# Regioselective Iridium-catalyzed Asymmetric Monohydrogenation of 1,4-Dienes 

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## General methods

All reactions were conducted under nitrogen atmosphere using magnetic stirring. $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ was freshly distilled using $\mathrm{CaH}_{2}$ under nitrogen atmosphere. THF was freshly distilled using sodium-benzophenone under nitrogen.
All reagents were used as supplied commercially without further purification. Chromatographic separations were performed on Kiesel gel 60 H silica gel (particle size: $0.063-0.100 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) or Brockmann I, activated, basic $\mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ (particle size: $\sim 150$ mesh). Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on aluminum plates coated with Kieselgel $60(0.20 \mathrm{~mm}$, UV254) and visualized under ultraviolet light ( $v=254$ nm ), or by staining with ethanolic phosphomolybdic acid and heating.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker 400 MHz or 500 MHz at $400 / 500 \mathrm{MHz}$ in $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ and referenced internally to the residual $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ peak ( 7.26 ppm ). ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra were recorded at $100 / 125 \mathrm{MHz}$ in $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ and referenced to the central peak of $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ( 77.0 ppm ). Chemical shifts are reported in ppm ( $\delta$ scale).
Enantiomeric excesses were determined either using chiral HPLC with a diode array detector at 220 nm and 254 nm or using a chiral GC with an MS detector. (Refer to the individual compounds for specific chromatographic details.) Racemic compounds were used for comparison.
HRMS data were obtained using a Bruker MicroTof ESI direct inlet probe and methane as reagent gas.
Optical rotations were recorded on an Autopol IV polarimeter from Rudolp Research Analytical, equipped with a sodium lamp ( 589 nm ) and a 10 mm cell.
IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Spectrum One spectrometer using samples that were prepared in $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$.

## General procedure for substrate synthesis

## 1. Synthesis of protected alkyl phenol

These compounds have been previously reported.


To a round-bottomed flask 5.17 g ( 1 equiv., $5 \mathrm{~mL}, 47.8 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) of phenol and $1.2 \mathrm{~g}(0.1$ equiv., 4.78 mmol ) PPTS (pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate) was added, and purged with $\mathrm{N}_{2}$ three times. Then 100 mL of dry DCM was added and stirred at room temperature. Ethyl vinyl ether, 7 mL ( 1.53 equiv., 73.1 mmol ) was added dropwise to the solution and continued stirring for 2.5 hours. The solution was diluted with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ and washed with brine. The water-layer was extracted with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ three times. The combined organic layers was washed with NaOH solution (1M) and dried over $\mathrm{MgSO}_{4}$. After concentration under vacuum, the residue was purified by distillation. (4 mmbar, $119{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ).


## 1-(1-ethoxyethoxy)-3-methylbenzene

Colourless oil. Yield $=65 \%$.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 7.19-7.13$ (m, 1H), $6.84-$ $6.78(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 5.37(\mathrm{q}, J=5.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.86-3.75(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $3.59-3.47(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.33(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.50(\mathrm{~d}, J=5.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.21(\mathrm{t}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 156.9,139.4,129.1,122.5,118.0,114.0,99.4,61.3$, 21.4, 20.3, 15.1.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2978,2931,1602,1585,1489,1444,1381,1256,1158,1119$, 954, 860, 779 .
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{NaO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 203.1043; found, 203.1034.

## 2. Synthesis of tert-butyl dimethylsilane



Aromatic phenol (1 equiv.) and imidazole (1.5 equiv.) were dissolved in dry DMF (4 $\mathrm{mL} / 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ). To this mixture, TBDMSCl ( 1.3 equiv.) was added dropwise over 10 minutes. The mixture was stirred at room temperature, under nitrogen, overnight. The reaction was quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ and the product was extracted 3 times with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The combined organic layers was washed with water
and brine solution, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under vacuo. Flash chromatography on silica gel with $100 \%$ pentane as eluent yielded the desired product as colorless oil.

tert-Butyl (3-butylphenoxy) dimethylsilane
Colourless oil. Yield $=96 \% \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.42$, in pentane.
1H NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl} 3$ ): 7.13 (t, $J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 6.83 $-6.76(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.67(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.57(\mathrm{t}, J=7.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.68-1.51(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, 1.36 (h, $J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.01(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.21(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 155.6, 144.5, 129.0, 121.5, 120.2, 117.2, 35.6, 33.6, 25.7, 22.3, 18.2, 14.0, -4.4.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}-1$ ): $v=2930,1603,1484,1276,1157,1003,972,838,780,694$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 287.1802; found, 287.1785 .

TBDMS ${ }^{-}{ }^{\text {O-Pent }}$ tert-Butyldimethyl (3-pentylphenoxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=70 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.44$, in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 7.16-7.12 (m, 1H), $6.80-$ $6.78(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.69-6.65(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.50-2.54(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.64-1.57(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.39-1.34($ $\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{H}$ ), 1.01 (s, 9H), 0.96-0.89(m, 3H), 0.21 (s, 6H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 155.5, $144.5,129.0,121.4,120.2,117.2,35.8,35.5$, $33.5,31.5,31.1,25.7,22.6,22.3,18.2,14.0,14.0,-4.4$.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2956,1584,1484,1275,1157,1004,825,728$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 301.1958; found, 301.1952.

## tert-Butyl (2,5-dimethylphenoxy) dimethylsilane



Colourless oil. Yield $=96 \%$. $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.56$, in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 7.03(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.70$ (d, $J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.61(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.29(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.19(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, 1.05 (s, 9H), 0.24 (s, 6H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $\left.100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 153.6,136.3,130.6,125.6,121.7,119.3,25.8,21.1$, 18.3, 16.5, -4.2.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2957,2859,1617,1580,1472,1411,1127,1002,954,854,779$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}, 237.1675$; found, 237.1689.


## tert-Butyldimethyl (p-tolyloxy) silane

Colourless oil. Yield $=94 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.56$, in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 7.06(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.81-$ $6.74(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.31(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.02(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.22(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 153.1,130.4,129.8,119.8,25.7,20.6,18.2,-4.5$.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2957,2930,2859,1612,1510,1472,1256,915,838,779$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}, 223.1518$; found, 223.1521.

## 3. Synthesis of triethyl silane



Aromatic phenol ( 1 equiv.) and imidazole ( 1.5 equiv.) were dissolved in dry DMF (4 $\mathrm{mL} / 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ). To this mixture, TESCl ( 1.3 equiv.) was added dropwise over 10 minutes. The mixture was stirred at room temperature under nitrogen atmosphere over night. The reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous solution of $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ and the product was extracted 3 times with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The combined organic layers was washed with water and brine solution, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under vacuo. Flash chromatography on silica gel with $100 \%$ pentane as eluent yielded the desired product as a colorless oil.

triethyl (3-ethylphenoxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=58 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.77$, in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 7.13(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.81-$ $6.77(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.71-6.65(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.59(\mathrm{q}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.21(\mathrm{t}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, $1.00(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.74(\mathrm{q}, J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 155.5,145.8,129.1,120.8,119.5,117.0,28.7,15.5$, 6.7, 5.0.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2960,2877,1603,1584,1484,1274,1157,940,809,745$
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}, 237.1669$; found, 237.1624.


## (3-Butylphenoxy) triethyl silane

Colourless oil. Yield $=87 \% \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.38$, in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 7.14-7.09(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.79-$ $6.75(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.69-6.64(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.59-2.50(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.62-1.51(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.39-$ $1.26(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 0.99(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.91(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.78-0.68(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 155.4,144.4,129.0,121.4,120.0,117.0,35.5,33.5$, 22.3, 13.9, 6.6, 5.0.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2957,2877,1603,1585,1484,1277,1157,1003,976,826,746$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{29} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}, 265.1988$; found, 265.1991.

triethyl (3-pentylphenoxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=82 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.41$, in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 7.13-7.10 (m, 1H), 6.78-6.76 $(\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.69-6.65(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.57-2.53(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.63-1.54(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.37-1.30(\mathrm{~m}$, 2 H ), 1.03-0.98 (m, 9H), 0.94-0.87 (m, 3H), 0.77-0.71 (m, 2H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $155.5,144.5,129.0,121.4,120.1,117.0,35.8,35.5$, $33.5,31.5,31.0,22.6,22.3,14.0,14.0,6.7,5.0$.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2956,1602,1584,1484,1275,1157,1004,978,825,728$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 301.1958; found, 301.1952.

