

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Tandem Zirconocene Homologation – Aldimine Allylation

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Experimental parts. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra.

General. All moisture-sensitive reactions were performed using syringe-septum cap techniques under an N₂ atmosphere and all glassware was dried in an oven at 140 °C for 2 h prior to use. Reactions carried out at –78 °C employed a CO₂-acetone bath. THF was distilled over sodium / benzophenone ketyl, and CH₂Cl₂, toluene and Et₃N were distilled from CaH₂. Me₂Zn was purchased from Aldrich Company. Cp₂ZrHCl,¹ imines **2**, **14**, and **16**,² and alkyne **8**³ were prepared according to literature procedures.

Reactions were monitored by TLC analysis (EM Science pre-coated silica gel 60 F₂₅₄ plates, 250 μm layer thickness) and visualization was accomplished with a 254 nm UV light and by staining with a PMA solution (5 g of phosphomolybdic acid in 100 mL of 95% EtOH), *p*-anisaldehyde solution (2.5 mL of *p*-anisaldehyde, 2 mL of AcOH, and 3.5 mL of conc. H₂SO₄ in 100 mL of 95% EtOH), Vaughn's reagent (4.8 g of (NH₄)₆Mo₇O₂₄•4 H₂O and 0.2 g of Ce(SO₄)₂ in 100 mL of a 3.5 N H₂SO₄ solution) or a KMnO₄ solution (1.5 g of KMnO₄ and 1.5 g of K₂CO₃ in 100 mL of a 0.1% NaOH solution). Flash chromatography on SiO₂ or deactivated SiO₂ (1% Et₃N in mobile phase) was used to purify the crude reaction mixtures.

Melting points were determined using a Laboratory Devices Mel-Temp II. Infrared spectra were determined on a Nicolet Avatar 360 FT-IR spectrometer. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were obtained on a Bruker Avance 300 instrument in CDCl₃. Chemical shifts were reported in parts per million with the residual solvent peak used as an internal standard. ¹H NMR spectra were run at 300 MHz and are tabulated as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, qn = quintet, m = multiplet), number of protons, and coupling constant(s). ¹³C NMR spectra were run at 76 MHz using the proton-decoupled pulse sequence with a d₁ of 3 seconds, and are tabulated by chemical shift. Mass spectra were obtained on a Micromass Autospec double focusing instrument.

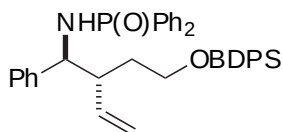


***N*-[(1S*,2R*)-2-Butyl-1-phenylbut-3-enyl]-*P,P*-diphenylphosphinamide (**5a**) and *N*-[(1S*,2S*)-2-butyl-1-phenylbut-3-enyl]-*P,P*-diphenylphosphinamide (**5b**). **General Protocol A.** A suspension of 195 mg (0.756 mmol) of Cp₂ZrHCl in 2 mL of CH₂Cl₂ was treated at room temperature with 95.0 μL (0.827 mmol) of 1-hexyne. After 2 min, the yellow solution was**

