

Silver (I) Catalyzed Novel Cascade Cyclization Reactions: Incorporation of Allenes into the Isochromenes

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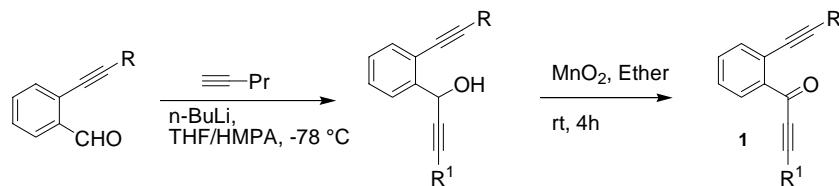
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Preparation of starting materials (**1a-e**).

The preparation of **1a** is representative. *n*BuLi (1.7 mL, 1.56M in hexanes, 2.669 mmol) was added drop wise to a solution of 1-pentyne (0.26 mL, 2.669 mmol) in THF (15 mL) at -78 °C. The resulting solution was stirred for 10 min at -78 °C and then a solution of *ortho*-alkynylaldehyde (0.5 g, 2.427 mmol) in THF (5 mL) was added. The resulting mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 12 h. Aqueous NH₄Cl was added, the organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O. The combined organic layers were dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was used directly for further reaction.

MnO₂ (400 mol%) was added in portions to a solution of above alcohol (approx. 5 mmol) in Et₂O (20 mL). The resulting suspension was stirred at room temperature for 4h, filtered through celite, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by column chromatography to yield the corresponding alkynes **1a** (95%). This procedure was used for the preparation of all substrates **1b-e** by using appropriate *ortho*-alkynylaldehydes and terminal alkynes.



(1a). Yield = 95%; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.63-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.50 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 3H), 2.40 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.62 (sextet, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.01 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 177.5, 138.3, 134.1, 132.1, 131.8, 131.6, 128.5, 128.2, 127.7, 123.2, 122.8, 96.8, 95.0, 88.3, 80.8, 21.4, 21.3, 13.7; HRMS calcd for C₂₀H₁₆O (M⁺) 272.1201, found 295.1203 (M+Na).

(1b). Yield = 92%; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.09 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.38 (dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.62 (sextet, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.01 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 177.5, 138.7, 138.1, 134.0, 132.1, 131.7, 131.6, 128.9, 127.5, 122.9, 120.1,

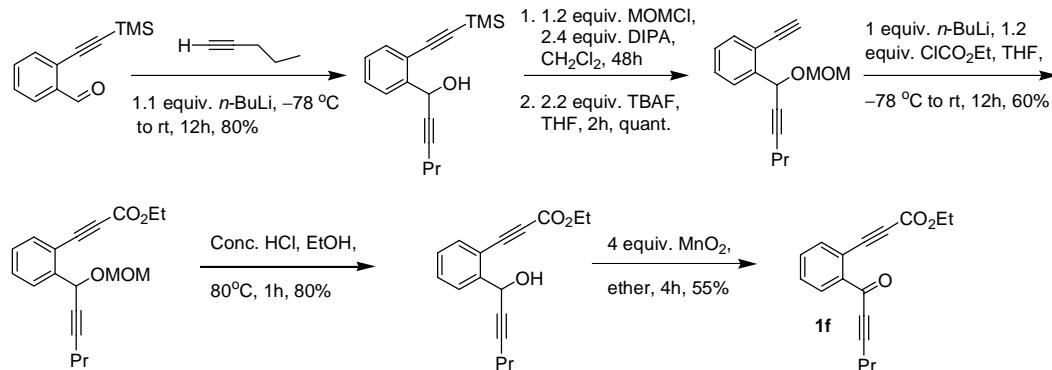
96.7, 95.4, 87.7, 80.9, 21.6, 21.3, 21.3, 13.6; HRMS calcd for C₂₁H₁₈O (M⁺) 286.1358, found 309.1250 (M+Na).

(1c). Yield = 94%; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.15 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.64 (sextet, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.03 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 177.2, 138.3, 134.3, 132.3, 131.9, 130.2, 128.3, 127.0, 125.2, 125.0, 122.5, 121.9, 96.9, 93.1, 90.6, 80.6, 21.4, 21.3, 13.6; HRMS calcd for C₂₁H₁₅F₃O (M⁺) 340.1075, found 363.0967 (M+Na).

