

Supporting Information

Diastereo-, and enantioselective copper-catalyzed decarboxylative ring-opening [3+2] annulation of tertiary propargylic carbamates through regioselective α -attack of γ -butenolides

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I. General Information

All reactions were carried out under a nitrogen atmosphere. Solvents were purified by standard procedure before use. Commercial reagents were used without further purification. Flash chromatography was performed on silica gel 200-300. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (^1H NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker 400 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts for protons are reported in parts per million downfield from tetramethylsilane and are referenced to residual protium in the NMR solvent ($\text{CHCl}_3 = \delta$ 7.26). Carbon nuclear magnetic resonance (^{13}C NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker 101 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts for carbon are reported in parts per million downfield from tetramethylsilane and are referenced to the carbon resonances of the solvent ($\text{CDCl}_3 = \delta$ 77.0). Enantiomeric ratios were determined by chiral HPLC with *n*-hexane and *i*-PrOH as solvents. γ -Substituted butenolides **2b-2k** were prepared according to the known methods.¹

II. Details for Condition Optimization

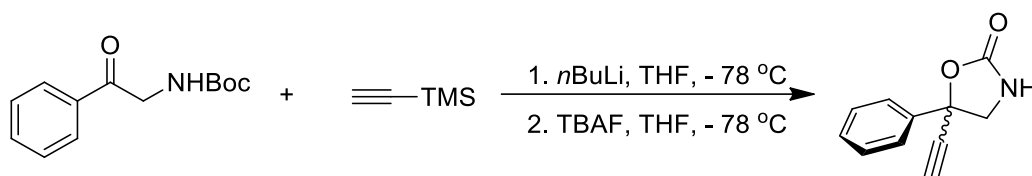
Table S1. Optimization of Reaction Conditions^[a]

Entry	[Cu]	Solvent (mL)	Base	Yield (%) ^[b]	<i>ee</i> (%) ^[c]	<i>dr</i> ^[d]
1	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$	MeOH (3)	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	55	91	10:1
2	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2/\text{2C}_6\text{H}_6$	MeOH (3)	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	64	67	14:1
3	CuI	MeOH (3)	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	45	93	20:1
4	$\text{Cu}(\text{MeCN})_4\text{BF}_4$	MeOH (3)	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	51	94	15:1
5	<i>Cu(OTf)₂</i>	MeOH (3)	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	65	94	10:1
6	$\text{Cu}(\text{MeCN})_4\text{PF}_6$	MeOH (3)	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	33	87.5	8:1
7 ^[e]	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	DCM (3)	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	5 <	-	-
8 ^[e]	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	DCM (2.9)/MeOH (0.1)	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	5 <	-	-
9	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	DCM (2)/MeOH (1)	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	25	95	12:1
10	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	<i>DCM (1)/MeOH (2)</i>	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	79	95	15:1
11 ^[e]	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	THF	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	5 <	-	-
12	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	THF (1)/MeOH (2)	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	65	95	15:1
13 ^[f]	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	Toluene	<i>i</i> Pr ₂ NEt	5 <	-	-
14	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	DCM (1)/MeOH (2)	Et ₃ N	50	96	8:1
15	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	DCM (1)/MeOH (2)	<i>i</i> PrNMe ₂	26	-	-
16 ^[f]	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	DCM (1)/MeOH (2)	DBU	5 <	-	-
17 ^[f]	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	DCM (1)/MeOH (2)	DABCO	5 <	-	-
18 ^[f]	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	DCM (1)/MeOH (2)	Cs ₂ CO ₃	5 <	-	-
19 ^[f]	$\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$	DCM (1)/MeOH (2)		5 <	-	-

20	Cu(OTf) ₂	DCM (1)/MeOH (2)	<i>n</i> Pr ₃ N	52	94	12:1
21	Cu(OTf) ₂	DCM (1)/MeOH (2)	<i>Cy</i> ₂ <i>NMe</i>	85	96	14:1
22	Cu(OTf) ₂	DCM (1)/MeOH (2)	<i>Cy</i> NMe ₂	30	88	5:1

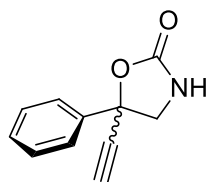
[a] **1a** (68.2 mg, 0.2 mmol), **2a** (58.9 mg, 0.6 mmol), [Cu] (5 mol %), **L*** (10 mol %), and base (0.24 mmol), were stirred in solvent (3 mL) at 0 °C for 12 h. [b] Isolated yield of the target product and its diastereoisomer. [c] Enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC analysis. [d] Diastereoselectivity was determined by ¹H NMR. [e] Enthynyl oxazolidinone was recovered in more than 80% yield. [f] Enthynyl oxazolidinone was decomposed and no major product was obtained.

III. General Procedure for Preparation of Enthynyl Oxazolidinones



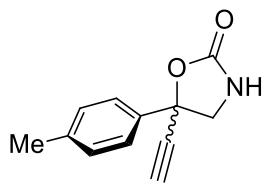
Enthynyl oxazolidinones were prepared according to the methods reported in the literature with some modifications.² Trimethylsilylacetylene (2.95 g, 30 mmol) was dissolved into 50 mL THF and cooled to 0 °C, then *n*-BuLi (30 mmol, 2.5 M in Hexane, 12 mL) was added and stirred at this temperature for 1 h under argon atmosphere. The mixture was then cooled to -78 °C, and *tert*-butyl (2-oxo-2-phenylethyl) carbamate (10 mmol) in 10 mL THF was added. The mixture was allowed to stir at this temperature for further 10 min before warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight. A saturated solution of NH₄Cl (20 mL) was added and the aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (3×20 mL). The combined extracts were dried by Na₂SO₄ and the solvent removed under vacuum. The crude product was used next step directly without further purification.

The crude product was dissolved in THF (30 mL) and cooled to -78 °C. TBAF (1.0 M in THF, 10 mL) was added and stirred 1 h at this temperature before quenched with saturated solution of NH₄Cl (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3×20 mL), and the organic mixture was dried by Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The concentrate was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE/EtOAc = 2:1) to give the product as white solid.



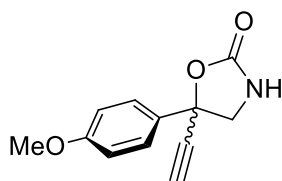
5-Ethynyl-5-phenyloxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 2:1, 1.40 g, yield: 75%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 6.54 – 6.25 (m, 1H), 4.08 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.6, 139.1, 129.1, 128.8, 124.9, 81.9, 78.3, 76.6, 55.6. HRMS calc. for C₁₁H₉NO₂ [M+H]⁺: 188.0706, found: 188.0704.



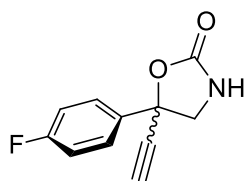
5-Ethynyl-5-(*p*-tolyl)oxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 2:1, 1.20 g, yield: 60%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.37 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 6.72 (brs, 1H), 3.96 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.69 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.75 (s, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.8, 139.1, 136.2, 129.4, 124.9, 122.9, 82.0, 78.3, 76.4, 55.6, 21.1. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 202.0863, found: 202.0860.



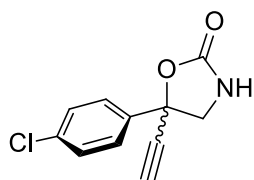
5-Ethynyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)oxazolidin-2-one

Yellow oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 1:1, 1.17g, yield: 54%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.38 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.78 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.45 (brs, 1H), 3.90 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.68 – 3.65 (m, 4H), 2.73 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.1, 158.6, 131.0, 126.6, 114.0, 82.0, 78.3, 76.5, 55.6, 55.3. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 218.0812, found: 218.0809.



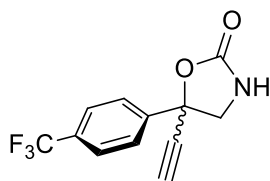
5-Ethynyl-5-(4-fluorophenyl)oxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 2:1, 1.46 g, yield: 71%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.57 (dd, $J = 7.8, 5.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.09 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.86 (brs, 1H), 4.07 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.77 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.88 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 248.8$ Hz), 158.6, 134.9 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.1$ Hz), 127.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 8.5$ Hz), 115.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 22.0$ Hz), 81.6, 77.8, 76.9, 55.6. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_8\text{FNO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 206.0612, found: 206.0609.



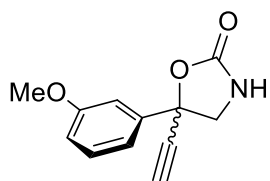
5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-ethynyloxazolidin-2-one

Yellow solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 2:1, 1.95 g, yield: 88%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.53 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.46 (brs, 1H), 4.07 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.75 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.88 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.2, 137.7, 135.2, 129.0, 126.5, 81.4, 77.7, 77.0, 55.5. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_8\text{ClNO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 222.0316, found: 222.0315..



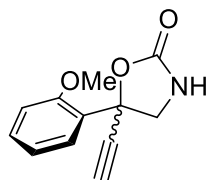
5-Ethynyl-5-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)oxazolidin-2-one

Brown oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 2:1, 2.17 g, yield: 85%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (brs, 1H), 4.11 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.4, 143.1, 131.30 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 32.7 Hz), 125.84 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.7 Hz), 125.4, 123.7 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 272.3 Hz), 81.2, 77.6, 77.2, 55.4. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 256.0580, found: 256.0575.



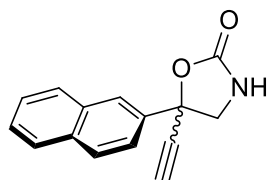
5-Ethynyl-5-(3-methoxyphenyl)oxazolidin-2-one

Yellow oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 1:1, 1.37 g, yield: 63%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.32 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.15 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.91 (dd, J = 8.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (brs, 1H), 4.06 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.78 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.8, 158.5, 140.7, 130.0, 117.0, 114.5, 110.7, 81.9, 78.1, 76.4, 55.6, 55.4. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 218.0812, found: 218.0809.



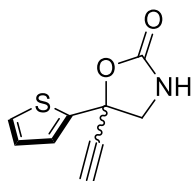
5-Ethynyl-5-(2-methoxyphenyl)oxazolidin-2-one

Yellow oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 1:1, 0.89 g, yield: 41%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.67 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.01 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 6.19 (brs, 1H), 4.15 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.91 – 3.82 (m, 4H), 2.71 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.3, 156.0, 130.3, 127.3, 126.2, 120.6, 111.6, 82.3, 76.8, 74.4, 55.7, 53.9. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 218.0812, found: 218.0808.



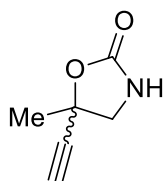
5-Ethynyl-5-(naphthalen-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 2:1, 1.66 g, yield: 70%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, d_6 -DMSO) δ 8.00 – 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.90 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.51 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 4.02 (brs, 1H), 3.89 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, d_6 -DMSO) δ 158.1, 137.8, 133.8, 133.3, 129.8, 129.3, 128.5, 127.9, 127.8, 124.8, 123.7, 83.7, 80.1, 78.1, 55.3. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 238.0863, found: 238.0858.



5-Ethynyl-5-(thiophen-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one

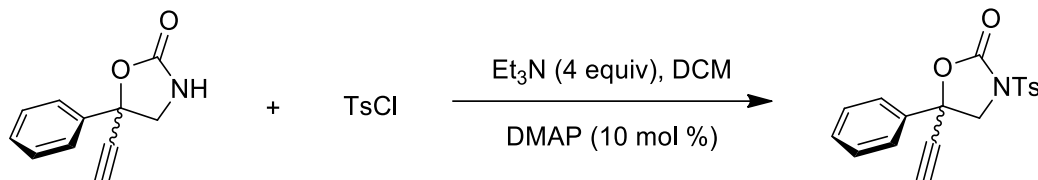
Yellow solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 3:1, 0.81 g, yield: 42%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.44 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 6.84 (brs, 1H), 4.16 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.0, 142.0, 127.3, 127.0, 126.9, 81.0, 76.4, 75.5, 55.6. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 194.0270, found: 194.0269.



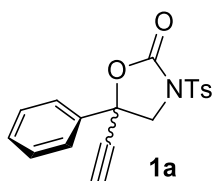
5-Ethynyl-5-methyloxazolidin-2-one

Yellow solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 1:1, 1.14 g, yield: 91%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 6.51 (brs, 1H), 3.79 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (s, 1H), 1.74 – 1.73 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.7, 82.7, 74.6, 74.3, 53.3, 27.4. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_6\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 126.0550, found: 126.0549.

IV. General Procedure for Preparation of Ts-Protected Enthynyl Oxazolidinones

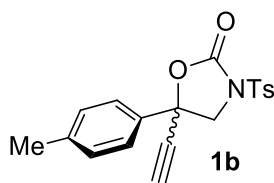


The enthyne oxazolidinones (2 mmol), DMAP (24.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) and TsCl (572 mg, 3 mmol) were dissolved in DCM (5 mL). The mixture was then cooled to 0 °C, and Et_3N (810 mg, 8 mmol) was added dropwise. The mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred 2 hours before quenched with saturated solution of NaCl (5 mL). The mixture was extracted with DCM (2×10 mL) and the organic mixture was dried by Na_2SO_4 and concentrated under reduced pressure. The concentrate was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE/EtOAc = 5:1) to give the product as white solid.



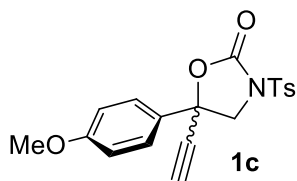
1a 5-Ethynyl-5-phenyl-3-tosyloxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 615 mg, yield: 90%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 5H), 4.49 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (s, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 150.3, 146.0, 137.1, 133.8, 130.0, 129.7, 129.0, 128.3, 124.9, 80.2, 77.8, 76.1, 58.4, 21.7. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 342.0795, found: 342.0788.



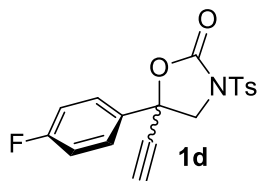
5-Ethynyl-5-(*p*-tolyl)-3-tosyloxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 647 mg, yield: 91%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.34 (m, 4H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.46 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (s, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 150.4, 145.9, 139.8, 134.1, 133.8, 129.9, 129.6, 128.3, 124.9, 80.3, 77.7, 76.2, 58.4, 21.7, 21.1. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 356.0951, found: 356.0945.



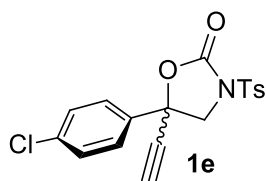
5-Ethynyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-tosyloxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 3:1, 706 mg, yield: 95%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.94 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 4H), 6.90 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.46 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.91 (s, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.5, 150.3, 145.9, 133.7, 129.9, 128.6, 128.1, 126.6, 114.2, 80.1, 77.9, 76.2, 58.3, 55.3, 21.6. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 372.0900, found: 372.0893.



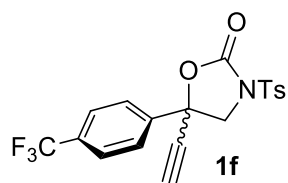
5-Ethynyl-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-tosyloxazolidin-2-one

Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 10:1, 467 mg, yield: 65%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (dd, J = 8.8, 5.0 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.47 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.89 (s, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 250.0 Hz), 150.2, 146.1, 133.7, 133.0 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.3 Hz), 130.0, 128.3, 127.13 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 8.7 Hz), 116.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 22.1 Hz), 79.9, 78.1, 75.7, 58.4, 21.7. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{14}\text{FNO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 360.0700, found: 360.0693.



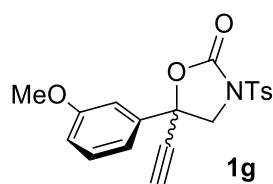
5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-ethynyl-3-tosyloxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 579 mg, yield: 77%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (dt, J = 8.3, 6.8 Hz, 6H), 4.47 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 150.1, 146.1, 135.7, 135.7, 133.6, 129.9, 129.2, 128.2, 126.4, 79.7, 78.3, 75.6, 58.2, 21.7. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{14}\text{ClNO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 376.0405, found: 376.0399.



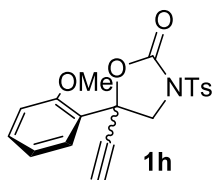
1f 5-Ethynyl-3-tosyl-5-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)oxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 10:1, 598 mg, yield: 73%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 4.52 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.10 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.93 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 150.0, 146.2, 141.1, 133.5, 131.8 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 32.9$ Hz), 130.0, 128.2, 126.0 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.7$ Hz), 125.4, 123.6 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 281.7$ Hz), 79.5, 78.5, 75.4, 58.1, 21.6. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 410.0668, found: 410.0661.



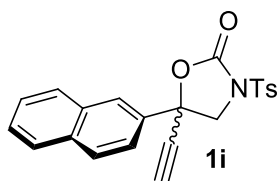
1g 5-Ethynyl-5-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3-tosyloxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 3:1, 557 mg, yield: 75%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.30 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.02 (ddd, $J = 7.8, 1.7, 0.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 – 6.97 (m, 1H), 6.93 – 6.90 (m, 1H), 4.47 (d, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.11 (d, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 2.86 (s, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.9, 150.3, 146.0, 138.7, 133.7, 130.2, 129.9, 128.3, 116.9, 115.0, 110.6, 80.2, 77.7, 76.0, 58.4, 55.4, 21.7. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 372.0900, found: 372.0894.



1h 5-Ethynyl-5-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3-tosyloxazolidin-2-one

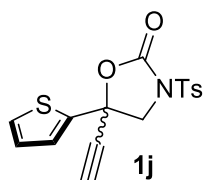
White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 3:1, 579 mg, yield: 78%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.96 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.62 (dd, $J = 7.7, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 6.96 (td, $J = 7.6, 0.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 2.86 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.4, 150.6, 145.7, 134.3, 131.3, 129.8, 128.4, 127.4, 124.8, 120.6, 111.7, 80.4, 77.1, 75.0, 56.8, 55.4, 21.7. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 372.0900, found: 372.0894.