cooled to $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, treated with $560\text{ }\mu\text{L}$ (1.12 mmol) of Me_2Zn (2.0 M solution in toluene), warmed to room temperature over a period of 5 min , treated with $60.0\text{ }\mu\text{L}$ (0.745 mmol) of CH_2I_2 , stirred 2 min and treated with a solution of 76.0 mg (0.249 mmol) of imine **2** in 1 mL of CH_2Cl_2 . The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h , quenched with saturated NH_4Cl , diluted with EtOAc and saturated NaHCO_3 , filtered through Celite, washed with H_2O and brine, dried (MgSO_4), filtered through a pad of Florisil and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was chromatographed on deactivated SiO_2 ($1:9$, hexanes/ EtOAc containing 1% Et_3N) to yield 71 mg (71%) of an $85:15$ mixture of diastereomers. **5a** (colorless solid): mp $158\text{-}159\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ (EtOAc /hexane); IR (KBr) $3221, 3059, 2951, 2914, 2858, 1436, 1185, 1123, 1108, 1068, 919, 723, 702, 692\text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR δ $7.90\text{-}7.83$ (m, 2 H), $7.73\text{-}7.65$ (m, 2 H), $7.54\text{-}7.38$ (m, 4 H), $7.32\text{-}7.24$ (m, 5 H), $7.07\text{-}7.04$ (m, 2 H), 5.43 (dt, 1 H , $J = 17.2, 9.7\text{ Hz}$), 5.25 (dd, 1 H , $J = 17.5, 2.2\text{ Hz}$), 5.21 (dd, 1 H , $J = 9.8, 2.4\text{ Hz}$), 4.23 (td, 1 H , $J = 11.2, 4.6\text{ Hz}$), 3.75 (dd, 1 H , $J = 10.8, 6.5\text{ Hz}$), 2.59 (tt, 1 H , $J = 10.0, 4.2\text{ Hz}$), $1.47\text{-}1.38$ (m, 1 H), $1.33\text{-}1.13$ (m, 4 H), $1.02\text{-}0.86$ (m, 1 H), 0.83 (t, 3 H , $J = 6.7\text{ Hz}$); ^{13}C NMR δ $140.89, 140.82, 137.80, 134.13, 132.68, 132.61, 132.55, 132.45, 131.76, 131.72, 131.66, 131.57, 131.53, 130.86, 128.51, 128.35, 128.16, 128.00, 127.71, 127.61, 126.85, 119.07, 57.72, 52.11, 52.07, 31.65, 29.57, 22.53, 13.98$; EIMS m/z 403 (M^+ , 1), 306 (100), 201 (98), 77 (22); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{30}\text{NOP}$ 403.2065 , found 403.2068 . **5b** (colorless solid): mp $160\text{-}161\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ (EtOAc /hexane); IR (KBr) $3181, 2953, 2928, 2852, 1435, 1180, 1126, 1109, 915, 745, 726, 696\text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR δ $7.87\text{-}7.80$ (m, 2 H), $7.70\text{-}7.62$ (m, 2 H), $7.54\text{-}7.34$ (m, 4 H), $7.30\text{-}7.19$ (m, 5 H), $7.13\text{-}7.09$ (m, 2 H), 5.72 (ddd, 1 H , $J = 17.2, 10.3, 8.8\text{ Hz}$), 5.25 (dd, 1 H , $J = 10.3, 1.9\text{ Hz}$), 5.11 (ddd, 1 H , $J = 17.2, 1.8, 0.7\text{ Hz}$), 4.14 (dt, 1 H , $J = 10.1, 7.4\text{ Hz}$), 3.45 (t, 1 H , $J = 6.1\text{ Hz}$), $2.40\text{-}2.31$ (m, 1 H), $1.35\text{-}1.09$ (m, 6 H), 0.81 (t, 3 H , $J = 6.6\text{ Hz}$); ^{13}C NMR δ $142.78, 142.74, 139.25, 132.72, 132.57, 132.44, 132.34, 131.78, 131.73, 131.70, 131.66, 131.42, 131.39, 130.98, 128.48, 128.32, 128.04, 128.00, 127.87, 127.74, 127.65, 127.28, 126.86, 118.09, 58.13, 51.86, 51.79, 30.31, 29.39, 22.45, 13.97$.



***N*-[(1*S**,2*R**)-2,3-Diethyl-1-phenylbut-3-enyl]-*P,P*-diphenylphosphinamide (**7a**) and ***N*-[(1*S**,2*S**)-2,3-diethyl-1-phenylbut-3-enyl]-*P,P*-diphenylphosphinamide (**7b**)**. According to the General Protocol A, 387 mg (1.50 mmol) of Cp_2ZrHCl , 190 μL (1.65 mmol) of 3-hexyne, 1.25 mL (2.50 mmol) of Me_2Zn (2.0 M solution in toluene), 120 μL (1.49 mmol) of CH_2I_2 , and 153 mg (0.501 mmol) of imine **2** (24 h reaction time) afforded 99 mg (49%) of a 75:25 mixture of diastereomers. **7a** (colorless solid): mp 166-167 °C (EtOAc/hexane); IR (KBr) 3121, 2962, 2920, 2872, 2846, 1435, 1183, 1123, 1110, 1061, 897, 749, 726, 694 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.84-7.77 (m, 2 H), 7.67-7.61 (m, 2 H), 7.51-7.37 (m, 4 H), 7.29-7.17 (m, 5 H), 7.02-6.99 (m, 2 H), 4.79 (s, 1 H), 4.72 (s, 1 H), 4.12 (q, 1 H, $J = 9.6$ Hz), 3.39 (t, 1 H, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 2.34 (ddd, 1 H, $J = 11.3, 7.9, 3.5$ Hz), 2.00 (dq, 1 H, $J = 14.7, 7.4, 3.6$ Hz), 1.65 (dq, 1 H, $J = 14.8, 7.4$ Hz), 1.57-1.42 (m, 2 H), 0.84 (t, 3 H, $J = 7.3$ Hz), 0.80 (t, 3 H, $J = 7.3$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR δ 149.63, 142.89, 142.84, 133.98, 132.74, 132.61, 132.29, 131.80, 131.77, 131.74, 131.68, 131.58, 131.54, 130.95, 128.49, 128.32, 128.15, 127.98, 127.78, 127.10, 126.68, 111.66, 58.61, 56.82, 56.76, 26.35, 23.12, 12.10, 11.54; EIMS m/z 404 ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 1), 306 (100), 201 (93), 77 (86); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{30}\text{NOP}$ 403.2065, found 403.2052. **7b** (colorless solid): mp 164-165 °C (EtOAc/hexane); IR (KBr) 3197, 2961, 2932, 2873, 1436, 1185, 1124, 1109, 747, 725, 695 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.77-7.69 (m, 2 H), 7.60-7.53 (m, 2 H), 7.51-7.27 (m, 4 H), 7.20-7.04 (m, 7 H), 5.04 (s, 1 H), 4.96 (s, 1 H), 4.14 (td, 1 H, $J = 9.2, 6.2$ Hz), 3.60-3.50 (m, 1 H), 2.29 (ddd, 1 H, $J = 10.7, 8.8, 4.2$ Hz), 2.05 (dq, 1 H, $J = 14.7, 7.4$ Hz), 1.84 (dq, 1 H, $J = 14.6, 7.3$ Hz), 1.32 (ddq, 1 H, $J = 14.0, 10.8, 7.3$ Hz), 1.16 (dq, 1 H, $J = 14.2, 7.4, 4.4$ Hz), 1.07 (t, 3 H, $J = 7.3$ Hz), 0.69 (t, 3 H, $J = 7.4$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR δ 150.73, 143.11, 134.08, 132.58, 132.45, 131.68, 131.65, 131.50, 131.37, 131.23, 130.79, 128.46, 128.29, 127.93, 127.89, 127.72, 127.46, 126.84, 112.49, 57.69, 57.60, 56.88, 24.31, 22.98, 12.09, 11.64; EIMS m/z 403 (M^+ , 1), 306 (100), 201 (62), 91 (12), 77 (19); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{30}\text{NOP}$ 403.2065, found 403.2076.**

