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Construction of Bridged and Fused Bicyclic Skeletons via Intramolecular Addition of Nucleophiles to $(\eta^4$ -Diene)Fe(CO)₃ **Complexes Bearing Functionalized Side Chains**

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Abstract: Reaction of lithium diisopropylamide (LDA) with $(\eta^4-1,3-\text{cyclohexadiene})Fe(CO)_3$ complexes bearing functionalized side chains at C-5, under an atmosphere of carbon monoxide, gives bridged bicyclo[3.2.1]octene and bicyclo[3.3.1]nonene systems after electrophilic quenching, whereas larger rings cannot be obtained in this series. Under the same reaction conditions, intramolecular cyclization of acyclic (η^4 -1,3-butadiene)Fe(CO)₃ complexes with functionalized side chains at the terminal position of the diene ligands furnishes fused bicyclo[3.3.0]octanone and bicyclo [4.3.0] nonanone derivatives after acid quenching. The iron-mediated intramolecular nucleophilic addition allows for the direct stereocontrol of four stereogenic centers of these fused bicyclic skeletons.

Bridged and fused bicyclic ring constructions constitute a continuing major challenge in synthetic organic chemistry. Formation of bridged bicyclic compounds normally involves intramolecular processes such as Michael addition,¹ aldol condensation,² free-radical cyclization,³ and Diels-Alder reactions.⁴ Among these, intramolecular Diels-Alder reactions generally result in formation of a single regio- and stereoisomer.⁵ On the other hand, the rapidly growing number of structurally interesting and biologically active polycyclopentanoid natural products has prompted considerable interest in new methodology for the construction of condensed five-membered-ring systems.⁶ Because the availability of functionalized bicyclo[4.3.0] and -[3.3.0] building blocks could greatly facilitate the elaboration of more complex target molecules, the design of expedient synthetic routes to such intermediates has been actively pursued.7 Due to the high stereo- and regiochemical control, transition-metal-promoted

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synthesis of cyclopentanoids from unsaturated carbon-carbon bonds and carbon monoxide has attracted much attention. Of these reactions, however, formation of fused bicyclic skeletons has so far been restricted to only titanium-,8 zirconium-,9 cobalt-,10 nickel-,¹¹ or palladium-promoted¹² cyclization of unsaturated molecules. Only limited examples of iron-mediated coupling reactions of alkyne-alkyne and alkyne-alkene to give fused bicyclic compounds have been explored.¹³ Our new process has been achieved by the intramolecular cyclization of $(\eta^4-1,3-diene)$ Fe-(CO)₃ complexes. The use of diene-iron complexes has the following advantages: (i) The starting complexes are readily available at low cost.¹⁴ (ii) They are mostly oxidatively and thermally stable. (iii) The intermolecular addition of nucleophiles to diene-iron complexes occurs with high regio- and stereochemical control.¹⁵ In this paper, we report that bridged and fused bicyclic ring skeletons can be constructed via intramolecular cyclizations of cyclic and acyclic diene-iron complexes, respectively.

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Preparation of Starting Complexes

To prepare the starting $(\eta^{4}-1,3\text{-diene})$ Fe(CO)₃ complexes with functionalized side chains for intramolecular cyclizations, we adopted the well-known strategy developed by Birch and Pearson.¹⁶ The addition of several classes of stabilized lithium nucleophiles, such as enolates,^{16c} and nonstabilized lithium,¹⁷ magnesium,^{16a} cadmium,^{16c,e} and zinc^{16c} organometallics to $(\eta^{5}$ cyclohexadienyl)- and $(\eta^{5}$ -pentadienyl)tricarbonyliron(+) salts is known to produce C-5-substituted $(\eta^{4}\text{-diene})$ Fe(CO)₃ complexes. With recently developed functionalized organometallics,¹⁸ however, we were able to introduce a functionalized side chain at the C-5 position of the diene ligand.¹⁹ The synthesis of the cyclic diene-iron complexes with functionalized side chains at C-5 is summarized in eq 2.

Treatment of cyclohexa-1,3-diene (1) with $Fe_2(CO)_9$ in refluxing ether gave complex 2a in 64% yield. Complex 2b could be obtained in the same way from 1-methoxycyclohexa-1,4-diene and $Fe_2(CO)_9$ in low yield.¹⁶⁸ However, a large quantity of 2b could be synthesized starting from 2-cyclohexen-1-one in 77% overall yield (eq 1).²⁰ Hydride abstraction of 2a and 2b using Ph_3CPF_6 led to cations 3a and 3b, respectively, each in quantitative yield. Cationic salts 3a and 3b were pale yellow powders and handled in air at room temperature without precautions. Finally, our synthesis of the cyclization precursors involved the addition of functionalized zinc-copper reagents [IZn(CH₂)_nFG, CuCN. 2LiCl, 1.6-2.0 molar equiv] to a stirred suspension of cations 3a and 3b at 0 °C under nitrogen. The addition was carried out for 3 h at 23 °C followed by workup with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution and ether extraction. After purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel, complexes 4a-f were obtained as the major products. The yields of the additions were generally high (70-83%, eq 2).

Acyclic cyclization precursors were synthesized as follows. Dienyl alcohols 5 were treated with HBF₄ or HPF₆ in the presence of acetic anhydride to give (η^5 -pentadienyl)Fe(CO)₃ cations 6 according to the literature procedure.²¹ Reaction of cations 6 with functionalized zinc-copper reagents, under the same reaction conditions as described above, afforded complexes 7 with

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functionalized side chains at the terminal position of the diene ligands (eq 3).



Intramolecular Nucleophile Additions

Our cyclization study began with complex 4a. Treatment of 4a with 1.5 molar equiv of LDA at -78 °C under nitrogen produced a major product in 50% yield, identified as bicyclo[3.3.1]nonenecarboxylic acid derivative 8 with an incorporated CO at the C-9 position. Thus, the addition was performed under an atmosphere of CO (14 psi), which increased the yield of

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cycloadduct 8 to 82% after purification by flash column chromatography and distillation under reduced pressure. It is important to note that three new stereogenic centers of compound 8 are created; however, only the single diastereomer shown was isolated.

NMR studies provided the initial evidence for support of the structural assignments. The ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 8 exhibited a broad singlet at δ 9.59 assigned to the formyl H at C-10; a doublet of triplets, centered at δ 5.94, assigned to the vinyl H at C-7; a broad doublet of doublets, centered at δ 5.67, assigned to the vinyl H at C-8; two narrow quartets, centered at δ 4.15, assigned to the two diastereotopic methylene protons at C-12; and a triplet, centered at δ 1.28, assigned to the methyl group at C-13. The ¹³C NMR spectrum exhibited a signal at δ 203.3 assigned to C-10 (formyl), a signal at δ 173.8 assigned to C-11 (carbonyl of the ester functionality), and two signals at δ 133.1 and 124.5 assigned to two vinyl carbons (C-7 and C-8). Attempts to confirm the relative stereochemistry of bicyclo[3.3.1] compound 8 using NOESY (nuclear Overhauser enhancement spectroscopy) measurements were unsuccessful. Rigorous proof of the structure of 8 was finally accomplished by X-ray diffraction analysis of the (2,4-dinitrophenyl)hydrazone derivative 9.22 The



X-ray diffraction analysis clearly shows that both bulky ester and hydrazone groups occupy equatorial positions on the sixmembered ring.²³ Under the same reaction conditions, however, cyclization of the starting complex **4b** gave a mixture of diastereomeric products **10a** and **10b** in a 2:1 ratio in 37% total yield (eq 4).



The structures for 10a and 10b were established by comparison of their ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data with the corresponding data of 8. The stereochemistry assignment for 10a as an endo isomer was based on the downfield shift of H_a (δ 6.03), due to the deshielding effect of the carbonyl of the endo ester group, and the assignment for 10b as the exo isomer was deduced from the upfield shift of H_b (δ 2.58), owing to the shielding effect of the carbonyl of the exo ester group. The reason for the formation of two diastereomeric products of the bicyclo[3.2.1]octenecarboxylic acid derivatives (10a, 10b) and a single isomer of the bicyclo[3.3.1]nonenecarboxylic acid derivative (8) was not clear. It was suggested that, for complex 4a, only one of the diastereotopic protons at the α -carbon of the ester group was removed by LDA under the kinetically controlled reaction conditions. Thus, only one diastercomer was isolated. However, with only two carbon atoms on the side chain, for example complex 4b, deprotonation would be affected by both the ester group and the cyclohexadiene ring. Therefore, the selectivity for the removal of the diastereotopic protons at the α -carbon was poor, and the cyclization gave both diastereomers. The same reaction mixture could be coupled with carbon electrophiles such as iodomethane or benzyl bromide to give methyl and benzyl ketone, respectively, in moderate yields.²⁰ Results of cycloaddition/quenching processes are summarized in Table I.

Several entries in Table I deserve special mention. Intramolecular cyclization of 4c produced a mixture of endo (12a) and exo (12b) isomers in a ratio of 1:2 (entry 4, Table I). Unlike an ester group, a cyano group is rather small. Thus, either one of the two α -protons is possibly removed by LDA. Furthermore, cycloaddition of the starting complexes with a methoxy group at C-2 of the diene ligand gave bicyclo[3.3.1]nonanone derivatives without incorporation of a carbon monoxide molecule (entries 10 and 11, Table I). Nonetheless, the product distributions of the reactions were consistent with the previous results. Cyclization of complexes with three carbon atoms and an ester group on the side chain of the starting complex, for example, cyclization of complex 4e, gave only one isomer (18, entry 10, Table I). Attempted intramolecular cyclization using tethers longer than three methylene groups, for example complex 20, gave only Claisen-condensation product 21. However, we were able to isolate bicyclo[4.3.1] decene derivative 23 by cyclization of starting complex 22 followed by conversion of the resulting aldehyde to hydrazone derivative 23 in 5% overall yield. The difficulty in forming bicyclo[4.3.1]decene systems might be attributed to unfavorable formation of seven-membered rings.



