## Nickel-Catalyzed Coupling of Alkenes, Aldehydes, and Silyl Triflates

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#### **General Information.**

Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed under an oxygen-free atmosphere of nitrogen or argon with rigid exclusion of moisture from reagents and glassware. Tetrahydrofuran was distilled from a blue solution of sodium benzophenone ketyl. Dichloromethane and toluene was distilled from calcium hydride. Aromatic aldehydes were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co. and used as received. Other aldehydes were distilled and saturated with nitrogen before use. Bis(cyclooctadienyl)nickel(0)  $(Ni(cod)_2)$ and tris-(o-methoxyphenyl)-phosphine and triphenylphosphine were purchased from Strem Chemicals, Inc., stored under nitrogen atmosphere and used without further purification. Ethylene was purchased from BOC Gases and used as received. 1-octene was purchased from Alfa Aesar and used as received. All other alkenes were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co. and used as received. Dicyclohexylphenylphosphine and ethyldiphenylphosphinite were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co., stored under nitrogen atmosphere and used without further purification. Triethylsilyltrifluoromethanesulfonate (TESOTf) and trimethylsilyltrifluoromethansulfonate (TMSOTf) were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co. and were distilled over calcium hydride before use. Tert-butyldimethysilyltrifluoromethanesulfonate (TBSOTf) was purchased from Alfa Aesar and was distilled over calcium hydride before use.

Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using EM Science silica gel 60  $F_{254}$  plates. The developed chromatogram was analyzed by UV lamp (254 nm), ethanolic phosphomolybdic acid (PMA) or potassium permanganate (KMnO<sub>4</sub>). Liquid chromatography was performed using a forced flow (flash chromatography) of the indicated solvent system on Silicycle Silica Gel (230 – 400 mesh). <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on Varian 300 MHz, Varian 500 MHz or Bruker 400 MHz spectrometers in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, unless otherwise noted. Chemical shifts in <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra are reported in parts per million (ppm) on the  $\delta$  scale from an internal standard of residual chloroform (7.27 ppm) or residual benzene (7.16 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, b = broad), coupling constant in hertz (Hz), and integration. Chemical shifts of <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra are reported in ppm from the central peak of CDCl<sub>3</sub> (77.23 ppm) on the  $\delta$  scale. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 2000 FT-IR. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on a Bruker Daltonics APEXII 3 Tesla Fourier Transform Mass Spectrometer by Dr. Li Li of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Department of Chemistry Instrument Facility. Chiral GC analysis was performed on a Varian CP-3800 gas chromatograph fitted with Chiraldex B-PH, B-DA, and G-TA capillary columns. Chiral HPLC analysis was performed on a Hewlett-Packard 1100 chromatograph equipped with a variable wavelength detector and Chiralcel OD or OD-H columns.

#### Preparation of 2,2-dimethyl-3-oxo-propionic acid methyl ester

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dimethyl-propionic acid methyl ester (15 g, 113 mmol) in 200 mL dichloromethane was cooled to 0°C. Pyridinium chlorochromate (43 g, 200 mmol) was added. The mixture was slowly warmed to room temperature and stirred 24 h. The crude in dichloromethane was filtered through silica gel. Celite was added to the remaining black viscous oil from the reaction mixture until the viscous oil is all absorbed to the celite. Dichloromethane was added to this slurry and the dichloromethane solution was filtered through silica gel. Dichloromethane was removed at reduced pressure (80 Torr) to give a pale yellow crude oil. Fractional distillation removed residue dichloromethane and obtained 2,2-dimethyl-3-oxo-propionic acid methyl ester as a colorless oil (7 g, 48% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 9.60 (s, 1H); 3.70 (s, 3H); 1.29 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 199.1, 173.2, 53.9, 52.6, 19.7. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2988, 2958, 1726, 1468, 1278, 1151, 866.

### Nickel-catalyzed couplings of ethylene and aldehydes (1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, 1i, 1j, 1l, 1m, 1n).

**General procedure 1**. A 10 mL round bottom flask and a stir bar were oven-dried and brought into a glove box. Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (27.5 mg, 0.1 mmol, 20 mol%) and tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine (70.5 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) were added to the round bottom flask, the flask was sealed with a septum, and the sealed flask was brought out of the glove box and connected to an argon line. The catalyst mixture was dissolved in toluene (2.5 mL) under argon and stirred 15 min at room temperature. The reaction mixture was purged with ethylene for 1 min to remove argon, taken care not to introduce oxygen. The ethylene atmosphere was maintained with an ethylene balloon. Triethylamine (418  $\mu$ L, 3 mmol, 600 mol%) was added. Aldehyde (0.5 mmol, 100 mol%, as specified) was added. Silyltriflate (0.875 mmol, 175 mol%, as specified) was added. The mixture was filtered through a plug of silica gel. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude mixture was diluted in hexane. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded the coupling product.

#### Nickel-catalyzed couplings of ethylene and aldehydes (1e, 1f, 1g, 1h, 1k).

General procedure 2. A 10 mL round bottom flask and a stir bar were oven-dried and brought а glove box.  $Ni(cod)_2$ (27.5)mg, 0.1 mmol, mol%), into 20 tris-o-methoxyphenylphosphine (70.5 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and aldehyde (0.5 mmol, 100 mol%) were added to the round bottom flask, the flask was sealed with a septum, and the sealed flask was brought out of the glove box and connected to an argon line. The catalyst mixture was dissolved in toluene (2.5 mL) under argon and stirred 15 min at room temperature. The reaction mixture was purged with ethylene for 1 min to remove argon, taken care not to introduce oxygen. The ethylene atmosphere was maintained with an ethylene balloon. Next triethylamine (418  $\mu$ L, 3 mmol, 600 mol%) was added. Silyltriflate (0.875 mmol, 175 mol%, as specified) was added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 - 18 h, as judged by TLC of the reaction mixture. The mixture was filtered through a plug of silica gel. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude mixture was diluted in hexane. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded the coupling product.

#### OSiEt<sub>3</sub>



The reaction of ethylene and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 1 above, afforded **1a** in 82% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.32 – 7.45 (m, 4H); 7.29 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H); 6.01 (ddd, J = 6.0, 10.2, 16.9 Hz, 1H); 5.34 (dt, J = 1.5, 16.9 Hz, 1H); 5.25 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H); 5.13 (dt, J = 1.5, 10.2 Hz, 1H); 0.99 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.66 (dq, J = 1.8, 7.8 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 143.9, 141.8, 128.4, 127.3, 126.2, 113.7, 75.9, 7.0, 5.1. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2956, 2877, 1640, 1454, 1240, 1065, 744, 699. HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>OSiNa, 271.149; found, 271.150.



The reaction of ethylene and *p*-tolualdehyde (59 µL, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine and TESOTf (197 µL, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 1 above, afforded **1b** in 88% isolated yield as a colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H); 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H); 5.97 (ddd, *J* = 5.9, 10.2, 16.9 Hz, 1H); 5.30 (dt, *J* = 1.5, 17.0 Hz, 1H); 5.17 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H); 5.09 (dt, *J* = 1.3, 10.2 Hz, 1H); 2.37 (s, 3H); 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.65 (dq, *J* = 1.9, 7.5 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 142.1, 141.1, 136.8, 129.1, 126.2, 113.4, 75.8, 21.3, 7.0, 5.2. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2877, 1640, 1513, 1458, 1415, 1079, 1007, 844. HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>26</sub>OSiNa, 285.165; found, 285.165.