1i 5-Ethynyl-5-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-tosyloxazolidin-2-one

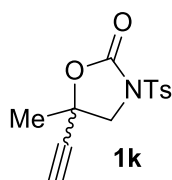
White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 689 mg, yield: 88%. ^1H NMR

(400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 – 7.80 (m, 6H), 7.55 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.57 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (s, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.4, 146.0, 134.2, 133.7, 133.3, 132.5, 129.9, 129.3, 128.4, 128.2, 127.6, 127.3, 127.0, 124.5, 121.7, 80.1, 78.1, 76.2, 58.3, 21.6. HRMS calc. for C₂₂H₁₇NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 392.0951, found: 392.0945.



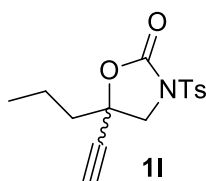
1j 5-Ethynyl-5-(thiophen-2-yl)-3-tosyloxazolidin-2-one

Brown oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 10:1, 500 mg, yield: 72%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.39 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.27 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dd, J = 4.9, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (s, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.7, 146.1, 139.8, 133.7, 130.0, 128.4, 128.0, 127.6, 127.2, 79.4, 77.7, 73.4, 58.3, 21.7. HRMS calc. for C₁₆H₁₃NO₄S₂ [M+H]⁺: 348.0359, found: 348.0351.



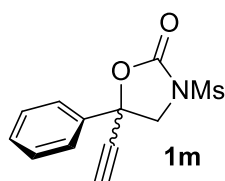
1k 5-Ethynyl-5-methyl-3-tosyloxazolidin-2-one

White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 4:1, 531 mg, yield: 95%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 1.71 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.3, 145.9, 133.7, 129.9, 128.3, 80.8, 75.8, 72.6, 56.3, 26.8, 21.7. HRMS calc. for C₁₃H₁₃NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 280.0638, found: 280.0632.



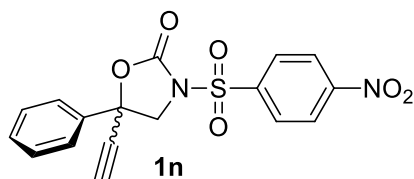
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White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 4:1, 584 mg, yield: 95%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.13 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (s, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 1.89 – 1.74 (m, 2H), 1.57 – 1.46 (m, 2H), 0.94 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.3, 145.9, 133.8, 129.9, 128.2, 80.1, 76.5, 75.7, 55.4, 41.5, 21.7, 17.0, 13.6. HRMS calc. for C₁₅H₁₈NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 308.0951, found: 308.0954.



1m 5-Ethynyl-3-(methylsulfonyl)-5-phenyloxazolidin-2-one

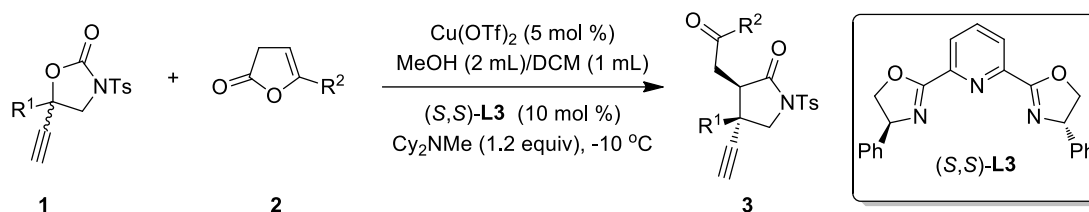
White solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 3:1, 377 mg, yield: 71%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.58 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 4.47 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (s, 3H), 2.97 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 151.3, 136.9, 129.9, 129.2, 124.9, 80.1, 78.1, 76.9, 57.7, 40.4. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 266.0482, found: 266.0477.



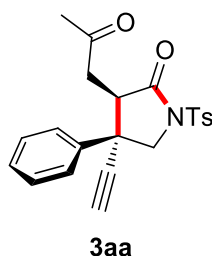
5-Ethynyl-3-((4-nitrophenyl)sulfonyl)-5-phenyloxazolidin-2-one

Yellow solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 492 mg, yield: 66%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.43 – 8.39 (m, 2H), 8.27 – 8.24 (m, 2H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 4.54 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 151.2, 150.0, 142.1, 136.6, 130.0, 129.8, 129.2, 124.9, 124.5, 79.8, 78.3, 76.9, 58.5. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 373.0489, found: 373.0488.

V. General Procedure for Preparation of Optical Active Pyrrolidinone



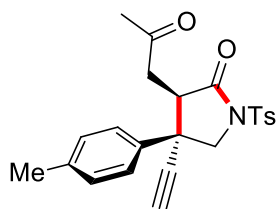
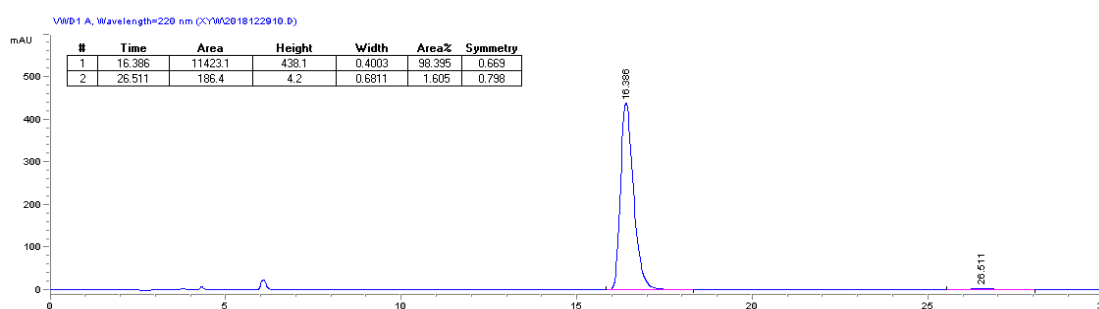
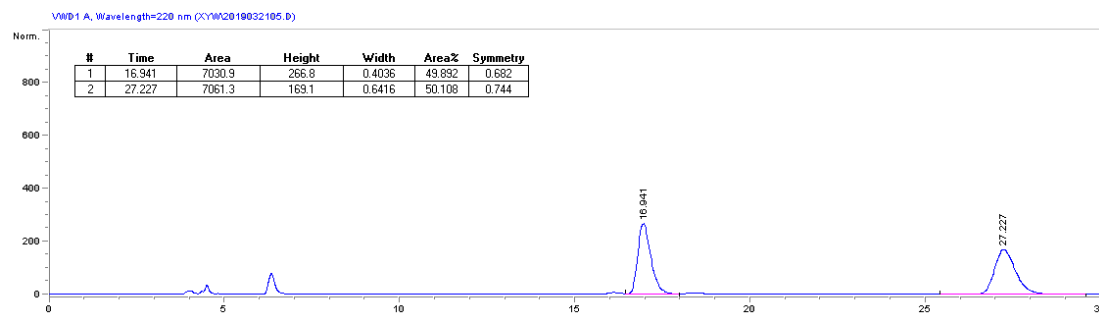
General procedure for the synthesis of optical active pyrrolidinone: $\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$ (3.6 mg, 0.010 mmol) and **L3** (*S,S*) (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol) were stirred at 60 $^\circ\text{C}$ in 1 mL of anhydrous methanol under nitrogen atmosphere for 1 h. Then, the mixture was cooled to -10 $^\circ\text{C}$ and a solution of ethynyl oxazolidinones (**1**, 0.2 mmol) and γ -substituted butenolides (**2**, 0.6 mmol) and Cy_2NMe (46.9 mg, 0.24 mmol) in a mixture of anhydrous DCM and MeOH (1:1, 2 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at -10 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 24 h, filtered through a pad of celite, and concentrated in vacuum. The concentrate was then purified by silica gel chromatography (PE/EtOAc, 10:1 to 5:1) to afford the pyrrolidinone (**3**), and chemical yields are total of the diastereomers.



(3*R*,4*S*)-4-Ethynyl-3-(2-oxopropyl)-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 71.1 mg, 90% yield, dr > 25:1. 97% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 $^\circ\text{C}$): t_R (major) = 16.4 min, t_R (minor) = 26.5 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -24.1 (c = 1.0, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.84 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.24 – 7.14 (m, 5H), 4.27 (d, J

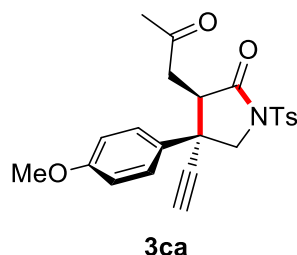
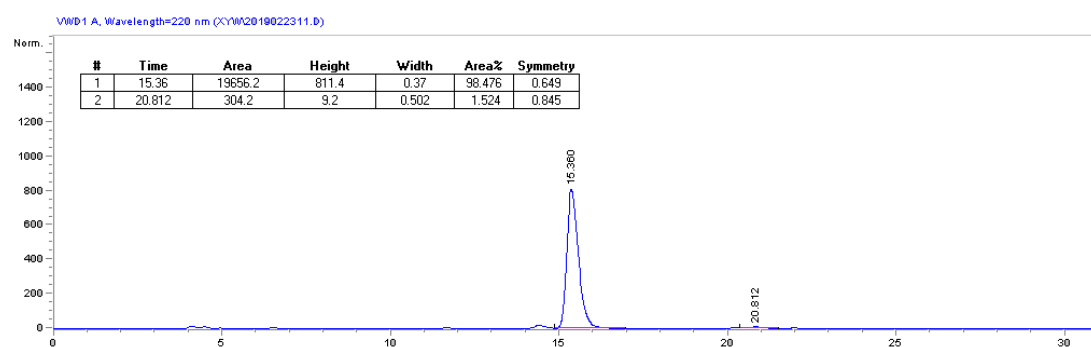
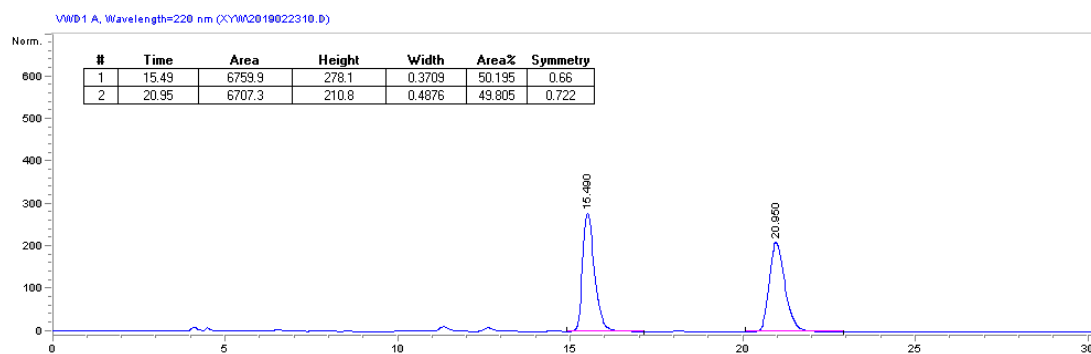
= 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (dd, J = 7.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.50 (s, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.34 (dd, J = 17.9, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (dd, J = 17.9, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.2, 171.7, 145.6, 137.9, 134.5, 129.8, 128.9, 128.2, 128.1, 126.0, 83.7, 74.3, 57.8, 50.5, 42.7, 39.2, 30.1, 21.6. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 396.1264, found: 396.1259.



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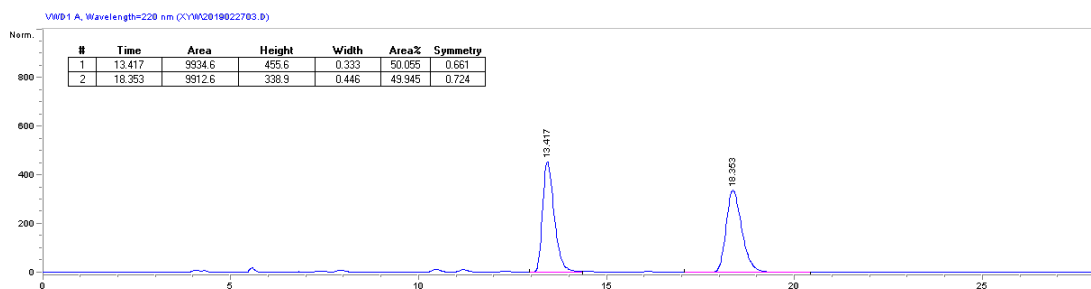
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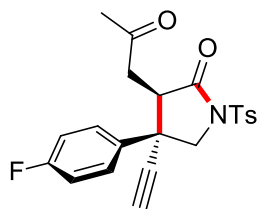
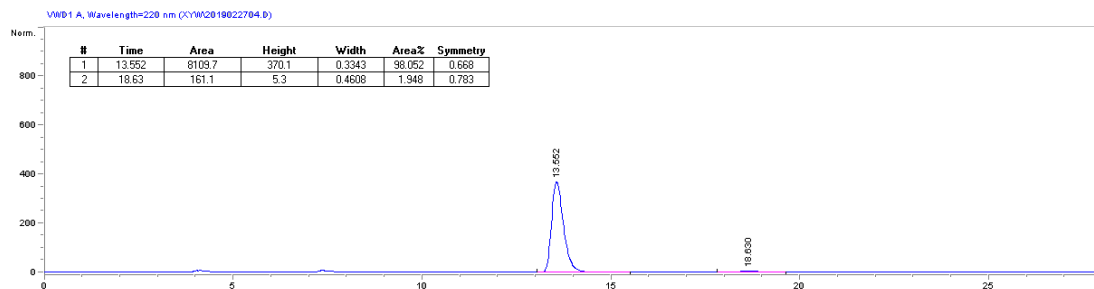
Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 66.7 mg, 81% yield, dr = 20:1. 97% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 15.4 min, t_R (minor) = 20.8 min. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -35.3$ (c = 1.0, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 4.31 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (dd, J = 7.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (s, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H), 2.41 (dd, J = 17.9, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.08 (dd, J = 17.8, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.3, 171.9, 145.5, 138.0, 134.9, 134.5, 129.8, 129.5, 128.1, 125.9, 83.9, 74.1, 58.0, 50.5, 42.4, 39.2, 30.1, 21.7, 20.8. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 410.1421, found: 410.1414.



(3*R*,4*S*)-4-Ethynyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(2-oxopropyl)-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Yellow oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 68.6 mg, yield: 81%, dr = 14:1. 96% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 70/30, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 13.6 min, t_R (minor) = 18.6 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -32.3$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.16 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.75 – 6.71 (m, 2H), 4.30 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.81 – 3.76 (m, 4H), 2.54 (s, 1H), 2.47 – 2.37 (m, 4H), 2.09 (dd, $J = 17.9, 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.03 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.4, 171.9, 159.2, 145.6, 134.5, 129.8, 129.8, 128.1, 127.3, 114.1, 84.0, 74.1, 58.0, 55.2, 50.6, 42.2, 39.2, 30.2, 21.7. HRMS calc. for C₂₃H₂₃NO₅S [M+H]⁺: 426.1370, found: 426.1362.

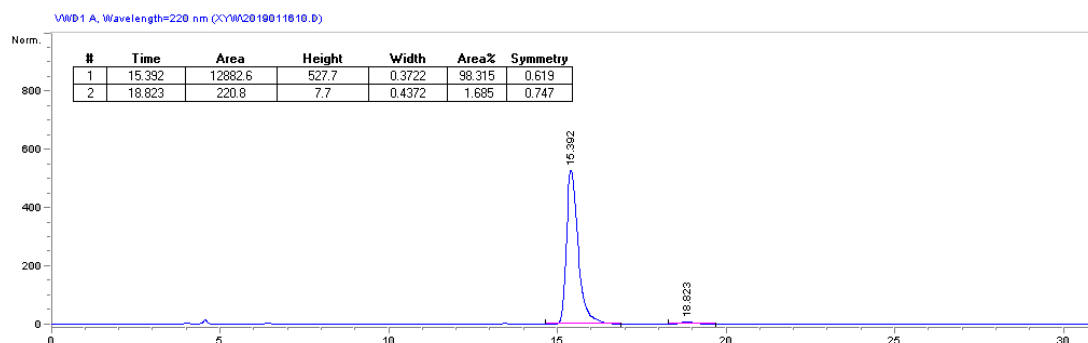
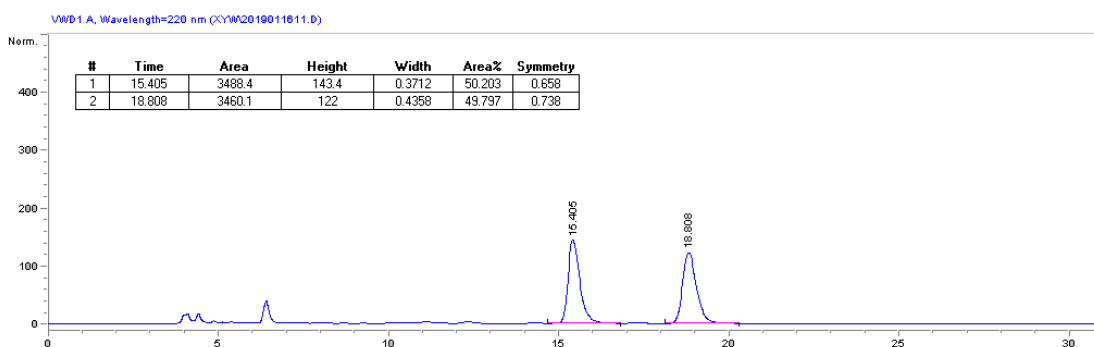