Using the same methodology, we are able to construct fused bicyclo[3.3.0]octanone and bicyclo[4.3.0]nonanone derivatives via intramolecular cyclization of acyclic (η^{4} -1,3-diene)Fe(CO)₃ complexes with functionalized side chains at the terminal positions of the diene ligands. Treatment of **7a** with LDA under an atmosphere of CO at -78 and 25 °C for 2 h, respectively, followed by quenching the reaction mixture with CF₃COOH at -78 °C, gave bicyclo[3.3.0]octanone **24** as the only diastereomeric product in 55% yield after purification via flash column chromatography and short-path distillation of the residue. None of the endo isomer **25** was obtained.

The relative stereochemistry at the ring juncture in 24 was fixed by more stable cis fusion, and ¹H NMR studies provided

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Table I. Intramolecular Cyclization and Electrophilic Quenching of Complexes 4a-f

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Entry	Starting Complex	Electrophile	Product	Yield (%)
1	4 a	CF₃COOH	8	82 %
2	4b	CF₃COOH	10 a + 10 b 2 : 1	37 %
3	4a	MeI	$\begin{array}{c} X \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ Y \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ &$	40 %
4	4c	CF₃COOH	12a + 12b	79 %
			X = CHO X = CHOY = endo CN Y = exo CN1 2	
5	4 c	Mel	$13a + 13b$ $X = MeCO \qquad X = MeCO$ $Y = endo CN \qquad Y = exo CN$ $1 \qquad : \qquad 2$	42 %
6	4 c	PbCH ₂ Br	$14a + 14b$ $X = PhCH_2CO \qquad X = PhCH_2CO$ $Y = endo CN \qquad Y = exo CN$ $1 \qquad : \qquad 2$	49 %
7	4d	CF₃COOH	× A	
			15a + 15b X = CHO X = CHO Y = endo CN Y = exo CN 7 : 4	45 %
. 8	4d	MeI	16a + 16b X = MeCO X = MeCO Y = endo CN Y = exo CN	15 %
9	4d	PhCH ₂ Br	17a + 17b $X = PhCH_2CO X = PhCH_2CO$ Y = endo CN Y = exo CN	14 %
10	4e	СҒ₃СООН	$ \begin{array}{c} $	74 %
11	4f	CF₃COOH	19a + 19b X = endo CN X = exo CN	42 %

the initial evidence for support of the structure assignments. The proton at δ 2.69 as a dt, J = 9.5, 4.9 Hz, was assigned to H_b. The coupling constant of H_a-H_b (J_{ab}) of 9.5 Hz agrees with the 9–10.5-

Hz coupling constant for similarly disposed trans hydrogens compared to the 7-8 Hz observed when these protons are cis.²⁴ The excellent diastereoselectivity can also be explained by the





kinetically controlled reaction conditions and is consistent with complexes **4a** and **4e** having a long side chain and an ester functionality. Several examples of cyclization of acyclic dieneiron complexes are summarized in Table II.

Substrates with an additional methyl group at the diene ligand, 7b and 7c (entries 2 and 3, Table II), also underwent intramolecular cyclization to produce bicyclo[3.3.0]octanones 26 and 27, respectively, as the only diastereomeric product in each case. It is worth noting that three carbon-carbon bonds and four stereogenic centers are created in a single step, and only one diastereomer is isolated. The relative stereochemistry of products 26 and 27 was determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy, with assignments deriving from decoupling experiments. For example, coupling constants of 7.2 and 10.0 Hz for H_c-H_d and H_d-H_e of 27, respectively, indicated a cis relationship between H_c and H_d and a trans relationship between H_d and H_e . A coupling constant of 10.7 Hz for H_b-H_d of 26 suggested a trans relationship between H_b and H_d . A cross peak for H_a and H_b in the NOESY spectrum of 26 showed the cis relationship between H_a and H_b .

Increasing the tether length by one with complex 7d (entry 4, Table II) led to a 54% yield of bicyclo[4.3.0]nonanone derivative 28 as the only diasteromeric product isolated. The stereochemistry of the ring juncture was assigned as cis on the basis of ¹³C NMR spectral data, which was close to that of the parent *cis*-1hexahydroindanone reported in the literature.²⁵ A coupling constant of 11.9 Hz for H_a-H_b indicated a trans relationship between H_a and H_b. Additional support for this assignment came from a cross peak for H_a and H_c in the NOESY spectrum of 28. With an additional methyl group at the C-1 position of the starting complex, for example, cyclization of complex 7e (entry 5, Table II) gave bicyclo [4.3.0] nonanone derivative 29 as the major product under conditions identical with those used above. A small amount (<7%) of the other diastereomer was also isolated, presumably derived from epimerization at the α -carbon (C-8) of the keto group during acid quenching and aqueous workup. The relative stereochemistry of compound 29 was determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy, with assignments deriving from decoupling experiments. Coupling constants of 5.5 and 11.2 Hz for Ha-Hb and H_a-H_c , respectively, in 29 indicated a cis ring juncture and a trans $H_{s}-H_{c}$ relationship. The methyl group at C-8, assigned to be on the endo face, was determined by the peak patterns and coupling constants of H_d-H_e and H_d-H_f. Coupling constants of 9.6 and 1.0 Hz for H_d -H_f and H_d -H_e, respectively, suggested that H_d and H_f would likely to be trans. This assignment was also confirmed by the large coupling constant of H_f-H_a (10.3 Hz, trans relationship). Cyclization of complexes with a methyl group at the C-2 position of the diene ligand, for example, cyclization of complex 7f (entry 6, Table II), gave bicyclo[4.3.0]nonanone derivative 30 in 28% yield, and only the diastereomer shown was isolated. The relative stereochemistry of compound 30 was assigned on the basis of ¹H NMR decoupling experiments. A coupling constant of 8.8 Hz for Ha-Hb suggested a trans relationship between H_a and H_b . A coupling constant of 3.3 Hz for H_a-H_c suggests a cis relationship between H_a and H_c . The stereochemistry of the ring juncture was assigned as cis on the basis of ¹³C NMR spectral data, which was close to that of compound 28. The high diastereoselectivity of these fused bicyclic compounds may be due to the formation of kinetic enolates and is consistent with cyclic precursors having a long side chain and an ester functionality, for example, complexes 4a and 4e.

Discussion

The formation of bicyclo[3.3.1] and -[3.2.1] skeletons agrees closely with the mechanism proposed for the intermolecular addition of nucleophiles to $(\eta^4-1,3-\text{cyclohexadiene})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ complex.^{15a,c} Deprotonation of 4 using LDA at -78 °C gave anion 31 (Scheme I). The stabilized secondary carbanion underwent kinetically controlled anti addition at C-3 of the diene ligand to give the putative homoallyl anion intermediate 32. It is important to mention that secondary carbanions such as 2-lithiopropionitrile and tert-butyl 2-lithiopropionate do not add efficiently to $(\eta^4-1,3-\text{cyclohexadiene})$ Fe(CO)₃ complexes intermolecularly.¹⁵^B Moreover, the intramolecular addition occurred exclusively at the C-3 position of the diene ligand, and none of the addition at C-2 was found. Carbonyl insertion was then enhanced by an external CO (14-18 psi) to generate acyliron anion intermediate 33. Electrophilic quenching of 33 with trifluoroacetic acid or carbon electrophiles (iodomethane or benzyl bromide) produced 34, which underwent reductive elimination to form bicyclo[3.3.1] and bicyclo[3.2.1] compounds 35. In general, two diastereomeric products were generated from intramolecular nucleophile additions, whereas in the cases of 4a and 4e, only one isomer was isolated. It is presumed that the relative stereochemistry of bridgehead carbons and the α -carbon of the formyl group was fixed according to the mechanism proposed above. With a long side chain (three carbon atoms away from the cyclohexadiene ring and the iron carbonyl moiety) and an ester functionality, only one of the diastereotopic protons was removed under the kinetically controlled reaction conditions. It is important to mention that trifluoroacetic acid is the most

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efficient quenching reagent for acyliron anion 33. Iodomethane and benzyl bromide were able to couple with 33, however, only in less than 50% isolated yields. Unlike the previous results, cyclization of complexes with a methoxy group at C-2 of the diene ligand, for example complexes 4e and 4f (entries 10, 11, Table I), gave the bicyclo [3.3.1] skeletons without an incorporated CO. The reason for this difference is not clear. It is suggested that the homoallyl anionic intermediate 36 was formed initially (Scheme II). Detachment of the alkene ligand (due to the electronic effect of the methoxy group at C-2) generates 37.^{15d} Reaction of anion 37 with strong acid gave bicyclo [3.3.1] nonanone derivative 38 after hydrolysis of the methyl vinyl ether during aqueous workup.

