# Enantioselective Conjugate Silyl Additions to Cyclic and Acyclic Unsaturated Carbonyls Catalyzed by Cu Complexes of Chiral N-Heterocyclic Carbenes

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General. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker FT-IR Alpha (ATR mode) spectrophotometer,  $v_{max}$  in cm<sup>-1</sup>. Bands are characterized as broad (br), strong (s), medium (m), and weak (w). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Unity INOVA 400 (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl<sub>3</sub>: 7.26 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, integration, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, sep = septet, bs = broad singlet, m = multiplet), and coupling constants (Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Unity INOVA 400 (100 MHz) spectrometer with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl<sub>3</sub>: 77.16 ppm). High-resolution mass spectrometry was performed on a Micromass LCT ESI-MS (positive mode) at the Mass Spectrometry Facility at Boston College. Enantiomer ratios were determined by HPLC analysis (Chiral Technologies Chiralpak AD-H, 4.6 x 250 mm, Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OD, 4.6 x 250 mm, Chiral Technologies Chiralcel AS, 4.6 x 250 mm, and Chiral Technologies Chiralcel OB-H, 4.6 x 250 mm) in comparison with authentic racemic materials. Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out with distilled and degassed solvents under an atmosphere of dry N2 in oven- (135 °C) and flame-dried glassware with standard dry box or vacuum-line techniques. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was purified by distillation from sodium benzophenone ketyl immediately prior to use. All work-up and purification procedures were carried out in air. All solvents were purchased from Doe and Ingalls. (Dimethylphenylsilyl)boronic acid pinacol ester [PhMe<sub>2</sub>Si(Bpin)] was purchased from Aldrich and distilled prior to use. All substrates were purchased from Aldrich and distilled prior to use. 2-Cyclooctenone and dienones (17 and 18) were prepared based on a previously reported procedure.<sup>1</sup> Sodium *t*-butoxide and copper(I) chloride were purchased from Strem and used as received.

**NOTE:** It is imperative that dry and pure reagents, Cu salt and imidazolinium salt are utilized in order to achieve optimal efficiency and enantioselectivity.

■ Representative Procedure for NHC–Cu-Catalyzed Enantioselective Conjugate Silyl Additions: Preparation of the desired NHC–CuOt-Bu: In an oven-dried vial (6 x 1 cm) equipped with a stir bar, imidazolinium tetrafluoroborate salt 12 (22 mg, 0.036 mmol), NaOt-Bu (6.9 mg, 0.072 mmol), and CuCl (3.3 mg, 0.033 mmol) were placed and 5.0 mL of THF was added. After the solution was allowed to stir for two hours at 22 °C under a dry N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere, it was filtered through a short plug of flame-dried Celite.

An appropriate portion of the solution of NHC–CuO*t*-Bu (0.0033 mmol in 0.50 mL THF) was placed in a separate oven-dried vial (6 x 1 cm), and the resulting solution was charged with PhMe<sub>2</sub>Si(Bpin) [96 mg (0.36 mmol) in 0.50 mL THF]. The vessel was then removed from the glovebox, placed in a fume hood and cooled to -78 °C. 2-Cyclohexenone (32 mg, 0.33 mmol)

<sup>(1) (</sup>a) Ito, Y.; Hirao, T.; Saegusa, T. J. Org. Chem. **1978**, 43, 1011–1013. (b) Hayashi, T.; Yamamoto, S.; Tokunaga, N. Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. **2005**, 44, 4224–4227. (c) Henon, H.; Mauduit, M.; Alexakis, A. Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. **2008**, 47, 9122–9124.