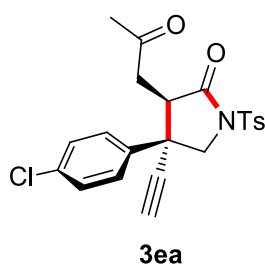


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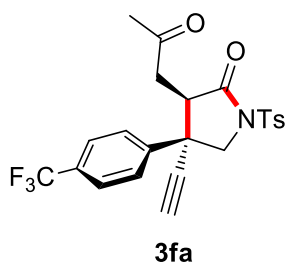
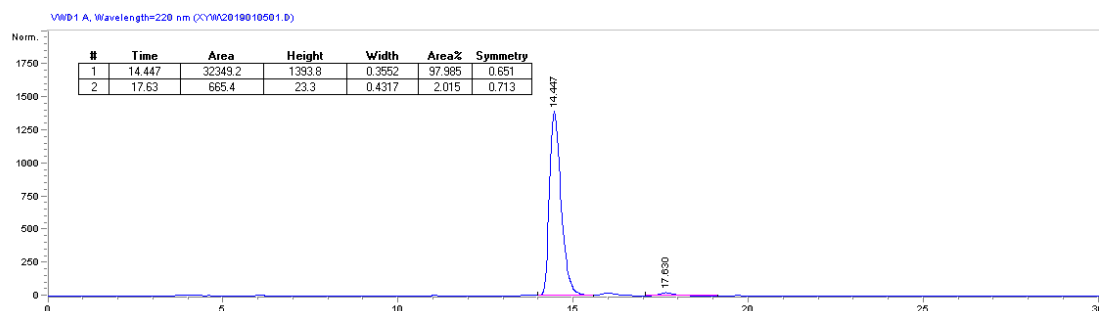
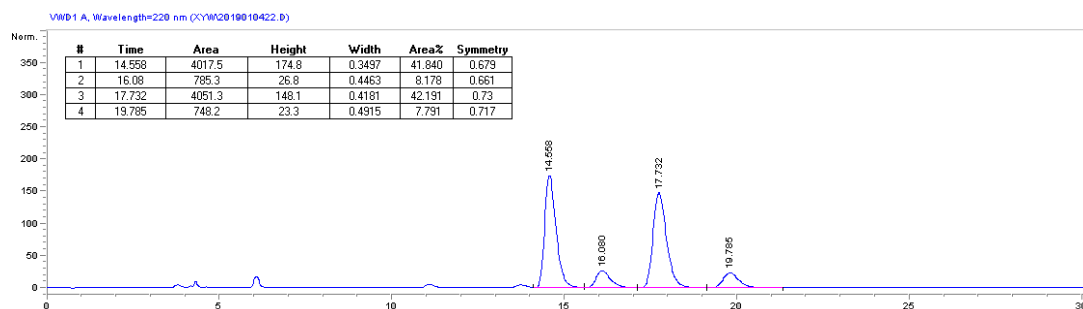
Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 65.2 mg, 79% yield, dr = 14:1. 97% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 15.4 min, t_R (minor) = 18.8 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -26.9$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.22 (dd, $J = 8.7, 5.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.90 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 4.29 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.82 (dd, $J = 7.0, 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.71 (dd, $J = 6.9, 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.58 (s, 1H), 2.49 – 2.38 (m, 4H), 2.11 – 2.01 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.0, 171.6, 162.2 (d, $J_{C-F} = 248.7$ Hz), 145.7, 134.4, 133.8 (d, $J_{C-F} = 3.4$ Hz), 129.8, 128.1, 128.0 (d, $J_{C-F} = 8.1$ Hz), 115.8 (d, $J_{C-F} = 21.5$ Hz), 83.5, 74.7, 57.9, 50.5, 42.3, 39.1, 30.1, 21.7. HRMS calc. for C₂₂H₂₀FNO₄S [M+H]⁺: 414.1170, found: 414.1162.





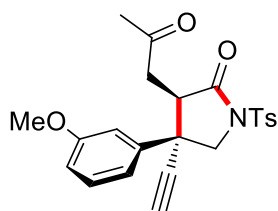
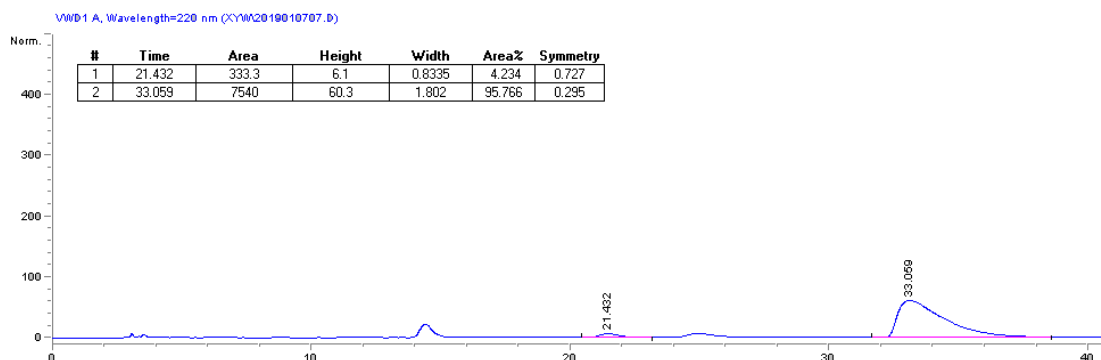
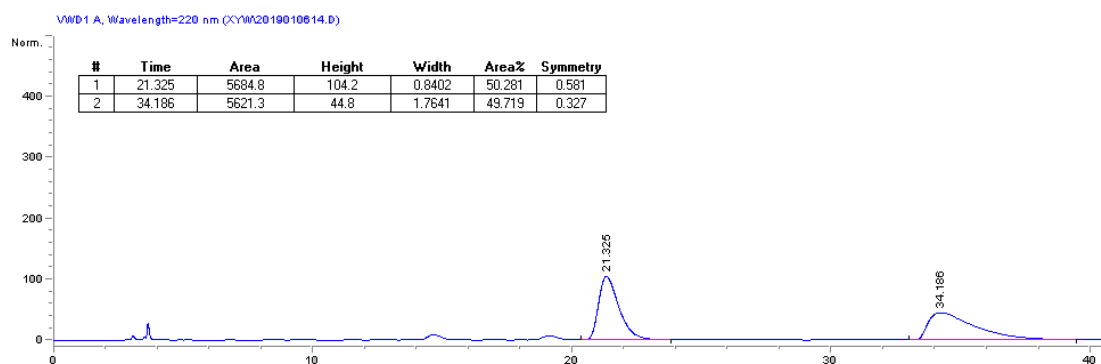
(3R,4S)-4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4-ethynyl-3-(2-oxopropyl)-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Yellow oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 64.2 mg, 75% yield, dr = 25:1. 96% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 14.4 min, t_R (minor) = 17.6 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -40.0$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.05 – 7.01 (m, 4H), 4.14 – 4.08 (m, 2H), 3.69 (dd, $J = 7.0, 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 1H), 2.33 – 2.26 (m, 4H), 1.96 – 1.90 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.0, 171.5, 145.8, 136.5, 134.4, 134.3, 129.8, 129.0, 128.1, 127.5, 83.2, 74.8, 57.8, 50.3, 42.5, 39.1, 30.1, 21.7. HRMS calc. for C₂₂H₂₀ClNO₄S [M+H]⁺: 430.0874, found: 430.0869.



(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-3-(2-oxopropyl)-1-tosyl-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pyrrolidin-2-one

Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 72.7 mg, 78% yield, dr = 5:1 (The diastereomers cannot be fully separated, and only the major isomer was shown in follows). 91.5% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (minor) = 21.4 min, t_R (major) = 33.1 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = 29.2 (c = 0.5, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 4.31 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (dd, J = 6.8, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (dd, J = 18.2, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.48 – 2.43 (m, 4H), 2.42 (s, 1H), 2.12 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.5, 171.2, 145.5, 140.6, 134.8, 130.9 (q, J_{C-F} = 32.8 Hz), 129.7, 128.3, 127.1, 126.0 (q, J_{C-F} = 3.7 Hz), 123.7 (q, J_{C-F} = 272.2 Hz), 81.6, 76.0, 58.7, 48.5, 46.6, 39.7, 30.2, 21.7. HRMS calc. for C₂₃H₂₀F₃NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 464.1138, found: 464.1132.

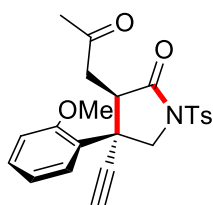
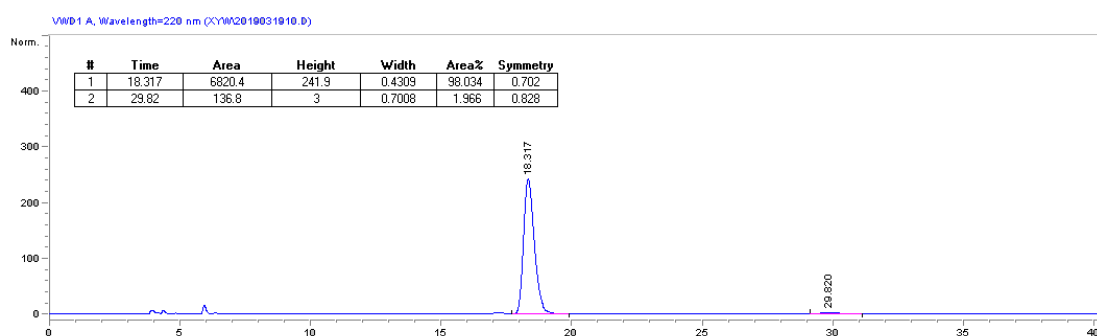
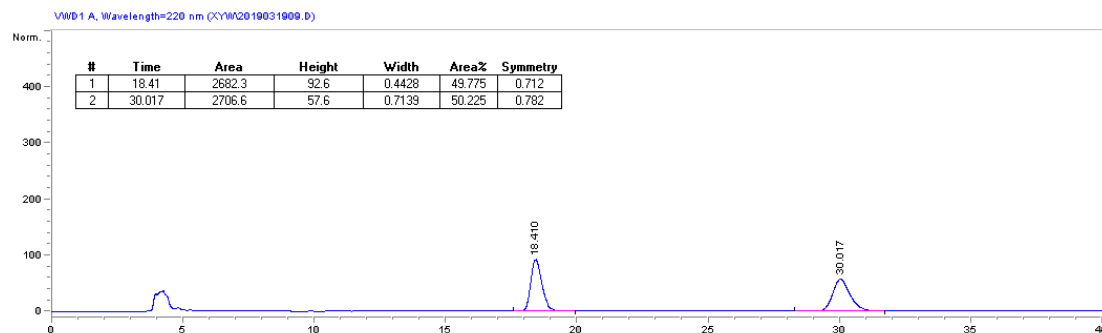


3ga

(3*R*,4*S*)-4-Ethynyl-4-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3-(2-oxopropyl)-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Yellow oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 4:1, 57.3 mg, yield: 67%, dr = 20:1. 96% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 18.3 min, t_R (minor) = 29.8 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -28.3 (c = 1.0, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (dd, J = 8.2, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (dd, J = 7.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.56 (s, 1H), 2.45 – 2.39 (m, 4H),

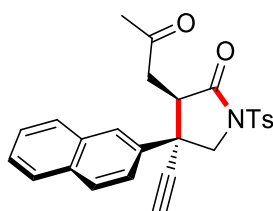
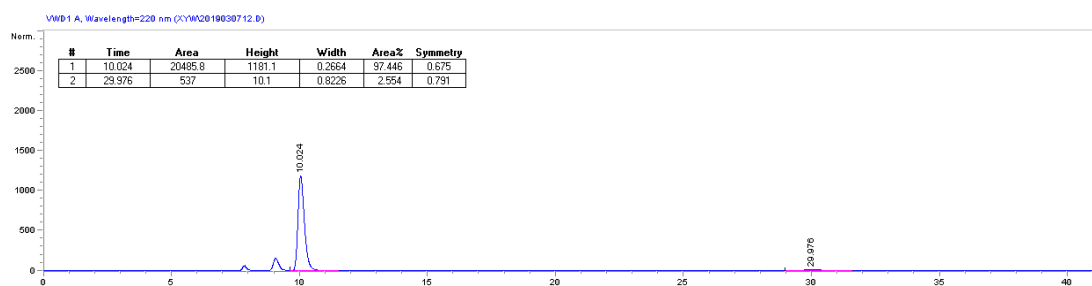
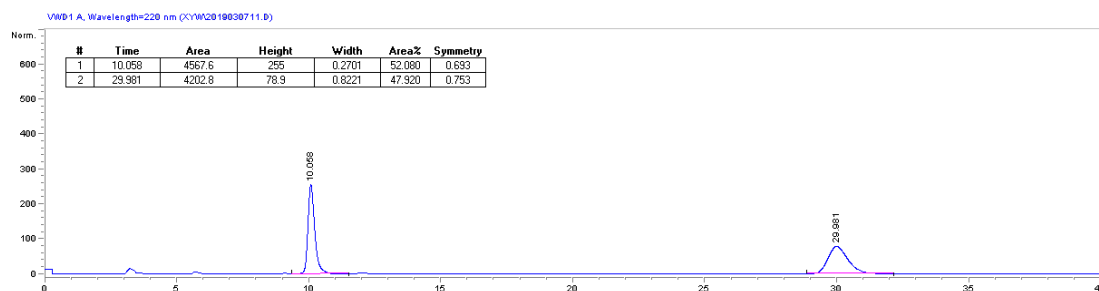
2.09 (dd, $J = 17.9, 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.02 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.4, 171.8, 159.9, 145.7, 139.6, 134.6, 130.1, 129.9, 128.2, 118.0, 113.5, 112.5, 83.8, 74.5, 57.9, 55.2, 50.6, 42.8, 39.3, 30.2, 21.8. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 426.1370, found: 426.1361.



3ha

(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-4-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3-(2-oxopropyl)-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

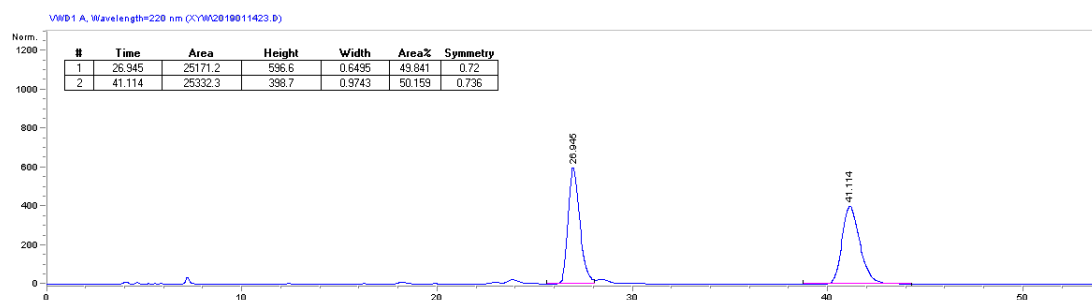
Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 4:1, 51.4 mg, yield: 60%, dr = 3:1 (The diastereomers cannot be fully separated, and only the major isomer was shown in follows). 95% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 70/30, 1.0 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 10.0 min, t_R (minor) = 30.0 min. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -5.7$ ($c = 1.0$, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.96 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.72 (dd, $J = 7.7, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 6.95 (td, $J = 7.6, 0.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.89 (t, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 2.68 (s, 1H), 2.55 (dd, $J = 17.9, 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.01 (dd, $J = 17.9, 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.82 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.7, 172.6, 156.4, 145.1, 135.4, 130.0, 129.9, 129.6, 128.5, 126.1, 120.8, 110.8, 86.8, 74.3, 58.5, 54.3, 49.3, 40.9, 39.9, 29.9, 21.6. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 426.1370, found: 426.1363.

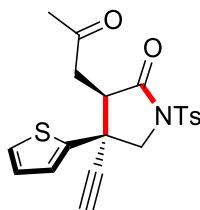
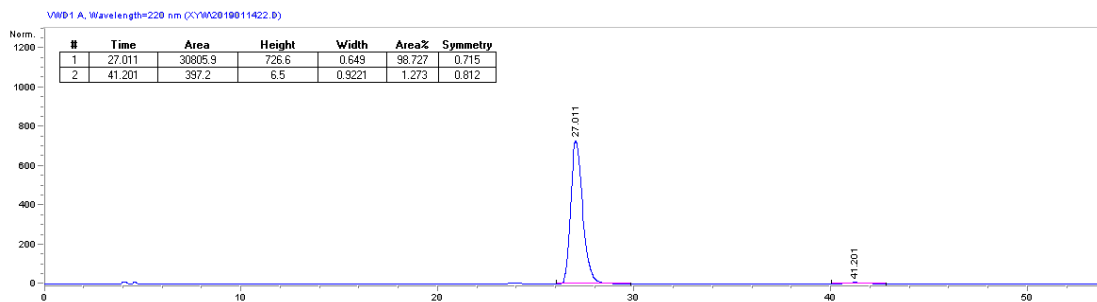


3ia

(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-4-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-(2-oxopropyl)-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Yellow oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 67.7 mg, 76% yield, dr = 14:1. 97.5% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 85/15, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 27.0 min, t_R (minor) = 41.2 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -26.5$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 4.43 – 4.36 (m, 2H), 3.96 (dd, $J = 7.0, 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.66 (s, 1H), 2.50 – 2.43 (m, 4H), 2.13 (dd, $J = 18.0, 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.2, 171.8, 145.6, 135.2, 134.5, 132.8, 132.6, 129.8, 128.9, 128.2, 128.1, 127.4, 126.7, 126.6, 125.3, 123.5, 83.7, 74.6, 58.0, 50.4, 42.9, 39.2, 30.1, 21.7. HRMS calc. for C₂₆H₂₃NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 446.1421, found: 446.1414.