(1c)

The reaction of ethylene and *o*-tolualdehyde (58  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 1 above, afforded **1c** in 93% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.50 (d, J = 7.0, 1H); 7.11 – 7.24 (m, 3H); 5.93 (ddd, J = 5.7, 10.2, 17.0 Hz, 1H); 5.36 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H); 5.22 (dt, J = 1.6, 17.1 Hz, 1H); 5.08 (dt, J = 1.5, 10.2 Hz, 1H); 2.34 (s, 3H); 0.95 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.61 (dq, J = 2.8, 7.5 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 141.9, 140.7, 134.4, 130.3, 127.1, 126.5, 126.3, 113.7, 73.1, 19.4, 7.0, 5.1.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2877, 1639, 1461, 1066, 1007, 744.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>26</sub>OSiNa, 285.165; found, 285.165.



The reaction of ethylene and *p*-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 1 above, afforded **1d** in 95% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.30 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 6.90 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 5.97 (ddd, J = 5.9, 10.2, 16.9 Hz, 1H); 5.29 (dt, J = 1.4, 17.0 Hz, 1H); 5.16 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H); 5.10 (dt, J = 1.4, 10.2 Hz, 1H); 3.83 (s, 3H); 0.96 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.63 (dq, J = 1.8, 7.5 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 158.9, 142.0, 136.2, 127.4, 113.7, 113.4, 75.4, 55.4, 7.0, 5.1. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2877, 1639, 1511, 1464, 1246, 1037, 744. HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SiNa, 301.159; found, 301.159.



The reaction of ethylene and 2-naphthaldehyde (78.1 mg, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 2 above, afforded **1e** in 95% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.82 – 7.92 (m, 4H); 7.48 – 7.55 (m, 3H); 6.07 (ddd, J = 6.2, 10.2, 15.8 Hz, 1H); 5.35 – 5.45 (m, 2H); 5.17 (dt, J = 1.3, 10.1 Hz, 1H); 1.00 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 9H); 0.68 (dq, J = 2.5, 7.5 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 141.7, 141.4, 133.5, 133.0, 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 126.1, 125.8, 124.8, 124.6, 114.0, 76.0, 7.0, 5.1.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2876, 1640, 1458, 1239, 1006, 743.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>26</sub>OSiNa, 321.165; found, 321.164.



The reaction of ethylene and 2-naphthaldehyde (78.1 mg, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenyl- phosphine and TMSOTf (158  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 2 above, afforded **1f** in 60% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.80 – 7.90 (m, 4H); 7.45 – 7.54 (m, 3H); 6.06 (ddd, J = 5.6, 10.2, 17.4 Hz, 1H); 5.30 (dt, J = 1.5, 17.3 Hz, 1H); 5.37 (bs, 1H); 5.17 (dt, J = 1.4, 10.2 Hz, 1H); 0.18 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 141.4, 141.0, 133.5, 133.0, 128.19, 128.18, 127.9, 126.2, 125.9, 124.9, 124.8, 114.4, 76.1, 0.4.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2958, 1640, 1251, 1077, 841.

(1g)

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>OSiNa, 279.118; found, 279.119.

## OSi*t*-BuMe<sub>2</sub>



The reaction of ethylene and 2-naphthaldehyde (78.1 mg, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxy- phenylphosphine and TBSOTf (201  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 2 above, afforded **1g** in 67% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.80 – 7.92 (m, 4H); 7.45 – 7.55 (m, 3H); 6.04 (ddd, J = 5.8, 10.2, 16.8 Hz, 1H); 5.39 (dt, J = 1.5, 17.0 Hz, 1H); 5.38 (s, 1H); 5.14 (dt, J = 1.5, 10.2 Hz, 1H); 0.99 (s, 9H); 0.16 (s, 3H); 0.06 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 141.8, 141.4, 133.5, 133.0, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 126.1, 125.8, 124.8, 124.6, 113.8, 76.2, 26.1, 18.6, -4.4, -4.6.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2956, 2857, 1636, 1472, 1252, 1081, 837.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>26</sub>OSiNa, 321.165; found, 321.164.



The reaction of ethylene and 1-methyl-2-indolecarboxaldehyde (79.6 mg, 0.5 mmol) with  $Ni(cod)_2$ , tris-*o*-methoxy- phenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 2 above, afforded **1h** in 67% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.63 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H); 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H); 7.26 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H); 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H); 6.43 (s, 1H); 6.13 (ddd, *J* = 4.5, 10.3, 17.1 Hz, 1H); 5.52 (ddd, *J* = 1.7, 1.7, 4.5 Hz, 1H); 5.39 (ddd, *J* = 1.7, 1.7, 17.1 Hz, 1H); 5.25 (ddd, *J* = 1.7, 1.7, 10.4, 1H); 3.82 (s, 3H); 0.98 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.66 (dq, *J* = 1.4, 8.0 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 140.6, 139.7, 138.5, 127.5, 121.5, 120.8, 119.4, 114.9, 109.1, 100.5, 70.4, 31.0, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2911, 2876, 1911, 1758, 1641, 1469, 1238, 1009, 841, 731. HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NOSiNa, 324.178; found, 324.178.

## OSiEt<sub>3</sub> O (1i)

The reaction of ethylene and furan-2-carbaldehyde (41  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 1 above, afforded **1i** in 38% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.37 (bs, 1H); 6.32 (dd, J = 1.9, 3.1 Hz, 1H); 6.22 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H); 6.06 (m, 1H); 5.40 (d, J = 17.1 Hz, 1H); 5.21 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H); 0.95 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.63 (q, J = 7.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 156.0, 142.1, 138.1, 115.3, 110.4, 106.4. 69.3, 6.9, 4.9. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2956, 2878, 1646, 1459, 1237, 1010, 733.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for  $C_{13}H_{22}O_2SiNa$ , 261.128; found, 261.129.



The reaction of ethylene and 4-(trifluoromethyl)-benzaldehyde (70  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 1 above, afforded a mixture of **1j** and triethylsilylethers of pinnacol coupling products. This mixture was subjected to TBAF to isolate 25% of the desilylated **1j** as a colorless oil.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H); 6.02 (ddd, *J* = 6.3, 10.3, 16.9 Hz, 1H); 5.38 (ddd, *J* = 1.2, 1.2, 17.0 Hz, 1H); 5.27 (bd, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H); 5.25 (ddd, *J* = 1.2, 1.2, 10.3 Hz, 1H); 2.10 (bs, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 146.5, 139.8, 130.0 (*J* = 32.3 Hz), 126.7, 125.7, 123.0, 116.4, 75.1.

19 F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): -66.8 (s, 3F).

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3342, 1620, 1419, 1328, 1166, 1126, 1068, 931.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>9</sub>OF<sub>3</sub>Na, 202.060; found, 202.059.



The reaction of ethylene and methyl-4-formyl-benzoate (88 mg, 0.536 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxy- phenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 2 above, afforded **1k** in 34% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H); 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H); 5.92 (ddd, *J* = 6.0, 10.2, 16.9 Hz, 1H); 5.31 (ddd, *J* = 1.5, 1.5, 17.0 Hz, 1H); 5.21 (bd, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H); 5.11 (ddd, *J* = 1.4, 1.4, 10.2 Hz, 1H); 3.91 (s, 3H); 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 9H); 0.61 (dq, *J* = 1.7, 7.5 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 167.2, 149.1, 141.1, 129.8, 129.1, 126.1, 114.5, 75.6, 52.2, 6.9, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2954, 2912, 2877, 1727, 1610, 1436, 1278, 1113, 1019, 842, 745. HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for  $C_{17}H_{26}O_3SiNa$ , 329.154; found, 329.155.

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The reaction of ethylene and pivaldehyde (55  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 1 above, afforded **11** in 70% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 5.97 (ddd, *J* = 5.9, 10.2, 16.9 Hz, 1H); 5.11 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H); 5.08 (bs, 1H); 3.67 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H); 0.96 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.86 (s, 9H); 0.63 (q, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 139.4, 115.8, 82.4, 35.5, 26.0, 7.2, 5.3. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2877, 1641, 1462, 1239, 1082, 835.