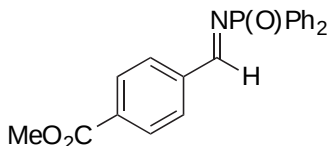


***N*-{[(1*S**,2*R**)-2-[2-(*tert*-Butyldiphenylsilyl)oxyethyl]-1-phenylbut-3-enyl]-*P,P*-diphenylphosphinamide (9a).** According to the General Protocol A, 387 mg (1.50 mmol) of Cp_2ZrHCl , 510 mg (1.65 mmol) of alkyne **8**, 1.25 mL (2.50 mmol) of Me_2Zn (2.0 M solution in toluene), 120 μL (1.49 mmol) of CH_2I_2 , and 153 mg (0.501 mmol) of imine **2** (12 h reaction time) afforded 227 mg (72%) of an 85:15 mixture of diastereomers. **9a** (colorless oil): IR (neat) 3196, 3070, 2930, 2857, 1438, 1428, 1191, 1110, 726, 700 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.96-7.88 (m, 2 H), 7.80-7.72 (m, 2 H), 7.72-7.67 (m, 4 H), 7.57-7.30 (m, 14 H), 7.12-7.09 (m, 2 H), 5.47 (dt, 1 H, $J = 17.2, 9.7$ Hz), 5.22 (dd, 1 H, $J = 17.3, 2.2$ Hz), 5.20 (dd, 1 H, $J = 9.8, 2.2$ Hz), 4.26 (td, 1 H, $J = 10.8, 5.1$ Hz), 3.75 (dd, 1 H, $J = 10.7, 6.9$ Hz), 3.70-3.63 (m, 2 H), 2.89-2.80 (m, 1 H), 1.92 (dtd, 1 H, $J = 13.4, 7.9, 3.3$ Hz), 1.34-1.15 (m, 1 H), 1.10 (s, 9 H); ^{13}C NMR δ 141.02, 140.96, 137.22, 135.49, 135.46, 133.94, 133.76, 133.71, 132.78, 132.54, 132.41, 132.24, 131.75, 131.62, 131.57, 131.05, 129.45, 128.50, 128.34, 128.19, 128.02, 127.80, 127.52, 126.89, 119.12, 61.73, 57.91, 48.28, 48.22, 34.54, 26.80, 19.08; EIMS m/z 628 ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^+$, 1), 572 (48), 306 (100), 201 (75); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{35}\text{NO}_2\text{PSi}$ ($\text{M}-\text{C}_4\text{H}_9$) 572.2175, found 572.2174.

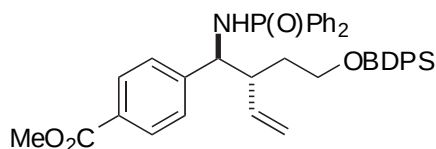


(4*R)-O-Triisopropylsilyl-4-[(*S**)-[(diphenylphosphoryl)amino](phenyl)methyl]hex-5-enoate (11a) and (4*S**)-O-triisopropylsilyl-4-[(*S**)-[(diphenylphosphoryl)amino](phenyl)methyl]hex-5-enoate (11b).** A solution of 324 mg (3.30 mmol) of 4-pentynoic acid in 6 mL of CH_2Cl_2 was treated with 710 μL (3.32 mmol) of TIPS-Cl and 225 mg (3.30 mmol) of imidazole, stirred at room temperature for 1 h, washed with H_2O and brine, dried (MgSO_4) and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in 1 mL of CH_2Cl_2 then transferred into a suspension of 780 mg (3.02 mmol) of Cp_2ZrHCl in 2 mL of CH_2Cl_2 , stirred 5 min and concentrated *in vacuo*. A solution of the residue in 3 mL of toluene was cooled to -78°C , treated with 1.50 mL (3.00 mmol) of Me_2Zn (2.0 M solution in toluene),