was added and the mixture was allowed to stir for one hour at -78 °C, after which the reaction was quenched by the addition of H<sub>2</sub>O (3 mL) and the mixture was allowed to warm to 22 °C and stir for an additional 15 minutes. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and filtered. The volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and the resulting light yellow oil was purified by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/Et<sub>2</sub>O:5/1) to afford 71 mg (0.31 mmol, 92% yield) of (*S*)-3-(dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-cyclohexanone **6**, as a colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ 7.50-7.45 (2H, m), 7.41-7.34 (3H, m), 2.40-2.21 (3H, m), 2.21-2.06 (2H, m), 1.85-1.78 (1H, m), 1.77-1.64 (1H, m), 1.42 (1H, ddd, *J* = 25.6, 12.8, 3.6 Hz), 1.33-1.25 (1H, m), 0.31 (3H, s), 0.31(3H, s). Optical rotation:<sup>2</sup> [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> –75.6 (*c* 1.00, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 97.4:2.6 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.<sup>3</sup> Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97.4:2.6 er shown below; chiracel AS column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.7/0.3 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*S*)-3-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)cyclopentanone (Table 2, entry 1). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.51-7.47 (2H, m), 7.40-7.33 (3H, m), 2.29-2.17 (2H, m), 2.14-2.04 (2H, m), 1.92-1.84 (1H, m), 1.73-1.61 (1H, m), 1.58-1.48 (1H, m), 0.31 (6H, s). Optical rotation:<sup>2</sup> [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> –42.9 (*c* 2.06, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 90:10 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.<sup>3</sup> Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (90:10 er shown below; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99/1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).

<sup>(2)</sup> Walter, C.; Auer, G.; Oestreich, M. Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. 2006, 45, 5675-5677.

<sup>(3)</sup> Ito, H.; Ishizuka, T.; Tateiwa, J.-i.; Sonoda, M.; Hosomi, A. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1998, 120, 11196–11197.



(*S*)-3-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)cycloheptanone (Table 2, entry 3). IR (neat): 2921 (m), 2849 (w), 1696 (s), 1443 (m), 1248 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.49-7.46 (2H, m), 7.38-7.32 (3H, m), 2.59-2.26 (4H, m), 2.08-1.85 (3H, m), 1.54-1.42 (1H, m), 1.33-1.03 (3H, m), 0.29 (3H, s), 0.28 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  216.0, 137.7, 134.6, 129.9, 128.5, 45.2, 44.1, 32.5, 31.8, 25.0, 24.0, -4.3, -4.5; HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>SiONa [M+Na]: 269.1338, Found: 269.1329. Optical rotation:<sup>2</sup> [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -75.0 (*c* 1.00, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 97:3 er. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 er shown below; chiracel AS column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.7/0.3 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).



**3-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)cyclooctanone (Table 2, entry 4).** IR (neat): 2927 (m), 2857 (w), 1697 (s), 1408 (m), 1248 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.52-7.48 (2H, m), 7.40-7.33 (3H, m), 2.57-2.50 (1H, m), 2.34-2.18 (3H, m), 1.88-1.76 (2H, m), 1.70-1.53 (3H, m), 1,48-1.19 (4H, m), 0.31 (3H, s), 0.31 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 219.6, 137.5, 134.1, 129.4, 128.1, 43.2, 41.7, 28.3, 27.1, 26.5, 26.2, 24.1, -4.6, -4.8; HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>24</sub>SiONa