The reaction of ethylene and 2,2-dimethyl-3-oxo-propionic acid methyl ester (70 mg, 0.54 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 1 above, afforded **1m** in 81% (0.28 mmol) isolated yield as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 5.75 (ddd, J = 7.6, 10.4, 17.5 Hz, 1H); 5.17 (bd, J = 17.3 Hz, 1H); 5.15 (bd, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H); 4.31 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H); 3.66 (s, 3H); 1.15 (s, 3H); 1.05 (s, 3H); 0.92 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.55 (dq, J = 1.5, 7.6 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 177.4, 137.8, 117.3, 79.2, 51.8, 48.3, 21.4, 19.9, 7.0, 5.2. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2954, 2878, 1745, 1732, 1642, 1468, 1261, 1087, 834. HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>3</sub>SiNa, 295.170; found, 295.171.

## OSiEt<sub>3</sub> (1n)

The reaction of ethylene and cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde (60  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, tris-*o*-methoxyphenylphosphine and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 1 above, afforded **1n** in 25% yield as determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR versus a standard. Another experiment was carried out under 2 atm of ethylene and yielded 34% **1n** and 66% silyl enol ether of cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde. Treatment of this mixture with a TBAF / THF / H<sub>2</sub>O solution removed the silyl enol ether from the mixture and column chromatography isolated **1n** as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 5.78 (ddd, J = 7.0, 10.3, 17.3 Hz, 1H); 5.07 (m, 2H); 3.78 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H); 1.40 – 0.90 (m, 11H); 0.95 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.59 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 140.7, 114.8, 78.9, 44.5, 29.0, 29.0, 26.9, 26.5, 26.5, 7.1, 5.2. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2953, 2926, 2877, 1644, 1451, 1239, 1068, 743. HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>30</sub>OSiNa, 277.196; found, 277.197. Nickel-catalyzed coupling of monosubstituted olefins and aldehydes (2a – 2p).

# Nickel-catalyzed coupling of monosubstituted alkenes and aldehydes (homoallylic products)

**General procedure 3**. A 10 mL test tube and a stir bar were oven-dried and brought into a glove box. Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (27.5 mg, 0.1 mmol, 20 mol%) and ligand (0.2 mmol, 40 mol% as specified) were added to the test tube, the test tube was sealed with a septum, and the sealed tube was brought out of the glove box and connected to an argon line. The catalyst mixture was dissolved in toluene (2.5 mL) under argon and stirred 5 min at room temperature. Alkene (0.5 mL), triethylamine (418  $\mu$ L, 3 mmol, 600 mol%) and then aldehyde (0.5 mmol, 100 mol%) were added. TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol, 175 mol%) was added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. The mixture was filtered through a plug of silica gel. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude mixture was diluted in hexane. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded the coupling product.



A 10 mL test tube and a stir bar were oven-dried and brought into a glove box. Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (27.5 mg, 0.1 mmol, 20 mol%) and EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) were added to the round bottom flask, the flask was sealed with a septum, and the sealed flask was brought out of the glove box and connected to an argon line. The catalyst mixture was dissolved in toluene (2.5 mL) under argon and stirred 5 min at room temperature. The reaction mixture was purged with propene for 1 min to remove argon, taken care not to introduce oxygen. The propene atmosphere was maintained with a propene balloon. Triethylamine (418  $\mu$ L, 3 mmol, 600 mol%) was added. benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol, 100 mol%) was added. Silyltriflate (0.875 mmol, 175 mol%, as specified) was added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. The mixture was filtered through a plug of silica gel. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture indicated the total yield of **2a** and **2a'** was 73% and the ratio of **2a**:**2a'** is 89:11. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2a** and **2a'** as colorless oils.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.27-7.38 (m, 5H); 5.78-5.89 (m, 1H); 5.05-5.10 (m, 2H); 4.74 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 5.5 Hz, 1H); 2.42-2.59 (m, 2H); 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.59 (dq, *J* = 2.6, 7.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 145.3, 135.4, 128.2, 127.2, 126.1, 117.0, 75.1, 45.6, 7.0, 5.0. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2954, 2927, 2876, 1644, 1493, 1449, 1239, 1090, 858, 699. HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>26</sub>OSiNa, 285.165; found, 285.163.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.24-7.39 (m, 5H); 5.15 (m, 2H); 4.86 (s, 1H); 1.56 (s, 3H); 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 9H); 0.61 (q, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 148.1, 143.5, 128.1, 127.0, 126.3, 111.0, 78.4, 17.4, 7.0, 5.0. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2913, 2877, 1451, 1237, 1091, 1066, 1005, 899, 853, 740, 698. HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C1<sub>6</sub>H<sub>26</sub>OSiNa, 285.165; found, 285.165.



The reaction of 1-octene and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2b** and **2b'** in 85% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2b**:**2b'** is 95:5. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2b** is 75:25. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2b** and **2b'** as colorless oils.

In another experiment, the reaction of 1-octene (1 mL) and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Cy<sub>2</sub>PhP (56 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTF (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2b**' and **2b** in 73% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2b**':**2b** is 71:29. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2b**' and **2b** in 70% isolated yield as a colorless oil.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.20–7.40 (m, 5H); 5.30–5.50 (m, 2H); 4.63 (dd, J = 5.6, 7.2 Hz, 1H); 2.45 (quintet, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H); 2.35 (quintet, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H); 1.33 (m, 2H); 0.92 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 12H); 0.56 (dq, J = 2.4, 7.6 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 145.6, 133.3, 128.1, 127.1, 126.6, 126.2, 75.6, 44.5, 32.8, 31.6, 29.3, 22.8, 14.2, 7.0, 5.1.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>36</sub>OSiNa, 355.243; found, 355.244.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H); 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H); 7.24 (t, *J* = 7.2, 1H); 5.22 (bs, 1H); 5.15 (bs, 1H); 4.87 (s, 1H); 1.96 (pentet, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H); 1.76 (pentet, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H); 1.15 – 1.40 (m, 8H); 0.93 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); 0.60 (dq, *J* = 1.6, 7.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 152.3, 143.8, 128.1, 127.1, 126.6, 109.5, 78.3, 32.0, 30.8, 29.4, 28.0, 22.8, 14.3, 7.0, 5.1.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2956, 2876, 1647, 1456, 1089, 1066, 742.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>36</sub>OSiNa, 355.243; found, 355.242.



The reaction of 1-octene and 4-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2c** and **2c'** in 85% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2c**:**2c'** is >95:5. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2c** is 75:25. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2c** as a colorless oil. **2c'** was not detected.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); 5.33-5.43 (m, 2H); 4.58 (dd, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 6.1 Hz, 1H); 3.81 (s, 3H); 2.27-2.42 (m, 2H); 1.93-1.98 (m, 2H); 1.22-1.60 (m, 6H); 0.95 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H); 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 9H); 0.53 (q, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 158.7, 137.9, 133.2, 127.3, 126.7, 113.4, 75.2, 55.4, 44.5, 32.8, 31.6, 29.3, 22.8, 14.3, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2876, 1613, 1512, 1459, 1302, 1247, 1172, 1078, 1005, 972, 830, 742.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>38</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SiNa, 385.2539; found, 385.2537.



The reaction of 1-octene and 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (70 mg, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2d** and **2d'** in 37% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2d:2d'** is >95:5. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2d** is 74:26. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2d** as a colorless oil. **2d'** was not detected.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.24 (m, 4H); 5.30-5.41 (m, 2H); 4.61 (dd, J = 6.1 Hz, 6.1 Hz, 1H); 2.26-2.40 (m, 2H); 1.89-1.97 (m, 2H); 1.21-1.59 (m, 6H); 0.94 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 3H); 0.89 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 9H); 0.54 (q, J = 7.8 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 144.1, 133.7, 132.5, 128.2, 127.5, 126.0, 74.8, 44.4, 32.8, 31.5, 29.2, 22.7, 14.3, 7.0, 4.9.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2956, 2876, 1647, 1456, 1089, 1066, 742.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>Na, 223.1463; found, 223.1305.