(2,5-Dimethylphenoxy) triethyl silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=97 \% \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.40$, in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 6.99(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.66(\mathrm{~d}, J$ $=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.58(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.26(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.16(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.00(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.76$ (q, $J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H}$ ).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 153.8,136.3,130.5,125.5,121.6,119.3,21.1,16.2$, 6.7, 5.3.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2956,2877,1617,1580,1507,1411,1280,1127,1002,836,743$. HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}, 237.1675$; found, 237.1662.


This compound has been previously reported. [6]
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 7.04(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.80-$ $6.75(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.30(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.02(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.75(\mathrm{q}, J=8.5,7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 153.2,130.4,129.8,119.6,20.5,6.6,5.0$.

triethyl (4-propylphenoxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=92 \% \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.36$, in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 7.06 -7.02 (m, 2H), 6.81 -6.77
$(\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.56-2.52(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.68-1.56(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.05-0.99(\mathrm{~m}$, $9 \mathrm{H}), 0.97-0.93(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 0.79-0.74(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 153.4, 135.3, 129.2, 119.6, 37.3, 24.7, 13.8, 6.8, 6.7, 6.5, 5.0.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2958,2877,1609,1510,1458,1260,1168,1016,911,806,730$. HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 273.1645; found, 273.1645.

TBDMSO OTBDMS This compound was prepared following the procedure described in literature. [7].


This compound was prepared following the procedure described in literature. [8].

## 4. General procedure for the Birch reduction

General Procedure: The reactions were carried out in a 3-necked round-bottomed flask with a dry ice condenser, an $\mathrm{NH}_{3}(\mathrm{~g})$ inlet, and a stopper for Li or Na addition. To the round-bottomed flask, 1.5 mL of tert -BuOH and 3 mL THF was added. Ammonia was condensed from commercial $\mathrm{NH}_{3}(15 \mathrm{~mL})$ tube into the mixture while cooling the flask in a dry ice/acetone bath. Addition of the Li ( 10 equiv.) was done at reflux temperature of $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$, with a speed so as to prevent vigorous reaction/foaming. The cooling bath was removed and the reaction mixture was stirred at reflux conditions for 20 minutes. The substrate was dissolved in 2 mL dried THF then added to the reaction mixture at $-30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and continuously stirred for 2 hours. The reaction was cooled to $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Solid $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ was added and the dry-ice/acetone bath was removed. The $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ was allowed to evaporate. Then saturated aqueous solution of
$\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ was added. The mixture was extracted 3 times with pentane. The combined organic extracts were washed with brine and dried with $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. The solvent was removed and the product/s were purified either by distillation under reduced pressure or by chromatography on basic $\mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ using pure pentane as eluent.
Procedure A: Li (10 equiv.) was used and reaction mixture was stirred at $-30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 2 hours.
Procedure B: Li ( 60 equiv.) was used and reaction mixture was stirred at $-30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 8 hours.


2-((5-Methylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)oxy) tetrahydro-2H-pyran Colourless oil. Yield $=79 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.8$, in $20 / 1$ pentane $/ \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1}{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $5.38(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.23-5.16(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.97(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.88$ (ddd, $J=11.6,8.3,3.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.55(\mathrm{dt}, J=11.0,4.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.75(\mathrm{dd}, J=21.8,6.0 \mathrm{~Hz}$, 2H), 2.69-2.59 (m, 2H), $1.98-1.81(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.76$ (ddd, $J=13.1,9.6,3.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $1.68(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.63-1.49(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 149.6,130.5,118.6,95.8,95.1,62.4,33.0,30.5,27.0$, 25.3, 22.9, 19.3.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2942,1699,1668,1441,1394,1197,1136,1039,975,776$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$, 195.1385; found, 195.1391.

triisopropyl ((5-methylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=68 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.42$, in pentane.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 5.36 (qt, $\left.J=3.6,1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right), 4.85(\mathrm{tq}, J=3.6,1.3 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 2.81-2.71(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.64-2.54(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.05-1.93(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.06-0.96(\mathrm{~m}, 13 \mathrm{H})$, 0.73-0.64 (m, 6H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{NMR}}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): $148.0,136.4,116.6,100.5,33.6,29.6,27.2,12.0,6.8$, 6.8, 5.0.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2918,1721,1459,1365,1212,1018,880,775$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{31} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}, 267.2144$; found, 267.2129 .


tert-Butyldimethyl ((5-methylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)oxy) silane
Colorless oil. Yield $=92 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.40$, in pentane.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 5.40-5.33(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.87-4.82(\mathrm{~m}, 0 \mathrm{H}), 2.78-2.68$ (m, 2H), $2.59-2.51(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.72-1.66(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.93(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.15(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 147.9,130.9,118.5,100.8,35.4,27.2,22.9,18.0,-4.4$.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2957,2857,1699,1667,1472,1385,1253,1220,1136,937,832$, 780.

HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 247.1489$; found, 247.1500.

tert-Butyl ((5-ethylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)oxy) dimethylsilane
Colorless oil. Yield $=95 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.41$, in pentane.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 5.40-5.34(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.87-4.82(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.80-2.70$ $(\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.57(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.99(\mathrm{q}, J=8.7,8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.03(\mathrm{t}, J=7.5 \mathrm{~Hz}$, 3 H ), 0.93 ( $\mathrm{s}, 9 \mathrm{H}$ ), 0.15 ( $\mathrm{s}, 6 \mathrm{H}$ ).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 148.1,136.3,116.7,100.8,33.7,29.6,27.2,25.7$, 18.0, 12.0, -4.4.

IR (Neat, $\left.\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): ~ v=2959,2858,1698,1666,1462,1381,1214,1142,930$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 238.1753; found, 238.1734.


Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 5.38-5.36 (m, 1H), 4.85-4.83(m, 1H), 2.77-2.72 (m, 2H), $2.59-2.54(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.00-1.95(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.43-1.26(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 0.94-0.87(\mathrm{~m}$, 15 H ), 0.16 ( $\mathrm{s}, 6 \mathrm{H}$ ).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 148.1, 134.9, 117.9, 100.8, 36.6, 33.6, 29.5, 27.2, 25.7, 22.4, 18.0, 14.0, -4.4.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2928,1697,1665,1471,1384,1254,1217,1141,932,836,778$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 289.1958; found, 289.1948.

tert-Butyldimethyl ((5-pentylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl) oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=88 \%$.

Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $5.38-5.35(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.85-4.83(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.77-2.72(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $2.59-2.54(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.00-1.95(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.46-1.26(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 0.94-0.87(\mathrm{~m}, 13 \mathrm{H}), 0.16(\mathrm{~s}$, 6 H ).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 148.1, 134.9, 117.9, 100.8, 36.9, 36.6, 33.6, 31.6, 29.5, 27.2, 27.0, 25.7, 25.7, 22.6, 22.4, 18.0, 14.1, 14.0, -4.4.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2928,1697,1463,1254,1217,1141,1006,931,836,778,684$. HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 303.2115; found, 303.2108.
 tert-Butyl ((2,5-dimethylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)oxy) dimethylsilane
Colourless oil. Yield $=78 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.41$, in pentane.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl} 3$ ) $\delta 5.39-5.27(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.68-2.60(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.61-2.53$ (m, 2H), $1.70-1.65(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.60(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.96(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.13(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 140.4,130.9,118.9,108.4,36.1,33.4,25.9,22.8$, 18.2, 15.5, -3.7.

IR (Neat, $\left.\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): ~ v=2929,2857,1711,1681,1472,1385,1253,1195,1099,931,834$, 777.

HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}]^{+}$, 238.1753; found, 238.1758.