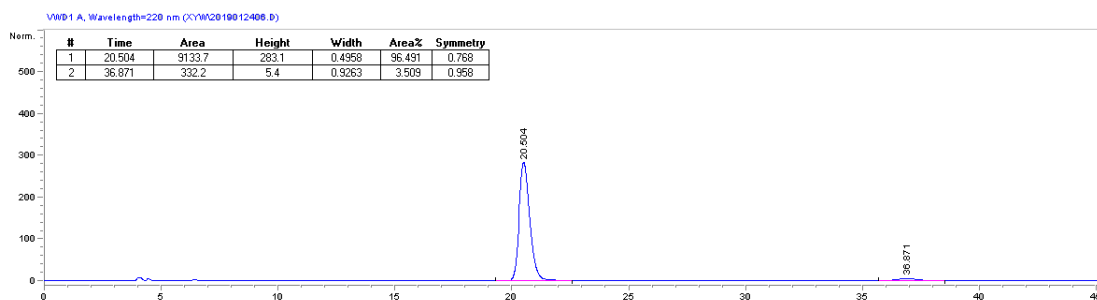
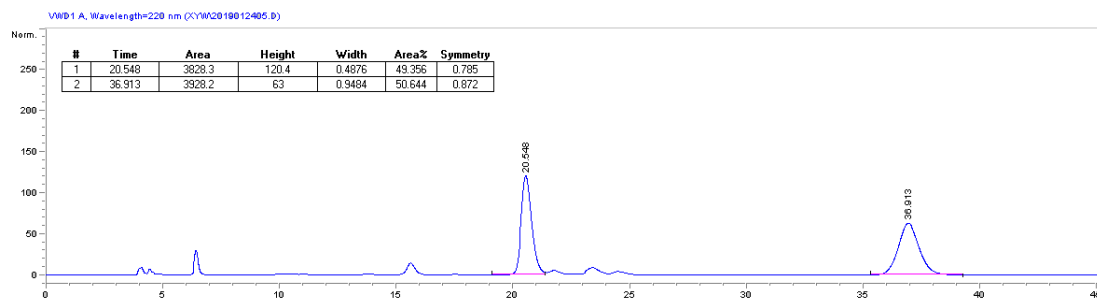


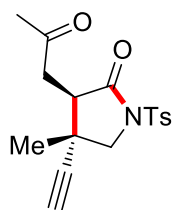


3ja

(3R,4R)-4-Ethynyl-3-(2-oxopropyl)-4-(thiophen-2-yl)-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Brown oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 56.4 mg, yield: 70%, dr = 20:1. 93% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 20.5 min, t_R (minor) = 36.9 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -47.3$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.89 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 4.32 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, 1H), 4.18 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.76 (dd, $J = 7.0, 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.57 (s, 1H), 2.52 – 2.44 (m, 4H), 2.19 (dd, $J = 17.9, 4.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.08 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.3, 171.1, 145.6, 141.2, 134.5, 129.7, 128.2, 126.9, 125.7, 125.3, 82.2, 74.2, 58.2, 51.1, 41.2, 38.8, 30.2, 21.7. HRMS calc. for C₂₀H₁₉NO₄S₂ [M+H]⁺: 402.0828, found: 402.0822.

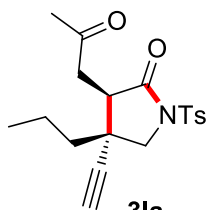
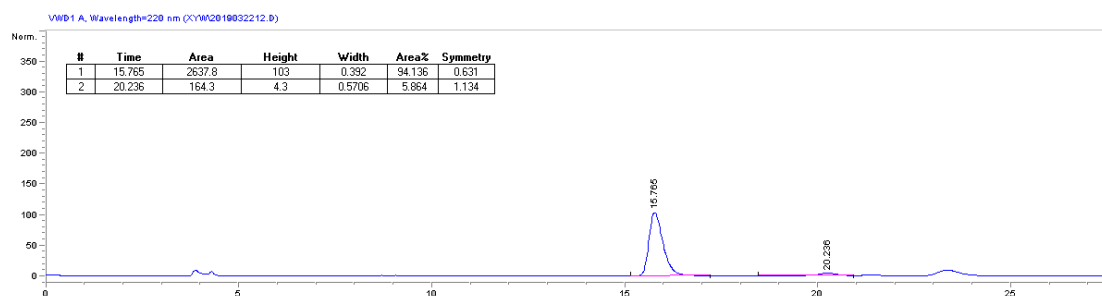
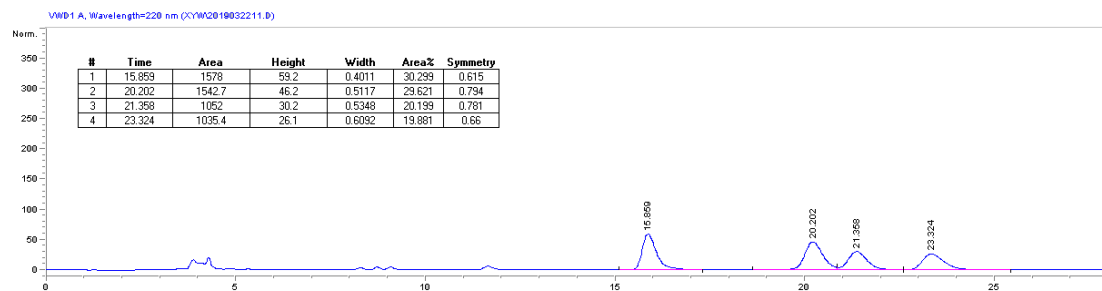




3ka

(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-4-methyl-3-(2-oxopropyl)-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 4:1, 30.9 mg, yield: 46%, dr = 5:1 (The diastereomers cannot be fully separated, and only the major isomer was shown in follows). 88% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 15.8 min, t_R (minor) = 20.2 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -21.0$ ($c = 0.5$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.88 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.84 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.39 (dd, $J = 8.3, 4.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.70 (dd, $J = 17.1, 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.39 (dd, $J = 17.1, 4.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.27 (s, 1H), 2.24 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 3H), 1.15 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.6, 171.5, 145.5, 134.8, 129.9, 128.0, 84.1, 72.1, 57.0, 49.3, 37.6, 34.7, 30.5, 21.7, 21.1. HRMS calc. for C₁₇H₁₉NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 334.1108, found: 334.1098.

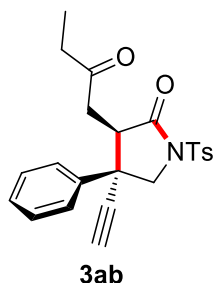
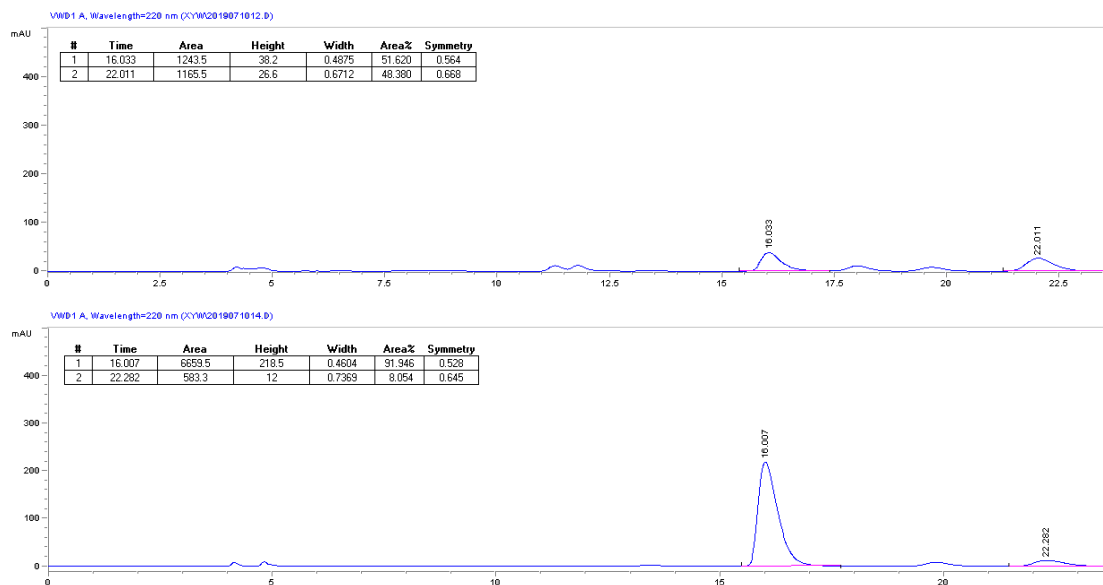


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(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-3-(2-oxopropyl)-4-propyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

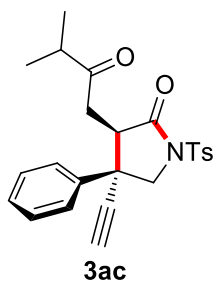
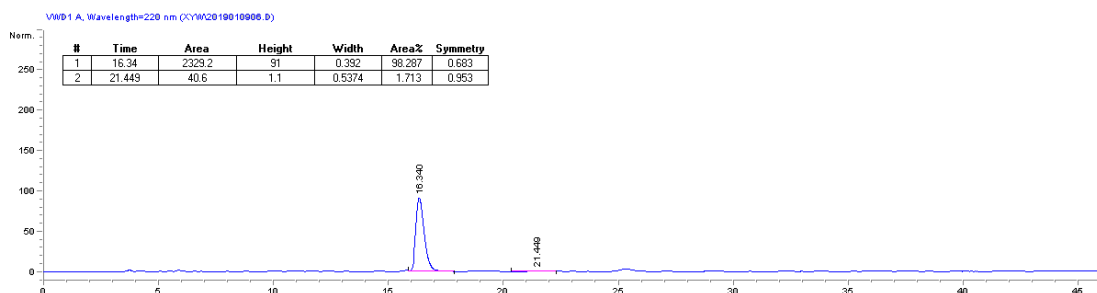
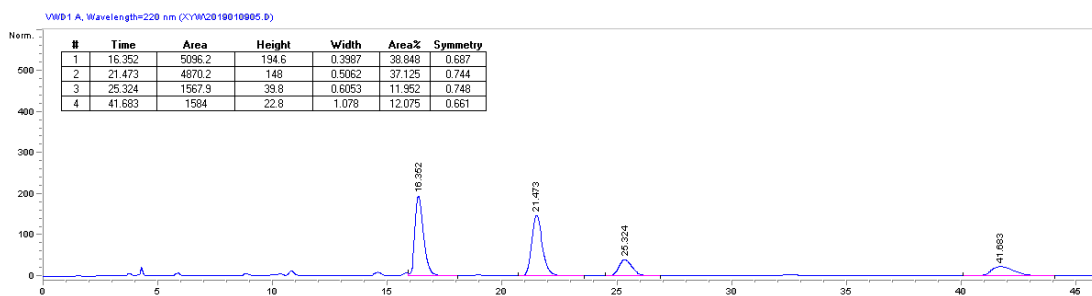
Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 4:1, 30.4 mg, yield: 42%, dr = 5:1 (The diastereomers cannot be fully separated, and only the major isomer was shown in follows). 84% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm,

40 °C): t_R (major) = 16.0 min, t_R (minor) = 22.3 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -18.0$ ($c = 0.5$, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.86 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 4.03 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.73 (d, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.44 (dd, $J = 8.6, 4.1$ Hz, 1H), 2.69 (dd, $J = 17.1, 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.43 – 2.37 (m, 4H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.55 – 1.49 (m, 1H), 1.27 – 1.25 (m, 1H), 1.08 – 1.03 (m, 1H), 0.95 – 0.91 (m, 1H), 0.87 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.6, 171.8, 145.4, 134.8, 129.8, 127.9, 83.3, 72.6, 53.4, 49.9, 39.1, 37.3, 34.3, 30.5, 21.7, 18.1, 14.0. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 362.1421, found: 362.1425.



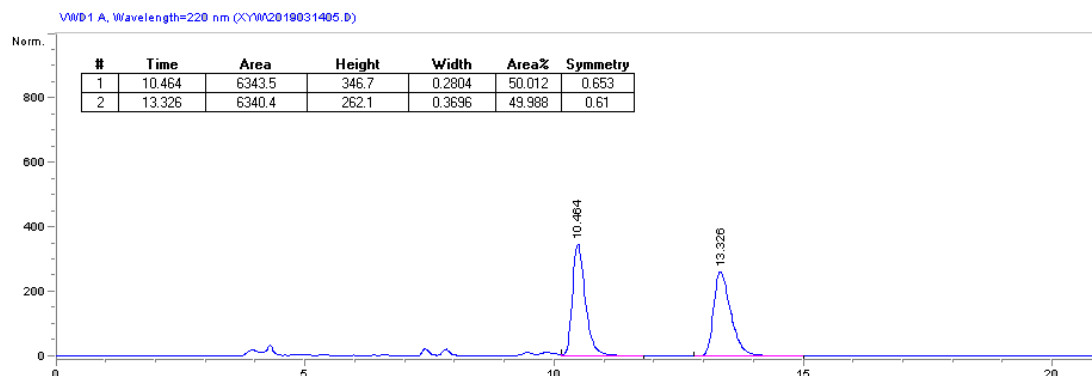
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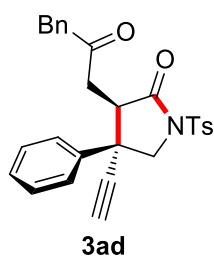
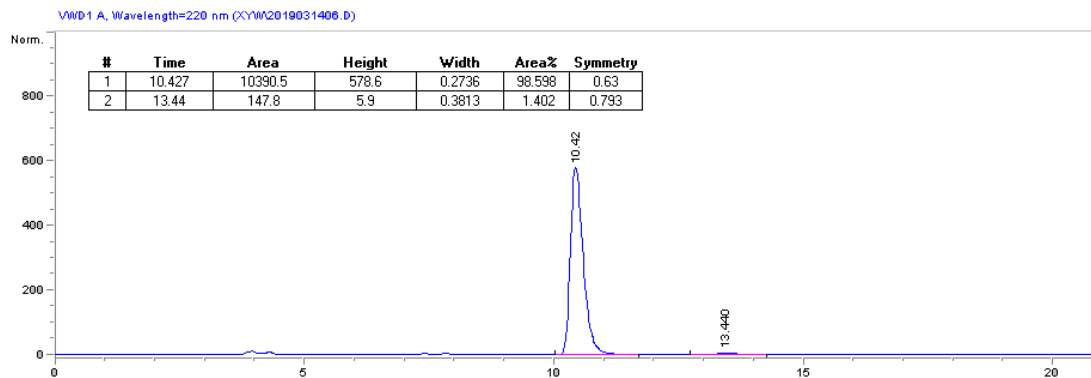
Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 58.5 mg, yield: 71%, dr > 25:1. 97% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 16.3 min, t_R (minor) = 21.4 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -23.3$ ($c = 1.0$, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.24 (m, 5H), 4.37 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.29 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.89 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.58 (s, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 2.43 – 2.29 (m, 2H), 2.26 – 2.17 (m, 1H), 2.07 (dd, $J = 17.6, 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 0.96 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 207.0, 171.9, 145.6, 138.0, 134.5, 129.8, 128.9, 128.2, 128.1, 126.1, 83.8, 74.3, 57.9, 50.6, 42.7, 38.1, 36.2, 21.7, 7.5. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 410.1421, found: 410.1412.



(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-3-(3-methyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

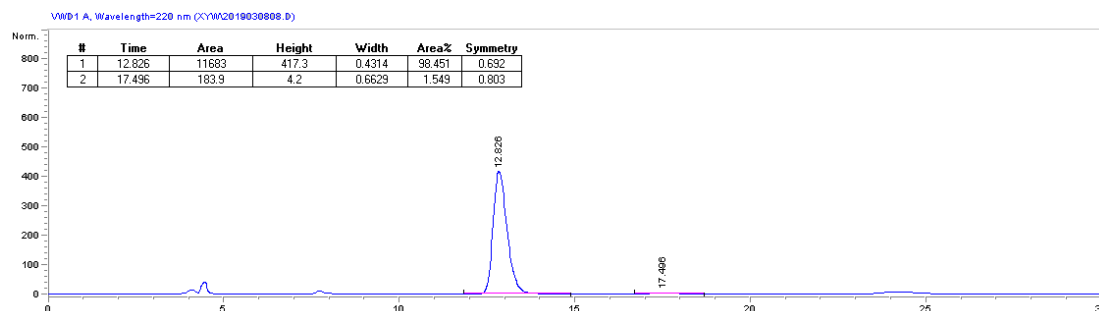
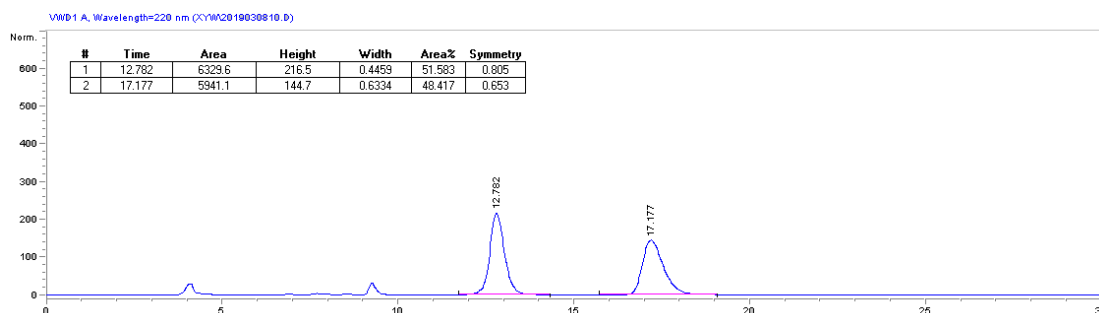
Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 63.9 mg, yield: 75%, dr > 25:1. 97% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 85/15, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 15.8 min, t_R (minor) = 20.2 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -18.7$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.23 – 7.12 (m, 5H), 4.27 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.80 (t, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.49 (s, 1H), 2.45 – 2.37 (m, 4H), 2.35 – 2.28 (m, 1H), 2.04 (dd, $J = 18.0, 5.6$ Hz, 1H), 0.89 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H), 0.84 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.0, 171.9, 145.5, 138.0, 134.5, 129.8, 128.8, 128.2, 128.1, 126.1, 83.9, 74.2, 57.9, 50.3, 42.7, 40.8, 36.4, 21.6, 18.0, 17.9. HRMS calc. for C₂₄H₂₅NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 424.1577, found: 424.1568.

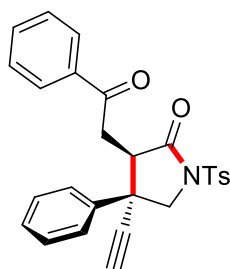




(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-3-(2-oxo-3-phenylpropyl)-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Colorless oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 54.1 mg, yield: 57%, dr = 12:1. 97% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 70/30, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 12.8 min, t_R (minor) = 17.5 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -15.9$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 – 7.12 (m, 4H), 7.11 – 7.06 (m, 4H), 6.93 (dd, $J = 7.6$, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 4.27 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.75 (t, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.48 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.42 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.45 (s, 1H), 2.41 – 2.35 (m, 4H), 2.03 (dd, $J = 17.9$, 5.9 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.0, 171.7, 145.6, 137.7, 134.5, 133.3, 129.8, 129.3, 128.9, 128.5, 128.2, 128.1, 127.0, 126.1, 83.8, 74.3, 57.8, 50.6, 49.9, 42.6, 38.0, 21.7. HRMS calc. for C₂₈H₂₅NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 472.1577, found: 472.1568.