warmed to room temperature over a period of 5 min, treated with 400 μ L (4.97 mmol) of CH_2I_2 , stirred for 2 min and cannulated into a suspension of 305 mg (1.00 mmol) of imine **2** in 1 mL of toluene. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h, quenched with saturated NH_4Cl , diluted with EtOAc and saturated NaHCO_3 , filtered through Celite, washed with H_2O and brine, dried (MgSO_4), filtered through a pad of Florisil and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was chromatographed on deactivated SiO_2 (1:4, hexanes/EtOAc containing 1% Et_3N) to yield 278 mg (48%) of a 62:38 mixture of diastereomers. **11a** (colorless oil): IR (neat) 3187, 2945, 2867, 1716, 1456, 1438, 1189, 1124, 1110, 1070, 918, 884, 751, 726, 700 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.85-7.78 (m, 2 H), 7.69-7.62 (m, 2 H), 7.50-7.39 (m, 4 H), 7.36-7.22 (m, 5 H), 7.03-7.00 (m, 2 H), 5.39 (dt, 1 H, J = 17.3, 9.6 Hz), 5.24-5.17 (m, 2 H), 4.18 (td, 1 H, J = 11.0, 5.1 Hz), 3.76 (dd, 1 H, J = 10.8, 6.4 Hz), 2.63-2.52 (m, 1 H), 2.30-2.24 (m, 2 H), 1.93-1.87 (m, 1 H), 1.29-1.14 (m, 4 H), 1.02 (d, 18 H, J = 7.3 Hz); ^{13}C NMR δ 173.37, 140.50, 136.67, 133.92, 132.64, 132.51, 132.23, 131.72, 131.59, 131.46, 130.70, 128.49, 128.32, 128.17, 128.00, 127.85, 127.42, 126.99, 120.03, 57.97, 51.63, 33.56, 27.25, 17.67, 11.75; EIMS m/z 575 (M^+ , 1), 532 (46), 306 (100), 201 (91); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{46}\text{NO}_3\text{PSi}$ 575.2985, found 575.2999. **11b** (colorless oil): IR (neat) 2924, 2863, 1712, 1439, 1416, 1185, 1161, 1124, 1109, 1069, 997, 920, 883, 753, 724, 698 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.92-7.85 (m, 2 H), 7.75-7.68 (m, 2 H), 7.57-7.42 (m, 4 H), 7.35-7.24 (m, 5 H), 7.18-7.15 (m, 2 H), 5.73 (ddd, 1 H, J = 17.1, 10.2, 9.0 Hz), 5.34 (dd, 1 H, J = 10.3, 1.7 Hz), 5.19 (dd, 1 H, J = 17.2, 1.1 Hz), 4.21 (dt, 1 H, J = 10.1, 7.9 Hz), 3.53 (dd, 1 H, J = 8.4, 6.0 Hz), 2.52-2.22 (m, 3 H), 1.79-1.75 (m, 1 H), 1.65-1.59 (m, 1 H), 1.37-1.25 (m, 3 H), 1.09 (d, 18 H, J = 7.3 Hz); ^{13}C NMR δ 173.33, 142.08, 142.04, 138.24, 133.93, 132.68, 132.55, 132.42, 132.24, 131.75, 131.62, 131.47, 130.95, 128.50, 128.33, 128.10, 127.91, 127.23, 127.03, 118.97, 58.30, 51.25, 51.17, 33.44, 25.98, 17.72, 11.81; EIMS m/z 575 (M^+ , 1), 532 (12), 306 (100), 201 (78); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{46}\text{NO}_3\text{PSi}$ 575.2985, found 575.2995.

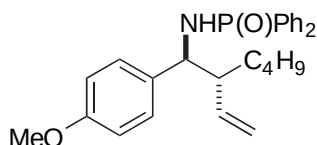


Methyl 4-[(diphenylphosphinylimino)methyl]benzoate (12).² A suspension of 1.50 g (6.91 mmol) of diphenylphosphinamide, 1.25 g (7.61 mmol) of methyl 4-formylbenzoate, and 3.00 mL (20.8 mmol) of Et₃N in 10 mL of CH₂Cl₂ was cooled to 0 °C, treated dropwise with a solution of 3.60 mL (3.60 mmol) of TiCl₄ (1.0 M solution in CH₂Cl₂) in 5 mL of CH₂Cl₂ over 20 min, and stirred at 0 °C for 5 min and at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was poured into 150 mL of Et₂O, stirred for 5 min, filtered through a pad of SiO₂, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was precipitated from CH₂Cl₂ with hexanes to yield 1.19 g (47%) of **12** as a colorless solid: mp 143-145 °C (CH₂Cl₂/hexanes); IR (KBr) 3226, 3060, 3037, 1725, 1613, 1568, 1438, 1280, 1203, 1127, 1107, 861, 834, 766, 750, 729, 697 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 9.34 (d, 1 H, *J* = 31.7 Hz), 8.15-8.12 (m, 2 H), 8.06-8.03 (m, 2 H), 7.96-7.89 (m, 4 H), 7.48-7.36 (m, 6 H), 3.91 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR δ 172.62, 172.52, 166.09, 139.22, 138.89, 134.15, 133.20, 131.91, 131.88, 131.76, 131.63, 131.53, 131.41, 129.95, 129.85, 128.55, 128.38, 128.26, 52.40; EIMS *m/z* 363 (M⁺, 24), 201 (100); HRMS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₁₈NO₃P 363.1024, found 363.1018.