## TBDMS $^{-}{ }^{-1} \begin{aligned} & \text { tert-Butyldimethyl ((4-methylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)oxy) } \\ & \text { silane }\end{aligned}$

Colourless oil. Yield $=90 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.41$, in pentane.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 5.36-5.30(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.87-4.79(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.71-2.57$ (m, 4H), $1.67(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.92(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.14(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 148.2,131.4,118.1,101.0,77.3,77.0,76.7,31.6$, 31.3, 25.7, 22.7, 18.0, -4.4.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2956,2877,1699,1667,1458,1372,1202,1005,869,743$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{OSiNa}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 224.1596; found, 224.1583.


triethyl ((5-ethylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl) oxy) silane Colourless oil. Yield $=80 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.41$, in pentane.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 5.41-5.33(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.89-4.80(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.77-2.67$ (m, 2H), $2.62-2.54(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.68(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.21-1.01(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 148.0,130.1,118.5,100.0,35.4,27.3,22.9,18.0$, 17.9,12.7.

IR (Neat, $\left.\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): ~ v=2962,2867,1697,1667,1465,1385,1219,1138,883$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$, 239.1831; found, 239.1809.

((5-Butylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)oxy)triethylsilane
Colourless oil. Yield $=60 \% . R_{f}=0.30$, in pentane.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl} 3$ ) $\delta 5.39-5.33(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.87-4.82(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.79-2.69$ (m, 2H), $2.58(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.98(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.45-1.35(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.34-$ $1.26(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 0.99(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.90(\mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.68(\mathrm{q}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}$, 6 H ).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 148.1,134.9,117.9,100.4,36.6,33.6,29.5,27.2$, 22.4, 14.0, 6.7, 5.1.

IR (Neat, $\left.\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): ~ v=2955,2876,1697,1665,1458,1382,1213,1141,1005,928,744$. HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 289.1958; found, 289.1962.

triethyl ((5-pentylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl) oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Mixture of starting material and birch product, Birch reaction conversion $=62 \%$.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{B}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $7.12(\mathrm{t}, J=7.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.77(\mathrm{dt}, J=7.6,1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $6.71-6.64(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.37(\mathrm{dq}, J=3.4,1.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.85(\mathrm{ddt}, J=3.5,2.3,1.3 \mathrm{~Hz}$,
$2 \mathrm{H}), 2.80-2.70(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.63-2.50(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 2.04-1.94(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.65-1.51(\mathrm{~m}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 1.51-1.19(\mathrm{~m}, 14 \mathrm{H}), 1.06-0.81(\mathrm{~m}, 35 \mathrm{H}), 0.80-0.64(\mathrm{~m}, 17 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 155.5,148.1,144.5,144.4,134.9,134.9,129.0$, $121.4,120.1,117.9,117.0,100.4,36.9,36.6,35.8,35.5,33.6,33.5,31.6,31.5,31.0$, $29.5,27.2,27.0,22.6,22.6,22.4,22.3,14.1,14.0,14.0,13.9,7.7,6.7,6.6,5.1,5.0$. IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2956,1715,1589,1456,1364,1217,1017,849,729$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 303.2115; found, 303.2021.

((2,5-Dimethylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)oxy) triethyl silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=59 \% . R_{f}=0.42$, in pentane.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 5.37-5.32(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.68-2.53(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.67(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, $1.60(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.99(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.67(\mathrm{q}, J=8.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 140.4,130.9,118.9,108.4,36.0,33.2,22.8,15.3,6.8$, 6.4, 5.6.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2955,2877,1710,1445,1365,1237,11961155,1005,927,801$. HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}, 239.1831$; found, 239.1802.

triethyl ((4-methylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=78 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.23$, in pentane.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1}{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 5.36-5.31(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.85-4.82(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.65(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, $1.67(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.98(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.67(\mathrm{q}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 148.2,131.4,118.2,100.6,31.6,31.2,22.7,6.8,6.7$, 6.4, 5.1.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2956,2877,1699,1667,1458,1372,1202,1005,869,743$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$, 225.1675; found, 225.1672.

triethyl ((4-propylcyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl) oxy) silane Colourless oil. Yield $=87 \%$.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $5.34(\mathrm{t}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.84(\mathrm{~d}$, $J=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.66(\mathrm{~s}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.94(\mathrm{t}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.43(\mathrm{q}, J=7.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 0.98$ (t, $J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.94-0.84(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 0.67(\mathrm{q}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 148.2, 135.1, 117.6, 100.7, 38.9, 31.2, 29.8, 20.8, 13.8, 6.8, 6.7, 6.4, 5.1.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2957,1697,1664,1508,1458,1377,1203,1071,1016,868,743$. HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{31} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}, 267.2144$; found, 267.2137.


1-(1-Ethoxyethoxy)-5-methylcyclohexa-1,4-diene
Colourless oil. Yield $=97 \%$.
Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 5.40-5.34(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.19(\mathrm{q}, J=5.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.80-$ $4.73(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.76-3.66(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.51-3.41(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.79-2.70(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.61(\mathrm{t}, J$ $=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.70-1.65(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.39(\mathrm{~d}, J=5.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.20(\mathrm{t}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 149.9,130.6,118.5,97.5,95.1,61.7,33.3,26.9,22.8$, 20.2, 15.2.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2976,2883,1699,1665,1446,1380,1206,1144,1123,953,773$. HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NaO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 205.1199; found, 205.1216.

##  <br> 1-(Ethoxymethoxy)-5-methylcyclohexa-1,4-diene <br> Colourless oil. Yield $=97 \%$. <br> Followed procedure $\mathbf{A}$ for the birch reduction.

${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 5.42-5.35(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.02(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.90(\mathrm{td}, J=3.5,1.1$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.65(\mathrm{q}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.80-2.71(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.61(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.72-$ $1.65(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.22(\mathrm{t}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13}{ }^{1} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 150.0,130.4,118.6,95.1,91.9,64.2,32.9,26.9,22.9$, 15.1.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2974,2886,1700,1668,1388,1200,1131,1065,1005,776$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{NaO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 191.1043; found, 191.1051.

tert-Butyl(2-(5-((tert-butyl dimethylsilyl) oxy) cyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)ethoxy) dimethylsilane
Colourless oil. Yield $=70 \%$. Followed procedure
B for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 5.41-5.39(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.83-4.81(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.70(\mathrm{t}, J=$
$6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.77-2.72(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.66-2.55(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.26-2.13(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 0.94-0.85$ (m, 19H), 0.14 (s, 6H), 0.05 (s, 6H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 148.0,132.0,120.0,100.6,62.1,40.3,34.1,27.2$, 25.9, 25.7, 18.3, 18.0, -4.4, -5.3.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2857,1698,1665,1604,1585,1472,1387,1255,1220,1099$, 1005, 931, 836, 776, 662.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{40} \mathrm{NaO}_{2} \mathrm{Si}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 391.2459; found, 391.2452.

tert-Butyl(2-(4-((tert-butyl dimethylsilyl) oxy) cyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)ethoxy) dimethylsilane
Colourless oil. Yield $=76 \%$. Followed procedure B for the birch reduction.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 5.41-5.33(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.83-4.81(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.68(\mathrm{t}, J=7.0$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ), 2.75-2.60 (m, 4H), 2.24-2.16 (m, 2H), 0.94-0.87 (m, 20H), 0.13 (s, 6H), 0.04 (s, 6H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 148.1,132.4,119.6,101.0,76.7,62.3,40.1,31.2$, 30.3, 26.0, 25.7, 18.4, 18.0, -4.4, -5.3.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2929,1697,1665,1472,1377,1254,1204,1100,1050,1005$, 939, 882, 837, 776, 680.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{40} \mathrm{NaO}_{2} \mathrm{Si}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 391.2459$; found, 391.2449 .