Under the same reaction conditions, intramolecular cyclizations of acyclic substrates 7a-f led to 25-55% yields of bicyclo[3.3.0]octanones 24 and 26-27 and bicyclo[4.3.0] nonanones 28-30 as the only diastereomeric product in each case. The highly stereocontrolled outcome is consistent with the formation of cyclopentanone derivatives by intermolecular addition of nucleophiles to acyclic diene-iron complexes under an atmosphere of carbon monoxide.^{15b,e} Under kinetically controlled reaction conditions (-78 °C), the kinetic ester enolate 39 (Scheme III) could add at the internal C-3 of the diene ligand to produce the homoallyl anion intermediate 40, followed by carbonyl insertion (to give 41) and intramolecular alkene insertion (to give 42). The postulated initial bicyclic intermediate 42 could rearrange rapidly to the enolate-iron derivative 43. The rearrangement involves a stereospecific hydrogen transfer, presumably via B-hydride elimination/readdition. Protonation of 43 generates bicyclic compound 45. It is important to mention that the endo stereochemistry of the methyl groups of 26 and 27 and of 29 and 30 as well as only cis ring fusion found for bicyclo[4.3.0] nonanones 28-30 is consistent with the reaction pathway proposed above. However, bicyclo[3.3.0]octanone derivative 26 and bicyclo[4.3.0]nonanone derivative 29 could epimerize at C-7 and C-8,

respectively, to give the more stable exo form (methyl group) when the reaction mixture is stirred in trifluoroacetic acid for 12 h.

The reactions outlined herein demonstrate that the intramolecular iron-mediated cycloaddition can be an effective method for the formation of bridged and fused bicyclic compounds. The ability to achieve exclusive cis ring juncture and excellent stereocontrol of four stereogenic centers in fused bicyclic compounds in a simple reaction may have further applications. Specifically, the preparation of more highly substituted systems for natural product synthesis would be expected to demonstrate still higher levels of stereocontrol, as is often the case for the intramolecular Diels-Alder reaction.^{4,5c,26}

Experimental Section

All reactions were run under a nitrogen atmosphere in oven-dried glassware unless otherwise indicated. Anhydrous solvents or reaction mixtures were transferred via an oven-dried syringe or cannula. Diethyl ether (ether) and tetrahydrofuran (THF) were distilled under nitrogen from a deep blue sodium benzophenone ketyl solution. Methylene chloride was distilled from calcium chloride. Copper cyanide (CuCN), 1,3cyclohexadiene, 1-methoxy-1,4-cyclohexadiene, triphenylcarbenium hexafluorophosphate, (2,4-dinitrophenyl)hydrazine, trans.trans-2,4-hexadien-1-ol, fluoroboric acid (48% in water), and hexafluorophosphoric acid (60% in water) were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co. and used as received. Zinc particles (purity >99.9%), ethyl 4-chlorobutyrate, 4-chlorobutyronitrile, 3-chloropropionitrile, and ethyl 3-chloropropionate were purchased from Merck Co. and used without further purification. $(\eta^{4}-1,3-\text{Diene})$ Fe(CO)₃ complexes 2a and 5 were obtained by treatment of the corresponding free dienes with diiron nonacarbonyl in refluxing ether for 12 h. Complex 2b was obtained in three steps from 2-cyclohexen-1-one according to the literature procedure.²⁰ Diiron nonacarbonyl was obtained by photolysis of iron pentacarbonyl in benzene and acetic acid

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Scheme III



according to the literature procedure.²⁷ Flash column chromatography, following the method of Still,²⁸ was carried out with E. Merck silica gel (Kieselgel 60, 230-400 mesh) using the indicated solvents. Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed with silica gel 60 F254 plastic plates of 0.2-mm thickness from E. Merck. The term "concentration" refers to the removal of solvent with an aspirator pump (Yamato Instrument Company Model WP-15) with a Buchi Rotovapor-R. The term "under nitrogen" implies that the apparatus was evacuated (oil pump) and then filled with nitrogen three times. The term "flash distillation" refers to a vacuum distillation at 25 °C with a receiver at -78 °C. The term "short-path distillation" refers to the process in which the entire distillation apparatus (a tube closed at one end, held horizontally) with the exception of the collection bulb was slowly heated in an air bath from 25 to 150 °C under vacuum; the distillate was collected at -78 °C, and boiling points for fractions refers to the bath temperature range. Melting points were determined in open capillaries with a Thomas-Hoover apparatus and are uncorrected. ¹H NMR nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were obtained with JEOL-EX 400 (400 MHz), Bruker AC-300 (300 MHz), and Bruker AC-200 (200 MHz) spectrometers. Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million with either tetramethylsilane (0.00 ppm) or CHCl₃ (7.26 ppm) as internal standards. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded with JEOL-EX 400 (100.4 ppm) and Bruker AC-200 (50.2 ppm) spectrometers with CDCl₃ (77.0 ppm) as the internal standard. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded with a JASCO IR-700 spectrometer. Mass spectra were acquired on a JEOL JMS-D 100 spectrometer at an ionization potential of 70 eV and are reported as mass/charge (m/e) with percent relative abundance. High-resolution mass spectra were obtained with an AEI MS-9 double-focusing mass spectrometer and a JEOL JMS-HX 110 spectrometer in the Department of Chemistry, Northern Instrument Center, Hsin Chu.

General Procedure for the Formation of Cation $3.1^{6a,29}$ To a solution of triphenylcarbenium hexafluorophosphate (Ph₃CPF₆, 8.5 g, 22 mmol) in 60 mL of dry dichloromethane under nitrogen was added rapidly a solution of complex 2 (16.2 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with 100 mL of cold ether, and the precipitate was filtered. The yellow solid was washed four times with ether and dried under vacuum to give cation 3 (3a 99%, 3b 92%) as a pale yellow powder.

General Procedure for the Formation of Functionalized Zinc-Copper Reagents.^{18a} To a solution of sodium iodide (30 g, 0.2 mol) in 90 mL of anhydrous acetone were added functionalized alkyl chlorides (0.1 mol). The reaction mixture was stirred under reflux for 16 h. After a regular aqueous process, the residue was distilled under vacuum to give the corresponding functionalized alkyl iodides (60-90%). Zinc (1.8 g, 28 mmol) was added in a dried three-neck round-bottom flask equipped with a dropping funnel, a thermometer, and a nitrogen outlet. To the reaction were added 2.5 mL of THF and 0.2 mL of 1,2-dibromoethane. The reaction mixture was heated with a heat gun for 30 s and allowed to cool to room temperature. The process was repeated two times before 0.2 mL of chlorotrimethylsilane was added via syringe. The mixture was stirred for 30 min before a THF (4 mL) solution of functionalized alkyl iodides (14 mmol) $[I(CH_2)_nFG, FG = CO_2Et \text{ or } CN]$ was added via the dropping funnel. Normally, the reaction was stirred at 40-50 °C for 14 h. In the case of ethyl iodopropionate and iodopropionitrile, the insertion was complete at 25 °C for 8 h. Copper cyanide (0.98 g, 10.95 mmol) was added to predried LiCl (150 °C, 3 h under vacuum, 0.93 g, 22 mmol) in a Schlenk flask under nitrogen. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C before 10 mL of THF was added via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C until the solid was dissolved. The above solution was cooled to -78 °C, and the functionalized alkylzinc iodide was added dropwise to the reaction mixture. The resulting light green solution was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min, and the functionalized zinc-copper reagent was ready to use.

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General Procedure for Addition of Functionalized Zinc-Copper Reagents RCu(ZnI)CN to $(\eta^5$ -Cyclohexadienyl)- and $(\eta^5$ -Pentadienyl)Fe(CO)₃ Cation Salts. A solution of functionalized zinc-copper reagents (2.0 molar equiv) in 5 mL of THF was added to a stirred suspension of a cation salt (30 f) in 5 mL of THF at 5 °C under nitrogen. A homogeneous solution was obtained after the reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 2 h. The reaction mixture was then quenched with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution at 0 °C and was diluted with 100 mL of 50% ethyl acetate/hexanes. The resultant solution was washed with water (100 mL × 3) and brine (100 mL × 3), dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate (10 g), and concentrated to give the crude mixture.

General Procedure for Intramolecular Cyclization of $(\eta^4$ -Diene)Fe-(CO)₃ Complexes Bearing Functionalized Side Chains. In a typical procedure, to a solution of diisopropylamine (0.64 mL, 4.5 mmol) in 4 mL of THF under nitrogen at -78 °C was added rapidly, neat, via syringe, a solution of n-butyllithium (2.8 mL, 4.5 mmol, 1.6 M) in hexane followed by addition of 0.8 mL of hexamethylphosphoramide. The reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min. With the solution at -78 °C, carbon monoxide was added to the system via a syringe needle and was pressurized to ca. 2 psig (always keeping a positive pressure on the system) as measured by a regulator at the CO cylinder. The CO pressure was then released via an additional needle, and the CO was allowed to flow through the system for 20 s. A solution of a diene-iron complex (4 or 7, 2 mmol) in 3 mL of THF was added dropwise via syringe, the gas exit needle was removed, and the closed system was pressurized to ca. 14 psig with CO. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 2 h and 25 °C for 2 h. After this time, the mixture was again cooled to -78 °C, the CO needle was removed, and the system was depressurized via insertion of a syringe needle into the septum, which was quickly removed when gas flow could no longer be heard. The reaction mixture was quenched with electrophiles (trifluoroacetic acid, iodomethane, or benzyl bromide, 5 molar equiv, Table I) via a syringe needle and was stirred at 25 °C for 2 h. After this time, the reaction mixture was diluted with a mixture of ethyl acetate/ hexanes (1/2, 100 mL). The resultant solution was washed with water $(100 \text{ mL} \times 3)$ and brine $(100 \text{ mL} \times 3)$, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate (10 g), and concentrated to give the crude mixture.