[M+Na]: 283.1494, Found: 283.1495. Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  +25.4 (*c* 1.45, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 98:2 er. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (98:2 er shown below; chiracel AS column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.7/0.3 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*R*)-4-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-3,3-dimethylcyclopentanone (Table 2, entry 5). IR (neat): 2954 (m), 1738 (s), 1427 (m), 1402 (m), 1250 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.54-7.50 (2H, m), 7.38-7.33 (3H, m), 2.38-2.23 (2H, m), 2.63 (2H, dd, *J* = 29.6, 17.6 Hz), 1.51 (1H, dd, *J* = 12.8, 9.2 Hz), 1.10 (3H, s), 1.00 (3H, s), 0.42 (3H, s), 0.38 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  220.6, 139.1, 134.4, 129.8, 128.6, 57.3, 40.7, 40.6, 36.8, 30.8, 26.3, -1.6, -2.2; HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>SiONa [M+Na]: 269.1338, Found: 269.1335. Optical rotation: [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> – 118.6 (*c* 1.05, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 99:1 er. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (99:1 er shown below; chiracel OD column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.9/0.1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*R*)-3-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-4,4-dimethylcyclohexanone (Table 2, entry 6). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.51-7.46 (2H, m), 7.36-7.33 (3H, m), 2.45-2.19 (4H, m), 1.73-1.61 (2H, m), 1.37 (1H, dd, *J* = 14.0, 3.6 Hz), 1.10 (3H, s), 0.98 (3H, s), 0.39 (3H, s), 0.36 (3H, s). Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  –71.7 (*c* 1.30, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 99:1 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously. <sup>4</sup> Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (99:1 er shown below; chiracel OD column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99/1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*S*)-7-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5*H*-benzo[7]annulen-5-one (Table 2, entry 7). IR (neat): 2951 (m), 1672 (s), 1598 (m), 1427 (m), 1250 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.76 (1H, dd, *J* = 6.0, 1.2 Hz), 7.53-7.50 (2H, m), 7.45 (1H, td, *J* = 6.0, 1.2 Hz), 7.43-7.32 (4H, m), 7.18 (1H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 2.97-2.91 (1H, m), 2.89-2.73 (2H, m), 2.54 (1H, dd, *J* = 13.6, 10.4 Hz), 1.90-1.78 (2H, m), 1.30-1.23 (1H, m), 0.35 (3H, s), 0.34 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  207.3, 140.9, 138.7, 137.1, 134.2, 132.6, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 128.1, 127.0, 41.9, 33.3, 27.1, 18.9, -4.7, -4.8; HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>26</sub>SiNO [M+NH<sub>4</sub>]: 312.1784, Found: 312.1770. Optical rotation: [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> +2.80 (*c* 1.00, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 96.5:3.5 er. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96.5:3.5 er shown below; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99/1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.9 mL/min, 220 nm).

<sup>(4)</sup> Auer, G.; Weiner, B.; Oestreich, M. Synthesis 2006, 2113-2116.



(*S*)-4-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one (Table 2, entry 8). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.49-7.46 (2H, m), 7.43-7.35 (3H, m), 4.34 (1H, dt, *J* = 10.8, 4.8 Hz), 4.25 (1H, ddd, *J* = 10.8, 10.0, 4.0 Hz), 2.57 (1H, ddd, *J* = 17.2, 6.0, 1.6 Hz), 2.28 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 13.2 Hz), 1.88-1.81 (1H, m), 1.70-1.60 (1H, m), 1.44-1.36 (1H, m), 0.34 (6H, s). Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20}$  –29.6 (*c* 1.50, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 92:8 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously.<sup>5</sup> Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (92:8 er shown below; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99/1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.9 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*S*)-4-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)pentan-2-one (Table 3, entry 1). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.52-7.47 (2H, m), 7.39-7.33 (3H, m), 2.42 (1H, dd, J = 16.4, 3.6 Hz), 2.18 (1H, dd, J = 16.0, 10.8 Hz), 2.07 (3H, s), 1.54-1.45 (1H, m), 0.93 (3H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 0.29 (3H, s), 0.28 (3H, s). Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  +26.2 (*c* 0.55, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 97:3 er. The spectroscopic data

<sup>(5)</sup> Crump, R. A. N. C.; Fleming, I.; Urch, C. J. J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1994, 701–706.