The reaction of 1-octene and 2-naphthaldehyde (78 mg, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2e** and **2e**' in 88% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2e**:**2e**' is >95:5. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2e** is 70:30. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2e** as a colorless oil. **2e**' was not detected.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.83-7.92 (m, 3H); 7.80 (s, 1H); 7.48-7.59 (m, 3H); 5.43-5.53 (m, 2H); 4.89 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 13.2 Hz, 1H); 2.45-2.68 (m, 2H); 1.98-2.05 (m, 2H); 1.26-1.39 (m, 6H); 0.97 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); 0.63 (q, *J* = 4.1, 8.0 Hz 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 143.1, 133.4, 133.0, 132.3, 128.1, 127.9, 126.5, 126.0, 125.6, 125.6, 124.7, 124.7, 75.7, 44.4, 32.8, 31.7, 29.3, 22.8, 14.3, 7.0, 5.1. IR (NaCl, thin film): 2956, 2929, 2875, 1458, 1414, 1377, 1239, 1086, 1005, 972, 744.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>38</sub>OSiNa, 405.2590; found, 405.2584.



The reaction of 1-octene and 1-methyl-2-indolecarboxaldehyde (79.6 mg, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43 µl, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTF (197 µL, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2f** and **2f** in 56% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2f**:**2f** is >95:5. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2f** is 83:17. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2f** as a colorless oil. **2f** was not detected.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.65 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H); 7.37 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H); 7.27 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H); 7.17 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H); 6.40 (s, 1H); 5.43-5.59 (m, 2H); 4.96 (dd, J = 6.5, 7.4 Hz, 1H); 3.92 (s, 3H); 2.56-2.71 (m, 2H); 2.01-2.07 (m, 2H); 1.29-1.42 (m, 6H); 0.97 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.95 (t, J = 4.0 Hz, 3H); 0.63 (dq, J = 1.1, 8.0 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 142.3, 138.4, 133.7, 127.7, 126.2, 121.3, 120.7, 119.4, 109.1, 100.2, 70.6, 42.2, 32.8, 31.6, 31.0, 29.3, 22.8, 14.3, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2954, 2927, 2874, 1466, 1339, 1236, 1072, 1010, 731.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>39</sub>ONSiNa, 408.2693; found, 408.2695.



The reaction of 1-octene and pivaldehyde (55  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2g** and **2g**' in 64% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2g**:**2g**' is >95:5. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2g** is 78:22. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2g**. **2g**' was not detected.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 5.37-5.53 (m, 2H); 3.37 (dd, J = 3.8, 7.4 Hz, 1H); 2.30-2.36 (m, 1H); 1.99-2.12 (m, 3H); 1.27-1.42 (m, 6H); 0.99 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.92 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); 0.90 (s, 9H); 0.63 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 130.6, 128.5, 81.2, 36.2, 31.8, 31.4, 29.5, 27.6, 26.5, 22.8, 14.2, 7.3, 5.7.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2956, 2876, 1466, 1238, 1096, 1009, 737.

HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C19H40OSiNa, 335.2746; found, 335.2741.



The reaction of allylbenzene and benzaldehyde (51 µL, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P (52 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197 µL, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2h** and **2h'** in 86% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of 2h:2h' is 92:8. The E/Z ratio of 2h is >95:5. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded 2h as a colorless oil. 2h' was subjected to TBAF and the free alcohol was isolated by flash chromatography on silica as a colorless oil.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.30-7.50 (m, 10H); 6.51 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H); 6.34 (dt, J = 7.2, 15.9 Hz, 1H); 4.89 (dd, J = 5.3, 7.2 Hz, 1H); 2.64-2.81 (m, 2H); 1.03 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.68 (dq, J = 2.0, 7.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 145.5, 138.0, 132.4, 128.8, 128.4, 127.4, 127.4, 127.2, 126.3, 126.2, 75.5, 45.0, 7.1, 5.2.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3062, 3028, 2955, 2911, 2876, 1600, 1494, 1453, 1414, 1239, 1088, 1070, 1006, 965, 830, 742, 700.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for 361.1964; found, 361.1974.



## (Desilvlated 2h')

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.39 (m, 4H), 7.29-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.22-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.13-7.15 (m, 2H), 5.37 (s, 1H); 5.15 (s, 1H); 4.93 (s, 1H); 3.38 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H); 3.13 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H); 1.24 (brs, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 150.6, 142.0, 139.3, 129.4, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.0, 126.4, 112.4, 76.7, 39.2.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3377, 3061, 3028, 2919, 1494, 1453, 1025, 909, 750, 699.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ONa, 247.1099; found, 247.1101.



The reaction of allylbenzene and *o*-anisaldehyde (60  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P (52 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2i-ortho** and **2i'-ortho** in 78% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2i-ortho**:**2i'-ortho** is 92:8. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2i-ortho** is >95:5. **2i-ortho** was subjected to TBAF and the free alcohol was isolated as a colorless oil. Allylic alcohol **2i'-ortho** was not isolated.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.22–7.43 (m, 7H); 7.02 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H); 6.93 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H); 6.52 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H); 6.31 (dt, *J* = 7.2, 15.9 Hz, 1H); 5.09 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 7.5 Hz, 1H); 3.89 (s, 3H); 2.69–2.81 (m, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 156.5, 137.6, 132.8, 131.9, 128.6, 128.5, 127.3, 127.0, 126.9, 126.3, 120.9, 110.6, 70.2, 55.5, 41.3.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3399, 3026, 2935, 2836, 1601, 1491, 1464, 1438, 1287, 1240, 1181, 1049, 1029, 966, 753, 694.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SiNa, 391.2069; found, 391.2053.



The reaction of allylbenzene and *m*-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P (52 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2i-meta** and **2i'-meta** in 96% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2i-meta**:**2i'-meta** is 92:8. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2i-meta** is >95:5. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2i-meta** as a colorless oil. Allylic alcohol **2i'-meta** was not isolated.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.25–7.41 (m, 6H), 7.03 (m, 1H), 7.0 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H); 6.87 (dd, *J* = 0.8, 2.7 Hz, 1H); 6.48 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H); 6.30 (dt, *J* = 7.2, 15.9 Hz, 1H); 3.87 (s, 3H); 2.61–2.75 (m, 2H), 0.99 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.64 (q, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 159.7, 147.1, 137.9, 134.0, 133.8, 132.3, 129.2, 128.9, 128.7, 128.6, 127.2, 127.1, 126.2, 118.4, 112.8, 111.3, 75.2, 55.3, 44.8, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3027, 2954, 2910, 2876, 2835, 1601, 1587, 1488, 1456, 1435, 1359, 1320, 1284, 1263, 1153, 1083, 1050, 1006, 966, 943, 825, 779, 743, 699.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SiNa, 391.2069; found, 391.1750.



The reaction of allylbenzene and *o*-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P (52 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2i-para** and **2i'-para** in 99% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2i-para**:**2i'-para** is 92:8. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2i-para** is >95:5. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2i-para** as a colorless oil. **2i'-para** was not isolated.