[Ethyl exo-4-[(1-4-n)-1,3-cyclohexadlen-5-yl]butyrate]tricarbonyliron Complex (4a). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (22 mmol) to cation 3a (4.0 g, 11 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:20 ethyl acetate/hexanes), followed by short-path distillation (138-142 °C. 0.02 mmHg) to give 4a (2.9 g, 8.7 mmol, 79%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH2-Cl2) 2987, 2849, 2465, 2043, 1964, 1734, 1628, 1539, 1455, 1373, 1241, 1186, 1030, 967, 861, 617 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.32 (dd, J = 6.3, 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.23 (td, J = 6.1, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.07 (q, J = 7.2Hz, 2 H), 3.08 (dd, J = 6.4, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.00 (m, 1 H), 2.19 (t, J =7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.09 (m, 1 H), 1.92 (dd, J = 10.4, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.51 (p, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 1.17 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.28–1.05 (m, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (50.2 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.1, 173.4, 85.5, 84.5, 66.5, 60.2, 59.8, 39.3, 37.9, 34.2, 30.6, 23.5, 14.2; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 334 (M⁺, 3), 306 (7), 278 (45), 250 (100), 233 (13), 221 (40), 205 (18), 192 (41), 170 (31), 148 (88), 134 (58), 91 (25); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₅H₁₈FeO₅ (M⁺) 334.0504, found 334.0504.

[Ethyl exo-3-[(1-4-n)-1,3-cyclohexadlen-5-yl]proplonate]tricarbonyl-Iron Complex (4b). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (11.3 mmol) to cation 3a (2.17 g, 5.96 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:20 ethyl acetate/hexanes), followed by short-path distillation (112-117 °C, 0.02 mmHg) to give 4b (1.57 g, 4.91 mmol, 83%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH2Cl2) 3056, 2990, 2934, 2852, 2050, 1978, 1726, 1609, 1447, 1373, 1330, 1185, 1092, 1031 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.37 (dd, J = 6.3, 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.29 (td, J = 4.9, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.11 (q, J)= 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 3.08 (dd, J = 6.4, 4.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.03 (dd, J = 4.0, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.23 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.13 (m, 1 H), 2.00 (dd, J = 14.2, 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.50 (m, 2 H), 1.30–1.21 (m, 4 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) § 211.9, 173.3, 85.6, 84.5, 65.6, 60.2, 59.5, 37.4, 34.5, 32.8, 30.4, 14.1; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 320 (M⁺, 2), 292 (8), 264 (47), 236 (100), 206 (53), 178 (20), 161 (95), 133 (93), 104 (21), 90 (53), 56 (83), 28 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₄H₁₆FeO₅(M⁺) 320.0347, found 320.0292.

[exo-4-[$(1-4-\eta)$ -1,3-Cyclohexadien-5-yl]butyronitrile]tricarbonyliron Complex (4c). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (10.98 mmol) to cation 3a (2.0 g, 5.55 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:20 ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 4c (1.14 g, 3.97 mmol, 73%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3059, 3010, 2939, 2850, 2244, 2045, 1975, 1425, 1328, 1158, 1027, 980, 814, 547 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.35 (dd, J = 6.0, 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.29 (td, J = 6.0, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.05 (m, 2 H), 2.25 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2 H), 2.05 (m, 1 H), 2.00 (dd, 10.8, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.54 (m, 2 H), 1.35–1.28 (m, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (50.2 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.9, 120.0, 85.8, 84.5, 65.6, 59.5, 38.7, 37.5, 30.6, 24.0, 17.3; MS (70 eV) *m/e* (rel intensity) 287 (M⁺, 5), 259 (30), 231 (94), 203 (100); HRMS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C₁₃H₁₃FeNO₃ (M⁺) 287.0244, found 287.0233.

[exo-3-[(1-4-η)-1,3-Cyclohexadien-5-yl]proplonitrile]tricarbonyliron Complex (4d). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (10.98 mmol) to cation 3a (2.0 g, 5.49 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:20 ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 4d (1.18 g, 4.3 mmol, 79%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3032, 3000, 2942, 2847, 2468, 2250, 2049, 1962, 1424, 1350, 1165, 960 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.79 (dd, J = 6.1, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.31 (dd, J = 6.1, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.04 (brs, 2 H), 2.30 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.19 (m, 1 H), 2.07 (dd, J = 14.7, 4.7Hz, 1 H), 1.56 (m, 2 H), 1.24 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (50.2 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.6, 119.3, 85.9, 84.3, 63.8, 59.0, 36.9, 34.6, 30.3, 15.6; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 273 (M⁺, 3), 245 (7), 217 (24), 187 (100), 160 (9), 147 (13), 134 (27), 111 (10), 91 (31), 79 (11), 56 (24); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₉H₁₁FeN (M-3 CO) 189.0239, found 189.0231.

[Ethyl5-exo-4-[$(1-4-\eta)$ -2-methoxy-1,3-cyclohexadien-5-yl]butyrate]tricarbonyliron Complex (4e). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (12.12 mmol) to cation 3b (2.4 g, 6.06 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:20 ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 4e (1.67 g, 4.60 mmol, 76%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 2938, 2040, 1960, 1735, 1524, 1438, 1424, 1373, 1227, 1177, 1094, 1027, 925, 797, 614 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.05 (dd, J = 6.5, 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.07 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.61 (s, 3 H), 3.25 (q, J = 3.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.70 (dd, J = 6.4, 3.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.25 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.00 (dd, J = 10.8, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.90 (m, 1 H), 1.55 (m, 2 H), 1.30–1.20 (m, 3 H), 1.23 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (50.2 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.3, 173.4, 139.8, 66.4, 60.2, 55.2, 54.2, 52.7, 39.4, 37.5, 34.3, 31.1, 23.6, 14.2; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 364 (M⁺, 2), 336 (3), 308 (8), 280 (30), 71 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₆H₂₀FeO₆ (M⁺) 364.0608, found 364.0628.

[exo-4-[(1-4- η)-2-Methoxy-1,3-cyclohexadien-5-yl]butyronitrile]tricarbonyliron Complex (4f). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (10.98 mmol) to cation 3b (2.0 g, 5.9 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:20 ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 4f (1.3 g, 4.13 mmol, 70%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3066, 3011, 2941, 2916, 2852, 2244, 2040, 1964, 1511, 1477, 1457, 1423, 1328, 1221, 1172, 1039, 967, 865, 635, 561 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.03 (dd, J = 6.5, 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.61 (s, 3 H), 3.25 (m, 1 H), 2.60 (dd, J = 6.5, 3.3, 1 H), 2.26 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2 H), 2.09 (dd, J = 9.2, 3.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.90 (m, 1 H), 1.56 (m, 2 H), 1.34-1.27 (m, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (50.2 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.1, 139.8, 119.4, 66.2, 54.3, 54.2, 52.4, 38.7, 37.1, 31.6, 24.2, 17.2; MS (70 eV) *m/e* (rel intensity) 317 (M⁺, 2), 289 (12), 261 (36), 233 (100), 218 (25), 195 (32), 164 (75), 134 (21), 109 (15), 68 (55), 57 (52); HRMS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C₁₁H₁₅FeNO (M-3 CO⁺) 233.0503, found 233.0496.

[exo-5-[(1-4- η)-1,3-Cyclohexadien-5-yl[pentanenitrile]tricarbonyllron Complex (22). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (10.98 mmol) to cation 3a (2.0 g, 6.15 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:20 ethyl acetate/hexane) to give 22 (1.23 g, 4.09 mmol, 66%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3066, 2934, 2240, 2042, 1964, 1606, 1455, 1432, 1244, 1089 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.35 (t, J = 5.3Hz, 1 H), 5.27 (dd, J = 5.3, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.09 (brs, 1 H), 3.04 (brs, 1 H), 2.31 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.04 (m, 1 H), 1.97 (dd, J = 10.2, 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.58 (m, 2 H), 1.38-1.19 (m, 5 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.0, 139.8, 119.6, 85.6, 84.5, 66.3, 59.7, 39.0, 37.9, 30.6, 27.2, 25.6, 17.0; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 301 (M⁺, 2), 273 (12), 245 (74), 271 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C1₁₄H₁₅FeNO₃ (M⁺) 301.0401, found 301.0402.

 $[(1-5-\eta)$ -Pentadienyl]tricarbonyliron Tetrafluoroborate (6a).³⁰ Complex 5a was synthesized from *trans*-2,4-pentadien-1-ol and Fe₂(CO)₉ according to literature procedures.^{31,32} Reaction of complex 5a with fluoroboric acid in acetic anhydride gave complex 6a as a pale yellow powder.³¹ Complex 6a was used in the following step without further purification.

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 $[(1-5-\eta)-2$ -Methylpentadienyl]tricarbonyliron Hexafluorophosphate (6b).²¹ Complex 6b was synthesized from complex 5b according to the literature procedure:²¹¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃NO₂) δ 6.97 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.14 (ddd, J = 12.0, 10.0, 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.68 (dd, J = 10.0, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.56 (m, 1 H), 2.40 (s, 3 H), 2.29 (dd, J = 12.0, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.83 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CD₃NO₂) δ 122.2, 99.1, 94.6, 62.0, 60.2, 20.8.