## 5. Synthesis of functional substrates and acyclic substrates



In a schlenk flask, 1-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-ethylcarbodiimide. $\mathrm{HCl}(24.4 \mathrm{mmol}$, 1.3 equiv.) and $\mathrm{NMe}(\mathrm{OMe}) . \mathrm{HCl}(28.8 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.5$ equiv.) were dissolved in 60 mL of $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ under $\mathrm{N}_{2}$ atmosphere. Then $\mathrm{Et}_{3} \mathrm{~N}(24.4 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.3$ equiv.) was added at room temperature. A solution of phenol carboxylic acid ( $18.8 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv.) was added using an addition funnel. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude residue was diluted with EtOAc and 2 M HCl was added. The reaction mixture was extracted twice with EtOAc, washed with $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ and brine, and dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. The solvent was removed and the product was purified by column chromatography.


3-(3-Hydroxyphenyl)- N -methoxy- N -methyl propanamide
Colourless oil. Yield $=89 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.48$, in $70 / 30$ EtOAc/pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H} \operatorname{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 7.14(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.81-6.73(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.72-$ $6.67(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.12(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.61(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.19(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.96-2.88(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.79-2.71$ (m, 2H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 173.8,156.2,142.9,129.6,120.3,115.5,113.2,61.2$, 33.5, 32.2, 30.6.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=$ br_3284, 2938, 1668, 1603, 1585, 1485, 1442, 1278, 1158, 993, 839, 782.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{NNaO}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 232.0944$; found, 232.0942.


3-(3-hydroxyphenyl)- $N$-methoxy- $N$-methylpropanamide ( 8.1 mmol ) and imidazole ( 12.15 mmol ) were dissolved in 45 mL of dry DMF in a 100 mL round-bottomed flask. TBDMSCl ( 10.5 mmol ) was added to the mixture. The reaction was stirred overnight at room temperature under $\mathrm{N}_{2}$ atmosphere. Then a saturated aqueous solution of $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ was added. The mixture was extracted with ether, washed several times with $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, brine and dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. The solvent was removed and the product was purified by column chromatography ( $40 / 60$ of $\mathrm{EtOAc} /$ pentane) to yield the desired product.


3-(3-((tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)phenyl)- N -methoxy- $N$-methyl propanamide

Colourless oil. Yield $=94 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.50$, in $40 / 60 \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 7.13(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.82(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.73$ $-6.65(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.61(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.18(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.94-2.86(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.75-2.67(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, 0.98 (s, 9H), 0.19 (s, 6H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 173.6,155.6,142.8,129.2,121.3,120.1,117.6,61.1$, 33.7, 32.1, 30.5, 25.6, 18.1, -4.5.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2932,2858,1668,1603,1585,1485,1442,1278,1158,993,839$, 782.

HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{29} \mathrm{NNaO}_{3} \mathrm{~S}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 346.1809$; found, 346.1805 .


3-(3-((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)phenyl)- N -methoxy- N -methylpropanamide ( 5.7 mmol ) was dissolved in 50 mL of dry THF and cooled to $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Then MeMgBr $(2.5 \mathrm{M}, 2.3 \mathrm{~mL}, 5.7 \mathrm{mmol})$ was slowly added to the substrate solution. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. Then a saturated aqueous solution of $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ was added. The mixture was extracted with ether ( 3 x 20 mL ), washed several times with $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, brine and dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the product was purified by column chromatography (10/90 of $\mathrm{EtOAc} /$ pentane) to yield the desired product.


4-(3-((tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy) phenyl) butan-2one
Colourless oil. Yield $=89 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.40$, in $10 / 90$ EtOAc/pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 7.15-7.10(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.79-6.74(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.70-6.65$ $(\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.87-2.80(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.77-2.70(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.14(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.98(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.19(\mathrm{~s}$, 6 H ).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 207.8,155.7,142.5,129.3,121.2,120.0,117.7,45.1$, 30.0, 29.6, 25.7, 18.2, -4.4.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2930,2858,1719,1602,1585,1486,1272,1158,978,839,782$. HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{NaO}_{2} \mathrm{Si}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 301.1594$; found, 301.1598 .


4-(3-((tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)phenyl)butan-2-one ( 4.3 mmol ) was dissolved in 40 mL of toluene with $0.97 \mathrm{~mL}(17.2 \mathrm{mmol})$ ethylene glycol and $10 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ of $p$ toluenesulphonic acid monohydrate, in a 100 mL round-bottomed flask connected to a Dean and Stark apparatus. The reaction mixture was heated overnight at $130^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the product was purified by column chromatography ( $5 / 95$ of $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ /pentane) to yield the desired product.

tert-Butyldimethyl(3-(2-(2-methyl-1,3-dioxolan-2yl)ethyl)phenoxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=49 \% . R_{f}=0.47$, in $10 / 90$
EtOAc/pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 7.12(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $6.79(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.70-6.63(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.02-3.94(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 2.70-2.61(\mathrm{~m}$, $2 \mathrm{H}), 1.98-1.90(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.37$ (s, 3H), 0.98 (s, 9H), 0.19 (s, 6H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 155.6,143.7,129.1,121.3,120.1,117.3,109.6,64.7$, 40.9, 30.1, 25.7, 24.0, 18.1, -4.5.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2955,2859,1604,1585,1487,1259,1158,1056,964,841,781$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{NaO}_{3} \mathrm{Si}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 345.1856$; found, 345.1853.


4-(3-((tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)phenyl) butan-2-one ( 5.45 mmol ) was dissolved in 50 mL of toluene with $1.8 \mathrm{~mL}(21.8 \mathrm{mmol}) 1,3$-propandiol and $10 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ of $p$ toluenesulphonic acid monohydrate, in a 100 mL round-bottomed flask connected to a Dean and Stark apparatus. The reaction mixture was heated overnight at $130^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the product was purified by column chromatography ( $5 / 95$ of $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O} /$ pentane) to yield the desired product.

tert-Butyldimethyl(3-(2-(2-methyl-1,3-dioxan-2yl)ethyl)phenoxy)silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=67 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.40$, in $10 / 90$ EtOAc/pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 7.12(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $6.82-6.79(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.70(\mathrm{t}, J=1.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.67-6.63(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.00-3.85(\mathrm{~m}$, $4 \mathrm{H}), 2.71-2.61(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.03-1.95(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.84-1.73(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.71-1.61(\mathrm{~m}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 1.45(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.98(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.19(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 155.6,144.0,129.1,121.3,120.2,117.3,98.8,59.7$, 39.7, 29.6, 25.7, 25.5, 21.3, 18.2, -4.4.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2956,2859,1603,1584,1485,1258,1155,1091,967,840,781$. HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{NaO}_{3} \mathrm{Si}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 359.2013$; found, 359.1998.


The Birch product was synthesized following the general Birch reduction procedure A . For this substrate, 30 equiv. of Li was used and the reaction time was 4 hours.

tert-Butyldimethyl ((5-(2-(2-methyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-yl) ethyl) cyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl) oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Quantitative yield. $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.53$, in $10 \%$ EtOAc/pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 5.42-5.36(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.86$ $-4.81(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.99-3.91(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 2.78-2.70(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.57(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $2.11-2.04(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.81-1.74(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.33(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.92(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.14(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$. ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 147.9,134.3,117.9,109.9,100.8,64.7,37.0,33.8$, 31.2, 27.2, 25.7, 23.9, 18.0, -4.4.

IR (Neat, $\left.\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): v=2953,2858,1697,1665,1472,1376,1215,1126,1057,930,836$, 779.

HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{NaO}_{3} \mathrm{Si}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 347.2013$; found, 347.2013.


The Birch product was synthesized following the general Birch reduction procedure A. For this substrate, 30 equiv. of Li was used and the reaction time was 4 hours.

tert-Butyldimethyl((5-(2-(2-methyl-1,3-dioxan-2-yl) ethyl) cyclohexa-1,4-dien-1-yl) oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=86 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.46$, in $10 / 90$ EtOAc/pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl} 3$ ) $\delta 5.43-5.37(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $4.86-4.81(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.97-3.84(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 2.79-2.69(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.59(\mathrm{t}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $2 \mathrm{H}), 2.10-2.02(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.86-1.80(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.79-1.70(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.68-1.60(\mathrm{~m}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 1.40(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.92(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.14(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 148.0,134.5,117.9,100.8,99.0,59.7,35.7,33.9$, 30.5, 27.2, 25.7, 25.5, 21.2, 18.0, -4.4.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2954,2858,1697,1665,1472,1381,1247,1092,929,834,778$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{NaO}_{3} \mathrm{Si}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 361.2169$; found, 361.2158 .