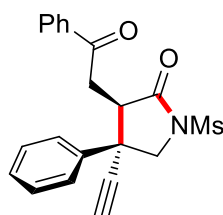
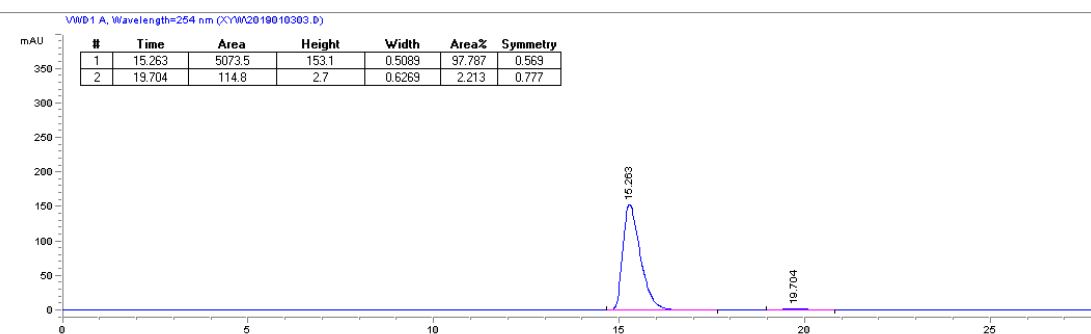
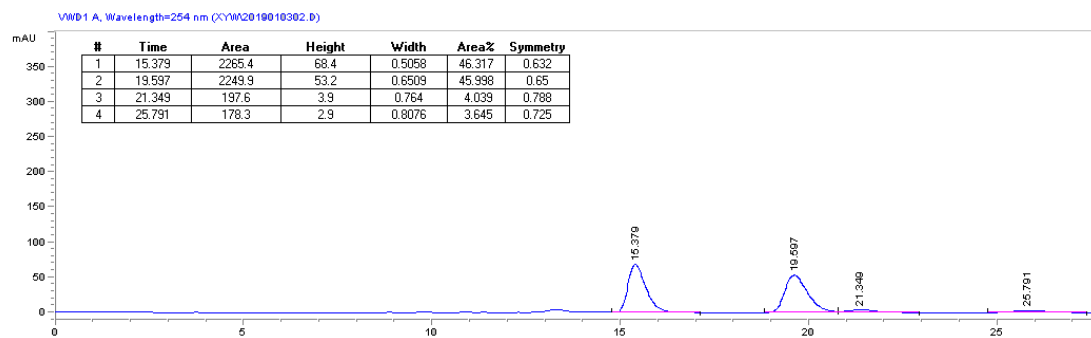




3ae

(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-3-(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

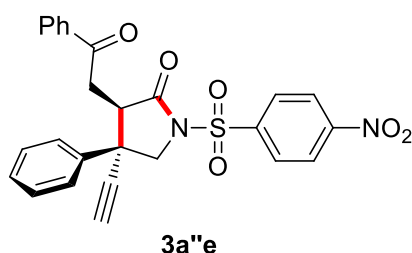
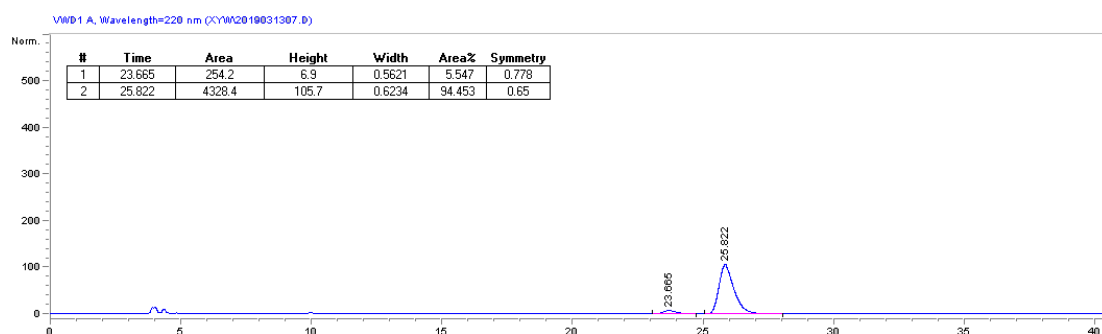
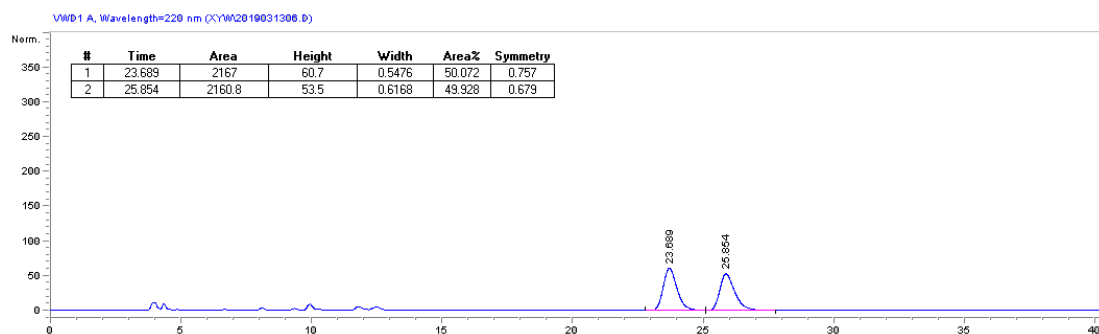
Red oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 10:1, 82.8 mg, yield: 90%, dr = 13:1. 95.5% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 85/15, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 15.3 min, t_R (minor) = 19.7 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -29.7$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.09 (m, 9H), 4.31 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.04 (t, $J = 5.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.95 (dd, $J = 18.0$, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.57 – 2.49 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.7, 171.9, 145.5, 138.0, 136.1, 134.5, 133.2, 129.7, 128.9, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 126.1, 83.8, 74.4, 57.9, 50.4, 42.9, 34.7, 21.6. HRMS calc. for C₂₇H₂₃NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 458.1421, found: 458.1411.



3a'e

(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-1-(methylsulfonyl)-3-(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)-4-phenylpyrrolidin-2-one

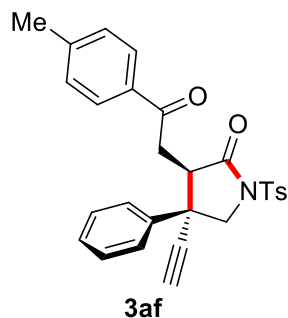
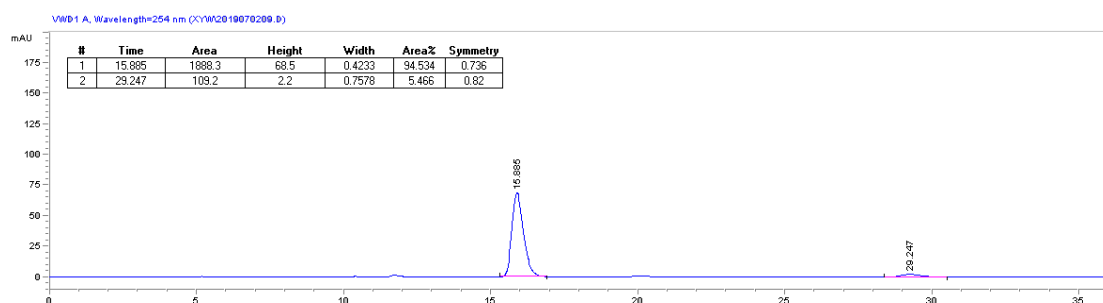
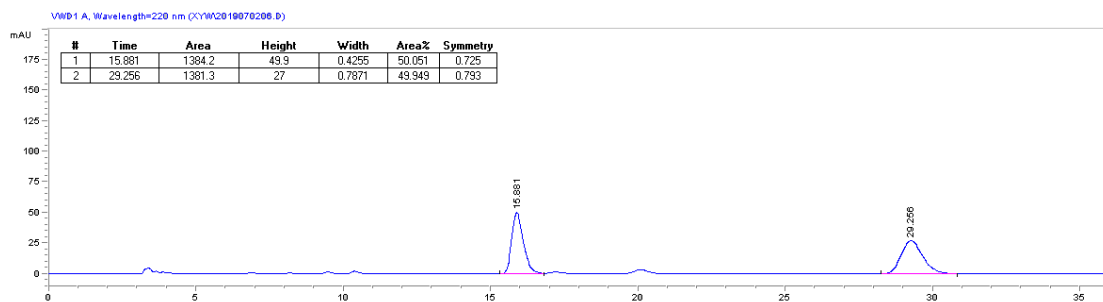
Red oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 10:1, 74.3 mg, yield: 97%, dr = 10:1. 89% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (minor) = 23.7 min, t_R (major) = 25.8 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -6.6$ ($c = 2.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.45 (m, 3H), 7.39 – 7.31 (m, 5H), 4.44 (d, $J = 10.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, $J = 10.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (t, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.35 (s, 3H), 3.12 (dd, $J = 18.1, 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 2.82 (dd, $J = 18.1, 5.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.60 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.1, 173.3, 137.6, 136.0, 133.3, 129.1, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 126.3, 84.4, 74.0, 56.9, 50.8, 43.1, 40.5, 35.1. HRMS calc. for C₂₁H₁₉NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 382.1108, found: 382.1102.



(3*R*,4*S*)-4-Ethynyl-1-((4-nitrophenyl)sulfonyl)-3-(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)-4-phenylpyrrolidin-2-one

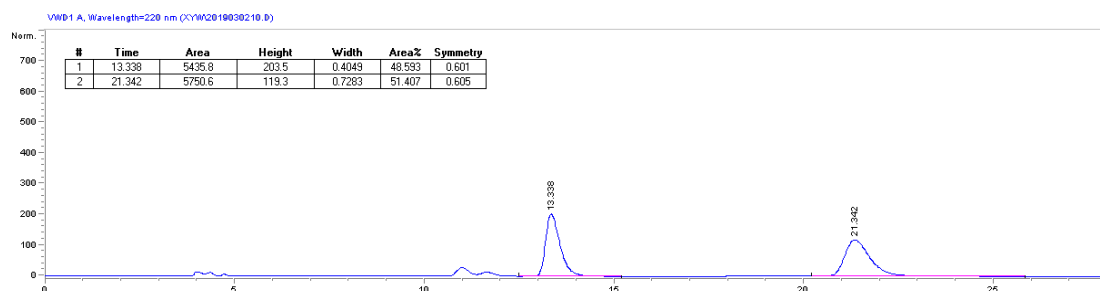
Yellow oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 10:1, 87.0 mg, yield: 89%, dr = 12:1. 89% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 60/40, 1.0 ml/min, 254 nm, 40 °C): t_R (minor) = 15.9 min, t_R (major) = 29.2 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -26.8$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.39 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 2H), 8.24 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.69 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.51 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.21 (m, 5H), 4.43 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.38 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.13 (t, $J = 5.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.07 (dd, $J = 18.2, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.73 (dd, $J = 18.1, 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.59 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.6, 172.4, 151.0, 142.8, 137.5, 135.9, 133.4, 129.8, 129.1,

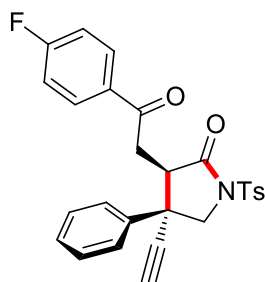
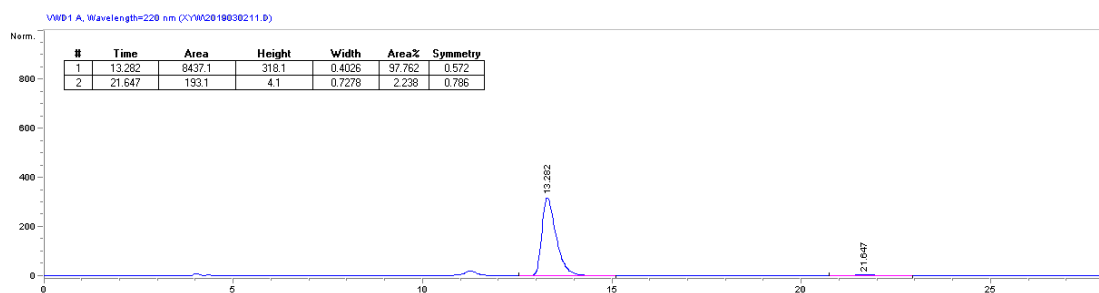
128.5, 128.0, 126.2, 124.3, 83.8, 74.5, 58.1, 50.3, 43.4, 34.9 (one signal missing due to overlap).
HRMS calc. for C₂₆H₂₁N₂O₆S [M+H]⁺: 489.1115, found: 489.1114.



(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-3-(2-oxo-2-(*p*-tolyl)ethyl)-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Yellow oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 10:1, 78.0 mg, yield: 83%, dr = 13:1. 95.5% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): *t_R* (major) = 13.3 min, *t_R* (minor) = 21.6 min. [α]_D²⁵ = -27.3 (*c* = 1.0, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 4.42 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.66 – 2.59 (m, 2H), 2.50 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.3, 171.9, 145.5, 144.0, 138.0, 134.5, 133.6, 129.7, 129.1, 128.9, 128.2 (two signals overlapped), 128.1, 126.2, 83.9, 74.3, 57.9, 50.4, 43.0, 34.6, 21.6, 21.5. HRMS calc. for C₂₈H₂₅NO₄S [M+H]⁺: 472.1577, found: 472.1565.

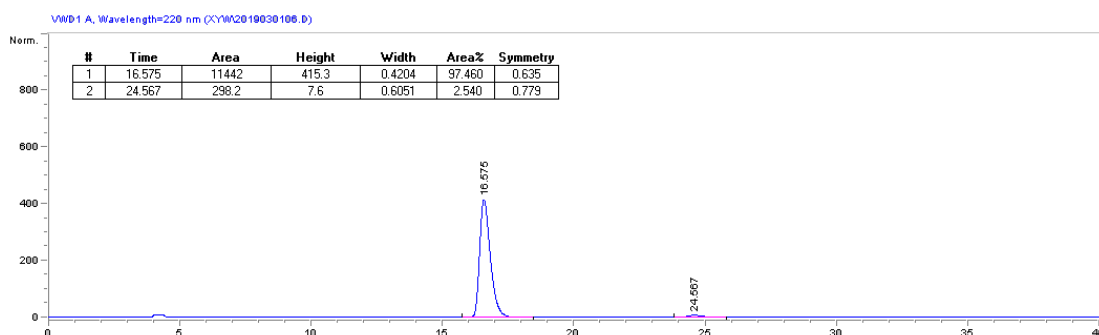
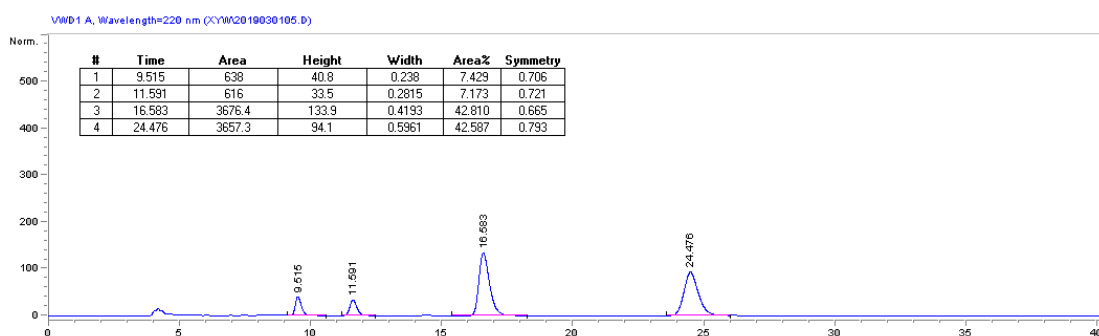


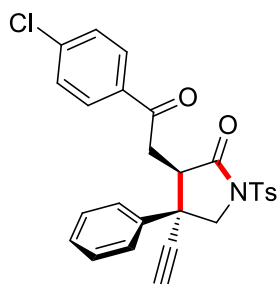


3ag

(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-3-(2-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxoethyl)-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Yellow oil, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 10:1, 90.4 mg, yield: 95%, dr = 12:1. 95% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 70/30, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 16.6 min, t_R (minor) = 24.6 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -31.5$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.75 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.38 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.19 (m, 5H), 7.07 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 4.41 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.12 (t, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.01 (dd, $J = 17.9, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.63 – 2.57 (m, 2H), 2.49 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.2, 171.8, 165.7 (d, $J_{C-F} = 255.2$ Hz), 145.6, 137.9, 134.5, 132.6 (d, $J_{C-F} = 3.0$ Hz), 130.6 (d, $J_{C-F} = 9.4$ Hz), 129.8, 128.9, 128.2, 128.1, 126.1, 115.5 (d, $J_{C-F} = 21.9$ Hz), 83.8, 74.4, 57.9, 50.4, 42.9, 34.6, 21.6. HRMS calc. for C₂₇H₂₂FNO₄S [M+H]⁺: 476.1326, found: 476.1316.

