>I (10 equiv) were added. The mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 2 h and then cooled to room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtered through a short pad of Celite. The sealed tube and Celite pad were washed with an additional 25 mL of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo, and rcude <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was taken using CH<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>2</sub> as internal standard, which indicated formation of 87% of **1**.

## 2.4 Gram-scale experiment

The oven-dried Schlenk tube (250 mL) containing a stirring bar was charged with 1,1 diphenylethylene (0.9 g, 5 mmol), iodobenzene (1.11 ml, 10 mmol),  $[Ir(ppy)_2(dtbbpy)]PF_6$  (91.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 2 mmol%), DABCO (280.4 mg, 2.5 mmol, 50 mol%), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.73 g, 12.5 mmol), HCOOK (0.84 g, 10 mmol) and anhydrous DMSO (50 mL). N<sub>2</sub> gas in a balloon was bubbled into the mixture under stirring for 10 min through a needle and the tube was then evacuated and back-filled with CO<sub>2</sub> for 3 times. The mixture was placed under a 30 W blue LED ( $\lambda$ max=465 nm, 7.5 cm away from the LEDs, with cooling fan to keep the reaction temperature at 25~30 °C) light source and stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h. Upon completion of the reaction, all the solvent were removed under reduced pressure at high temperature. The crude residue was dissolved in 50 mL acetone, and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (3.46 g, 25 mmol) and CH<sub>3</sub>I (3 mL, 50 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 2 h and then cooled to room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (25 mL) and filtered through a short pad of Celite. The sealed tube and Celite pad were washed with an additional

125 mL of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo, and crude <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was taken using  $CH_2Br_2$  as internal standard. The resulting residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography or preparative thin layer chromatography using petroleum ether/EtOAc (100:1) as the eluent to give **1** in 69% yield (1.09 g).

## 3. X-Ray Crystallographic Spectrum of 78



The CCDC number of this compound is 1942129

Table S3.	Crystal	data	and	structure	refinemen	it for	78
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Empirical formula	C21 H19 N O2
Formula weight	317.37
Temperature	108(3) K
Wavelength	1.34050 Å
Crystal system	Orthorhombic
Space group	Pbca
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 16.6583(2) \text{ Å}$ $\alpha = 90$
	$b = 9.92980(10) \text{ Å} \qquad \beta = 90$
	$c = 19.3483(2) \text{ Å}$ $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$
Volume	3200.47(6) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z	8
Density (calculated)	1.317 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Absorption coefficient	0.430 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	1344
Crystal size	0.1 x 0.1 x 0.1 mm <sup>3</sup>
Theta range for data collection	4.60 to 60.41°.
Index ranges	-20<=h<=21, -12<=k<=9, -25<=l<=2
Reflections collected	13499
Independent reflections	3565 [R(int) = 0.0163]
Completeness to theta = $60.41^{\circ}$	97.6 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	1 and 0.90836
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	3565 / 1 / 222
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.038
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0355, wR2 = 0.0877
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R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0375, wR2 = 0.0891
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.326 and -0.177 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>

O(1)-C(2)	1.3073(12)
O(1)-H(1)	0.960(16)
C(2)-O(3)	1.2147(13)
C(2)-C(4)	1.5580(13)
C(4)-C(19)	1.5350(13)
C(4)-C(13)	1.5418(13)
C(4)-C(5)	1.5627(13)
C(5)-C(11)	1.5091(14)
C(5)-H(5A)	0.9700
C(5)-H(5B)	0.9700
N(6)-C(11)	1.3406(13)
N(6)-C(7)	1.3422(14)
C(7)-C(8)	1.3740(16)
C(7)-H(7)	0.9300
C(8)-C(9)	1.3832(16)
C(8)-H(8)	0.9300
C(9)-C(10)	1.3897(15)
C(9)-H(9)	0.9300
C(10)-C(11)	1.3999(14)
C(10)-C(12)	1.5009(14)
C(12)-H(12A)	0.9600
C(12)-H(12B)	0.9600
C(12)-H(12C)	0.9600
C(13)-C(18)	1.3879(14)
C(13)-C(14)	1.3983(14)
C(14)-C(15)	1.3856(15)
C(14)-H(14)	0.9300
C(15)-C(16)	1.3869(17)
C(15)-H(15)	0.9300
C(16)-C(17)	1.3804(16)
C(16)-H(16)	0.9300