In the dried round bottom flask, 1-bromo-4-(2-methylprop-1-en-1-yl)benzene was dissolved in dried THF under nitrogen gas. The solution was cooled to $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, then $t$ BuLi was slowly added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 hour. Then a solution of N -methoxy- N -methylpropionamide in THF was slowly added to the lithium aryl solution. The mixture stirred further at the same temperature for another 1 hour. the reaction was quenched by adding saturated $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ then extracted with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The combined organic phase was dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$, and the solvent was removed under
vacuum. The crude product was purified by silica column chromatography with $5 \%$ $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{Pentane}$ to provide the pure product as a colorless oil.


1-(4-(2-methylprop-1-en-1-yl)phenyl)propan-1-one
Colorless oil $268 \mathrm{mg} 63 \%$ yield $\left(\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.65\right.$ Pentane/EtOAc 9:1)
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , Chloroform- $d$ ) $\delta 7.94$ - 7.89 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d, $J=8.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ), 6.29 (s, 1H), 2.99 (q, $J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $2 \mathrm{H}), 1.93$ (d, $J=1.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.89(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.22(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $101 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 200.15,143.33,138.01,134.19,128.65,127.81$, 124.47, 31.57, 27.04, 19.55, 8.25.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2976,1682,1602,1225,1181,952,872,786$.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right]$ Calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{NaO}=211.1099$. Found: 211.1094.


The solution of 1-(4-(2-methylprop-1-en-1-yl)phenyl)propan-1-one and TBDMSCl in dry THF under $\mathrm{N}_{2}$ was cooled to $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. TBDMSCl was added to the reaction mixture which was slowly warmed up to room temperature and stirred for 48 hours. The reaction was quenched with saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ and extracted with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (Deactivated-silica) with Pentane as eluent.


## (Z)-tert-butyldimethyl((1-(4-(2-methylprop-1-en-1-yl) phenyl)prop-1-en-1-yl)oxy) silane

Colorless oil $67 \mathrm{mg} 64 \%$ yield $\left(\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.60\right.$ Pentane/ $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ 100:1)
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , Benzene- $d_{6}$ ) $\delta 7.53$ - 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.18 (d, $J=8.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.27(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.21(\mathrm{q}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.76(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, 1.72 (dd, $J=6.6,1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.05(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.02(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (101 MHz, C ${ }_{6}$ D6) $\delta 150.79$, 138.35, 137.94, 135.17, 128.84, 125.91, $125.75,105.58,26.93,26.17,19.50,18.64,12.01,-3.72$.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2929,1652,1602,1471,1319,1255,1060,838,779$.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right] \mathrm{Calcd}$. for $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{31} \mathrm{NaOSi}=303.2144$. Found: 303.2123.


Was prepared following the procedure described for 1-(4-(2-methylprop-1-en-1yl)phenyl) propan-1-one.

( E)-1-(4-(but-2-en-2-yl)phenyl)propan-1-one
White solid (m.p. 44.5-45.7) $240 \mathrm{mg} 47 \%$ yield $\left(\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.65\right.$ Pentane/EtOAc 9:1)
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , Chloroform-d) $\delta 7.90$ (dd, $J=8.7,2.0$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.44(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.6,1.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.04-5.96(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $2.99(\mathrm{q}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.08-2.01(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.83(\mathrm{dd}, J=6.9,1.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.22(\mathrm{t}, J$ $=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}$ ).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $101 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 200.33,148.32,134.85,134.76,128.00,125.43$, 124.82, 31.64, 15.19, 14.44, 8.30.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2978,1679,1602,1409,1225,952,792$.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right]$ Calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{NaO}=211.1099$. Found: 211.1092.


Was prepared following the procedure described for (Z)-tert-butyldimethyl((1-(4-(2-methylprop-1-en-1-yl)phenyl)prop-1-en-1-yl)oxy)silane.

((( $Z$ )-1-(4-((E)-but-2-en-2-yl)phenyl)prop-1-en-1-yl)oxy) triisopropylsilane
Colorless oil $199 \mathrm{mg} 69 \%$ yield $\left(\mathrm{Rf}=0.68\right.$ Pentane $/ \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
100:1)
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , Benzene- $d_{6}$ ) $\delta 7.55-7.50(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.34$ $-7.29(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.83(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.10(\mathrm{q}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.87-1.84(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.81(\mathrm{~d}, J$ $=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.60(\mathrm{dd}, J=6.9,1.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.13(\mathrm{q}, J=4.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 21 \mathrm{H})$. Containing $8 \% E$ isomer silyl enolate.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (101 MHz, C ${ }_{6}$ D6) $\delta$ 151.81, 143.40, 139.11, 135.48, 126.19, 125.49, 122.33, 105.01, 67.84, 25.87, 18.26, 15.35, 14.30, 14.03, 12.00.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2925,2867,1649,1464,1322,1080,1051,883,681$.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right]$ Calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{36} \mathrm{NaOSi}=367.2433$. Found: 367.24396.
Alkyl bromide was added to a suspension of Mg turnings (activated by $\mathrm{I}_{2}$ ) in THF (20 mL ) at room temperature. The mixture was refluxed for 40 minutes. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and added dropwise to a solution of amide in 20 mL THF at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, then stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction was quenched with saturated $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$, extracted with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and purified by column chromatography $5 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ Pentane to yield desired product.

## ( $\boldsymbol{E}$ )-1,5-diphenylhex-4-en-1-one



White solid (m.p.52.4-53.8) $2.224 \mathrm{~g}, 56.8 \%$ yield $\left(\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=\right.$ Pentane/EtOAc 9:1)
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , Chloroform- $d$ ) $\delta 7.99$ (dt, $J=8.5,1.7$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.59-7.54(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.50-7.44$ (m, 2H), $7.39-$ $7.34(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.33-7.27(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.25-7.19(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.86-5.78(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.16-$ $3.11(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.66(\mathrm{q}, J=7.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.08(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 199.59,143.67,137.00,135.95,132.96,128.57$, 128.13, 128.03, 126.65, 126.59, 125.64, 38.37, 23.57, 15.84.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=3056,2984,1685,1597,1447,1362,1202,974,757,691$.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right]$ Calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NaO}=273.1250$. Found: 273.1255.


## tert-butyl (((1Z,4E)-1,5-diphenylhexa-1,4-dien-1-yl)oxy)

 dimethylsilane.Colorless oil $140 \mathrm{mg}, 48 \%$ yield $\left(\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.43\right.$ Pentane $/ \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ 100:1)
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , Benzene- $d_{6}$ ) $\delta 7.51(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.29(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $5.88-5.78(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.23(\mathrm{q}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.86(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.77(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, $1.65-1.59(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.07(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.03(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (101 MHz, C ${ }_{6}$ D6) $\delta 150.20,144.25,140.19,135.75,128.51,127.93$, 126.94, 126.87, 126.37, 126.13, 110.26, 26.50, 26.11, 25.97, 18.60, 16.04, -3.78.

IR (Neat, $\left.\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): v=2956,2929,1648,1599,1492,1444,1332,1256,1075,1022$, 839, 696.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right]$ Calcd. For $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{OSiNa}=387.2115$. Found: 387.2123.


## 6. Racemate preparation and ee determination of silyl enol ethers

Procedure A: The freshly prepared silyl enol ether 1,4-cyclohexadiene was hydrogenated by the racemic Ir-N,P catalyst $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{E}$ and then the crude hydrogenated products were hydrolyzed to cyclohexanone using 1 mL of 2 M HCl in 1 mL of cosolvent ( $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}:$ Pentane $)$. The mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was extracted with pentane and dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. After removing the solvent, the hydrolyzed product was injected into a chiral GC. GC sample: 1 $\mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{mL}, \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The $e e$ 's of the following compounds ( $\mathbf{2 a}^{\prime}, \mathbf{3 a}^{\prime}, \mathbf{4 a}^{\prime}, \mathbf{5 a}^{\prime}, \mathbf{6 a}^{\prime}, \mathbf{7 a}^{\prime}, \mathbf{1 9 a}^{\prime}$ and 20a') were determined using procedure $\mathbf{A}$.