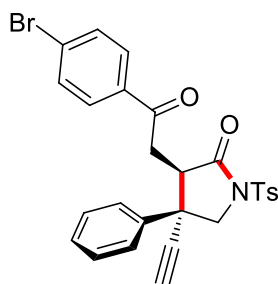
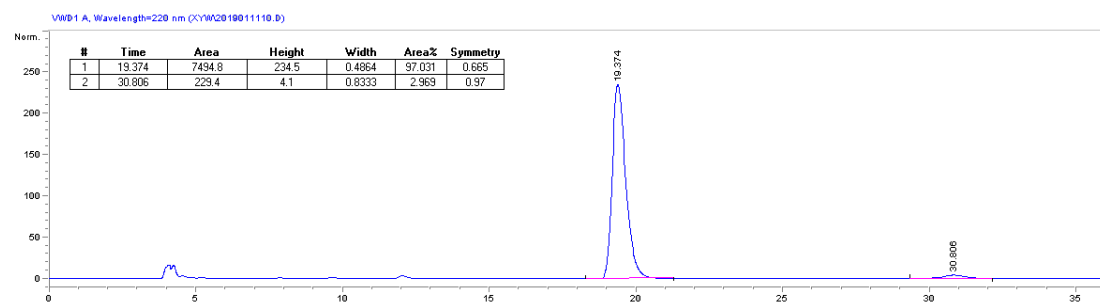
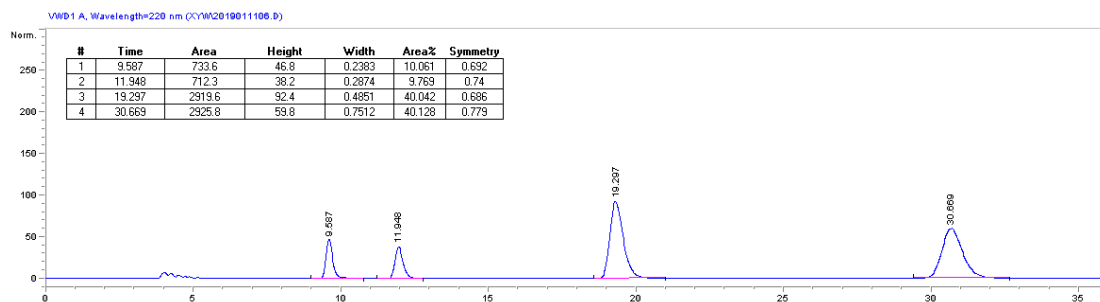




3ah

(3R,4S)-3-(2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-oxoethyl)-4-ethynyl-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

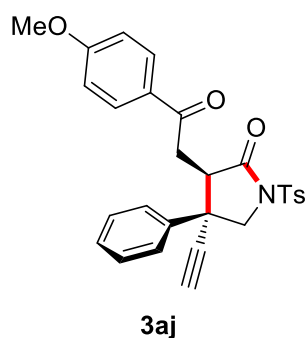
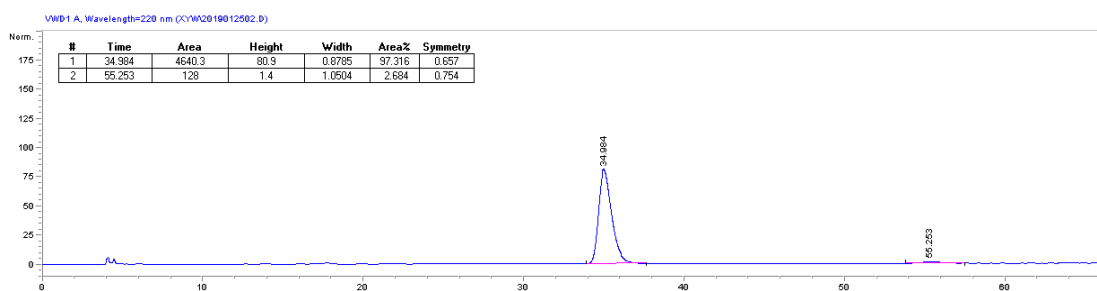
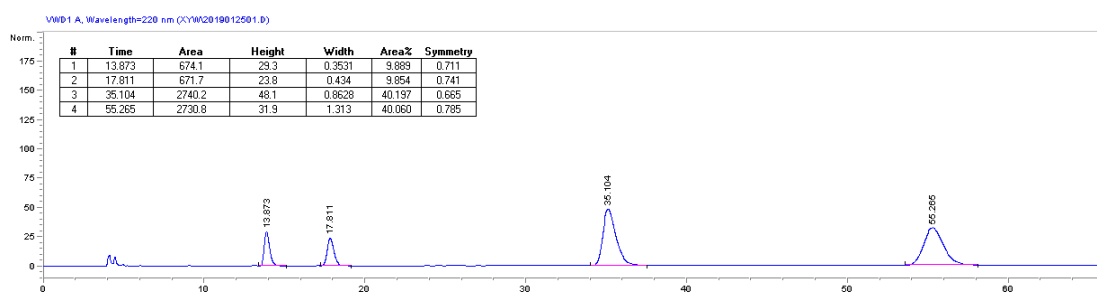
Yellow solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 10:1, 93.6 mg, yield: 95%, dr = 13:1. 94% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 70/30, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): *t_R* (major) = 19.4 min, *t_R* (minor) = 30.8 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -32.4$ (*c* = 1.0, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.16 (m, 5H), 4.38 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.59 – 2.53 (m, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.6, 171.7, 145.6, 139.6, 137.9, 134.5, 134.4, 129.8, 129.4, 128.9, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 126.1, 83.8, 74.4, 57.9, 50.4, 42.9, 34.7, 21.6. HRMS calc. for C₂₇H₂₂ClNO₄S [M+H]⁺: 492.1031, found: 492.1024.



3ai

(3R,4S)-3-(2-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-oxoethyl)-4-ethynyl-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

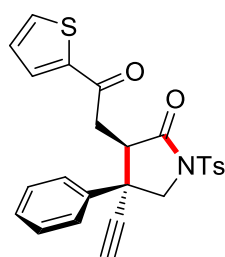
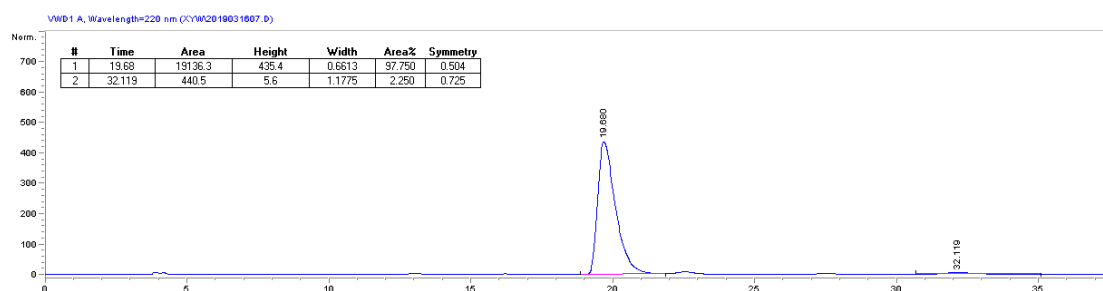
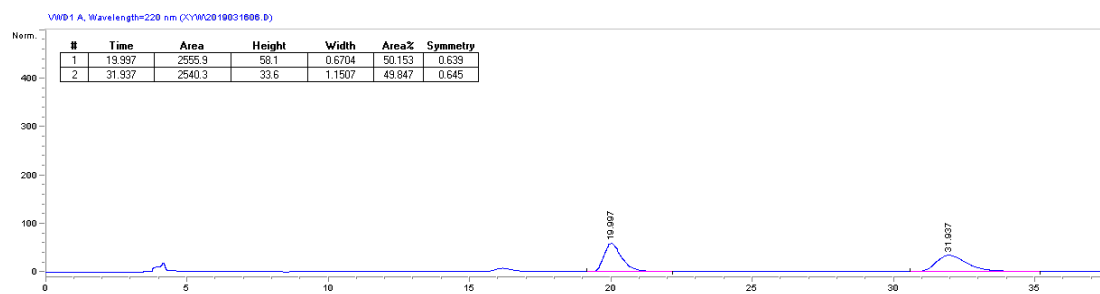
Red solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 8:1, 98.1 mg, yield: 92%, dr = 10:1. 95% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 35.0 min, t_R (minor) = 55.3 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -35.7$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.49 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.19 (m, 5H), 4.41 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.11 (t, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.00 (dd, $J = 18.0, 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 2.59 (q, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.49 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.8, 171.7, 145.6, 137.9, 134.8, 134.5, 131.7, 129.8, 129.5, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 126.1, 83.8, 74.4, 57.9, 50.4, 42.9, 34.7, 21.6. HRMS calc. for C₂₇H₂₂BrNO₄S [M+H]⁺: 536.0526, found: 536.0519.



(3*R*,4*S*)-4-Ethynyl-3-(2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxoethyl)-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Red solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 5:1, 88.5 mg, yield: 91%, dr = 13:1. 95.5% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (major) = 19.7 min, t_R (minor) = 32.1 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -20.6$ ($c = 0.5$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.20 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.13 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.73 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 2H), 4.31 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.03 (t, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 2.91 (dd, $J = 17.9, 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.52 – 2.46 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.1, 172.0, 163.5, 145.5, 138.0, 134.5, 130.2, 129.7, 129.1,

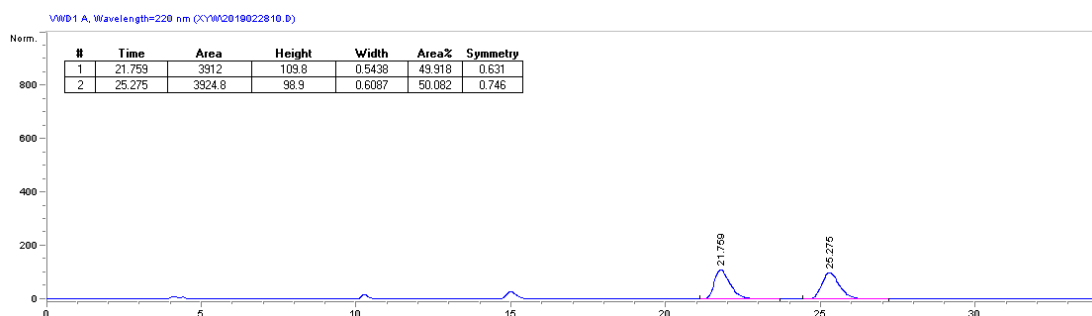
128.9, 128.1, 126.2, 113.5, 83.9, 74.3, 57.9, 55.3, 50.4, 43.0, 34.3, 21.6. HRMS calc. for C₂₈H₂₅NO₅S [M+H]⁺: 488.1526, found: 488.1516.

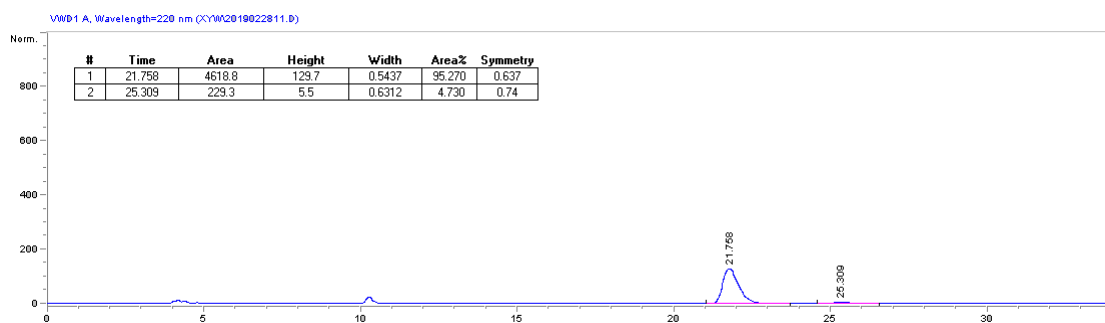


3ak

(3R,4S)-4-Ethynyl-3-(2-oxo-2-(thiophen-2-yl)ethyl)-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

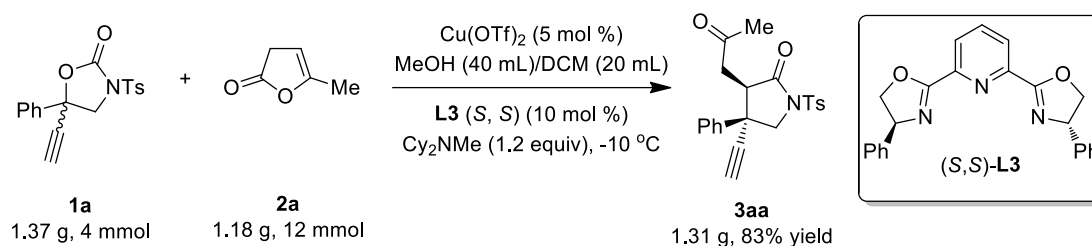
Red solid, purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA 10:1, 76.6 mg, yield: 83%, dr = 13:1. 90.5% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 75/25, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): *t_R* (major) = 21.8 min, *t_R* (minor) = 25.3 min. [α]_D²⁵ = -33.2 (*c* = 1.0, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.31 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 7.01 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.99 (dd, *J* = 17.5, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.62 – 2.56 (m, 2H), 2.49 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 188.5, 171.6, 145.6, 143.1, 137.8, 134.5, 134.0, 132.1, 129.8, 128.9, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 126.1, 83.7, 74.5, 57.8, 50.5, 42.8, 35.2, 21.6. HRMS calc. for C₂₅H₂₁NO₄S₂ [M+H]⁺: 464.0985, found: 464.0976.



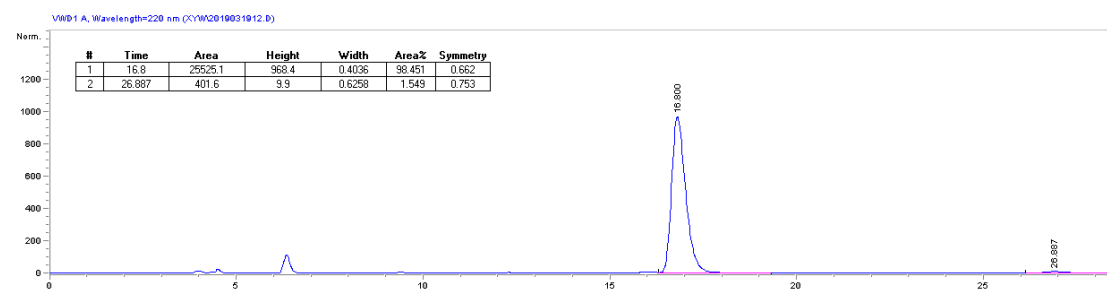


VI. Gram-Scale Preparation and Transformations

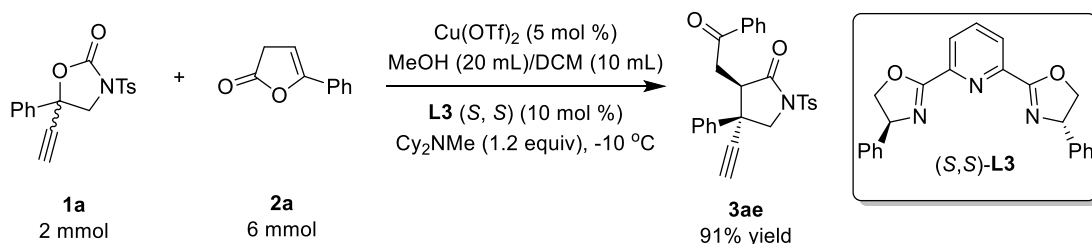
(a) Gram-Scale Preparation of **3aa**



Cu(OTf)₂ (72.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) and **L3** (*S, S*) (47.8 mg, 0.4 mmol) were stirred at 60 °C in 20 mL of anhydrous methanol under nitrogen atmosphere for 1 h. Then, the mixture was cooled to -10 °C and a solution of enthyryl oxazolidinones (**1a**, 1.37 g, 4 mmol) and γ -substituted butenolides (**2a**, 1.18 g, 12 mmol) and Cy₂NMe (0.94 g, 4.8 mmol) in a mixture of anhydrous DCM and MeOH (1:1, 40 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at -10 °C for 72 h, filtered through a pad of celite, and concentrated in vacuum. The concentrate was then purified by silica gel chromatography (PE/EtOAc, 10:1 to 5:1) to afford the pyrrolidinone (**3aa**), yield: 83%, dr = 13:1. 97% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): *t_R* (major) = 16.8 min, *t_R* (minor) = 26.9 min.

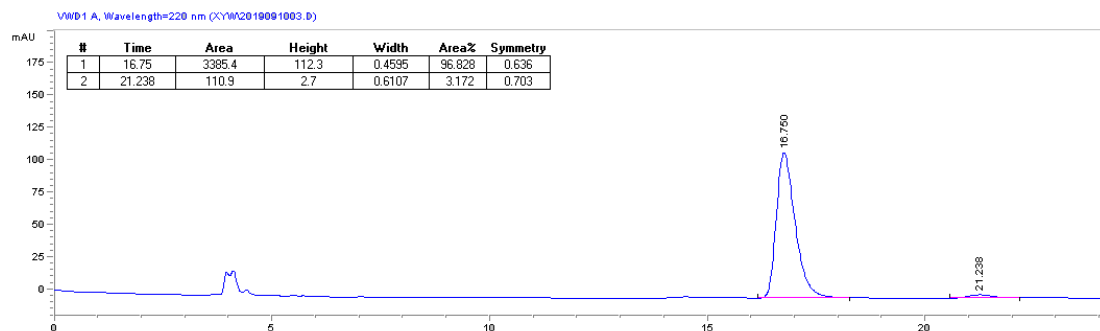


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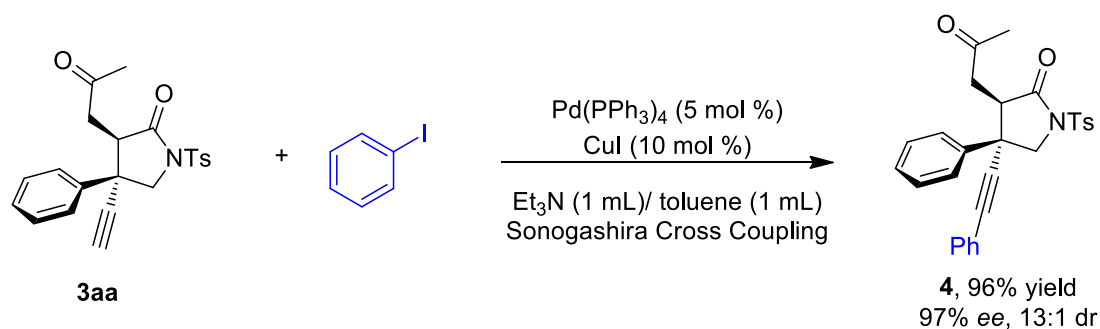


Cu(OTf)₂ (36.1 mg, 0.1 mmol) and **L3** (*S, S*) (74.0 mg, 0.4 mmol) were stirred at 60 °C in 10 mL of anhydrous methanol under nitrogen atmosphere for 1 h. Then, the mixture was cooled to -10 °C and a

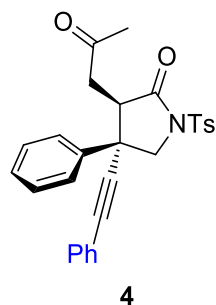
solution of enthynyl oxazolidinones (**1a**, 683 mg, 2 mmol) and γ -substituted butenolides (**2a**, 961 mg, 6 mmol) and Cy_2NMe (469 mg, 2.4 mmol) in a mixture of anhydrous DCM and MeOH (1:1, 20 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at $-10\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 24 h, filtered through a pad of celite, and concentrated in vacuum. The concentrate was then purified by silica gel chromatography (PE/EtOAc, 10:1 to 5:1) to afford the pyrrolidinone (**3ae**), yield: 91%, dr = 13:1. 94% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 85/15, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, $40\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$): t_R (major) = 16.8 min, t_R (minor) = 21.2 min.