[(2-5-n)-syn-1-Methylpentadienyl]tricarbonyl Tetrafluoroborate (6c).34 Complex 6c was synthesized from 5c according to the literature procedure: ³⁴ IR (acetone) 3020, 2993, 2114, 2065, 1973, 1676, 1491, 1477; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, acetone-d₆) δ 6.39 (m, 1 H), 6.23 (m, 1 H), 5.51 (m, 1 H), 5.37 (m, 1 H), 1.21 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.17 (m, 1 H), 0.48 (m, 1 H)

 $[(5-8-\eta)-Ethyl cis-5,7-octadienoate]tricarbonyliron Complex (7a). The$ crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinccopper reagent (5.0 mmol) to cation 6a (0.88 g, 3.0 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:20 ethyl acetate/hexane) to give 7a (0.88 g, 95%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 2982, 2047, 1960, 1726, 1603, 1449, 1375, 1182, 1028 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.44 (ddd, J = 9.8, 7.3, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.30 (dd, J = 8.0, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.10 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.54 (td, J = 13.1, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.24 (q, J= 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 1.86 (dd, J = 7.3, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.75–1.48 (m, 3 H), 1.44 (dd, J = 9.8, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.32 Hz, 3 H), 1.06 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.2, 173.3, 90.8, 86.9, 77.0, 59.6, 40.9, 33.6, 28.0, 14.2; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 308 (M⁺, 1), 280 (6), 252 (69), 224 (100), 207 (96), 168 (74), 124 (39), 82 (78), 32 (59); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₂H₁₆FeO₃ (M⁺ - 2CO) 252.0449, found 252.0455.

[(5-8-n)-Ethyl cis-5, trans-7-nonadienoate]tricarbonyliron Complex (7b). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (10.0 mmol) to cation 6c (1.77 g, 5.52 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:20 ethyl acetate/ hexane) to give 7b (1.77 g, 5.5 mmol, 99%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH_2Cl_2) 3059, 2982, 2040, 1967, 1728, 1452, 1377, 1277, 1261, 1186, 1030 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.21 (dd, J = 8.9, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.08 (dd, J = 7.6, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.08 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 2.44-2.17 (m, 3)H), 1.68-1.47 (m, 4 H), 1.41 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.22 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.06 (m, 1H); ¹³CNMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.9, 173.3, 94.6, 82.2, 60.3, 58.8, 57.7, 33.6, 28.8, 28.0, 20.2, 14.2; MS (30 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 266 (M⁺ - 2CO, 20), 238 (100), 182 (19), 138 (31), 94 (27), 78 (20); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₂H₁₈FeO₃ (M⁺ – 2CO) 266.0605, found 266.0612.

[(5-8-n)-Ethyl 7-methyl-cis-5,7-octadienoate]tricarbonyliron Complex (7c). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (5.0 mmol) to cation 6b (0.92 g, 3.0 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:30 ethyl acetate/ hexanes) to give 7c (0.82 g, 85%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH_2Cl_2) 3059, 2980, 2042, 1969, 1728, 1442, 1277, 1257, 1184, 1033 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.22 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.10 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 2.41-2.23 (m, 4 H), 2.18 (s, 3 H), 1.89-1.47 (m, 4 H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.10 (m, 1 H); ${}^{13}C$ NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.3, 173.4, 108.0, 86.7, 60.3, 55.6, 43.5, 33.7, 28.0, 24.6, 17.6, 14.2; MS (30 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 322 (M⁺, 6), 294 (33), 238 (100), 182 (70), 165 (96), 98 (97), 71 (52), 41 (42); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₃H₁₈FeO₄ (M⁺ – CO) 294.0554, found 294.0550.

 $[(6-9-\eta)$ -Ethyl cis-6,8-nonadienoate]tricarbonyliron Complex (7d). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinccopper reagent (5.0 mmol) to cation 6a (0.88 g, 3.0 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:30 ethyl acetate/hexane) to give 7d (0.9 g, 93%): IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3051, 2988, 2935, 2860, 2046, 1973, 1728, 1658, 1448, 1375, 1275, 1182, 1141, 927 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.43 (ddd, J = 9.8, 7.5, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.28 (dd, J = 7.8, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.11 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H), 2.55 (ddd, J = 13.1, 7.8, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.24 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 1.88 (dd, J = 7.5, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.55 (m, 3 H), 1.48 (dd, J = 7.6, 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.45 (m, 2 H), 1.25 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H), 1.07 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.3, 173.5, 90.6, 86.9, 60.2, 59.9, 40.8, 34.0, 32.34, 28.37, 24.35, 14.2; MS (30 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 266 (M⁺ - 2CO, 31), 239 (29), 220 (28), 195 (65), 172 (100), 138 (42), 94 (60), 79 (32), 49 (26); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₂H₁₈FeO₃ (M⁺ - 2CO) 266.0605, found 266.0609.

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[(6-9-n)-Ethyl cis-6, trans-8-decadienoate]trlcarbonyliron Complex (7e). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (5.0 mmol) to cation 6c (0.92 g, 3.0 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:30 ethyl acetate/ hexane) to give 7e (0.85 g, 82%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3053, 2982, 1961, 1423, 1377, 1273, 1186, 1030 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.24 (dd, J = 9.2, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.12 (dd, J = 7.8, 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.12 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.44 (ddd, J = 14.2, 7.3, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.33 (m, J)1 H), 2.25 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 1.68–1.50 (m, 5 H), 1.44 (d, J = 5.9Hz, 3 H), 1.26 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 1.08 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.0, 173.6, 94.5, 82.3, 60.2, 59.6, 57.6, 34.1, 32.5, 29.0, 24.4, 20.2, 14.2; MS (30 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 280 (M⁺ - 2CO, 62), 252 (90), 206 (100), 196 (63), 151 (96), 79 (77), 55 (85); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₃H₂₀FeO₃ (M⁺ – 2CO) 280.0762, found 280.0760.

[(6-9-n)-Ethyl 8-methyl-cis-6,8-nonadienoate]tricarbonyliron Complex (7f). The crude mixture obtained from the addition of the corresponding zinc-copper reagent (5.0 mmol) to cation 6b (1.1 g, 3.6 mmol) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1:30 ethyl acetate/hexane) to give 7f (1.0 g, 83%) as a yellow oil: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3061, 2932, 2042, 1977, 1728, 1440, 1377, 1263, 1184, 1032 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 5.17 (brd, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.07 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 2.36 (td, J = 7.6, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.19 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.13 (s, 3 H), 1.82(m, 1 H), 1.57-1.32 (m, 6 H), 1.21 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.06 (m, 1 H);¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.3, 173.5, 107.8, 86.8, 60.1, 56.3, 43.3, 34.0, 32.3, 28.0, 24.3, 24.2, 14.1; MS (30 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 336 (M⁺, 1), 308 (5), 280 (86), 252 (100), 208 (79), 150 (66), 107 (66), 87 (91), 51 (79); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₄H₂₀FeO₄ (M⁺ - CO) 308.0711, found 308.0703.

(1R*,2S*,5S*,9R*)-2-Carbethoxy-9-formylbicyclo[3.3.1]non-7-ene (8). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4a (0.5 g, 1.5 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 8 (0.27 g, 1.22 mmol, 82%) as a colorless liquid: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3032, 2942, 2716, 1736, 1514, 1472, 1457, 1384, 1378, 1375, 1186, 1018, 998, 984 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.59 (s, 1 H, H₁₀), 5.94 (dt, J = 9.8, 3.3 Hz, 1 H, H₇), 5.67 $(dd, J = 9.8, 2.7 Hz, 1 H, H_8), 4.15 (dq, J = 1.6, 7.2 Hz, 2 H, H_{12}), 3.23$ (brs, 1 H), 2.56 (dt, J = 11.0, 3.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.49 (m, 1 H), 2.29 (m, 1 H), 1.87-1.64 (m, 6 H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H, H_{13}); ${}^{13}C$ NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.3 (C₁₀), 173.8 (C₁₁), 133.1 (C₇), 124.5 (C₈), 60.4, 52.9, 45.5, 32.9, 32.3, 29.2, 26.9, 20.4, 14.2; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 222 (M⁺, 42), 193 (4), 177 (30), 149 (23), 119 (61), 91 (85), 79 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₃H₁₈O₃ (M⁺) 222.1255, found 222.1238.

(1R*,2S*,5S*,9R*)-2-Carbethoxy-9-formylbicyclo[3.3.1]non-7-ene (2,4-Dinitrophenyl)hydrazone (9). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4a (0.44 g, 1.5 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was added to a solution of 0.33 g of (2,4-dinitrophenyl)hydrazine in 9 mL of phosphoric acid (85% in H_2O) and 9 mL of ethanol (95%). The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 20 min and diluted with 50 mL of ethyl acetate, and the solution was washed with water (100 mL \times 3) and brine (100 mL \times 3), dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate (10 g), and concentrated to give the crude mixture. The crude mixture was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 20% ethyl acetate/hexanes) and recrystallization (ethanol) to give 9 (0.26 g, 0.087 mmol, 65%) as a yellow solid: mp 172-173 °C dec; IR (CH2Cl2) 3686, 3060, 2986, 1720, 1618, 1519, 1443, 1438, 1431, 1427, 1335, 1286, 928 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.99 (s, 1 H), 9.12 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 8.30 (dd, J= 9.5, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.89 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.46 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1 H)H), 5.99 (dt, J = 8.8, 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.65 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.15(2 q, J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.79 (m, 1 H), 2.62 (m, 2 H), 2.35 (m, 1 H),1.86–1.66 (m, 6 H), 1.30 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) § 173.7, 154.0, 145.1, 137.8, 132.3, 129.9, 128.9, 124.3, 123.5, 116.4, 60.4, 45.7, 43.9, 34.9, 33.4, 29.5, 29.2, 20.2, 14.2; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 402 (M⁺, 15), 401 (48), 384 (56), 328 (10), 207 (20), 167 (13), 150 (68), 130 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C19H22N4O6 (M⁺) 402.1539, found 402.1547.