Procedure B: The freshly prepared silyl enol ether 1,4-cyclohexadiene was hydrogenated by the racemic Ir-N,P catalyst $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{E}$, and then the crude hydrogenated products were passed through a short plug of silica, using $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ :Pentane (1/1) as an eluent. After removing the solvent, the hydrogenated products were injected into a chiral GC. GC sample: $1 \mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{mL}, \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The $e e$ 's of the following compounds (8a', 9a', 10a', 11a', 12a', 13a', 14a', 16a' and 17a') were determined using this procedure $\mathbf{B}$.


8a'

$11 \mathbf{a}^{\prime}$

$16 a^{\prime}$


9a'


13a'

$17 \mathbf{a}^{\prime}$

Procedure C: The freshly prepared silyl enol ether 1,4-cyclohexadiene was hydrogenated by the racemic $\operatorname{Ir}-\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{P}$ catalyst $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{E}$ and then the crude hydrogenated products were passed through a short plug of silica, using $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}: \operatorname{Pentane}(1 / 1)$ as an eluent After removing the solvent, the hydrogenated products were oxidized by using the Saegusa oxidation reaction shown in the scheme below. Recently a modification was reported by Herzon [9] for the Saegusa oxidation. After working up the Saegusa oxidation and purification, the oxidized product was injected to a chiral GC. GC sample: $1 \mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{mL}, \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The ee of the following compound (15a') was determined using procedure $\mathbf{C}$.



Procedure D: The freshly prepared silyl enol ether 1,4-cyclohexadiene was hydrogenated by the racemic Ir-N,P catalyst $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{E}$ and then the crude hydrogenated products were passed through a short plug of silica, using $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}: \operatorname{Pentane}(1 / 1)$ as an eluent. After removing the solvent, the hydrogenated products were oxidized using the Saegusa oxidation in procedure C. After working up the Saegusa oxidation and purification, the oxidized product was hydrolyzed using 1 mL of 2 M HCl in 1 mL of co-solvent ( $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}:$ Pentane $)$. The mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was extracted with pentane and dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. After removing the solvent, the final hydrolyzed product was injected to chiral GC. GC sample: $1 \mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{mL}, \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The $e e$ 's of the following compounds (18a' and 21a') were determined using procedure $\mathbf{D}$.


18a'


21a'

## 7. General procedure for asymmetric hydrogenations

A glass vial was charged with freshly prepared substrate $(0.5 \mathrm{mmol}), \mathrm{K}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$ ( 10 $\mathrm{mol} \%$ ) and Ir-complex ( $0.5 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ ). $\mathrm{PhCF}_{3}(4 \mathrm{~mL})$ was added and the vial was placed in a high-pressure hydrogenation apparatus. The reactor was purged three times with Ar , then filled to the required pressure with $\mathrm{H}_{2}$. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours (unless otherwise stated). The crude product was purified through on a column of silica. The ee values were determined using chiral GC.

tert-Butyldimethyl ((5-methylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl)oxy) silane Colourless oil. Yield $=58 \%$ (NMR yield using internal standard 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene.) $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.4$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 4.87-4.82(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.07-1.97(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.80-1.56$ $(\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.17-1.04(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 0.96(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.92(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.12(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.12$ ( $\mathrm{s}, 6 \mathrm{H}$ ).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 150.0,103.8,38.3,30.6,29.3,25.7,23.4,21.6,18.0$, 4.3.

IR (Neat, $\left.\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): v=2954,2928,2857,1670,1472,1461,1369,1256,1194,890,834$, 778.

HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 227.1831; found, 227.1813.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=50.7\left(c=0.140\right.$ in $\left.\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=23.5 \mathrm{~min}$ (major) $/ 24.9 \mathrm{~min}$ (minor), $96 \% \mathrm{ee}$.


Triethyl ((5-methylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl)oxy)silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=79 \%$. (Isolated yield, observed $12 \%$ over reduction product.) $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.3$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 4.88-4.83(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.07-1.99(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.78-1.56$ $(\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.16-1.03(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.01-0.94(\mathrm{~m}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.65(\mathrm{q}, ~ J=8.4,7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 149.9,103.3,38.3,30.5,29.4,23.4,21.6,6.7,5.1$.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2954,2913,2877,1669,1457,1369,1238,1188,1005,886,744$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 227.1831; found, 227.1848.
$[a]_{D}^{23}=46.4\left(c=0.345\right.$ in $\left.\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $60{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=24.2 \mathrm{~min}$ (major) $/ 26.5 \mathrm{~min}$ (minor), $94 \%$ ee.


Triethyl ((5-ethylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl) oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=56 \%$. (Isolated yield, observed $11 \%$ hydrolysis product.) $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.32$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $4.88-4.84(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.04-2.00(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.74-1.64(\mathrm{~m}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 1.35-1.21(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 0.99-0.89(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H}), 0.68-0.62(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 150.1, 103.5, 36.3, 36.2, 28.9, 28.3, 23.4, 11.5, 6.7, 5.1.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2917,1669,1461,1371,1188,1016,899,870,743$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{29} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}, 241.1982$; found, 241.1990.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=-9.524,\left(c=0.1050, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$.
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta-3 \mathrm{p}, 80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=207.6 \mathrm{~min}(\mathrm{minor}) / 211.5 \mathrm{~min}$ (major), $99 \%$ ee.

## TBDMS ${ }^{-}{ }^{\text {O-Bu }}$ tert-Butyl ((5-butylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl) oxy) dimethylsilane <br> Colourless oil. Yield $=54 \%$ ( NMR yield using internal

standard 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene). $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.38$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $4.88-4.83(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), ~ 2.06-2.00(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.74-1.54(\mathrm{~m}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 1.35-1.26(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 0.93-0.91(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H}), 0.13-0.12(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 150.2, 103.9, 36.6, 36.0, 34.4, 29.2, 28.8, 25.7, 25.7, 23.4, 22.9, 18.0, 14.1, -4.3.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2918,1671,1462,1362,1255,1112,1020,928,833,776$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 291.2115; found, 291.2109.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=+36.413,\left(c=0.1843, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$.
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $70{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=67.9 \mathrm{~min}($ minor $) / 69.7 \mathrm{~min}$ (major), $92 \%$ ee.

((5-Butylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl) oxy) triethyl silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=55 \%$ (Isolated yield). $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.30$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 4.85(\mathrm{q}, J=2.9,2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.10-1.97(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.76$ $-1.56(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.29(\mathrm{t}, J=5.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 1.16-1.04(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 0.97(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H})$, $0.93-0.85(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.65(\mathrm{q}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13}{ }^{3}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 150.1,103.5,36.6,36.0,34.5,29.2,28.8,23.4,22.9$, 14.1, 6.7, 5.1.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2956,2917,1669,1458,1371,1184,1005,744$.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right]=291.2106$, calcd. For $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{NaOsi}$ : 291.2115 .
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 291.2115; found, 291.2106 .
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=12.8\left(c=0.143\right.$ in $\left.\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=132.2 \mathrm{~min}$ (major) $/ 126.8$ $\min$ (minor), $95 \%$ ee.

tert-Butyldimethyl ((5-pentylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl) oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=78 \%$ (NMR yield using internal standard 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene). $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.38$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 4.86-4.83(m, 1H), 2.06-1.99(m, 3H), 1.72-1.57(m, 3H), $1.34-1.26(\mathrm{~m}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.93-0.91(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H}), 0.13-0.11(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}^{1}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 150.2, 103.9, 36.6, 36.3, 36.0, 34.4, 32.1, 29.2, 28.8, 27.4, 26.6, 25.7, 23.4, 22.9, 22.7, 18.0, 14.1, -4.3, -4.5.

IR (Neat, $\left.\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): v=2927,1670,1462,1362,1255,1196,1179,1051,939,836,777$, 671.

HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}]^{+}, 283.2379$; found, 282.2358 .
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=+32.022,\left(c=0.1781, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$.
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $80{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=68.1 \mathrm{~min}($ minor $) / 70.2 \mathrm{~min}$ (major), $96 \%$ ee.


Triethyl ((5-pentylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl) oxy) silane Colourless oil. Yield $=70 \%$ (NMR yield using internal standard 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene). $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.36$ in pentane.
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $80{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=67.9 \mathrm{~min}($ minor $) / 69.9 \mathrm{~min}$ (major), $95 \%$ ee.

${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 4.85-4.79(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.16-1.91(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.74-1.56$
$(\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.39-1.22(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 0.94(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.91(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.12(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 150.3,103.7,32.3,31.3,29.6,28.3,25.7,21.3,18.0$, 4.4.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2954,2928,2857,1670,1461,1370,1256,1194,879,777$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{OSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 227.1831; found, 227.1830.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=46.1\left(c=0.193\right.$ in $\left.\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=48.2 \mathrm{~min}($ major $) / 46.9 \mathrm{~min}$ (minor), $80 \%$ ee.


Triethyl ((4-methylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl)oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=75 \%$. (Isolated yield, observed $20 \%$ over reduction product.) $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.36$ in pentane.
${ }^{1}{ }^{1} \mathrm{~N}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 4.88-4.77(m, 1H), 2.18-1.92(m, 3H), 1.77-1.54 (m, $4 \mathrm{H}), 1.50-1.23(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.95(\mathrm{dt}, J=16.4,8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 21 \mathrm{H}), 0.72-0.46(\mathrm{~m}, 11 \mathrm{H})$. ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 150.2, 103.3, 33.1, 32.3, 31.3, 29.6, 29.3, 28.4, 21.3, 6.9, 6.8, 6.7, 6.4, 5.1, 4.9.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2914,1670,1457,1414,1370,1237,1190,1073,1017,865,742$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 249.1645; found, 249.1652.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=+23.348,\left(c=0.2273, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$.
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=77.5 \mathrm{~min}($ minor $) / 79.4 \mathrm{~min}$ (major), $95 \%$ ee.


## Triethyl ((4-propylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl) oxy) silane

Colourless oil. Yield $=56 \%$. (Isolated yield, observed $24 \%$ over reduction product.) $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.36$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 4.88-4.79 (m, 1H), 2.18-1.93
$(\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.80-1.55(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.52-1.17(\mathrm{~m}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 1.01-0.83(\mathrm{~m}, 18 \mathrm{H}), 0.66(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 0.55$ (dq, $J=19.6,7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13}{ }^{13}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 150.4, 103.3, 38.3, 33.1, 33.1, 30.4, 29.7, 29.4, 27.3, 20.3, 14.4, 6.9, 6.8, 6.7, 6.4, 5.1, 5.0.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2876,1670,1458,1415,1374,1188,1017,865,770$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{OSiNa}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 277.1958; found, 277.1961.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=+31.364,\left(c=0.2195, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$.
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $70{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=104.2 \mathrm{~min}$ (major) $/ 111.9$ $\min$ (minor), $92 \% e e$.

tert-Butyl ((2,5-dimethylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl)oxy) dimethyl silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=81 \%$. (Isolated yield, remaining $1 \%$ aromatized starting material) $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.40$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl} 3$ ) $\delta 2.12-2.00(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.98-1.88(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.81-1.61$ $(\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.60(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.23-1.10(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 0.97(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.14(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 142.3,111.0,38.8,31.2,30.0,25.9,21.7,18.2,16.2$, 3.7.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2954,2927,1688,1461,1256,1177,835,777$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$, 241.1982; found, 241.1979.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=-11.3\left(c=0.154\right.$ in $\left.\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta-3 \mathrm{P}, 90^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=37.6 \mathrm{~min}$ (major) $/ 35.7 \mathrm{~min}$ (minor), $95 \%$ ee.


## ((2,5-dimethylcyclohex-1-en-1-yl)oxy) triethyl silane

Colourless oil. Yield $=79 \%$. (Isolated yield, remaining $0.05 \%$ aromatized starting material). $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.27$ in pentene.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl} 3) \delta 2.08-1.97(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.95-1.86(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.78-1.69$ $(\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.66-1.59(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.58(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.03-0.92(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H}), 0.65(\mathrm{q}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}$, 6 H ).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 142.4,110.8,38.7,31.1,30.0,21.6,16.0,6.8,5.7$.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2954,2911,1689,1457,1378,1185,1005,803,742$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{NaOSi}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 263.1802; found, 263.1789.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{\boldsymbol{D}}^{23}=-45.4\left(c=0.275\right.$ in $\left.\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$

GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $100{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=32.6 \mathrm{~min}$ (major) $/ 31.9 \mathrm{~min}$ (minor), $98 \%$ ee.

tert-Butyl(2-(3-((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy) cyclohex-3-en-1-yl)ethoxy)dimethylsilane
Colourless oil. Conversion $=89 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.40$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 4.88-4.80(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.72-3.59(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 2.47-2.11$ $(\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.11-1.86(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 1.87-1.04(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H}), 0.95-0.83(\mathrm{~m}, 31 \mathrm{H}), 0.12(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=$ $1.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 0.05$ (s, 12H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 211.7,149.9,103.9,61.1,60.5,48.1,41.5,39.3,39.1$, $36.5,35.7,31.3,31.1,28.6,26.0,25.9,25.7,25.3,23.3,18.3,18.0,-4.3,-4.4,-5.3,-$ 5.4.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2928,1670,1463,1361,1255,1199,1103,835,775$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{Si}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 393.2616; found, 393.2624.
$[a]_{D}^{23}=+22.286,\left(c=0.1753, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$.
GC-MS: column Beta-dex $225,125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=20.4 \mathrm{~min}($ minor $) / 22.5 \mathrm{~min}$ (major), $97 \%$ ee.

tert-Butyl(2-(4-((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy) cyclohex-3-en-1-yl)ethoxy)dimethylsilane
Colourless oil. Conversion $=94 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.38$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 4.83-4.81(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.67(\mathrm{dt}, \mathrm{J}=13.4,6.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 2.54$ $-1.82(\mathrm{~m}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 1.82-1.15(\mathrm{~m}, 13 \mathrm{H}), 0.96-0.83(\mathrm{~m}, 34 \mathrm{H}), 0.11(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=6.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 8 \mathrm{H})$, 0.06 (s, 11H).
${ }^{13}{ }^{3}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 212.2,150.4,103.6,61.4,61.0,40.8,38.8,38.3,32.7$, $30.4,30.0,29.5,29.2,26.0,25.7,18.4,18.0,-3.6,-4.4,-4.5,-5.3$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{Si}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 393.2616; found, 393.2612.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=+20.225\left(c=0.178, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$
GC-MS: column Beta-dex $225,125{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=29.3 \mathrm{~min}$ (major) $/ 38.4 \mathrm{~min}$ (minor), $94 \%$ ee.

tert-Butyldimethyl ((5-(2-(2-methyl-1,3-dioxolan-2yl) ethyl) cyclohex-1-en-1-yl) oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=89 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.46$, in $10 / 90$
EtOAc/pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 4.87-4.81(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $3.99-3.88(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 2.09-1.98(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.77-1.54(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 1.46-1.33(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $1.31(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.19-1.05(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 0.91(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.11(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 149.9,110.2,103.9,64.6,36.7,34.7,30.4,28.7,25.7$, 23.8, 23.4, 18.0, -4.5.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2929,2858,1670,1472,1374,1256,1195,1069,836,778$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{NaO}_{3} \mathrm{Si}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 349.2169$; found, 349.2164 .
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-6TBDM, $80{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=170.6 \mathrm{~min}$ (major)/168.3 min (minor), $95 \%$ ee.

tert-Butyldimethyl ((5-(2-(2-methyl-1,3-dioxan-2-yl) ethyl) cyclohex-1-en-1-yl) oxy) silane
Colourless oil. Yield $=82 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.46$, in $10 / 90$
EtOAc/pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 4.87-4.82(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $3.97-3.83(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.09-1.98(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H}), 1.80-1.57(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.45-1.31(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, $1.39(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.91(\mathrm{~s}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 0.12(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.11(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$,
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 149.9,103.9,99.3,59.6,36.5,35.8,34.8,29.8,28.7$, $27.3,25.7,25.5,23.4,20.7,18.0,-4.3,-4.5$.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2953,2858,1670,1472,1369,1248,1195,1100,836,778$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{36} \mathrm{NaO}_{3} \mathrm{Si}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 363.2326$; found, 363.2333.
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta-6 T B D M, 80{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=171.6 \mathrm{~min}$ (major)/168.1 min (minor), $98 \%$ ee.