(c) Sonogashira Coupling Reaction



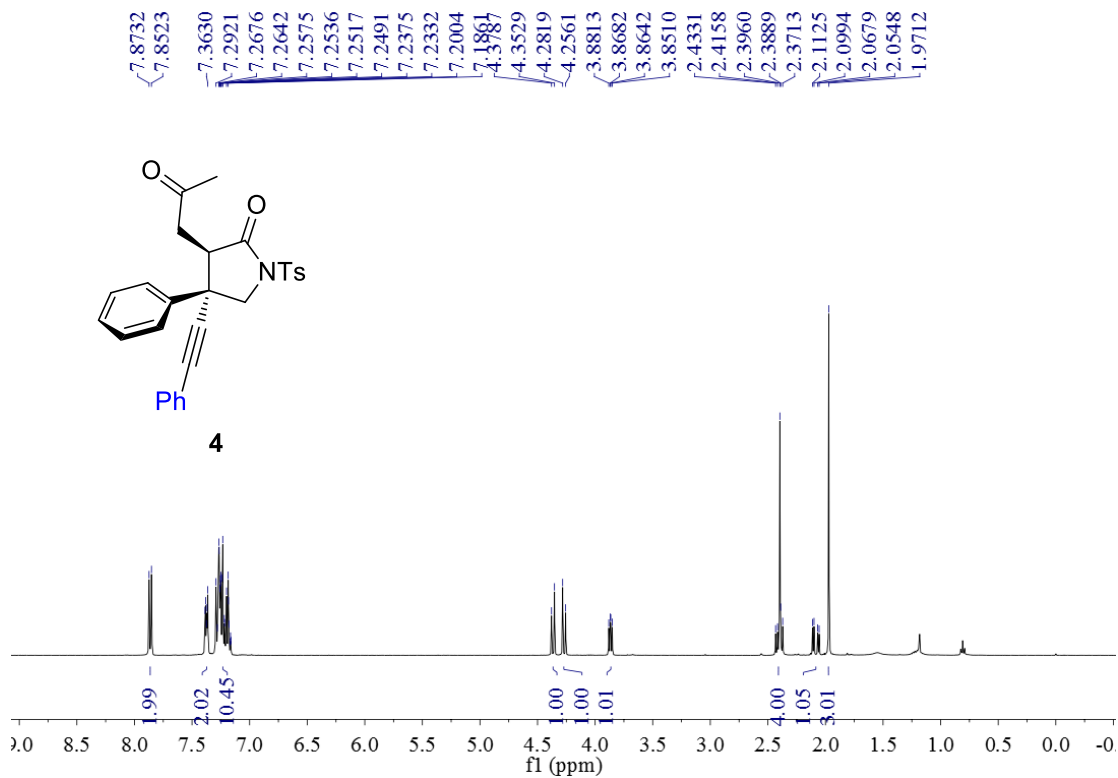
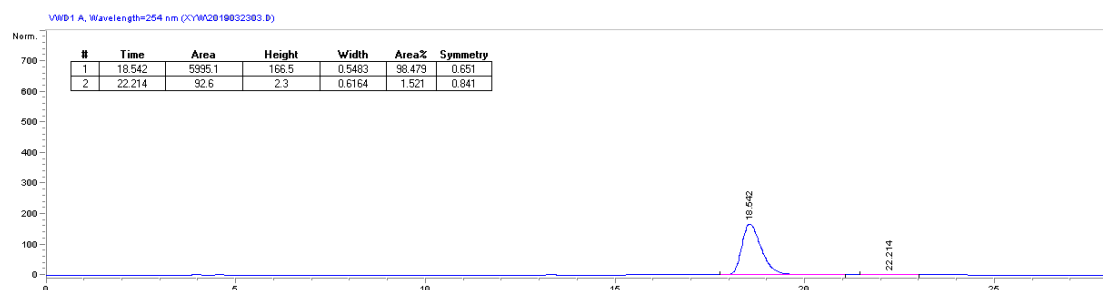
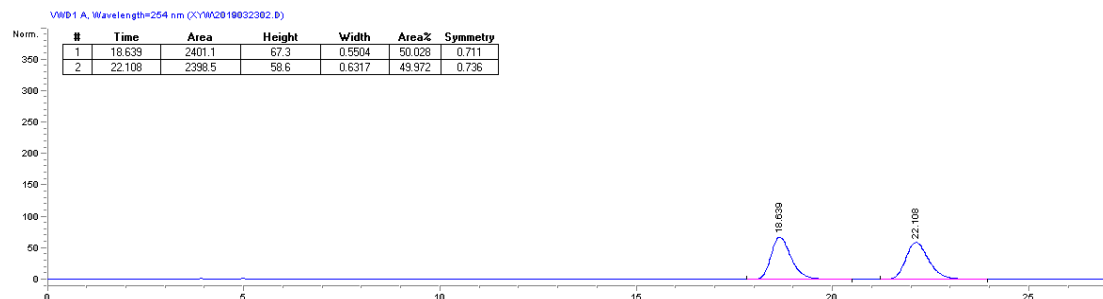
3aa (79.1 mg, 0.2 mmol), iodobenzene (49.0 mg, 0.24 mmol), $\text{Pd(PPh}_3)_4$ (23.1 mg, 0.02 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.02 mmol), Et_3N (1.0 mL) and toluene (1.0 mL) were added to a pressure tube. The reaction mixture was stirred under N_2 condition for overnight. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to get the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the pure product **4**, yield: 96%.

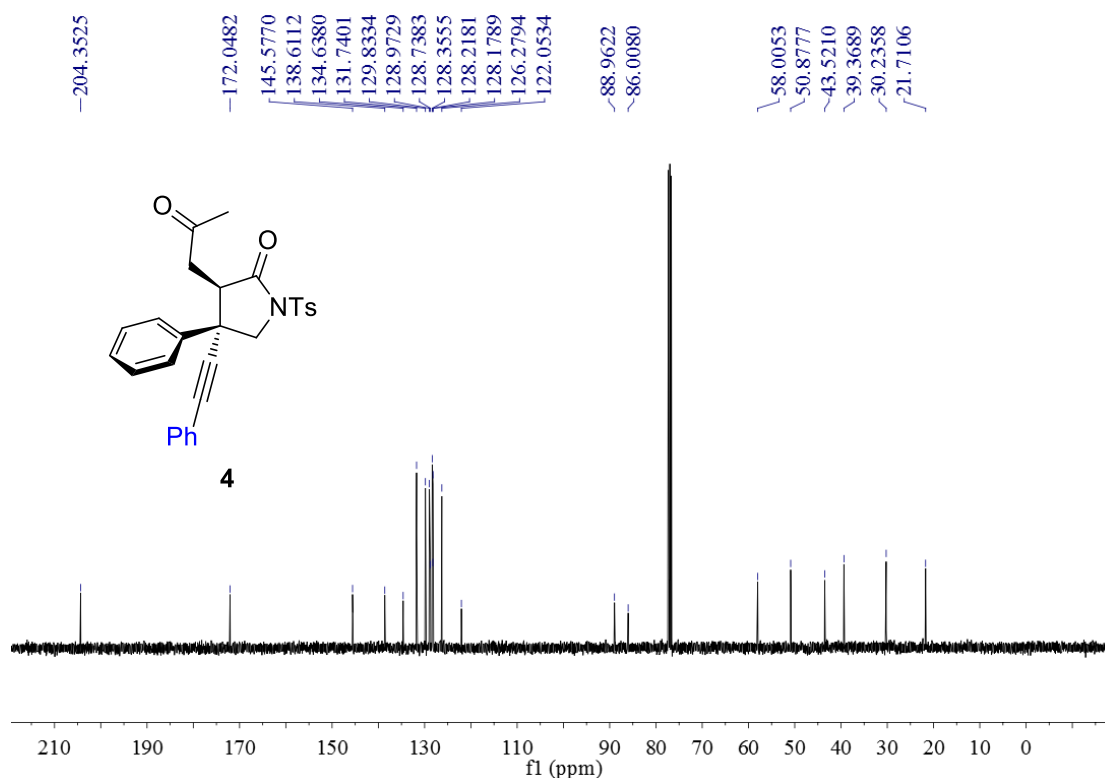


(3*R*,4*R*)-3-(2-Oxopropyl)-4-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

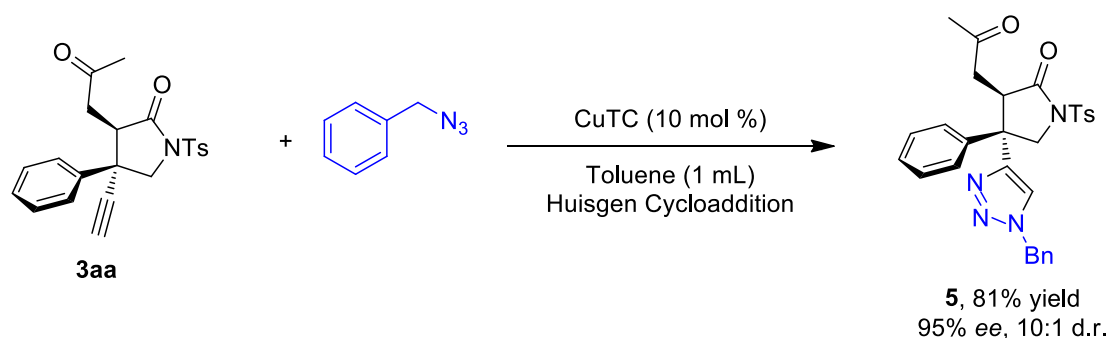
Colorless oil, 90.4 mg, yield: 96%, dr = 13:1. 97% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, $40\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$): t_R (major) = 18.5 min, t_R (minor) = 22.2 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 14.4$ ($c = 1.0$, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.86 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.39 – 7.36 (m,

2H), 7.29 – 7.16 (m, 10H), 4.37 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.87 (dd, $J = 6.9, 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.43 – 2.37 (m, 4H), 2.08 (dd, $J = 17.8, 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 1.97 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.4, 172.1, 145.6, 138.6, 134.6, 131.7, 129.8, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 128.22, 128.18, 126.3, 122.1, 89.0, 86.0, 58.0, 50.9, 43.5, 39.4, 30.2, 21.7. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 472.1577, found: 472.1568.

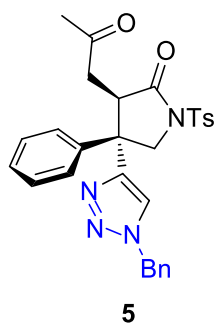




(d) Copper-Catalyzed Huisgen Cycloaddition Reaction

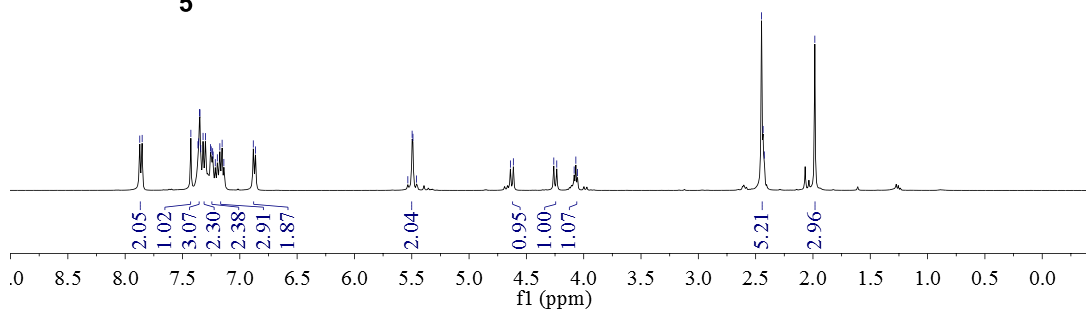
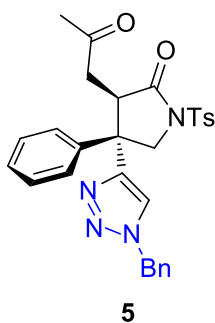
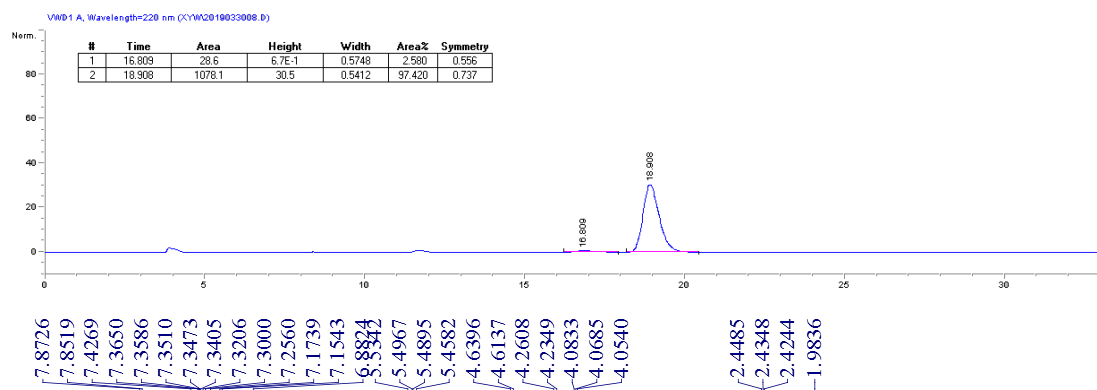
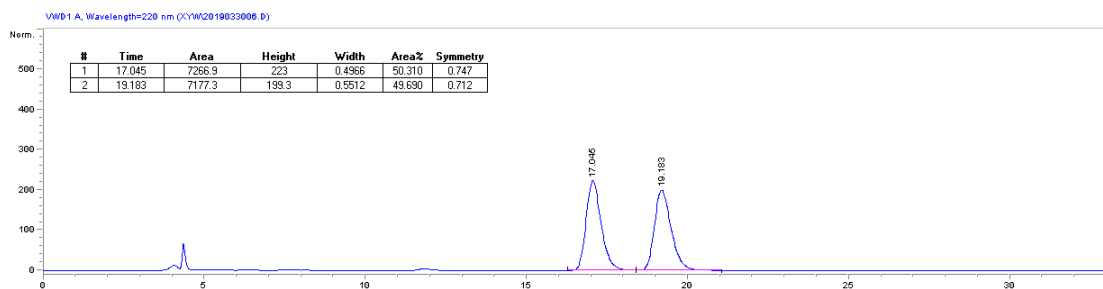


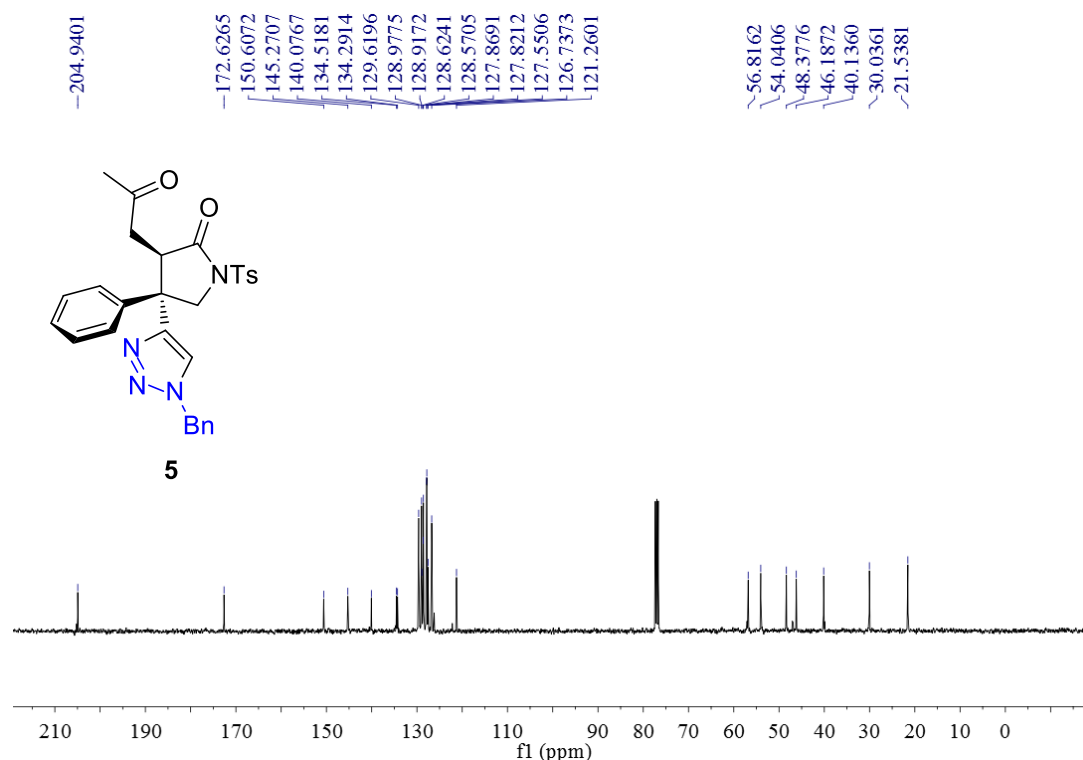
3aa (79.1 mg, 0.2 mmol), azides (49.0 mg, 0.24 mmol), CuTC (3.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) and toluene (1 mL) were added to a pressure tube. The reaction mixture was stirred under N₂ condition for 2h. The reaction was quenched by saturated NH₄Cl aqueous solution, extracted with DCM, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the pure product **5**, yield: 81%.