(1R*,2S*,4S*,8R*)-2-Carbethoxy-8-formylbicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene (10a). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4b (0.65 g, 2.03 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 10a (110 mg, 0.5 mmol, 25%) and 10b (55 mg, 0.25 mg, 12%), both as colorless liquids. 10a: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3036, 2984, 2950, 2906, 2838, 2722, 2252, 1715, 1585, 1434, 1371, 1291, 1097, 1033 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) § 9.85 (s, 1 H), 6.03 (dd, J = 8.8, 7.3 Hz, 1 H, H_a), 5.44 (dd, J = 9.3, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.12 (q, J

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= 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 3.01 (m, 2 H), 2.80 (dd, J = 4.4, 4.9 Hz, 1 H, H_b), 2.73 (brs, 1 H), 2.47 (m, 1 H), 2.33 (m, 1 H), 1.94–1.82 (m, 2 H), 1.26 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.5, 174.8, 130.7, 127.3, 60.7, 54.8, 52.6, 39.3, 35.7, 34.7, 33.1, 14.2; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 208 (M⁺, 21), 178 (42), 151 (28), 132 (26), 101 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₂H₁₆O₃ (M⁺) 208.1100, found 208.1089.

(1*R**,2*R**,4*S**,8*R**)-2-Carbethoxy-8-formylbicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene (10b): IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3060, 2952, 2042, 1969, 1721, 1606, 1440, 1371, 1283, 1195, 1043 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.85 (s, 1 H), 5.86 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 6.4 Hz, 1 H, H₄), 5.64 (dt, *J* = 9.3, 3.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.12 (2 q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 3.14 (m, 2 H), 2.69 (brs, 1 H), 2.58 (brs, 1 H, H₅), 2.49 (brd, *J* = 18.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.32 (m, 1 H), 2.02–1.96 (m, 2 H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.6, 173.0, 128.2, 127.9, 60.5, 56.3, 52.5, 38.3, 34.6, 33.8, 33.4, 14.3; MS (70 eV) *m/e* (rel intensity) 208 (M⁺, 9), 196 (5), 175 (10), 162 (6), 149 (11), 134 (7), 101 (100); HRMS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C₁₂H₁₆O₃ (M⁺) 208.1100, found 208.1102.

 $(1R^*, 2S^*, 5S^*, 9R^*)$ -2-Carbethoxy-9-acetylbicyclo[3.3.1]non-7-eme (11). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4a (0.58 g, 1.74 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with iodomethane (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 11 (0.165 g, 0.70 mmol, 40%) as a colorless liquid: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3035, 2934, 1723, 1634, 1428, 1370, 1302, 1245, 1180, 1044, 1021 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.74 (dt, J = 9.9, 3.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.50 (dd, J = 9.9, 6.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.02 (2 q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 3.17 (brs, 1 H), 2.43 (m, 2 H), 2.29 (m, 1 H), 2.05 (s, 3 H), 1.70–1.58 (m, 6 H), 1.18 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.6, 173.8, 132.0, 124.3, 60.2, 54.2, 46.0, 33.4, 33.2, 29.4, 27.5, 26.8, 20.1, 14.2; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 236 (M⁺, 58), 193 (8), 163 (20), 147 (62), 119 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₄H₂₀O₃ (M⁺) 236.1412, found 236.1412.

(15*,25*,55*,9R*)-2-Cyano-9-formylbicyclo[3.3.1]non-7-ene (12a). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4c (0.50 g, 1.73 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 12a (0.08 g, 0.4 mmol, 27%) as a light orange solid and 12b (0.16 g, 0.8 mmol, 52%) as a red liquid. 12a: mp 105.0-105.5 °C (hexane/ethyl acetate): IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3066, 3036, 2938, 2236, 1710, 1637, 1449, 1428, 1374, 1286, 1140, 1097, 927, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.50 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.92 (dt, J = 9.8, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.59 (dd, J = 9.8, 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.08 (brs, 1)1 H), 2.78 (m, 1 H), 2.74 (brs, 1 H), 2.60 (brs, 1 H), 2.40 (dd, J = 19.5, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.96-1.73 (m, 5 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.7, 134.3, 124.5, 121.3, 48.7, 32.3, 29.9, 29.5, 28.8, 26.5, 20.8; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 175 (M⁺, 9), 146 (14), 92 (53), 79 (35), 32 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₁H₁₃NO (M⁺) 175.0997, found 175.0986

(15*,2*R**,55*,9*R**)-2-Cyano-9-formylblcyclo[3.3.1]non-7-ene (12b): IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3064, 3046, 2940, 2240, 1725, 1607, 1447, 1425, 1374, 1287, 1153, 1090, 1023, 951, 932 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.55 (brs, 1 H), 6.10 (dt, *J* = 9.8, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.9 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 6.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.13 (brs, 1 H), 2.71 (dt, *J* = 11.2, 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.52 (brs, 1 H), 2.40 (dd, *J* = 19.5, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.24 (brs, 1 H), 1.90–1.83 (m, 4 H), 1.60 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.4, 134.6, 123.1, 121.0, 51.4, 32.3, 31.8, 31.1, 28.9, 26.1, 22.2; MS (70 eV) *m/e* (rel intensity) 175 (M⁺, 36), 146 (45), 119 (36), 92 (76), 79 (100); HRMS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C₁₁H₁₃NO (M⁺) 175.0997, found 175.1001.

 $(1.5^{\circ}, 2.5^{\circ}, 5.5^{\circ}, 9.R^{\circ})$ -2-Cyano-9-acetylblcyclo[3.3.1]non-7-ene (13a). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4c (0.53 g, 1.83 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with iodomethane (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 13a (0.05 g, 0.26 mmol, 14%) as a yellow liquid and 13b (0.10 g, 0.52 mmol, 28%) as a colorless solid. 13a: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3392, 3048, 3030, 2930, 2252, 1707, 1424, 1354, 1285, 1243, 1178 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.90 (dd, J = 9.3, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.61 (dt, 9.3, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.07 (m, 1 H), 2.99 (m, 1 H), 2.77 (brs, 1 H), 2.59 (brd, J = 18.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.41 (m, 1 H), 2.16 (s, 3 H), 2.03 (dd, J = 9.28, 4.39 Hz, 2 H), 1.82 (dd, J = 18.5, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.20 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.5, 133.3, 124.6, 121.6, 50.0, 33.4, 33.0, 30.7, 29.6, 27.7, 26.5, 20.5; MS (70 eV) m/e (relintensity) 189 (M⁺, 89), 174 (11), 146 (73), 121 (54), 92 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₂H₁₅NO (M⁺) 189.1153, found 189.1145.

 $(1.5^{\circ}, 2.R^{\circ}, 5.5^{\circ}, 9.R^{\circ})$ -2-Cyano-9-acetylbicyclo[3,3.1]non-7-ene (13b): mp 112.0-112.5 °C (hexane/ethyl acetate); IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3064, 2988, 2934, 2308, 1723, 1634, 1442, 1428, 1370, 1302, 1245, 1220, 1180, 1092, 1021, 937 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.01 (dt, J = 9.8, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.88 (dd, J = 9.8, 6.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.15 (brs, 1 H), 2.69 (brd, J = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.52 (brs, 1 H), 2.43 (dd, J = 19.5, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.25 (brs, 1 H), 2.11 (s, 3 H), 1.86–1.72 (m, 4 H), 1.58 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.0, 133.8, 123.1, 121.2, 52.9, 33.0, 32.0, 31.8, 29.2, 27.0, 26.6, 21.9; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 189 (M⁺, 100), 174 (6), 146 (72), 121 (43), 92 (58); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₂H₁₅NO (M⁺) 189.1153, found 189.1147.

(15*,25*,55*,9R*)-2-Cyano-9-(2-phenyl-1-oxeethyl)blcyclo[3.3.1]non-7-ene (14a). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4c (0.20 g, 0.69 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with benzyl bromide (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 14a (0.03 g, 0.11 mmol, 16%) as a yellow liquid and 14b (0.065 g, 0.23 mmol, 33%) as a colorless solid. 14a: IR (CH2Cl2) 3682, 3032, 2934, 2236, 1709, 1604, 1494, 1452, 1422, 1335, 1103, 922 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 7.26 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.16 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H), 5.92 (dt, J = 9.8, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.59 (dd, J = 7.1, 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.77 (s, 2 H), 3.12 (brs, 1 H), 2.93 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.78 (brs, 1 H), 2.60 (brs, 1 H), 2.42 (m, 1 H), 1.92-1.72 (m, 5 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.3, 133.9, 133.4, 129.4, 128.7, 128.6, 128.0, 126.9, 124.3, 121.0, 49.2, 46.0, 33.3, 30.7, 30.2, 29.3, 27.6, 20.5; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 265 (M⁺, 12), 174 (26), 146 (67), 91 (49), 84 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C18H19NO (M⁺) 256.1466, found 156.1446.