In another experiment, general procedure 3 was followed, except that the reaction was carried out in five fold larger scale. The reaction was heated at 35 °C and 9 mL toluene was used as the solvent. This reaction afforded **2i-para** and **2i'-para** in 98% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2i-para**:**2i'-para** is 92:8. The E / Z ratio of **2i-para** is >95:5. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2i-para** as a colorless oil. **2i'-para** was not isolated.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.49 (m, 7H); 7.00 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H); 6.52 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H); 6.35 (dt, J = 7.2, 15.9 Hz, 1H); 4.85 (dd, J = 6.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H); 3.89 (s, 3H); 2.63-2.81 (m, 2H); 1.04 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 9H); 0.70 (q, J = 7.8 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 159.0, 138.1, 137.7, 132.3, 128.7, 127.5, 127.3 127.2, 126.3, 113.7, 75.0, 55.4, 45.1, 7.1, 5.2.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3027, 2954, 2910, 2875, 1612, 1511, 1414, 1302, 1248, 1171, 1081, 1005, 966, 836, 743, 693.

HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SiNa, 391.2069; found, 391.2057.



The reaction of allylbenzene and naphthaldehyde (78 mg, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P (52 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2j** and **2j**' in 88% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2j**:**2j**' is 95:5. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2j** is >95:5. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2j** as a colorless oil. **2j**' was subjected to TBAF and the free alcohol was isolated by flash chromatography on silica as a colorless oil.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.90-7.96 (m, 4H); 7.67 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H); 7.60-7.65 (m, 2H); 7.30-7.59 (m, 5H); 6.54 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H); 6.36 (dt, J = 7.2, 15.9 Hz, 1H); 5.05 (dd, J = 5.4, 7.2 Hz, 1H); 2.74-2.89 (m, 2H); 1.03 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.70 (dq, J = 2.9, 8.0 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 142.9, 137.9, 133.4, 133.1, 132.4, 128.7, 128.1, 128.1, 127.9, 127.1, 126.2, 126.1, 125.7, 124.6, 75.5, 44.9, 7.0, 5.1.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3026, 2954, 2910, 2875, 1507, 1496, 1457, 1239, 1123, 1083, 1005, 965, 819, 744.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>32</sub>OSiNa, 411.2120; found, 411.2167.



## (Desilylated 2j')

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.86-7.88 (m, 4H); 7.48-7.55 (m, 3H); 7.20-7.36 (m, 3H); 7.13-7.16 (m, 2H); 5.43 (s, 1H); 5.32 (s, 1H); 4.97 (s, 1H); 3.41 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (brs, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 150.5, 149.2, 139.4, 139.3, 133.4, 133.3, 129.4, 128.6, 128.2, 127.9, 126.4, 126.4, 126.2, 126.0, 124.9, 112.8, 77.4, 39.2.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3365, 3058, 2923, 1495, 1453, 1031, 908, 819, 745, 700.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ONa, 297.1255; found, 297.1260.



The reaction of allylbenzene and 1-methyl-2-indolecarboxaldehyde (79.6 mg, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P (52 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2k** in 57% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2k**:**2k**' is >95:5. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2k** is >95:5. **2k**' was not detected. **2k** was subjected to TBAF and the free alcohols were isolated by flash chromatography on silica (buffered with Et<sub>3</sub>N) as colorless oils.

In another experiment, the reaction of allylbenzene and 1-methyl-2-indolecarboxaldehyde (79.6 mg, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Cy<sub>2</sub>PhP (56mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2k**' and **2k** in 56% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2k**':**2k** is 80:20. The E / Z ratio of **2k** is >95:5. Both **2k**' and **2k** were subjected to TBAF and the free alcohols were isolated by flash chromatography on silica (buffered with Et<sub>3</sub>N) as colorless oils.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.63 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H); 7.20-7.41 (m, 7H); 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H); 6.62 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H); 6.55 (s, 1H); 6.34 (dt, *J* = 7.3, 15.8 Hz, 1H); 5.01 (m, 1H); 3.86 (s, 3H); 2.93-2.99 (m, 2H); 1.93 (brs, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 149.2, 141.3, 138.1, 137.2, 133.8, 128.7, 127.6, 126.4, 125.7, 122.1, 121.0, 119.8, 109.3, 99.4, 66.9, 40.2, 30.4.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3640, 3026, 2953, 2910, 2875, 1467, 1339, 1237, 1073, 1006, 966, 744. HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C19H19ONNa, 300.1364; found, 300.1365.



(Desilylated 2k')

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.63 (d, 1H); 7.12-7.38 (m, 8H); 6.49 (s, 1H); 5.38 (s, 1H); 5.31 (s, 1H); 5.14 (s, 1H); 3.70 (s, 3H); 3.54 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H); 3.33 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H); 1.98 (d, *J* = 5.1Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 148.7, 139.6, 139.1, 138.4, 129.3, 128.6, 127.3, 126.6,

122.0, 121.0, 119.7, 113.2, 109.3, 101.5, 69.6, 40.2, 30.3.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3349, 3059, 3027, 2923, 1649, 1601, 1494, 1468, 1453, 1318, 1234, 1030, 968, 907, 751, 737, 700.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C19H19NONa, 300.1364; found, 300.1369.



The reaction of allylbenzene and pivaldehyde (55  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P (52 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2l** in 65% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2l**:**2l**' is >95:5. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2l** is 78:22. **2l**' was not detected. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2l** as a colorless oil.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.22–7.40 (m, 5H); 6.43 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H); 6.32 (dt, J = 7.1, 15.9 Hz, 1H); 3.50 (dd, J = 3.4, 7.7 Hz, 1H); 2.49–2.55 (m, 1H), 2.28–2.35 (m, 1H), 1.00 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.96 (s, 9H); 0.64 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 138.1, 131.3, 129.7, 128.7, 127.0, 126.1, 81.0, 37.4, 36.2, 26.6, 7.3, 5.7.

HRMS-ESI (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>34</sub>OSiNa, 341.2277; found, 341.2263.



The reaction of 4-phenyl-1-butene and *o*-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P (52 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2m** and **2m'** in 91% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2m**:**2m'** is 92:8. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2m** is 68:32. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2m** and **2m'** as colorless oils.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.13–7.42 (m, 7H), 6.92 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.49–5.69 (m, 2H), 4.76 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 0.33 H), 4.70 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 0.67 H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.37–3.39 (m, 2H), 2.35–2.81 (m, 2H), 0.96 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 6H); 0.60 (q, J = 7.9 Hz, 9H).



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.13–7.42 (m, 7H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 5.00 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.61–2.79 (m, 2H), 2.26–2.42 (m, 1H), 2.16–2.22 (m, 1H), 1.07 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 9H); 0.74 (q, J = 7.9 Hz, 6H).



The reaction of 4-methyl-1-pentene and *o*-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2n** and **2n'** in 82% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2n:2n'** is >95:5. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **2n** is 81:19. **2n'** was not detected. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2n** as a colorless oil.

In another experiment, a 10 mL round bottom flask and a stir bar were oven-dried and brought into a glove box. Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (27.5 mg, 0.2 mmol, 20 mol%) and dicyclohexylphenylphosphine (55 mg, 0.4 mmol, 40 mol%) were added to the round bottom flask, the flask was sealed with a septum, and the sealed flask was brought out of the glove box and connected to an argon line. The catalyst mixture was dissolved in toluene (2.5 mL) under argon and stirred 5 min at room temperature. 4-methyl-1-pentene (633  $\mu$ L, 5 mmol, 1000 mol%) was added. Triethylamine (418  $\mu$ L, 3 mmol, 600 mol%) was added. Benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol, 100 mol%) was added to the reaction mixture, followed by TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol, 175 mol%). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 14 h. The mixture was filtered through a plug of silica gel. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and NMR of the crude mixture indicated the ratio of **2n':2n** is 75:25. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2n'** in 44% isolated yield as a colorless oil and **2n** in 10% isolated yield.