Methyl 4-[(1S*,2R*)-2-[2-(tert-butylidiphenylsilyl)oxyethyl]-1-(diphenylphosphoryl)aminobut-3-enyl]benzoate (13a). According to the General Protocol A, 195 mg (0.756 mmol) of Cp₂ZrHCl, 255 mg (0.827 mmol) of alkyne **8**, 500 μL (1.00 mmol) of Me₂Zn (2.0 M solution in toluene), 100 μL (1.24 mmol) of CH₂I₂, and 91.0 mg (0.250 mmol) of imine **12** (12 h reaction time) afforded 118 mg (69%) of an 85:15 mixture of diastereomers. **13a** (colorless oil): IR (neat) 3191, 3071, 2952, 2931, 2857, 1721, 1437, 1282, 1190, 1110, 911, 728, 702 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 8.00 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 7.94-7.87 (m, 2 H), 7.77-7.65 (m, 6 H), 7.62-7.31 (m, 12 H), 7.17 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 5.40 (dt, 1 H, *J* = 17.9, 9.3 Hz), 5.21-5.15 (m, 2 H), 4.31 (td, 1 H, *J* = 10.6, 5.4 Hz), 4.01 (s, 3 H), 3.76 (dd, 1 H, *J*

= 10.6, 6.9 Hz), 3.71-3.61 (m, 2 H), 2.89-2.79 (m, 1 H), 1.92 (dtd, 1 H, $J = 13.3$, 8.0, 3.2 Hz), 1.30-1.18 (m, 1 H), 1.09 (s, 9 H); ^{13}C NMR δ 167.06, 146.68, 146.62, 136.96, 135.66, 135.63, 133.84, 133.78, 133.75, 132.76, 132.61, 132.48, 132.05, 131.91, 131.79, 131.03, 129.69, 129.33, 128.96, 128.76, 128.60, 128.44, 128.27, 127.73, 119.70, 61.74, 57.87, 52.23, 48.34, 48.28, 34.62, 26.97, 19.24; EIMS m/z 688 ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 1), 630 (80), 398 (19), 364 (100), 201 (99), 183 (33), 135 (46), 77 (70); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{42}\text{H}_{45}\text{NO}_4\text{PSi}$ ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^+$) 686.2856, found 686.2840.

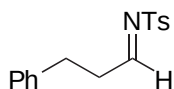


***N*-[(1*S**,2*R**)-2-Butyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)but-3-enyl]-*P,P*-diphenylphosphinamide (**15a**).** According to the General Protocol A, 390 mg (1.51 mmol) of Cp_2ZrHCl , 190 μL (1.65 mmol) of 1-hexyne, 1.00 mL (2.00 mmol) of Me_2Zn (2.0 M solution in toluene), 200 μL (2.48 mmol) of CH_2I_2 , and 168 mg (0.501 mmol) of imine **14** (12 h reaction time) afforded 169 mg (79%) of an 83:17 mixture of diastereomers. **15a** (colorless solid): mp 155-156 $^\circ\text{C}$ (EtOAc/hexane); IR (KBr) 3218, 2956, 2916, 2857, 1516, 1436, 1252, 1183, 1123, 1108, 1072, 909, 825, 748, 724, 694 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.94-7.86 (m, 2 H), 7.79-7.72 (m, 2 H), 7.56-7.44 (m, 4 H), 7.38-7.31 (m, 2 H), 7.03 (d, 2 H, $J = 8.7$ Hz), 6.87 (d, 2 H, $J = 8.7$ Hz), 5.48 (dt, 1 H, $J = 17.3$, 9.7 Hz), 5.29 (dd, 1 H, $J = 17.2$, 2.5 Hz), 5.25 (dd, 1 H, $J = 9.7$, 2.5 Hz), 4.23 (td, 1 H, $J = 11.1$, 4.5 Hz), 3.88 (s, 3 H), 3.74 (dd, 1 H, $J = 10.8$, 6.4 Hz), 2.61 (tt, 1 H, $J = 9.9$, 4.2 Hz), 1.51-1.40 (m, 1 H), 1.32-1.18 (m, 4 H), 1.07-0.96 (m, 1 H), 0.88 (t, 3 H, $J = 6.7$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR δ 158.38, 137.92, 134.19, 133.09, 133.02, 132.77, 132.65, 132.52, 131.68, 131.65, 131.52, 131.49, 131.02, 128.59, 128.47, 128.31, 128.15, 127.98, 118.94, 113.05, 57.17, 55.14, 52.19, 52.15, 31.69, 29.53, 22.53, 13.96.