(15*,2*R**,55*,9*R**)-2-Cyano-9-(2-phenyl-1-oxoethyl)blcyclo[3.3.1]non-7-ene (14b): mp 122.0–122.5 °C; IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3680, 3060, 3032, 2936, 2238, 1710, 1605, 1495, 1451, 1422, 1342, 1283, 1124, 1090, 924 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.76 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.03 (dt, *J* = 9.8, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.85 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.75 (s, 2 H), 3.19 (brs, 1 H), 2.67 (d, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.64 (brs, 1 H), 2.42 (dd, *J* = 19.5, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.42 (brs, 1 H), 1.84–1.78 (m, 4 H), 1.57 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.3, 133.9, 133.7, 129.2, 128.6, 126.9, 122.9, 121.0, 51.7, 46.0, 33.0, 32.8, 31.8, 29.3, 27.0, 21.8; MS (70 eV) *m/e* (rel intensity) 265 (M⁺, 48), 174 (71), 147 (24), 91 (100); HRMS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C₁₈H₁₉NO (M⁺) 256.1466, found 156.1448.

(15*,25*,45*,8R*)-2-Cyano-8-formylblcyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene (15a). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4d (0.29 g, 1.1 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 10% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 15a (0.055 g, 0.30 mmol, 28%) as a yellow oil and 15b (0.032 g, 0.18 mmol, 17%) as a colorless solid. Compound 15b slowly decomposed in the air. Further identification of 15b was not successful. 15a: IR (CH2Cl2) 3484, 3054, 2928, 2852, 2238, 1709, 1607, 1433, 1378, 1306, 1289, 1148, 1086, 1042, 1007, 963, 931, 905 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.85 (s, 1 H), 5.96 (brdd, J = 9.0, 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.63 (dt, J = 9.3, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.08 (m, 1 H), 3.03 (dd, J = 9.3, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.92 (brs, 1 H), 2.85 (brs, 1 H), 2.50(d, J = 19.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.36 (m, 1 H), 2.05 (dd, J = 13.7, 9.3 Hz, 1 H), $1.94 (td, J = 19.1, 2.0 Hz, 1 H); {}^{13}C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl_3) \delta 200.4,$ 128.5, 128.4, 122.2, 54.7, 40.3, 37.8, 35.5, 34.1, 33.0; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 161 (M⁺, 16), 108 (26), 105 (20), 80 (19), 79 (48), 77 (19), 54 (16), 39 (18), 32 (25), 28 (100); 175 (M⁺, 10), 107 (13), 105 (11), 79 (14), 43 (64), 32 (32), 28 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C10H11NO (M⁺) 161.0840, found 161.0855.

(15*,25*,45*,8R*)-2-Cyano-8-acetylbicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene (16a). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4d (0.26 g, 1.05 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with iodomethane (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 10% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 16a (0.015 g, 0.09 mmol, 9%) as a yellow oil and 16b (0.010 g, 0.06 mmol, 6%) as a colorless liquid. 16a: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3040, 2959, 2236, 1707, 1605, 1426, 1360, 1247, 1180, 1092 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.90 (dd, J = 9.4, 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.56 (dt, J = 9.3, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.03 (m, 1 H), 2.97 (d, J = 7.8, 3.9 Hz, 2 H, 2.81 (brs, 1 H), 2.58 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.33 (m, 1)H), 2.22 (s, 3 H), 2.04 (dd, J = 9.3, 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.84 (dd, J = 18.6, 1.9 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.2, 128.6, 127.9, 122.6, 56.2, 41.2, 37.2, 35.5, 34.2, 33.1, 28.4; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 175 (M⁺, 10), 107 (13), 105 (11), 79 (14), 43 (64), 32 (32), 28 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C11H13NO (M⁺) 175.0997, found 175.0986.

 $(15^{\circ}, 2R^{\circ}, 4S^{\circ}, 8R^{\circ})$ -2-Cyano-8-acetylbicyclo(3.2.1]oct-6-ene (16b): IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3030, 2960, 2240, 1706, 1608, 1451, 1360, 1255, 1183 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.99 (dd, J = 9.8, 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.72 (dt, J = 9.8, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.06 (dd, J = 8.8, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.01 (dd, J = 11.2, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.71 (brs, 1 H), 2.60 (d, J = 19.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.57 (brs, 1 H), 2.48 (m, 1 H), 2.18 (s, 3 H), 1.92 (dd, J = 19.1, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.82 (dd, J = 14.2, 6.3 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.0, 128.8, 127.6, 121.2, 57.5, 38.7, 36.4, 36.4, 34.1, 33.7, 28.4; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 175 (M⁺, 5), 105 (7), 79 (5), 43 (55), 32 (25), 28 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₁H₁₃NO (M⁺) 175.0997, found 175.0977.

(15*,2R*,45*,8R*)-8-(2-Phenyl-1-oxoethyl)bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene (17b). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4d (0.26 g, 1.05 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with benzyl bromide (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 10% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 17a (5 mg, 2%) and 17b (43 mg, 14%). Only 17b was isolated as a colorless and analytically pure compound: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3044, 2956, 2240, 1708, 1638, 1600, 1495, 1451, 1350, 1232, 1185, 1108, 1075, 1031, 919 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.23 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.16 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.01 (dd, J = 9.3, 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.74 (dd, J= 9.6, 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.78 (s, 2 H), 3.06 (m, 1 H), 3.0 (ddd, J = 17.0, 11.7, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.74 (brs, 1 H), 2.66 (brs, 1 H), 2.63 (d, J = 19.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.46 (ddd, J = 11.2, 7.3, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.94 (dd, J = 17.5, 2.0Hz, 1 H), 1.81 (dd, J = 14.2, 6.3 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) § 205.5, 133.9, 129.3, 128.9, 128.7, 127.5, 127.1, 121.2, 55.6, 47.9, 38.5, 36.4, 36.3, 34.2, 33.8; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 251 (M⁺, 23), 160 (89), 132 (30), 105 (28), 91 (58), 79 (42), 32 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C17H17NO (M⁺) 251.1310, found 251.1308.

 $(1R^*, 2S^*, 5S^*)$ -2-Carbethoxy-8-oxobicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (18). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4e (0.33 g, 0.90 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 7% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 18 (0.14 g, 0.66 mmol, 74%) as a colorless oil: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 2978, 2931, 2860, 2360, 2341, 2040, 1967, 1762, 1635, 1546, 1516 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.12 (2 q, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.87 (brs, 1 H), 2.69 (m, 1 H), 2.53 (dd, J = 13.2, 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.40 (m, 2 H), 2.09 (m, 2 H), 1.91–1.75 (m, 5 H), 1.30 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 231.7, 173.6, 60.7, 47.7, 45.4, 39.7, 33.2, 31.0, 28.9, 25.7, 22.6, 14.0; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 210 (M⁺, 27), 163 (22), 137 (13), 73 (5), 28 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₂H₁₈O₃ (M⁺) 210.1255, found 210.1252.

 $(1R^*, 2S^*, 5S^*)$ -2-Cyano-8-oxoblcyclo[3.3.1]nonane (19a). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 4f (0.28 g, 0.88 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 7% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 19a (0.03 g, 0.18 mmol, 21%) as a white solid and 19b (0.03 g, 0.18 mmol, 21%) as a colorless liquid. 19a: mp 103.0–103.5 °C; IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3686, 3048, 2936, 2308, 2238, 1708, 1606, 1456, 1431, 1426, 1292, 1284, 1111, 935, 923 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.80 (brs, 1 H), 2.57 (dd, J = 17.7, 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.38 (m, 2 H), 2.16 (dt, J = 18.0, 3.6 Hz, 2 H), 1.92–1.54 (m, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.9, 121.3, 46.8, 46.2, 32.8, 32.4, 29.2, 28.6, 28.0, 20.6; MS (70 eV) *m/e* (rel intensity) 163 (M⁺, 47), 136 (29), 119 (40), 81 (84), 45 (9), 29 (100); HRMS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C₁₀H₁₃NO (M⁺) 163.0997, found 163.0996.

 $(1R^*, 2R^*, 5S^*)$ -2-Cyano-8-oxoblcyclo[3.3.1]nonane (19b): IR (CH₂-Cl₂) 3686, 3070, 2989, 2306, 2242, 1708, 1607, 1443, 1428, 1286, 1283, 1079, 942, 923 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.81 (brd, J = 15.3Hz, 1 H), 2.77 (brs, 1 H), 2.53 (dd, J = 19.0, 8.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.49 (dd, J = 19.0, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.16 (m, 3 H), 1.87–1.78 (m, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.9, 119.9, 46.2, 39.1, 31.7, 31.0, 30.8, 27.7, 24.9, 24.6; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 163 (M⁺, 78), 135 (56), 117 (34), 81 (31), 45 (6), 32 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₀H₁₃NO (M⁺) 163.0997, found 163.1004.