## (Z)-tert-butyl((1-(4-isobutylphenyl)prop-1-en-1-

 yl)oxy)dimethylsilaneColourless oil. Yield $=81 \%$. (Isolated yield, observed 3\% over reduction product.) $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.23$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR (400 MHz, Benzene- $d_{6}$ ) $\delta 7.50-7.45(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.98(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $5.19(\mathrm{q}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.34(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.77(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.05(\mathrm{~s}$, $9 \mathrm{H}), 0.84(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 0.02(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (101 MHz, C ${ }_{6}$ D6) $\delta 150.85,141.06,138.02,129.06,126.07,105.25,45.39$, 26.14, 22.47, 18.62, 11.98, -3.77.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2956,2859,1654,1509,1471,1464,1319,1255,1116,1059$, 871, 839, 779.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right]$ Calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{NaOSi}=327.2115$. Found: 327.2120.

(Z)-tert-butyldimethyl((5-methyl-1-phenylhex-1-en-1yl)oxy) silane.
Colourless oil. Yield $=78 \%$. (Isolated yield, observed $3 \%$ over reduction product.) $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.33$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR (400 MHz, Benzene- $d_{6}$ ) $\delta 7.55-7.51(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.17-7.11(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.10-$ $7.04(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.15(\mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.38-2.29(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.66-1.54(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.37$ $-1.28(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.05(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 0.93(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 0.01(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (101 MHz, C $\left.{ }_{6} \mathrm{D} 6\right) ~ \delta 149.74,140.44,127.73,126.31,112.47,39.23,28.25$, 26.12, 24.68, 22.80, 18.59, -3.78.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2955,1650,1471,1335,1256,1080,838,779$.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right]$ Calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{NaOSi}=327.2115$. Found: 327.2117.

(S,Z)-((1-(4-(sec-butyl)phenyl)prop-1-en-1-yl)oxy) triisopropylsilane.
Colourless oil. Yield $=82 \%$. (Isolated yield, observed $2 \%$ over reduction product.) $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.30$ in pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , Benzene- $d_{6}$ ) $\delta 7.51$ (d, $J=8.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ), $7.03(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.07(\mathrm{q}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.48-2.36(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.81(\mathrm{~d}, J=$ $6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.55-1.41(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.18-1.06(\mathrm{~m}, 18 \mathrm{H}), 0.76(\mathrm{t}, J=7.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (101 MHz, C 6 D6) $\delta 151.91,147.03,138.74,127.01,126.47,104.71,41.73$, 31.48, 22.08, 18.35, 18.20, 13.98, 12.39, 11.96.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2961,2867,1651,1463,1378,1321,1064,883,681$.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right]$ Calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{39} \mathrm{OSi}=347.2765$. Found: 347.2775.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=15.0\left(c=0.340\right.$ in $\left.\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$
GC-MS: column Chiraldex $\beta$-DM, $120{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ isothermal, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=32.0 \mathrm{~min}$ (major) $/ 33.5 \mathrm{~min}$ (minor), $99 \%$ ee.

( $R, Z$ )-tert-butyl((1,5-diphenylhex-1-en-1-yl)oxy) dimethylsilane.
Colourless oil. Yield $=93 \%$. (Isolated yield, observed 5\% over reduction product.) $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.74$ in $4 \% \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O} /$ pentane.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , Benzene- $d_{6}$ ) $\delta 7.54-7.47(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.24-7.02(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 5.10(\mathrm{t}$, $J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.64(\mathrm{~h}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.20(\mathrm{q}, J=7.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.73-1.57(\mathrm{~m}$, $2 \mathrm{H}), 1.20(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 0.98(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}),-0.08(\mathrm{~d}, J=4.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $101 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{C}_{6}$ D6) $\delta 149.85,147.62,140.39,128.72,127.76,127.45$, $126.27,112.05,40.28,38.81,26.10,25.07,22.47,18.53,-3.84$.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2957,1648,1493,1331,1256,1068,876,838,779$.
HRMS-ESI; $m / z\left[\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right]$ Calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{NaOSi}=389.2271$. Found: 389.2284. $[\boldsymbol{a}]_{\boldsymbol{D}}^{23}=22.8\left(c=0.464\right.$ in $\left.\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$
SFC-HPLC: column OJ-H $10 \% \mathrm{MeOH}, \mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{R}}=6.2 \mathrm{~min}$ (major) $/ 7.4 \mathrm{~min}$ (minor), $98 \%$ $e e$.


This compound has been previously reported. [10]





4-(2-((tert-Butyldimethylsilyl) oxy) ethyl )cyclohex-2-en-1-one Colourless oil. Yield $=62 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.29$, in $10 / 90 \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ pentane . ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 6.91$ (ddd, $J=10.2,2.8,1.3 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 5.97$ (ddd, $J=10.2,2.5,0.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), $3.82-3.67$ (m, 2H), $2.68-2.57(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.56-2.44(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.37(\mathrm{ddd}, J=16.8,12.1$, $4.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.19-2.07(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.82-1.54(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 0.90(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H})$,
0.06 (s, 6H).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 199.9,155.3,128.9,60.4,37.3,36.9,33.0,28.6,25.9$, 18.3, -5.3, -5.4.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2928,1688,1463,1389,1255,1106,836,776$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{NaO}_{2} \mathrm{Si}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 277.1587$; found, 277.1594.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{\boldsymbol{D}}^{23}=+29.078\left(c=0.1408, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$


5-(2-(2-Methyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-yl) ethyl) cyclohex-2-en-1-one Colourless oil. Yield $=56 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.30$ in $30 / 70 \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ pentane . ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl} 3$ ) $\delta 6.96$ (ddd, $J=10.0,5.7,2.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$, 1 H ), 6.01 (ddd, $J=10.1,2.5,1.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.00-3.87(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H})$, $2.59-2.38(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.20-1.98(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.72-1.59(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $1.54-1.43(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.31(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 199.8,149.7,129.8,109.8,64.7,44.5,36.2,35.3$, 32.2, 29.9, 23.8.

IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2927,1682,1455,1377,1251,1218,1135,1055,947,836,756$. HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$, 233.1148; found, 233.1156.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{\boldsymbol{D}}^{23}=-15.20\left(c=0.125, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$


## 5-(2-(2-Methyl-1,3-dioxan-2-yl)ethyl) cyclohex-2-en-1-one

Colourless oil. Yield $=51 \% . \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}}=0.28$ in $30 / 70 \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ pentane . ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 6.97(\mathrm{ddd}, J=10.1,5.7,2.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$, 1 H ), 6.02 (ddt, $J=10.1,2.6,1.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.03-3.75(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H})$, 2.62-2.37 (m, 2H), 2.21-1.98 (m, 3H), 1.92-1.61 (m, 3H), $1.61-1.45(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.39(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 207.9,199.9,149.8,149.5,129.8,98.9,59.7,44.5$, $44.1,40.5,36.1,35.5,34.7,32.3,32.2,29.3,25.5,20.3$.
IR (Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $v=2924,1668,1455,1386,1248,1095,967,879,845,753$.
HRMS (ESI): $m / z$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}, 247.1305$; found, 247.1313.
$[\boldsymbol{a}]_{D}^{23}=-28.986\left(c=0.1375, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$
Asymmetric hydrogenation of substrate $\mathbf{1}$ at 5 and 10 minutes using PVP


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