## Table S4. Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for 78.

C(17)-C(18)	1.3951(15)
C(17)-H(17)	0.9300
C(18)-H(18)	0.9300
C(19)-C(24)	1.3960(14)
C(19)-C(20)	1.3989(14)
C(20)-C(21)	1.3870(14)
C(20)-H(20)	0.9300
C(21)-C(22)	1.3894(15)
C(21)-H(21)	0.9300
C(22)-C(23)	1.3888(15)
C(22)-H(22)	0.9300
C(23)-C(24)	1.3907(14)
C(23)-H(23)	0.9300
C(24)-H(24)	0.9300
C(2)-O(1)-H(1)	111.8(14)
O(3)-C(2)-O(1)	121.59(9)
O(3)-C(2)-C(4)	121.13(9)
O(1)-C(2)-C(4)	117.20(8)
C(19)-C(4)-C(13)	110.87(8)
C(19)-C(4)-C(2)	106.93(8)
C(13)-C(4)-C(2)	107.80(8)
C(19)-C(4)-C(5)	112.45(8)
C(13)-C(4)-C(5)	106.30(8)
C(2)-C(4)-C(5)	112.44(8)
C(11)-C(5)-C(4)	119.70(8)
C(11)-C(5)-H(5A)	107.4
C(4)-C(5)-H(5A)	107.4
C(11)-C(5)-H(5B)	107.4
C(4)-C(5)-H(5B)	107.4
H(5A)-C(5)-H(5B)	106.9
C(11)-N(6)-C(7)	120.70(9)
N(6)-C(7)-C(8)	121.38(10)
N(6)-C(7)-H(7)	119.3
C(8)-C(7)-H(7)	119.3
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	118.51(10)
C(7)-C(8)-H(8)	120.7
C(9)-C(8)-H(8)	120.7

C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	120.85(10)
C(8)-C(9)-H(9)	119.6
C(10)-C(9)-H(9)	119.6
C(9)-C(10)-C(11)	117.32(9)
C(9)-C(10)-C(12)	120.83(9)
C(11)-C(10)-C(12)	121.83(9)
N(6)-C(11)-C(10)	121.22(9)
N(6)-C(11)-C(5)	117.45(9)
C(10)-C(11)-C(5)	121.30(9)
C(10)-C(12)-H(12A)	109.5
C(10)-C(12)-H(12B)	109.5
H(12A)-C(12)-H(12B)	109.5
C(10)-C(12)-H(12C)	109.5
H(12A)-C(12)-H(12C)	109.5
H(12B)-C(12)-H(12C)	109.5
C(18)-C(13)-C(14)	118.02(9)
C(18)-C(13)-C(4)	122.54(9)
C(14)-C(13)-C(4)	119.43(9)
C(15)-C(14)-C(13)	120.95(10)
C(15)-C(14)-H(14)	119.5
C(13)-C(14)-H(14)	119.5
C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	120.37(10)
C(14)-C(15)-H(15)	119.8
C(16)-C(15)-H(15)	119.8
C(17)-C(16)-C(15)	119.37(10)
C(17)-C(16)-H(16)	120.3
C(15)-C(16)-H(16)	120.3
C(16)-C(17)-C(18)	120.24(10)
C(16)-C(17)-H(17)	119.9
C(18)-C(17)-H(17)	119.9
C(13)-C(18)-C(17)	121.04(10)
C(13)-C(18)-H(18)	119.5
C(17)-C(18)-H(18)	119.5
C(24)-C(19)-C(20)	118.01(9)
C(24)-C(19)-C(4)	121.86(9)
C(20)-C(19)-C(4)	120.05(9)
C(21)-C(20)-C(19)	121.14(9)
C(21)-C(20)-H(20)	119.4

C(19)-C(20)-H(20)	119.4
C(20)-C(21)-C(22)	120.18(9)
C(20)-C(21)-H(21)	119.9
C(22)-C(21)-H(21)	119.9
C(23)-C(22)-C(21)	119.44(9)
C(23)-C(22)-H(22)	120.3
C(21)-C(22)-H(22)	120.3
C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	120.24(9)
C(22)-C(23)-H(23)	119.9
C(24)-C(23)-H(23)	119.9
C(23)-C(24)-C(19)	120.99(9)
C(23)-C(24)-H(24)	119.5
C(19)-C(24)-H(24)	119.5

## 4. NMR Spectra of Compounds









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**24** 7,465 7,445 7,445 7,445 7,445 7,445 7,445 7,445 7,445 7,445 7,445 7,445 7,721 7,721 7,721 7,721 7,729 7,719 7,7









7,801 7,782 7,782 7,782 7,782 7,782 7,782 7,784 7,746 7,746 7,746 7,446 7,746 7,446 7,746 7,446 7,714 7,7126 7,714 7,7116





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 $\langle 7,7,62 \rangle$   $\langle 7,7,23 \rangle$   $\langle 7,7,23 \rangle$   $\langle 7,247 \rangle$   $\langle 7,247 \rangle$   $\langle 7,227 \rangle$   $\langle 7,227 \rangle$   $\langle 7,227 \rangle$   $\langle 7,227 \rangle$   $\langle 7,217 \rangle$ 





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