(1R*,2S*,6S*,10R*)-2-Cyano-10-formylblcyclo[4.3.1]dec-8-ene (2,4-Dinitrophenyl)hydrazone (23). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 22 (0.44 g, 1.46 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was added to a solution of 0.33 g of (2,4-dinitrophenyl)hydrazine in 9 mL of phosphoric acid (85% in H₂O) and 9 mL of ethanol (95%). The reaction mixture was diluted with 50 mL of ethyl acetate, and the solution was washed with water (100 mL \times 3) and brine (100 mL \times 3), dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate (10 g), and concentrated to give the crude mixture. The crude mixture was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 20% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to give 23 (0.03 g, 0.08 mmol, 5%) as a yellow solid: mp 155-156 °C dec; IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3682, 3306, 3060, 2984, 2932, 2238, 2042, 1617, 1594, 1517, 1425, 1334, 1284, 1139, 1086 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.98 (s, 1 H), 9.04 (d, J = 2.44Hz, 1 H), 8.23 (dd, J = 9.28, 2.44 Hz, 1 H), 7.83 (d, J = 9.28 Hz, 1 H), 7.44 (d, J = 3.91 Hz, 1 H), 5.94 (dd, J = 8.0, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.55 (dt, J = 8.0, 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.15 (brs, 1 H), 2.96 (brd, J = 12.7 Hz, 2 H), 2.36 (m, 2 H), 1.78–1.66 (m, 3 H), 1.54 (m, 4 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.1, 145.0, 138.0, 130.1, 130.0, 129.5, 129.0, 126.2, 123.4, 116.6, 39.2, 37.4, 35.2, 33.4, 30.8, 30.4, 29.7, 21.6; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 369 (M⁺, 14), 285 (18), 227 (18), 187 (37), 145 (37), 91 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₈H₁₉N₅O₄ (M⁺) 369.1437, found 369.1445.

(1R*,2R*,5R*)-2-Carbethoxy-6-oxoblcyclo[3.3.0]octane (24). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 7a (0.68 g, 2.2 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 7% ethyl acetate/hexanes) and short-path distillation (0.02 mmHg, 40-50 °C) to give 24 (0.236 g, 1.39 mmol, 55%) as a colorless liquid: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 3074, 2964, 1724, 1458, 1376, 1253, 1194, 1039 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.16 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 3.03 (dq, J = 9.5, 3.8 Hz, 1 H, H_a), 2.69 (td, J = 9.5, 4.9 Hz, 1 H, H_b), 2.52 (q, J =7.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.32 (dd, J = 8.8, 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.17 (dt, J = 13.2, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.08 (m, 1 H), 1.92 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 1.82 (m, 2 H), 1.28 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 221.7, 174.7, 60.4, 52.0, 50.2, 45.3, 36.8, 30.5, 28.1, 25.0, 14.1; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 196 (M⁺, 54), 167 (29), 149 (65), 138 (42), 122 (66), 95 (98), 79 (62), 67 (100), 55 (58), 41 (49); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O₃ (M⁺) 169.1099, found 169.1106.

(1R*,2R*,5R*,7S*)-2-Carbethoxy-7-methyl-6-oxoblcyclo[3.3.0]octane (26). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 7b (0.96 g, 3.00 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 7% ethyl acetate/hexanes) and short-path distillation (0.02 mmHg, 50-60 °C) to give 26 (0.214 g, 1.02 mmol, 34%) as a colorless liquid: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 2970, 1729, 1454, 1375, 1185, 1039 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.14 (dq, J = 4.3, 7.1 Hz, 2 H), $3.00 (dt, J = 10.5, 7.7 Hz, 1 H, H_b), 2.86 (dt, J = 10.7, 7.0 Hz, 1 H, H_b)$ H_d), 2.73 (td, J = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1 H, H_c), 2.31 (qd, J = 13.8, 6.8 Hz, 1 H, H_a), 2.16 (dd, J = 19.4, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.94 (dd, J = 10.2, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.79 (m, 1 H), 1.67 (m, 1 H), 1.61 (m, 1 H), 1.25 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.01 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 1.03 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) § 220.8, 173.1, 60.3, 50.4, 48.8, 44.7, 39.9, 31.9, 27.6, 26.32, 14.3, 12.8; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 210 (M⁺, 47), 164 (100), 136 (86), 119 (90), 96 (43), 81 (53), 73 (76), 55 (92), 41 (44), 32 (33), 29 (43); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₂H₁₈O₃ (M⁺) 210.1255, found 210.1249.

(1R*,2R*,5R*,8R*)-2-Carbethoxy-8-methyl-6-oxoblcyclo[3.3.0]octane (27). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 7c (0.40 g, 1.24 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 7% ethyl acetate/hexanes) and short-path distillation (0.02 mmHg, 50-60 °C) to give 27 (0.067 g, 0.31 mmol, 30%) as a colorless liquid: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 2968, 1728, 1454, 1378, 1252, 1192, 1035 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.14 (m, 2 H), 3.06 (dd, J = 10.0, 7.2 Hz, 1 H, H_d), 2.71 (ddd, J = 10.0, 7.3, 3.2 Hz, 1 H, H_o), 2.50 (m, 2 H, H_c, H_f), 2.34 (dd, J = 18.6, 8.1 Hz, 1 H, H_b), 2.08 (m, 1 H), 1.94 (m, 1 H, H_a), 1.83 (m, 3 H), 1.25 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.09 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 221.9, 175.4, 60.5, 54.7, 50.5, 44.5, 43.6, 32.4, 30.7, 28.2, 16.4, 14.1; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 210 (M⁺, 87), 165 (86), 136 (82), 119 (37), 108 (100), 93 (100), 84 (44), 69 (63), 55 (77), 42 (63), 28 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C12H18O3 (M⁺) 210.1255, found 210.1240.

 $(1R^*, 2R^*, 6R^*)$ -2-Carbethoxy-7-oxoblcyclo[4.3.0]nonane (28). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 7d (0.86 g, 2.70 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 7% ethyl acetate/hexanes) and short-path distillation (0.02 mmHg, 50-60 °C) to give 28 (0.367 g, 1.75 mmol, 54%) as a colorless liquid: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 2944, 1731, 1446, 1237, 1201, 1174, 1029 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.09 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.62 (m, 2 H, H_b, Hd), 2.36 (dd, J = 19.0, 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.20 (dt, J = 11.9, 6.0 Hz, 1 H, H_a), 2.13 (dd, J = 19.0, 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.80 (m, 4 H, H_a and others), 1.54 (m, 2 H), 1.20 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.13 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 174.0, 60.2, 48.4, 42.1, 37.3, 36.8, 23.6, 22.2, 20.5, 14.2; MS (70 eV) *m/e* (rel intensity) 210 (M⁺, 37), 164 (24), 136 (90), 119 (61), 95 (37), 81 (38), 67 (35), 55 (32), 41 (41), 32 (100), 29 (44); HRMS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C₁₂H₁₈O₃ (M⁺) 210.1255, found 210.1261.

(1R*,2R*,6R*,8S*)-2-Carbethoxy-8-methyl-7-oxoblcyclo[4.3.0]nonane (29). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 7e (0.92 g, 2.70 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 7% ethyl acetate/hexanes) and short-path distillation (0.02 mmHg, 65–75 °C) to give 29 (0.151 g, 0.674 mmol, 25%) as a colorless liquid: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 2974, 1730, 1423, 1284, 1195, 1172 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.18 (2 q, J = 6.9 Hz, 2 H), 2.78 (ddd, J = 11.2, 10.3, 5.5 Hz, 1 H, H_a), 2.71 (ddd, J = 11.7, 5.5, 3.1 Hz, 1 H, H_b), 2.49 (dq, J = 9.6, 7.6 Hz, 1 H, H_d), 2.29 (td, J = 11.0, 4.8 Hz, 1 H, H_e), 2.20 (ddd, J = 12.0, 10.3, 9.6 Hz, 1 H, H_d), 1.84 (m, 2 H), 1.68 (m, 2 H), 1.47 (dd, J = 12.0, 6.9 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 172.1, 60.2, 49.0, 41.8, 40.0, 34.5, 29.3, 24.6, 22.6, 22.0, 16.8, 14.2; MS (70 eV) m/e (rel intensity) 224 (M⁺, 42), 178 (12), 150 (100), 133 (29), 109 (16), 81 (68), 67 (26), 29 (52); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₁₃H₂₀O₃ (M⁺) 224.1412, found 224.1410.

(1 \mathbb{R}^{*} , 2 \mathbb{R}^{*} , 6 \mathbb{R}^{*} , 9 \mathbb{S}^{*})-2-Carbethoxy-9-methyl-7-oxoblcyclo[4.3.0]nonane (30). The crude mixture from intramolecular cyclization of complex 7f (1.30 g, 3.90 mmol) followed by quenching the reaction with trifluoroacetic acid (5 molar equiv) was purified via flash column chromatography (silica gel, 7% ethyl acetate/hexanes) and short-path distillation (0.02 mmHg, 60–75 °C) to give 30 (0.24 g, 28%) as a colorless liquid: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 2943, 1732, 1631, 1448, 1377, 1286, 1269, 1182, 1032 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.18 (2 q, J = 6.9 Hz, 2 H), 2.76 (m, 2 H, H_a, H_d), 2.60 (8 lines, J = 8.8, 7.0, 3.3 Hz, 1 H, H_c), 2.46 (dd, J = 18.0, 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.26 (dd, J = 8.8, 7.8 Hz, 1 H, H_b), 2.08 (dd, J = 18.0, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.80 (m, 2 H), 1.68 (m, 1 H), 1.50 (m, 1 H), 1.46 (m, 1 H), 1.29 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.22 (m, 1 H), 1.09 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 174.5, 60.3, 47.3, 46.6, 41.5, 39.5, 32.0, 25.2, 24.4, 22.3, 19.0, 14.2; MS (70 eV) *m/e* (rel intensity) 224 (M⁺, 99), 209 (56), 178 (96), 150 (63), 132 (78), 108 (100), 80 (78), 54 (76); HRMS (EI) *m/e* calcd for C₁₃H₂₀O₃ (M⁺) 224.1412, found 224.1410.

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