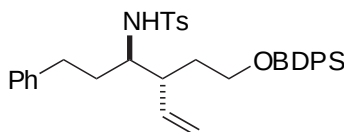
***N*-[(1*S**,2*R**)-2-[2-(*tert*-Butyldiphenylsilyl)oxyethyl]-1-phenylbut-3-enyl]-*S*-(4-methylphenyl)sulfonamide (**17a**) and *N*-[(1*S**,2*S**)-2-[2-(*tert*-**

butyldiphenylsilyl)oxyethyl]-1-phenylbut-3-enyl]-S-(4-methylphenyl)sulfonamide (17b). According to the General Protocol A, 390 mg (1.51 mmol) of Cp_2ZrHCl , 510 mg (1.65 mmol) of alkyne **8**, 750 μL (1.50 mmol) of Me_2Zn (2.0 M solution in toluene), 200 μL (2.48 mmol) of CH_2I_2 , and 130 mg (0.501 mmol) of imine **16** (2 h reaction time) afforded 238 mg (81%) of a 60:40 (inseparable) mixture of diastereomers: IR (neat) 3280, 3070, 2930, 2857, 1428, 1326, 1162, 1111, 1093, 736, 702, 667 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.72-7.35 (m, 12 H), 7.25-7.11 (m, 6 H), 7.01-6.98 (m, 1 H), 5.56-5.07 (m, 4 H), 4.46 (dd, 0.6 H, $J = 8.6, 5.5$ Hz), 4.22 (dd, 0.4 H, $J = 8.3, 5.3$ Hz), 3.70-3.55 (m, 2 H), 2.75-2.64 (m, 1 H), 2.41 (s, 1.2 H), 2.39 (s, 1.8 H), 1.90-1.80 (m, 0.6 H), 1.57-1.47 (m, 0.4 H), 1.44-1.19 (m, 1 H), 1.11 (s, 5.4 H), 1.07 (s, 3.6 H); ^{13}C NMR δ 142.74, 139.30, 138.03, 137.71, 137.61, 137.40, 136.52, 135.49, 135.42, 133.62, 129.57, 129.50, 129.14, 129.02, 128.07, 127.80, 127.61, 127.58, 127.54, 127.23, 127.08, 127.04, 126.88, 119.67, 119.18, 61.19, 60.78, 60.71, 60.57, 46.77, 46.33, 33.90, 33.25, 26.81, 26.75, 21.38, 19.10; EIMS m/z 526 ($[\text{M}-\text{C}_4\text{H}_9]^+$, 42), 352 (83), 260 (96), 199 (68), 155 (68), 135 (46), 91 (100); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}_3\text{SSi}$ ($\text{M}-\text{C}_4\text{H}_9$) 526.1872, found 526.1869.

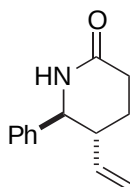


N-(3-Phenylpropylidene)-S-(4-methylphenyl)sulfonamide (18).⁴ A solution of 1.85 g (11.3 mmol) of sodium benzenesulfinate, 1.71 g (10.0 mmol) of *p*-toluenesulfonamide, and 1.32 mL (10.0 mmol) of hydrocinnamaldehyde in 30 mL of 50% formic acid was stirred at room temperature for 12 h, diluted with 20 mL of H_2O , filtered and rinsed with H_2O and pentane. The filter cake was dissolved in 75 mL of CH_2Cl_2 and stirred with 75 mL of saturated NaHCO_3 for 2 h. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO_4), and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was precipitated from CH_2Cl_2 with hexanes to yield 2.03 g (71%) of **18** as a colorless solid: mp 61-63 $^\circ\text{C}$ (CH_2Cl_2 /hexanes); IR (KBr) 3271, 3030, 2938, 1634, 1613, 1494, 1453, 1318, 1159, 1091, 784, 705, 682 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 8.67 (t, 1 H, $J = 4.0$ Hz), 7.81 (d, 2 H, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 7.38-7.15 (m, 7 H), 3.02-2.96 (m, 2 H), 2.91-2.85 (m, 2 H), 2.49 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR δ 177.36, 144.69, 139.53, 134.36, 129.75, 128.58, 128.25, 128.09, 126.41, 37.30, 30.53, 21.61; EIMS m/z 287 (M^+ , 2), 171

(12), 155 (25), 132 (100), 105 (16), 91 (20); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{16}H_{17}NO_2S$ 287.0980, found 287.0979.

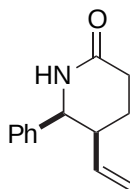


***N*-{[(1*S**,2*R**)-2-[2-(*tert*-Butyldiphenylsilyl)oxyethyl]-1-phenethylbut-3-enyl]-*S*-(4-methylphenyl)sulfonamide (19a).** According to the General Protocol A, 195 mg (0.756 mmol) of Cp_2ZrHCl , 255 mg (0.827 mmol) of alkyne **8**, 500 μ L (1.00 mmol) of Me_2Zn (2.0 M solution in toluene), 100 μ L (1.24 mmol) of CH_2I_2 , and 72.0 mg (0.251 mmol) of imine **18** (4 h reaction time) afforded 134 mg (87%) of **19a** as a colorless oil: IR (neat) 3280, 2930, 2857, 1428, 1327, 1160, 1111, 1094, 912, 816, 737, 702, 665 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR δ 7.84 (d, 2 H, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 7.80-7.70 (m, 5 H), 7.54-7.45 (m, 6 H), 7.39-7.25 (m, 4 H), 7.20-7.15 (m, 2 H), 5.50 (dt, 1 H, $J = 17.0, 9.9$ Hz), 5.15 (dd, 1 H, $J = 10.1, 1.9$ Hz), 4.95 (dd, 1 H, $J = 17.0, 1.8$ Hz), 4.72 (d, 1 H, $J = 9.7$ Hz), 3.67-3.38 (m, 3 H), 2.84-2.71 (m, 1 H), 2.60-2.49 (m, 1 H), 2.44 (s, 3 H), 2.28-2.20 (m, 1 H), 1.92-1.81 (m, 1 H), 1.73-1.64 (m, 1 H), 1.61-1.32 (m, 2 H), 1.13 (s, 9 H); ^{13}C NMR δ 143.17, 141.63, 138.51, 136.86, 135.48, 135.46, 133.64, 129.60, 128.35, 128.31, 127.60, 126.93, 125.84, 119.03, 61.65, 56.96, 44.89, 33.95, 32.88, 32.01, 26.80, 21.45, 19.08; EIMS m/z 554 ($[M-C_4H_9]^+$, 66), 352 (46), 288 (70), 199 (67), 155 (31), 135 (37), 117 (69), 91 (100); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $C_{33}H_{36}NO_3SSi$ ($M-C_4H_9$) 554.2185, found 554.2188.