match those reported previously and the absolute configuration was assigned by comparison with reported data.<sup>6</sup> Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 er shown below; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.8/0.2 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.5 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*S*)-4-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)nonan-2-one (Table 3, entry 2). IR (neat): 2955 (m), 2925 (m), 1716 (s), 1427 (m) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.51-7.48 (2H, m), 7.36-7.31 (3H, m), 2.41 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.2, 5.2 Hz), 2.31 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.2, 8.0 Hz), 2.03 (3H, s), 1.54-1.38 (2H, m), 1.30-1.10 (7H, m), 0.85-0.82 (3H, m), 0.28 (3H, s), 0.27 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  209.2, 138.2, 133.9, 128.9, 127.7, 44.5, 32.0, 30.5, 29.8, 28.8, 22.5, 20.3, 14.0, -3.9, -4.4; HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>28</sub>SiO [M+]: 276.1909, Found: 276.1923. Optical rotation: [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> +36.0 (*c* 1.97, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 98:2 er. The absolute configuration was assigned by analogy to entry 1 in Table 3. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (98:2 er shown below; chiracel AS column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.9/0.1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*R*)-4-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-5-methylhexan-2-one (Table 3, entry 3). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.52-7.48 (2H, m), 7.36-7.32 (3H, m), 2.45 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 7.2 Hz), 2.36 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.6, 5.2 Hz), 2.00 (3H, s), 1.93-1.82 (1H, m), 1.63-1.57 (1H, m), 0.88 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.82 (3H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 0.33 (3H, s), 0.30 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  209.9, 139.6, 134.6, 129.5, 128.4, 42.0, 30.4, 29.5, 28.2, 23.6, 21.9, -1.6, -2.4. Optical rotation: [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> +18.6 (*c* 2.45, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 97:3 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously<sup>6</sup> and the absolute configuration was assigned by analogy to entry 1 in Table 3. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 er shown below; chiracel AS column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.9/0.1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*R*)-4-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-4-phenylbutan-2-one (Table 3, entry 4). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.39-7.30 (5H, m), 7.19-7.15 (2H, m), 7.09-7.04 (1H, m), 6.93-6.91 (2H, m), 2.93-2.83 (2H, m), 2.62 (1H, dd, *J* = 22.8, 11.2 Hz), 1.92 (3H, s), 0.23 (3H, s), 0.20 (3H, s). Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20}$  +11.7 (*c* 1.00, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 98.5:1.5 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously and the absolute configuration was assigned by comparison with reported data.<sup>7</sup> Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (98.5:1.5 er shown below; chiracel OD column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.9/0.1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).

<sup>(6)</sup> Barbero, A.; Blakemore, D. C.; Fleming, I.; Wesley, R. N. J. Chem. Soc. Perkin Trans. 1 1997, 1329–1352.

<sup>(7)</sup> Kacprzynski, M. A.; Kazane, S. A.; May, T. L.; Hoveyda, A. H. Org. Lett. 2007, 9, 3187-3190.



(*R*)-4-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)butan-2-one (Table 3, entry 5). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.40-7.30 (5H, m), 6.84 (2H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.73 (2H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 3.74 (3H, s), 2.87-2.77 (2H, m), 2.59 (1H, dd, *J* = 26.4, 13.2 Hz), 1.92 (3H, s), 0.22 (3H, s), 0.19 (3H, s). Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20}$  –1.84 (*c* 1.30, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 97:3 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously<sup>6</sup> and the absolute configuration was assigned by analogy to entry 4 in Table 3. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97:3 er shown below; chiracel AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 95/5 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.9 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*R*)-4-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)butan-2-one (Table 3, entry 6). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.46-7.36 (7H, m), 7.03 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 3.02-2.91 (2H, m), 2.71 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 1.98 (3H, s), 0.26 (3H, s), 0.25 (3H, s); optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  +6.66 (*c* 2.45, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 96:4 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously<sup>6</sup> and the absolute configuration was assigned by analogy to entry 4 in Table 3.

Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown below; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99/1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*R*)-4-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-4-*o*-tolylbutan-2-one (Table 3, entry 7). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.40-7.32 (5H, m), 7.10-7.07 (2H, m), 7.02-6.98 (1H, m), 6.88-6.86 (1H, m), 3.16 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.0 Hz), 2.96 (1H, dd, *J* = 16.8, 10.8 Hz), 2.68 (1H, dd, *J* = 16.8, 4.0 Hz), 2.24 (3H, s), 1.93 (3H, s), 0.30 (3H, s), 0.21 (3H, s). Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  +11.3 (*c* 1.08, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 93.5:6.5 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously<sup>8</sup> and the absolute configuration was assigned by analogy to entry 4 in Table 3. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (93.5:6.5 shown below; chiracel OD column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.9/0.1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.5 mL/min, 220 nm).



<sup>(8)</sup> Shintani, R.; Okamoto, K.; Hayashi, T. Org. Lett. 2005, 7, 4757-4759.