This reaction can be run according to general procedure 3, which also afforded **2n'** and **2n** in similar yield.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.30 (m, 5H); 5.40 (m, 2H); 4.63 (dd, J = 5.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H); 2.41 (quintet, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H); 2.30 (quintet, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H); 2.24 (septet, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H); 2.00 (m, 2H); 0.95 (dd, J = 6.7, 7.6 Hz, 6H); 0.89 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.62 (q, J = 7.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 145.6, 140.2, 128.1, 127.0, 126.1, 123.7, 75.7, 44.5, 31.3, 22.6, 7.01, 5.0.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>32</sub>OSiNa, 327.212; found, 327.212.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H); 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H); 7.25 (t, *J* = 7.1, 1H); 5.30 (bs, 1H); 5.12 (bs, 1H); 4.87 (bs, 1H); 1.65 - 1.85 (m, 3H); 0.93 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.84 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); 0.82 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3H); 0.60 (dq, *J* = 1.3, 8.3 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 150.5, 143.7, 128.1, 127.1, 126.7, 110.7, 77.9, 41.1, 26.3, 23.0, 22.6, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2877, 1646, 1454, 1088, 1067, 743.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>32</sub>OSiNa, 327.211; found, 327.212.



Triethyl-(4-methyl-1-phenyl-pent-3-enyloxy)-silane (20).

## Triethyl-(4-methyl-1-phenyl-pent-2-enyloxy)-silane (20').

The reaction of 3-methyl-1-butene and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **20** and **20'** in 95% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **20:20'** is 86:14. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **20'** is >95:5. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **20**. **20'** was not isolated.



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<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.27-7.43 (m, 5H); 5.19-5.24 (m, 1H); 4.68 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 7.2 Hz, 1H); 2.36-2.54 (m, 2H); 1.74 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 3H); 1.58 (s, 3H); 0.95 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 9H); 0.60 (dq, *J* = 3.4, 7.8 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 145.8, 133.6, 128.1, 127.0, 126.1, 121.0, 75.4, 40.0, 26.0, 18.0, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3028, 2956, 2877, 2912, 1454, 1414, 1377, 1239, 1089, 1069, 1005, 941, 744, 699.

HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>30</sub>OSiNa, 313.1964; found, 313.1966.



The reaction of vinylcyclohexane and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **2p** and **3p** in 99% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **2p**:**3p** is 75:25. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **3p** is >95:5. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded a mixture of **2p** and **3p**.

In another experiment, a 10 mL round bottom flask and a stir bar were oven-dried and brought into a glove box. Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (27.5 mg, 0.2 mmol, 20 mol%) and dicyclohexylphenylphosphine (55 mg, 0.4 mmol, 40 mol%) were added to the round bottom flask, the flask was sealed with a septum, and the sealed flask was brought out of the glove box and connected to an argon line. The catalyst mixture was dissolved in toluene (2.5 mL) under argon and stirred 5 min at room temperature. Vinylcyclohexane (856  $\mu$ L, 6.25 mmol, 1250 mol%) was added. Triethylamine (418  $\mu$ L, 3 mmol, 600 mol%) was added. Benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol, 100 mol%) was added, followed by TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol, 175 mol%). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. The mixture was filtered through a plug of silica gel. 1H NMR of the crude mixture indicated that **2p**' is the minor product, along with homoallylic product **2p** and 1,3-disubstituted allylic product **3p** as major products. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2p**' in 5% isolated yield as a colorless oil.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.24-7.42 (m, 5H); 5.14 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H); 4.66 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H); 2.37-2.52 (m, 2H); 2.00-2.11 (m, 3H); 1.50-1.78 (m, 3H); 1.03-1.48 (m, 4H); 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.59 (dq, *J* = 2.8, 7.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 145.7, 141.6, 128.0, 127.0, 126.2, 117.5, 75.6, 39.0, 37.5, 29.0, 28.7, 27.8, 27.1, 7.0, 5.0.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); 7.29 (t, *J* = 7.9, 2H); 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H); 5.23 (dd, *J* = 1.3, 1.3 Hz, 1H); 5.14 (s, 1H); 4.90 (s, 1H); 1.2 – 2.0 (m, 11H); 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.58 (dq, J = 0.5, 7.8 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 157.7, 143.7, 128.0, 127.1, 126.9, 108.2, 77.6, 39.5, 34.5, 33.5, 27.1, 27.0, 26.5, 7.1, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2954, 2927, 2876, 1644, 1493, 1449, 1239, 1090, 858, 699. HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>34</sub>OSiNa, 353.227; found, 353.227.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.24-7.42 (m, 5H); 5.69 (dd, J = 6.5, 15.4 Hz, 1H); 5.56 (dd, J = 7.0, 15.4 Hz, 1H); 5.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H); 2.00-2.11 (m, 3H); 1.63-1.78 (m, 1H); 1.50-1.78 (m, 3H); 1.03-1.48 (m, 4H); 1.00 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.67 (dq, J = 2.3, 8.0 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 144.8, 136.9, 131.2, 128.2, 126.9, 126.1, 75.9, 40.4, 33.0, 32.9, 26.4, 26.2, 7.1, 5.2.

The following IR and HRMS data is from a mixture of 2p and 2p'.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2954, 2928, 2876, 2853, 1449, 1414, 1238, 1086, 1067, 1007, 969, 829, 744, 699.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>34</sub>OSiNa, 353.2277; found, 353.2267.



The reaction of 3,3-dimethyl-1-butene and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **3q** only in 14% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **3q** as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.30-7.41(m, 5H), 5.82 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (dd, *J* = 14.6, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (m, 1H), 1.88 (brs, 1H), 1.05 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 149.2, 143.8, 128.6, 127.6, 127.3, 126.4, 75.6, 33.1, 29.6. IR (NaCl, thin film): 3657, 2954, 2876, 1457, 1238, 966, 737, 691.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>32</sub>OSiNa, 327.2115; found, 327.2105.



A 10 mL round bottom flask and a stir bar were oven-dried and brought into a glove box. Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (28 mg, 0.1 mmol, 20 mol%), dicyclohexylphenylphosphine (56 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and 2-naphthaldehyde (78 mg, 0.5 mmol, 100 mol%) were added to the round bottom flask, the flask was sealed with a septum, and the sealed flask was brought out of the glove box and connected to an argon line. The catalyst mixture was dissolved in toluene (2.5 mL) under argon and stirred 5 min at room temperature. The system was purged with propene for 1 min. The propene atmosphere was maintained by a propene balloon. Triethylamine (418  $\mu$ L, 3 mmol, 600 mol%) was added. TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol, 175 mol%) was added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. The mixture was diluted with hexane and filtered through a plug of silica gel. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2r'** in 73% isolated yield as a colorless oil and **2r** in 14%



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.86 (m, 4H); 7.50 (m, 3H); 5.33 (s, 1H); 5.26 (s, 1H); 4.94 (s, 1H); 1.62 (s, 3H); 1.00 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.67 (dq, *J* = 1.8, 7.9 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 148.0, 141.0, 133.4, 133.0, 128.2, 127.8, 127.8, 126.0, 125.7, 124.9, 124.8, 78.6, 17.6, 7.1, 5.1.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2912, 2876, 1652, 1508, 1457, 1238, 1084, 1005, 899, 742. HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>28</sub>OSiNa, 335.180; found, 335.181.


<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.83 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 3H); 7.75 (s, 1H); 7.48 (m, 3H); 5.81 (m, 1H); 5.05 (m, 1H); 5.02 (m, 1H); 4.86 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz); 2.55 (m, 2H); 0.91 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.57 (dq, *J* = 3.5, 7.5 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 142.8, 135.3, 133.4, 133.0, 128.1, 127.9, 127.9, 126.1, 125.7, 124.6, 75.2, 45.6, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2876, 1458, 1239, 1084, 1005, 914, 817, 743.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>28</sub>OSiNa, 335.180; found, 335.181.