(1d).¹ Yield = 94%; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.96 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 2.39-2.33 (2q, J = 7.0 Hz, 4H), 1.63-1.54 (2 sextet, J = 7.0 Hz, 4H), 0.99 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.97 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 177.7, 138.3, 134.4, 131.9, 131.4, 126.9, 123.5, 96.6, 96.3, 80.8, 79.3, 22.1, 21.9, 21.4, 21.3, 13.6; HRMS calcd for C₁₇H₁₈O (M⁺) 238.1358, found 261.1250 (M+Na).

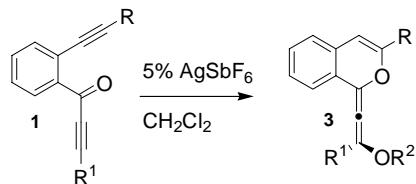
(1e).² Yield = 93%, ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.19 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.62-7.26 (m, 12H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 177.3, 138.2, 134.2, 132.9, 132.4, 131.8, 131.4, 130.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 127.9, 123.0, 122.9, 120.0, 95.4, 93.3, 88.0; HRMS calcd for C₂₃H₁₄O (M⁺) 306.1045, found 329.0937 (M+Na).

Preparation of Substrate **1f**.



(1f). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 8.12 (m, 1H), 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.49 (m, 2H), 4.27 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.70-1.61 (m, 2H), 1.33 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 1.03 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 176.3, 153.8, 139.2, 135.5, 132.3, 131.7, 129.9, 119.2, 98.0, 85.2, 84.2, 80.3, 62.1, 21.3, 14.1, 13.6; HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_3$ (M^+) 268.1099, found 291.0992 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$).

General Procedure for Ag(I) catalyzed cyclization.



The preparation of **3a** is representative. **1a** (0.050 g, 0.1838 mmol), MeOH (0.012 g, 0.3676 mmol), AgSbF_6 (5 mol%), and CH_2Cl_2 (2 mL) were stirred at 35 °C in a screw capped vial for 16 h. Water (10 mL) was added and the resulting reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The extracts were concentrated to give a thick residue. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography with use of silica gel as a solid phase and 9:1 hexane-ethyl acetate as an eluent to afford pure **3a** (0.053 g, 95%).

(3a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 8.16 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.20 (m, 5H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 2.45 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.53 (sextet, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 0.76 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 200.0 (=C=), 155.8, 138.3, 138.0, 133.4, 131.8, 129.7, 128.5, 128.2, 127.0, 124.8, 124.7, 123.9, 121.9, 105.0, 55.5, 36.4, 24.5, 14.1; HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2$ (M^+) 304.1463, found 327.1356 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$).

(3b). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 8.31 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.32 (m, 5H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 4.20 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.98-1.91 (m, 2H), 1.69-1.59 (m, 4H), 1.06 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 200.1 (=C=), 155.3, 138.1, 133.3, 131.8, 129.6, 128.5, 127.9, 126.9, 124.8,

124.5, 123.9, 122.0, 105.8, 67.9, 36.4, 31.4, 24.5, 19.5, 14.1, 13.9; HRMS calcd for C₂₄H₂₆O₂ (M⁺) 346.1933, found 369.1825 (M+Na).

(3c). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.44-7.19 (m, 6H), 5.76 (dddd, *J* = 17.0, 13.4, 10.2, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.99-4.88 (m, 2H), 4.08 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (t, *J* = 7.56 Hz, 2H), 2.09 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.90-1.83 (m, 2H), 1.64-1.47 (m, 4H), 0.75 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 200.1 (=C=), 155.2, 138.4, 138.3, 138.0, 133.3, 131.8, 129.6, 128.5, 127.9, 126.9, 124.8, 124.6, 123.9, 122.0, 114.7, 105.8, 67.9, 36.4, 33.5, 28.7, 25.5, 24.5, 14.1; HRMS calcd for C₂₆H₂₈O₂ (M⁺) 372.2089, found 395.1982 (M+Na).

(3d). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.23 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.23 (m, 10 H), 6.92 (s, 1H), 5.10 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 2H), 2.53 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.65-1.55 (sextet, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 0.81 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 199.9 (=C=), 153.8, 138.2, 137.7, 133.4, 131.9, 131.7, 129.6, 128.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 127.0, 124.8, 123.9, 122.0, 106.9, 87.6, 83.6, 56.9, 36.2, 24.4, 14.1; HRMS calcd for C₂₉H₂₄O₂ (M⁺) 404.1776, found 427.1669 (M+Na).