(*S*)-3-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-1-phenylbutan-1-one (13). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.84-7.81 (2H, m), 7.55-7.49 (3H, m), 7.42-7.35 (5H, m), 3.00 (1H, dd, *J* = 16.0, 3.2 Hz), 2.66 (1H, dd, *J* = 16.0, 11.2 Hz), 1.66-1.57 (1H, m), 0.98 (3H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 0.34 (3H, s), 0.33 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  200.5, 137.6, 137.1, 134.0, 132.7, 129.1, 128.5, 128.1, 127.8, 40.7, 15.9, 14.6, -4.7, -5.4. Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  +12.4 (*c* 1.10, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 95.5:4.5 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously<sup>9</sup> and the absolute configuration was assigned by comparison with reported data.<sup>10</sup> Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95.5:4.5 er shown below; chiracel OD column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.9/0.1 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*R*)-3-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-3-phenylpropanenitrile (14). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.43-7.33 (5H, m), 7.27-7.23 (2H, m), 7.19-7.14 (1H, m), 6.96-6.93 (2H, m), 2.65-2.56 (3H, m), 0.27 (6H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  140.3, 135.8, 134.7, 130.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.1, 126.6, 120.3, 33.7, 19.5, -3.4, -4.9. Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -13.4 (*c* 1.16, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 90:10 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously<sup>5</sup> and the absolute configuration was assigned by analogy to entry 1 in Table 3. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (90:10 er shown below; chiracel AS column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.7/0.3 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm).

<sup>(9)</sup> Fleming, I.; Henning, R.; Parker, D. C.; Plaut, H. E.; Sanderson, P. E. J. J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1, 1995, 317–337.

<sup>(10)</sup> Hayashi, T.; Matsumoto, Y.; Ito, Y. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 5579-5581.



(*S*)-Methyl 3-(dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)butanoate (15). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.52-7.49 (2H, m), 7.39-7.33 (3H, m), 3.62 (3H, s), 2.39 (1H, dd, *J* = 15.2, 4.0 Hz), 2.07 (1H, dd, *J* = 15.2, 11.2 Hz), 1.49-1.40 (1H, m), 0.98 (3H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 0.29 (6H, s). Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  +2.50 (*c* 1.75, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 96.5:3.5 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously<sup>11</sup> and the absolute configuration was assigned by analogy to entry 1 in Table 3. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96.5:3.5 er shown below; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.8/0.2 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.51 mL/min, 220 nm).



(*R*)-Methyl 3-(dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-3-phenylpropanoate (16). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.42-7.32 (5H, m), 7.22-7.19 (2H, m), 7.12-7.08 (1H, m), 6.97-6.95 (2H, m), 3.47 (3H, s), 2.86 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.8 Hz), 2.77 (1H, dd, *J* = 15.6, 11.2 Hz), 2.66 (1H, dd, *J* = 15.6, 11.2 Hz), 0.98 (3H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 0.26 (3H, s), 0.23 (3H, s). Optical rotation: [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> +4.98 (*c* 2.30, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)

<sup>(11)</sup> Lipshutz, B. H.; Tanaka, N.; Taft, B. R.; Lee, C-T. Org. Lett. 2006, 8, 1963–1966.

for a sample with 95.5:4.5 er. The spectroscopic data match those reported previously<sup>12</sup> and the absolute configuration was assigned by analogy to the product entry 4 in Table 3. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (95.5:4.5 er shown below; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.2/0.8 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Chiral NHC–Cu-Catalyzed Enantioselective 1,6-Conjugate Silyl Additions

(*R*,*Z*)-3-(2-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-2-phenylethylidene)cyclohexanone (20). IR (neat): 3023 (m), 2956 (m), 1714 (s), 1248 (m) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.36-7.26 (5H, m), 7.18 (2H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.07 (1H, t, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 6.97-6.93 (2H, m), 5.67 (1H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz), 3.25 (1H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz), 2.94 (1H, d, *J* = 16.4 Hz), 2.69 (1H, dd, *J* = 16.4, 1.6 Hz), 2.38-2.26 (4H, m), 1.80-1.65 (2H, m), 0.22 (3H, s), 0.19 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 209.3, 142.4, 137.3, 134.9, 132.2, 129.9, 128.9, 128.2, 127.9, 125.4, 124.7, 46.0, 42.0, 38.0, 35.8, 25.6, -3.7, -4.5; HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>26</sub>SiONa [M+Na]: 357.1651, Found: 357.1645. Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  –5.90 (*c* 1.81, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 98:2 er. The absolute configuration was assigned by analogy to entry 4 in Table 3. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (98:2 er shown below; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 95/5 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).