The reaction of propene (1atm, balloon) and *p*-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Cy<sub>2</sub>PhP (56 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTF (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the procedure for **2r'** above afforded **2s'** and **2s** and the ratio of **2s':2s** is 82:18. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2s'** and **2s** as a colorless mixture in 95% isolated yield.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 5.22 (s, 1H); 5.08 (s, 1H); 4.96 (s, 1H); 3.62 (s, 3H); 2.15 (s, 1H); 1.62 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 159.3, 147.2, 134.3, 127.9, 113.9, 110.8, 77.5, 55.4, 18.7.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.30 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 6.90 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 5.82 (m, 1H); 5.15 (m, 2H); 4.69 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H); 2.52 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.15 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 159.1, 136.2, 134.8, 127.3, 118.4, 113.9, 73.1, 55.4, 43.9.



A 10 mL round bottom flask and a stir bar were oven-dried and brought into a glove box. Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (27.5 mg, 0.2 mmol, 20 mol%) and dicyclohexylphenylphosphine (55 mg, 0.4 mmol, 40 mol%) were added to the round bottom flask, the flask was sealed with a septum, and the sealed flask was brought out of the glove box and connected to an argon line. The catalyst mixture was dissolved in toluene (1.0 mL) under argon and stirred 5 min at room temperature. 7-methyl-1,7-octa- diene (825  $\mu$ L, 5 mmol, 1000 mol%) was added. Triethylamine (418  $\mu$ L, 3 mmol, 600 mol%) was added. TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol, 175 mol%) was added. Benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol, 100 mol%) in 1.5 mL toluene was added to the reaction mixture over 6 min. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 18 h. The mixture was filtered through a plug of silica gel. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture indicated the ratio of **2t**':**2t** is 71:29. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **2t**' in 50% isolated yield as a colorless oil and **2t** in 22% isolated yield as a colorless oil.

This reaction can be run according to general procedure 3, which also afforded 2t' and 2t in similar yield.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.40 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H); 7.34 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H); 7.27 (t, J = 7.2, 1H); 5.26 (bs, 1H); 5.18 (bs, 1H); 5.10 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H); 4.81 (bs, 1H); 1.76 – 2.10 (m, 4H); 1.71 (s, 3H); 1.60 (s, 3H); 1.44 (quintet, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H); 0.97 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.62 (dq, J = 1.5, 7.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 152.1, 143.7, 131.6, 128.1, 127.1, 126.6, 124.8, 109.5, 78.2, 30.4, 28.2, 28.1, 25.9, 17.8, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2877, 1647, 1456, 1091, 1067, 743.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>36</sub>OSiNa, 367.243; found, 367.243.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.30 (m, 5H); 5.45 (m, 2H); 5.15 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H); 4.64 (dd, *J* = 5.4, 7.3 Hz, 1H); 2.45 (quintet, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H); 2.35 (quintet, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H); 2.05 (m, 4H); 1.62 (s, 3H); 1.72 (s, 3H); 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.55 (dq, *J* = 1.5, 7.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 145.6, 132.8, 131.7, 128.1, 127.1, 126.9, 126.1, 124.4, 75.6, 44.5, 33.1, 28.2, 25.9, 17.9, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2914, 2876, 1454, 1089, 1005, 969, 699.

HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>36</sub>OSiNa, 367.243; found, 367.243.



The reaction of allylphthalimide (281 mg, 1.5 mmol, 300 mol%) and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, dicyclohexylphenylphosphine (55 mg, 0.4 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene at 35 °C following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4a** and **4a**' in 67% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **4a**:**4a**' is 74:26. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **4a** as a mixture of **4a** and the isomerized starting material.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.77 (dd, J = 3.0, 5.4 Hz, 2H); 7.73 (dd, J = 3.0, 5.4 Hz, 2H); 7.13–7.41 (m, 5H); 5.36 (s, 1H), 5.30 (s, 1H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 4.26 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, J = 16 Hz, 1H), 0.91 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.59 (q, J = 7.9 Hz, 6H).



The reaction of allylphthalimide (1.5 mmol, 300 mol%) and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene at 35 °C following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4a** and **4a**' in 43% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **4a**:**4a**' is 12:88. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **4a**' is 60:40. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **4a**' as a mixture with the isomerized starting material.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.86 (dd, J = 3.1, 5.4 Hz, 2H); 7.73 (dd, J = 3.1, 5.4 Hz, 2H); 7.25–7.37 (m, 5H); 6.62 (m, 2H); 4.76 (dd, J = 5.5, 6.9 Hz, 1H); 2.47–2.60 (m, 2H); 0.89 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 9H); 0.56 (q, J = 2.8, 8.0 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 166.7, 149.2, 145.0, 134.5, 131.9, 128.2, 127.3, 126.1, 123.7, 119.5, 118.8, 75.0, 43.1, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2954, 2876, 1781, 1721, 1384, 1088, 1069, 715, 701.

HRMS-ESI (m/z):  $[M-OTES]^+$  calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na, 276.1025; found, 276.1022.



The reaction of homoallylphthalimide (1.5 mmol, 300 mol%) and *o*-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, dicyclohexylphenylphosphine (55 mg, 0.4 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTF (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene at 35 °C following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4b** and **4b**' in 54% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **4b**:**4b**' is 71:29. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **4b** and **4b**'.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.81 (dd, J = 3.0, 5.4, 2H); 7.70 (dd, J = 3.0, 5.4, 2H); 7.26 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 6.79 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 5.27 (s, 1H); 5.15 (s, 1H); 4.99 (s, 1H); 3.66–3.86 (m, 2H); 3.78 (s, 3H); 2.33–2.40 (m, 1H); 2.16–2.23 (m, 1H); 0.90 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.57 (q, J = 7.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 168.4, 158.8, 148.6, 135.2, 134.0, 132.3, 127.7, 123.3, 113.5, 111.8, 77.6, 55.3, 37.2, 29.8, 7.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2954, 2876, 1773, 1715, 1511, 1467, 1431, 1395, 1354, 1247, 1078, 952, 719.

HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>33</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SiNa, 474.2066; found, 474.2071.



The reaction of homoallylphthalimide (1.5 mmol, 300 mol%) and *o*-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P (52 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene at 35 °C following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4b** and **4b'** in 76% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **4b**:**4b'** is <5:95. Treatment of 4b' with TBAF followed by flash chromatography on silica afforded a desilylated **4b'**.



## (Desilylated 4b')

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.86 (dd, J = 3.1, 5.4 Hz, 2H); 7.73 (dd, J = 3.1, 5.4 Hz, 2H); 7.25 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 6.84 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 5.73(dt, J = 6.0, 15.4 Hz, 1H); 5.62 (dt, J = 6.0, 15.4 Hz, 1H); 4.68 (dd, J = 6.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H); 4.25–4.33 (m, 2H); 3.78 (s, 3H); 2.46 (m, 2H), 2.09 (brs, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 168.2, 159.1, 136.1, 134.1, 132.3, 130.8, 127.2, 127.1, 123.5, 113.9, 73.1, 55.4, 42.3, 39.7.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3466, 2929, 1770, 1711, 1611, 1512, 1395, 1249, 1174, 1034, 833, 720. HRMS-ESI (m / z):  $[M + Na]^+$  calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Na, 320.129; found, 320.130.