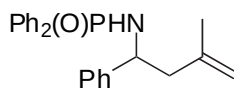


(5*R,6*S**)-6-Phenyl-5-vinylpiperidin-2-one (20a).** **General Protocol B.** A solution of 92.0 mg (0.160 mmol) of **11a** in 5 mL of HCl-MeOH (1 N solution) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in 3 mL of CH_2Cl_2 , treated with 220 μ L (1.58 mmol) of Et_3N and 75.0 μ L (0.494 mmol) of diethyl cyanophosphonate, stirred for 16 h, filtered through a pad of Florisil and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by preparative

TLC (EtOAc) to yield 18 mg (56%) of **20a** as a colorless solid: mp 131-132 °C (Et₂O/hexane); IR (KBr) 3171, 3070, 2883, 1647, 1400, 1004, 917, 760, 702 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.38-7.22 (m, 5 H), 5.72 (bs, 1 H), 5.62 (ddd, 1 H, *J* = 17.3, 10.4, 7.1 Hz), 4.99 (d, 1 H, *J* = 10.4 Hz), 4.91 (d, 1 H, *J* = 17.2 Hz), 4.22 (d, 1 H, *J* = 9.3 Hz), 2.57-2.38 (m, 3 H), 2.03-1.95 (m, 1 H), 1.90-1.79 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR δ 171.61, 140.73, 137.32, 128.61, 128.22, 127.21, 116.86, 62.69, 45.40, 30.55, 26.14; EIMS *m/z* 201 (*M*⁺, 26), 173 (9), 147 (12), 118 (13), 106 (100); HRMS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₁₅NO 201.1154, found 201.1158.



(5S*,6S*)-6-Phenyl-5-vinylpiperidin-2-one (20b). According to the General Protocol B, 25.0 mg (0.0434 mmol) of **11b**, 60.0 μL (0.430 mmol) of Et₃N and 20.0 μL (0.132 mmol) of diethyl cyanophosphonate afforded 6 mg (69%) of **20b** as a colorless solid: mp 108-109 °C (Et₂O/hexane); IR (thin film) 3200, 3061, 2933, 1660, 1404, 1353, 998, 915, 763, 700 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.37-7.26 (m, 3 H), 7.19-7.16 (m, 2 H), 5.89 (bs, 1 H), 5.46 (ddd, 1 H, *J* = 17.3, 10.1, 8.3 Hz), 5.01 (d, 1 H, *J* = 16.9 Hz), 4.99 (d, 1 H, *J* = 11.1 Hz), 4.68 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 4.9, 2.5 Hz), 2.82 (tt, 1 H, *J* = 8.7, 4.4 Hz), 2.67-2.44 (m, 2 H), 1.94-1.77 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR δ 172.03, 138.90, 136.63, 128.23, 127.87, 127.52, 117.12, 60.38, 42.65, 29.66, 23.33; EIMS *m/z* 201 (*M*⁺, 6), 173 (2), 147 (3), 119 (4), 106 (37), 84 (100); HRMS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₁₅NO 201.1154, found 201.1156.



***N*-(3-Methyl-1-phenylbut-3-enyl)-*P,P*-diphenylphosphinamide (24).** A solution of 584 mg (2.00 mmol) of Cp₂ZrCl₂ in 6 mL of THF was cooled to -78 °C, treated with 2.50 mL (4.00 mmol) of *n*-BuLi (1.6 M solution in hexanes), stirred at -78 °C for 1 h, treated with 200 μL (2.25 mmol) of 2-bromopropene, warmed to room temperature over 5 min, stirred for 1 h and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was suspended in 2 mL of toluene, cooled to -78 °C, treated with 1.00 mL (2.00 mmol) of Me₂Zn (2.0 M solution in toluene), warmed to room temperature over 5