<sup>(12)</sup> Dambacher, J.; Bergdahl, M. J. Org. Chem. 2005, 70, 580-589.



(*R*,*E*)-3-(2-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-2-phenylethylidene)-4,4-dimethylcyclohexanone (21). IR (neat): 2959 (m), 1686 (s), 1253 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.37-7.27 (5H, m), 7.19 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.08 (1H, t, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 6.95 (2H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 5.69 (1H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz), 3.16 (1H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz), 3.04 (1H, d, *J* = 17.2 Hz), 2.73 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.6 Hz), 2.33-2.27 (2H, m), 1.59 (2H, t, *J* = 6.8 Hz) 1.18 (3H, s), 1.15 (3H, s), 0.22 (3H, s), 0.19 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  210.5, 142.6, 138.0, 137.3, 134.9, 129.9, 128.9, 128.2, 127.9, 125.4, 122.7, 43.0, 38.2, 38.0, 36.7, 28.5, 28.3, -3.7, -4.5; HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>30</sub>SiONa [M+Na]: 385.1964, Found: 385.1955. Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  +16.0 (*c* 1.30, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 96:4 er. The absolute configuration was assigned by analogy to entry 4 in Table 3. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (96:4 er shown below; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.3/0.7 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



Retention time	Area	Area %	Retention time	Area	Area %
26.66	4291990	49.242	27.30	460079	3.836
30.61	4424187	50.758	29.47	11534330	96.164

(*R*,*E*)-3-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyloxy)-3-styrylcyclohexanone (22). IR (neat): 2955 (m), 1716 (s), 1427 (m), 1251 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.52-7.50 (2H, m), 7.37-7.21 (6H, m), 7.18-7.16 (2H, m), 6.37 (1H, d, *J* = 16.4 Hz), 6.11 (1H, d, *J* = 16.4 Hz), 2.65 (1H, d, *J* = 14 Hz), 2.61 (1H, d, *J* = 14 Hz), 2.91-2.33 (1H, m), 2.90-2.21 (1H, m), 2.11-2.00 (2H, m), 1.91-1.74 (2H, m), 0.35 (3H, s), 0.33 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  210.2, 140.2, 136.8, 135.0, 134.1, 130.0, 129.9, 129.3, 128.6, 128.5, 127.2, 78.9, 54.1, 41.4, 38.1, 21.4, 1.6, 1.5; HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>27</sub>SiO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]: 351.1780, Found: 351.1769. Optical rotation: [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> +10.4 (*c* 0.90, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 94.5:5.5 er. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (94.5:5.5 er shownbelow; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 99.3/0.7 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.3 mL/min, 220 nm).



(2*S*,3*S*)-3-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methyl)cyclopentanone (23). IR (neat): 3434 (w), 2955 (w), 2893 (w), 1724 (s), 1250 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.45-7.42 (2H, m), 7.40-7.32 (3H, m), 7.29-7.19 (3H, m), 7.06-7.03 (2H, m), 4.83 (1H, d, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 3.86 (1H, bs), 2.53 (1H, dd, *J* = 9.6, 4.4 Hz), 2.15-2.06 (1H, m), 1.95-1.86 (2H, m), 1.66-1.57 (1H, m), 1.50-1.37 (1H, m), 0.22 (3H, s), 0.20 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  225.2, 142.3, 137.6, 134.5, 130.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.3, 127.3, 75.8, 56.2, 40.9, 24.4, 23.9, -4.0, -4.2; HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>25</sub>SiO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]: 325.1624, Found: 325.1635. Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -15.1 (*c* 1.40, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 6:1 dr.

(2*S*,3*S*)-3-(Dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methyl)cycloheptanone (24). Upon standing, the product undergoes retro-aldol reaction, as evidenced by HRMS and <sup>1</sup>H NMR to afford (*S*)-3-(dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)cycloheptanone (entry 3 in Table 2) in 95.5:4.5 er. HRMS of 24 (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for  $C_{22}H_{32}NSiO_2$  [M+NH<sub>4</sub>]: 370.2202, Found: 370.2204. The diastereomeric ratio (3:1 dr) was obtained through analysis of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the unpurified mixtures.