(3e). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.20 (m, 5H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 4.73 (hept, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.52 (sextet, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.40 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 6H), 0.77 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 200.2 (=C=), 154.0, 138.4, 138.0, 133.4, 132.0, 129.7, 128.5, 128.2, 127.9, 126.9, 124.8, 124.7, 124.5, 122.3, 107.4, 70.3, 36.4, 24.6, 22.1, 14.0; HRMS calcd for C₂₃H₂₄O₂ (M⁺) 332.1776, found 355.1669 (M+Na).

(3g). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.38 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.33 (m, 10 H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 5.32 (s, 2H), 2.56 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.67 (m, 2H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 200.0 (=C=), 154.8, 138.3, 137.9, 136.7, 133.4, 131.9, 129.7, 128.5, 127.9, 127.3, 127.0, 124.9, 124.8, 124.0, 122.2, 106.5, 70.2, 36.3, 24.4, 14.0; HRMS calcd for C₂₇H₂₄O₂ (M⁺) 380.1776, found 403.1669 (M+Na).

(3h). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.46-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 4.04 (s, 3H), 2.57 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H),

1.66 (sextet, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 0.89 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 199.7 (=C=), 155.7, 144.3, 137.8, 135.9, 131.8, 129.8, 129.3, 128.5, 126.9, 124.9, 124.6, 123.8, 121.9, 105.1, 55.5, 36.4, 24.5, 21.8, 14.2; HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2$ (M^+) 318.1620, found 341.1512 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$).

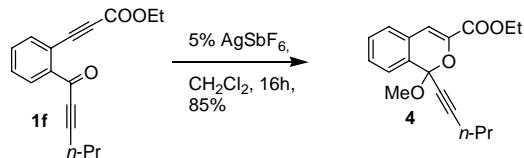
(3i). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 8.32 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 (m, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.46-7.32 (m, 3H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 4.86 (hept, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.58 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.66 (sextet, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 1.52 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 6H), 0.90 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 199.8 (=C=), 153.9, 144.3, 137.8, 136.0, 132.0, 129.9, 129.4, 129.2, 128.8, 128.1, 126.8, 124.9, 124.7, 124.4, 122.3, 107.4, 70.3, 36.3, 24.6, 22.1, 21.9, 21.8, 14.1; HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_2$ (M^+) 346.1933, found 369.1825 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$).

(3j). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 8.18 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.34-7.23 (m, 3H); 6.64 (s, 1H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 2.43 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 1.53 (sextet, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 0.77 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 198.9 (=C=), 156.2, 140.9, 138.6, 134.3, 129.9, 127.3, 125.7, 125.7, 125.6, 124.9, 124.6, 123.9, 122.2, 105.1, 55.6, 36.4, 24.6, 14.1; HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}_3\text{O}_2$ (M^+) 372.1337, found 395.1229 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$).

(3k). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 8.21 (dd, $J = 8.3, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.32-7.23 (m, 3H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 4.74 (hept, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.43 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.51 (sextet, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.40 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 6H), 0.77 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 199.0 (=C=), 154.4, 141.0, 138.6, 134.6, 134.3, 131.8, 129.9, 127.2, 126.9, 125.7, 125.6, 124.7, 124.5, 122.2, 107.3, 70.3, 36.4, 24.7, 22.1, 14.1; HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{O}_2$ (M^+) 372.1337, found 395.1229 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$).

(3l). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 8.14 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.31 (m, 3H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 2.75 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.51 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 1.76-1.59 (m, 4H), 0.95 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 210.2 (=C=), 155.5, 135.9, 131.3, 130.5, 127.1, 124.7, 123.9, 123.8, 122.1, 104.9, 55.5, 48.2, 36.1, 24.9, 17.3, 14.2, 13.9; HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2$ (M^+) 270.1620, found 293.1512 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$).

(3m). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 8.38 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.18 (m, 10H), 6.89 (s, 1H), 4.1 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 199.5 (=C=), 155.9, 140.7, 138.5, 138.4, 132.8, 131.9, 129.5, 129.3, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.0, 127.3, 125.5, 125.2, 124.5, 122.1, 105.5, 55.6; HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2$ (M^+) 338.1307, found 361.1199 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$).



(4). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.52-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 4.21 (m, 2H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 2.24 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2H), 1.57-1.51 (m, 2H), 1.30 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 3H), 0.96 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 165.4 (C=O/O-C-O), 162.9 (C=O/O-C-O), 141.9, 132.8, 131.7, 130.2, 122.7, 121.0, 106.6, 90.0, 88.4, 74.2, 59.7, 53.1, 21.6, 20.8, 14.5, 13.6; HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4$ (M^+) 300.1362, found 323.1361 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$).

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