min, treated with 200 μ L (2.48 mmol) of CH_2I_2 , stirred for 2 min, and treated with a solution of 153 mg (0.501 mmol) of imine **2** in 0.5 mL of CH_2Cl_2 and 1.5 mL of toluene. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h, quenched with saturated NH_4Cl , diluted with EtOAc and saturated NaHCO_3 , filtered through Celite, washed with H_2O and brine, dried (MgSO_4), filtered through a pad of Florisil and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was chromatographed on deactivated SiO_2 (1:9, hexanes/EtOAc containing 1% Et_3N) to yield 136 mg (75%) of **24** as a colorless solid: mp 165-166 $^\circ\text{C}$ (Et_2O /hexane); IR (thin film) 3182, 3058, 2910, 1437, 1186, 1123, 1109, 724, 696 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.87-7.79 (m, 2 H), 7.76-7.67 (m, 2 H), 7.51-7.33 (m, 4 H), 7.31-7.14 (m, 7 H), 4.77 (s, 1 H), 4.68 (s, 1 H), 4.36 (qn, 1 H, $J = 6.3$ Hz), 3.28 (dd, 1 H, $J = 7.9, 6.0$ Hz), 2.61 (dd, 1 H, $J = 13.6, 7.3$ Hz), 2.52 (dd, 1 H, $J = 13.7, 7.0$ Hz), 1.57 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR δ 143.49, 142.00, 133.88, 132.86, 132.51, 132.38, 132.19, 131.83, 131.71, 131.62, 131.13, 128.52, 128.35, 128.30, 128.26, 128.09, 127.06, 126.56, 114.40, 53.39, 48.20, 48.13, 22.26; EIMS m/z 361 (M^+ , 1), 306 (74), 201 (100); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{24}\text{NOP}$ 361.1596, found 361.1593.



***N*-(2,2-Dimethyl-1-phenylpent-3-enyl)-*P,P*-diphenylphosphinamide (25) and *N*-(2-methyl-1-phenylallyl)-*P,P*-diphenylphosphinamide (26).** A solution of 876 mg (3.00 mmol) of Cp_2ZrCl_2 in 10 mL of THF was cooled to -78 $^\circ\text{C}$, treated with 3.80 mL (6.08 mmol) of *n*-BuLi (1.6 M solution in hexanes), stirred at -78 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 1 h, treated with 300 μ L (3.38 mmol) of 2-bromopropene, warmed to room temperature over 5 min, stirred for 1 h and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was suspended in 2 mL of toluene, cooled to -78 $^\circ\text{C}$, treated with 1.50 mL (3.00 mmol) of Me_2Zn (2.0 M solution in toluene), warmed to room temperature over 5 min, stirred for 2 h, and treated with a solution of 153 mg (0.501 mmol) of imine **2** in 0.5 mL of THF and 2 mL of toluene. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h, quenched with saturated NH_4Cl , diluted with EtOAc and saturated NaHCO_3 , filtered through Celite, washed with H_2O and brine, dried (MgSO_4), filtered through a pad of Florisil and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was chromatographed on deactivated SiO_2 (1:4, hexanes/EtOAc containing 1% Et_3N) to yield 88 mg (45%) of **25** and 27 mg (16%) of **26** as colorless solids. **25**:

(R_f 0.61, 1:4, hexanes/EtOAc): mp 134-135 °C (Et_2O /hexane); IR (KBr) 3323, 3059, 3017, 2967, 2937, 2875, 1434, 1182, 1125, 1068, 754, 724, 707, 692 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.80-7.73 (m, 2 H), 7.59-7.52 (m, 2 H), 7.49-7.27 (m, 5 H), 7.21-7.15 (m, 4 H), 6.99-6.96 (m, 2 H), 5.53-5.36 (m, 2 H),⁵ 3.83 (t, 1 H, $J = 10.6$ Hz), 3.45 (t, 1 H, $J = 8.7$ Hz), 1.70 (d, 3 H, $J = 5.1$ Hz), 1.22 (s, 3 H), 0.81 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR δ 141.68, 141.64, 136.15, 134.37, 132.84, 132.80, 132.67, 131.91, 131.78, 131.53, 131.50, 131.10, 128.61, 128.45, 128.10, 127.94, 127.49, 126.84, 125.48, 63.77, 40.87, 40.81, 26.06, 25.92, 18.45; EIMS m/z 390 ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 1), 306 (100), 201 (93); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{29}\text{NOP}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 390.1987, found 390.1971. **26**: (R_f 0.53, 1:4, hexanes/EtOAc): mp 135-136 °C (Et_2O /hexane); IR (KBr) 3192, 1438, 1184, 1123, 1109, 725, 701 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 8.04-7.89 (m, 4 H), 7.61-7.31 (m, 11 H), 5.22 (s, 1 H), 5.13 (s, 1 H), 4.77 (t, 1 H, $J = 10.6$ Hz), 3.43 (dd, 1 H, $J = 10.6, 6.6$ Hz), 1.70 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR δ 145.72, 145.66, 141.69, 141.63, 133.50, 133.11, 132.39, 132.27, 132.20, 132.07, 131.89, 131.85, 131.82, 131.79, 131.40, 128.55, 128.51, 128.45, 128.34, 128.29, 127.31, 127.01, 126.68, 112.54, 60.21, 19.79; EIMS m/z 347 (M^+ , 19), 306 (26), 201 (72), 193 (43), 146 (95), 99 (100), 77 (59); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{NOP}$ 347.1439, found 347.1431.

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