**Preparation of** (1R,4R)-4-(dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-3,3-dimethyl-1-phenylcyclopentanol (26): An oven-dried vial (6 x 1 cm) under a dry N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere equipped with a stir bar was charged with 25 (Table 2, entry 1, 99:1 er) (0.12 mmol, 30 mg) and Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 mL) was added and

the solution was allowed to cool to -78 °C. A solution of PhLi (78 µL, 0.13 mmol) in *n*-Bu<sub>2</sub>O (1.71 M) was added at -78 °C. After 6 h at -50 °C, the reaction was quenched by the addition of 1M HCl solution (0.5 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (2 mL) and the mixture was allowed to warm to 22 °C. Layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (5 mL x 2). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and filtered. The volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and the resulting light yellow oil was purified by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/Et<sub>2</sub>O:3/1) to afford 31 mg (0.097 mmol, 85% yield) of **26** as a colorless oil (>25:1 dr). IR (neat): 3387 (w), 2953 (s), 2687 (m), 1250 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.53-7.50 (2H, m), 7.44-7.41 (2H, m), 7.35-7.28 (5H, m), 7.21-7.18 (1H, m), 2.42 (1H, dd, *J* = 13.8, 8.6 Hz), 2.29 (1H, dd, *J* = 13.6, 13.6 Hz), 2.08 (1H, d, *J* = 13.6 Hz), 1.87 (1H, d, *J* = 14.0 Hz), 1.71 (1H, s), 1.42-1.37 (1H, m), 1.23 (3H, s), 0.97 (3H, s), 0.39 (3H, s), 0.35 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  150.6, 140.1, 134.5, 129.5, 128.9, 128.4, 127.2, 125.1, 83.7, 62.8, 47.7, 44.3, 41.4, 31.6, 27.4, -1.7, - 1.9; HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>28</sub>SiONa [M+Na]: 347.1807, Found: 347.1811. Optical rotation: [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -21.0 (*c* 1.01, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

(1*R*,3*R*)-4,4-Dimethyl-1-phenylcyclopentane-1,3-diol (27). IR (neat): 3356 (m), 2957 (s), 2926 (s), 2869 (m), 1448 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.46-7.43 (2H, m), 7.38-7.34 (2H, m), 7.31-7.26 (1H, m), 4.13 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.0, 6.0 Hz), 2.77 (1H, dd, *J* = 14.0, 6.0 Hz), 2.22 (1H, dd, *J* = 14.0, 6.0 Hz), 2.08 (2H, s), 1.16 (3H, s), 0.96 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  143.8, 129.3, 128.4, 126.8, 92.6, 80.3, 50.5, 42.6, 42.0, 28.6, 23.6; Optical rotation:  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  –7.04 (*c* 0.800, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 98:2 er. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (98:2 er shown below; chiralpak AD-H column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 90/10 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.5 mL/min, 220 nm).



Methyl 2-((1*S*,2*S*)-2-(dimethyl(phenyl)silyl)-6-oxocyclohexyl)acetate (28) <sup>13</sup>. IR (neat): 2951 (w), 2858 (w), 1735 (s), 1708 (s), 1428 (m) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.49-7.45 (2H, m), 7.40-7.33 (3H, m), 3.58 (3H, s), 2.78 (1H, dddd, J = 18.8, 9.6, 3.6, 0.8 Hz), 2.46-2.32 (3H, m), 2.72-2.13 (2H, m), 1.87-1.82 (1H, m), 1.82-1.56 (2H, m), 1.35 (1H, td, J = 12.8, 3.6 Hz), 0.38 (3H, s), 0.33 (3H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 212.9, 173.5, 138.5, 134.3, 130.0, 128.7, 52.2, 48.9, 42.5, 34.6, 32.7, 30.8, 28.2, -2.2, -3.3; HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>SiO<sub>3</sub> [M+H]: 305.1573, Found: 305.1580. Optical rotation: [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -79.4 (*c* 2.33, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) for a sample with 97.5:2.5 er. Enantiomeric purity was determined by HPLC analysis in comparison with authentic racemic material (97.5:2.5 er shown below; chiracel AS column (25 cm x 0.46 cm), 90/10 hexanes/*i*-PrOH, 0.5 mL/min, 220 nm).



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### Screening of ligands.