The reaction of homoallyloxazolidinone (1.5 mmol, 300 mol%) and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, dicyclohexylphenylphosphine (55 mg, 0.4 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene at room temperature following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4c** and **4c'** in 60% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **4c**:**4c'** is 83:17. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **4c** and **4c'** as colorless oils.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.23–7.38 (m, 5H); 5.31 (s, 1H); 5.20 (s, 1H); 5.00 (s, 1H); 4.16–4.21 (m, 2H); 3.19–3.36 (m, 4H); 2.02–2.26 (m, 2H); 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9H); 0.60 (q, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 158.4, 148.1, 143.1, 128.2, 127.4, 126.3, 112.0, 78.1, 61.8, 44.3, 42.8, 27.9, 7.0, 4.9.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2912, 2876, 1753, 1484, 1426, 1265, 1089, 1067, 1044, 1007, 861, 744, 701.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Na, 384.1965; found, 384.1951.



The reaction of homoallylphthalimide (1.5 mmol, 300 mol%) and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene at room temperature following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4c** and **4c'** in 28% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **4c**:**4c'** is 10:90. 4c' was subjected to TBAF and purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded a desilylated **4c'**.



(Desilylated 4c')

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.28–7.42 (m, 5H), 5.68 (dt, J = 5.7, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (dt, J = 5.7, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (dd, J = 6.7, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.80–3.82 (m, 2H), 3.38 (dt, J = 2.5, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.53–2.59 (m, 2H), 2.11–2.17 (brs, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 158.4, 143.9, 131.2, 128.7, 127.8, 127.3, 126.0, 73.8, 61.9, 46.4, 44.2, 42.1.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3421, 2919, 2361, 1734, 1653, 1490, 1437, 1259, 1038, 762, 702. HRMS–ESI (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Na, 270.111; found, 270.110.



The reaction of allylbenzoate (2.5 mmol, 500 mol%) and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, dicyclohexylphenylphosphine (55 mg, 0.4 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4d** and **4d'** in <5% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture. **4d** and **4d'** were not isolated from the reaction mixture.



The reaction of allylbenzoate (2.5 mmol, 500 mol%) and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene at 35 °C following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4d** and **4d'** in <5% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture. **4d** and **4d'** were not isolated from the reaction mixture.



The reaction of homoallylbenzoate (1.5 mmol, 300 mol%) and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, dicyclohexylphenylphosphine (55 mg, 0.4 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene at room temperature following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4e** and **4e**' in 21% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture. **4e** was subjected to TBAF and the free alcohol was isolated as a colorless oil.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 8.02 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 7.58 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H); 7.28 (m, 7H); 5.37 (s, 1H); 5.29 (s, 1H); 5.12 (s, 1H); 4.36–4.50 (m, 2H); 2.34–2.51 (m, 2H); 2.29 (brs, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 166.9, 147.0, 141.8, 133.1, 130.4, 129.7, 128.7, 128.5, 128.0, 126.7, 113.3, 77.6, 63.7, 31.3.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 3447, 3063, 3030, 2961, 1717, 1701, 1451, 1316, 1276, 1117, 1071, 1026, 912, 712, 701, 668.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na, 305.1148; found, 305.1156.



The reaction of homoallylbenzoate (1.5 mmol, 300 mol%) and benzaldehyde (51  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P (52 mg, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol), triethylamine in toluene at 35 °C following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4e** and **4e'** in <5% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and. **4e'** was not isolated from the reaction mixture.



The reaction of 1-hexen-6-benzoate (510.3 mg, 2.5 mmol, 500 mol%) and *o*-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol, 175 mol%), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4f** and **4f** in 44% total isolated yield after flash chromatography on silica and according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture the ratio of **4f**:**4f** is 73:27. **4f** and **4f** were isolated together as a mixture.



The reaction of triethyl-hex-5-enyloxy-silane (1.5 mmol, 300 mol%) and *o*-anisaldehyde (61  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43  $\mu$ l, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197  $\mu$ L, 0.875 mmol, 175 mol%), triethylamine in toluene at 35 °C following the general procedure 3 above afforded **4g** and **4g'** in 66% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the ratio of **4g**:**4g'** is 92:8. The *E* / *Z* ratio of **4g** is 50:50. **4g'** was not isolated from the mixture. **4g** were subjected to TBAF and the free diols was isolated via flash chromatography on silica as a colorless oil.

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<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.26–7.28 (m, 2H); 6.89 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H); 5.41–5.63 (m, 2H), 4.70 (dd, J = 4.8, 8.0 Hz, 0.5 H), 4.64 (dd, J = 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 0.5 H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.60–3.65 (m, 2H), 2.39–2.62 (m, 2H), 2.10–2.27 (m, 2H), 1.89 (brs, 2H), 1.58–1.67 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 159.2, 159.2, 136.5, 136.4, 134.2, 132.5, 127.2, 127.2, 126.6, 126.1, 114.0, 113.9, 73.7, 73.4, 62.7, 62.0, 55.5, 42.8, 37.3, 32.3, 32.1, 29.5, 23.7. IR (NaCl, thin film): 3354, 2933, 1612, 1513, 1442, 1303, 1247, 1175, 1035, 832. HRMS–ESI (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>48</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>Na, 487.3040; found, 487.3017.



To  $\beta$ -Citronellene (0.5 mmol) in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5 mL) was added Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl (1.0 M in hexane, 1.1 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by diluting the reaction mixture with diethylether, followed by slow addition of water until gas evolution ceased. The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with ether twice. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried and evaporated in vacuo. Purification via flash chromatography on silica gel afforded the coupling product **5a** as a colorless oil. Homoallylic alcohol **5b** was not detected.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 7.28-7.39 (m, 5H); 5.45-5.61 (m, 1H); 5.09 (s, 1H); 5.00 (s, 1H); 4.79-4.94 (m, 2H); 4.38 (dd, *J* = 0.7, 8.5 Hz, 1H); 2.19-2.35 (m, 1H); 1.89-2.05 (m, 1H); 1.73, 1.75 (two s, 3H); 1.67 (brs, 1H); 0.91-1.27 (m, 4H); 0.87, 0.84 (two d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 145.1, 144.3, 142.9, 128.5, 127.9, 127.4, 127.3, 126.0, 116.5, 116.4, 113.1, 112.4, 75.5, 75.4, 56.5, 56.4, 37.8, 37.5, 34.2, 34.2, 31.2, 26.3, 21.0, 19.5, 18.3, 18.1.

HRMS-EI (m / z):  $[M]^{+}$  calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>24</sub>ONa, 244.182; found, 244.182.



The reaction of  $\beta$ -Citronellene and benzaldehyde (51 µL, 0.5 mmol, 100 mol%) with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>, EtOPh<sub>2</sub>P (43 µl, 0.2 mmol, 40 mol%) and TESOTf (197 µL, 0.875 mmol, 175 mol%), triethylamine in toluene following the general procedure 3 above afforded **5b** 75% total yield according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude mixture and the E/Z ratio of **5b** is 71:29. **5a** was not detected. Purification via flash chromatography on silica afforded **5b** as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ): 7.25-7.36 (m, 5H); 5.18-5.20 (m, 1H); 5.12-5.12 (m, 1H); 4.64-4.68 (m, 1H); 2.37-2.48 (m, 2H); 2.01-2.10 (m, 4H); 1.73 (m, 4H); 1.64 (m, 3H); 1.55 (s, 2H); 0.92 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 9H); 0.57 (dq, *J* = 3.0, 6.9 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 145.8, 145.8, 137.2, 137.1, 131.7, 131.5, 128.1, 128.0, 127.0, 127.0, 126.1, 126.1, 124.6, 124.5, 121.8, 120.7, 75.5, 75.3, 40.0, 39.8, 39.7, 32.3, 26.8, 26.7, 25.9, 25.9, 23.6, 17.8, 17.8, 16.3, 7.0, 7.0, 5.0, 5.0.

IR (NaCl, thin film): 2955, 2876, 1454, 1376, 1239, 1088, 1068, 1006, 829, 743, 700. HRMS-ESI (m / z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>28</sub>OSiNa, 381.2590; found, 381.2583.







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