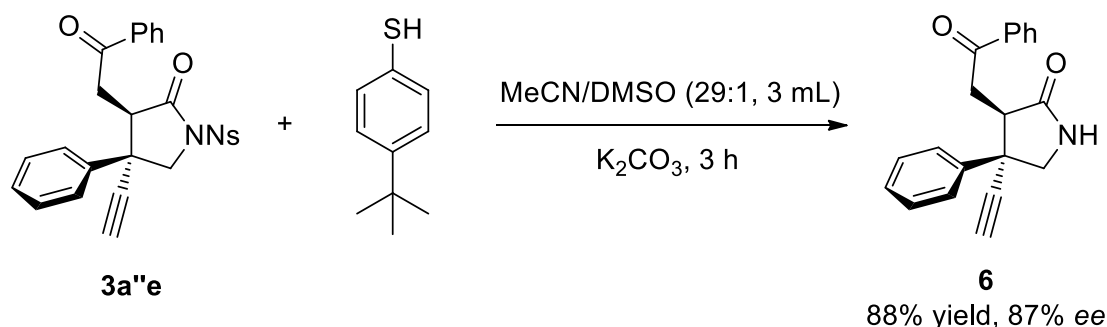
(3*R*,4*S*)-4-(1-Benzyl-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)-3-(2-oxopropyl)-4-phenyl-1-tosylpyrrolidin-2-one

Colorless oil, 85.8 mg, yield: 81%, dr = 10:1. 95% *ee* was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 60/40, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): t_R (minor) = 16.8 min, t_R (major) = 18.9 min. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 24.7$ ($c = 1.0$, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.37 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 7.31 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 6.87 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 5.53 – 5.46 (m, 2H), 4.63 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.07 (t, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.45 – 2.42 (m, 5H), 1.98 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.9, 172.6, 150.6, 145.3, 140.1, 134.5, 134.3, 129.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.6, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 126.7, 121.3, 56.8, 54.0, 48.4, 46.2, 40.1, 30.0, 21.5. HRMS calc. for C₂₉H₂₈N₄O₄S [M+H]⁺: 529.1904, found: 529.1892.

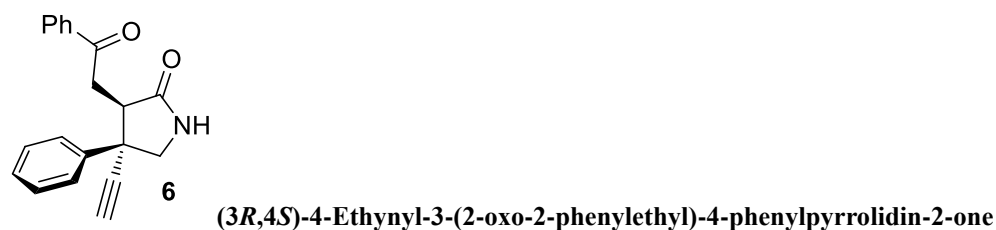




(e) Removal of protecting group

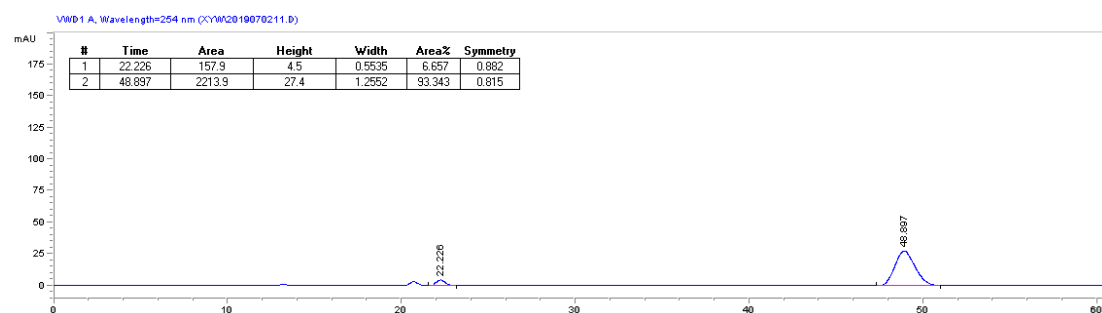
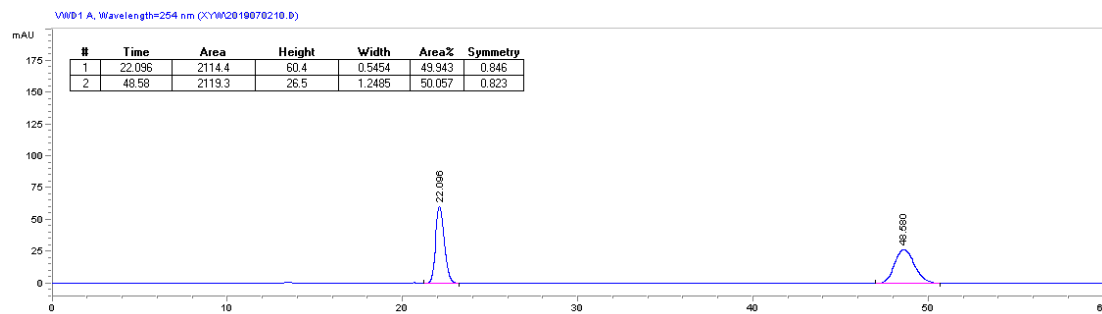


3a''e (48.8 mg, 0.1 mmol), 4-(*tert*-butyl)benzenethiol (50.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), K_2CO_3 (55.3 mg, 0.4 mmol) and MeCN/DMSO (29:1, 3 mL) were added to a pressure tube. The reaction mixture was stirred under air condition for 3 h. The reaction was quenched by saturated NH_4Cl aqueous solution, extracted with EtOAc, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the pure product **6**, yield: 88%.

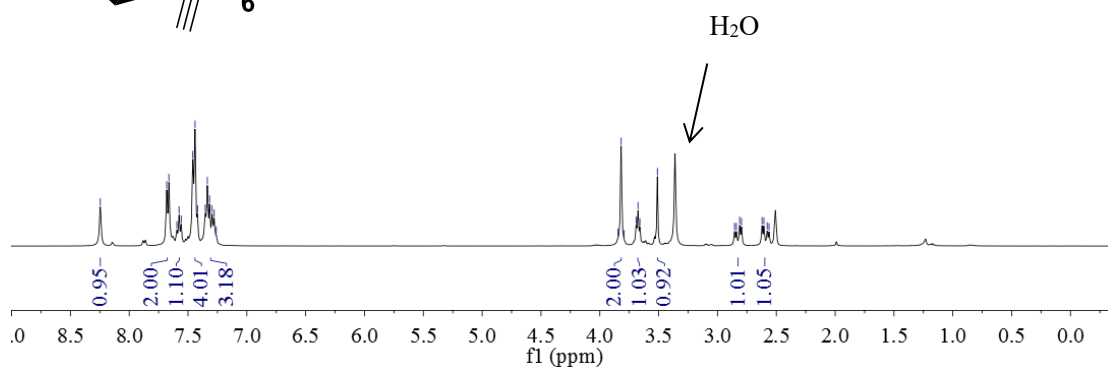
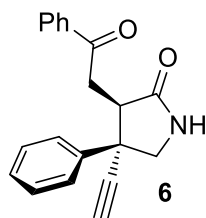


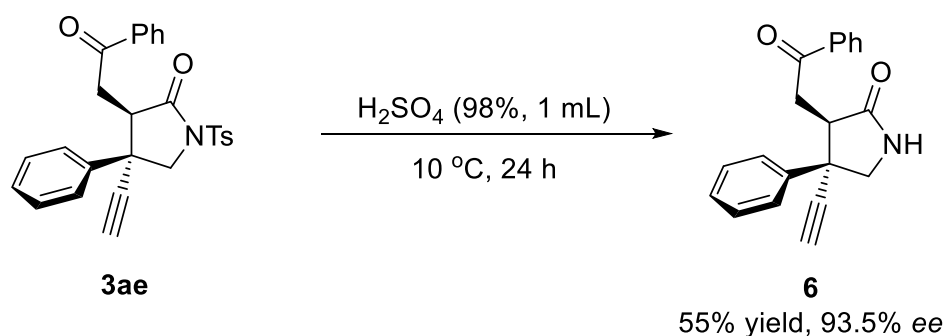
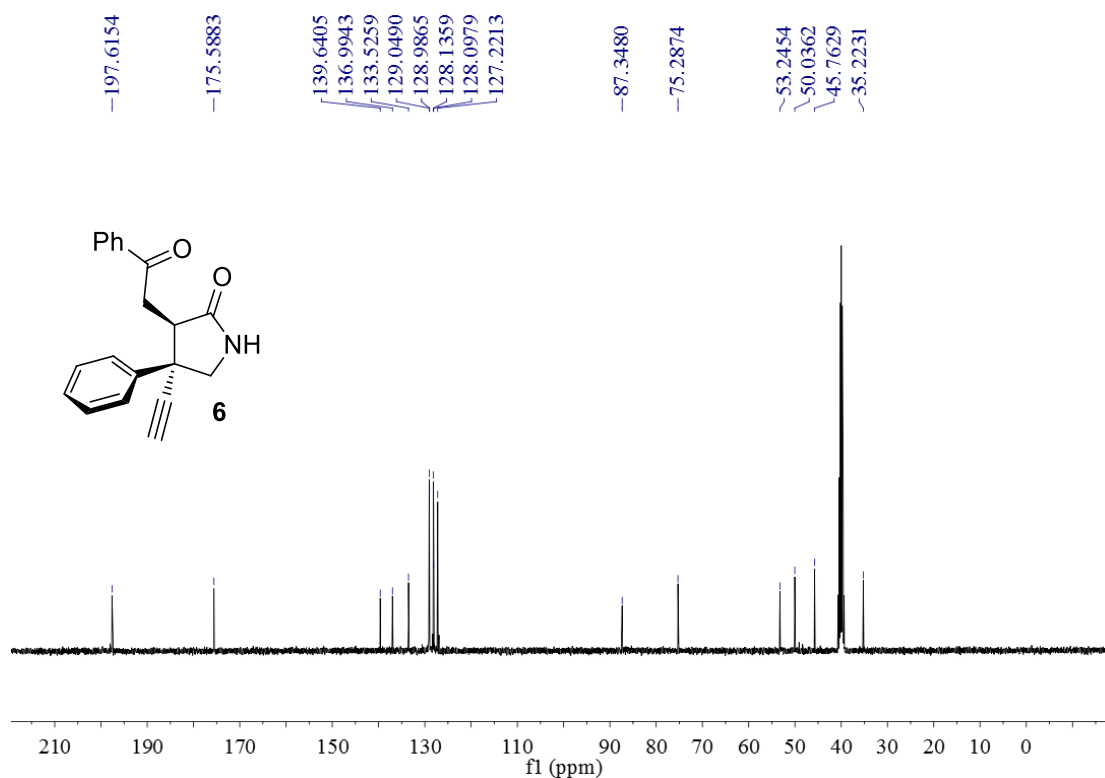
White solid, 26.7 mg, yield: 88%, dr = 12:1. 87% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak IC-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 60/40, 0.8 ml/min, 254 nm, 40 °C): t_R (minor) = 22.2 min, t_R (major) = 48.9 min. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -18.3$ ($c = 1.0$, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, d_6 -DMSO) δ 8.25 (brs, 1H), 7.67 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.58 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.35 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 3.84 – 3.79 (m, 2H), 3.68 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.51 (s, 1H), 2.83 (dd, $J = 17.4, 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.59 (dd, $J = 17.4, 6.4$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR

(101 MHz, d_6 -DMSO) δ 197.6, 175.6, 139.6, 137.0, 133.5, 129.1, 129.0, 128.2, 128.1, 127.2, 87.4, 75.3, 53.3, 50.0, 45.8, 35.2. HRMS calc. for $C_{20}H_{19}N_2O$ $[M+H]^+$: 304.1332, found: 304.1330.

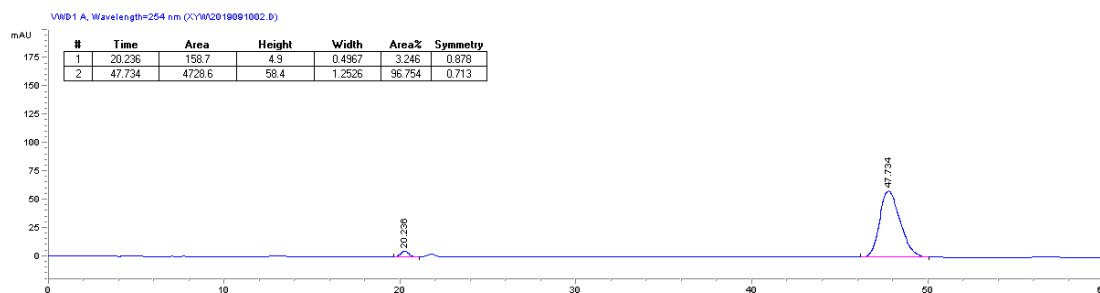


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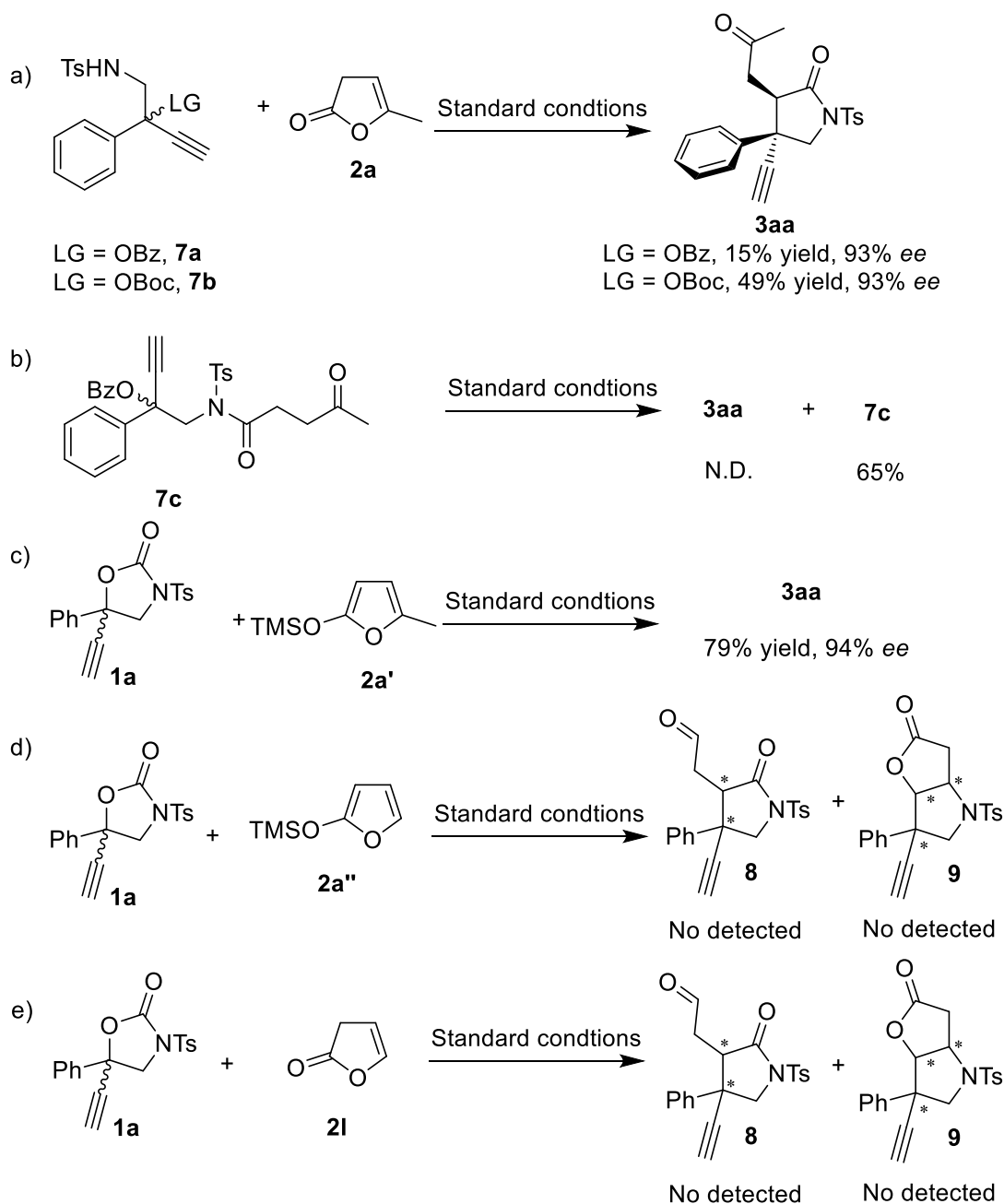


3ae (45.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) and concentrated H_2SO_4 (1 mL) were added to a pressure tube. The reaction mixture was stirred at 10 °C for 24 h. Then the solution was added dropwise into Et_2O with stirring, and ice-water was added to the solution. The aqueous layer was made alkaline by addition of $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$ and was then extracted with EA. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the pure product **6**, yield: 55%, dr = 13:1. 93.5% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak IC-H *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 60/40, 0.8 ml/min, 254 nm, 40 °C): t_R (minor) = 20.2 min, t_R (major) = 47.7 min.

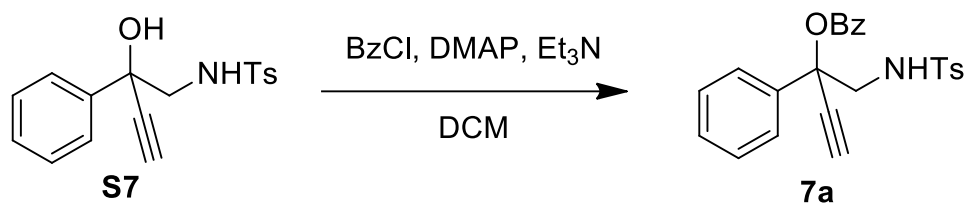


VII. Mechanistic Studies

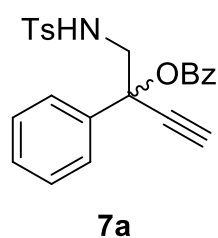
We have conducted preliminary mechanistic studies by performing some control experiments. First, linear propargylic esters **7a** and **7b** were prepared and submitted to the coupling with **1a** under standard conditions, giving the desirable cycloadducts. Although both the yield and enantioselectivity not so satisfactory, the result suggested that the reaction should proceed through the decarboxylative ring-opening of **1a** to form the copper allenylidene complex zwitterionic pairs B, following by the attack of **2a**. The treatment of **7c** under standard conditions was not afforded target product **3aa**, suggesting that the ammonolysis should be intramolecular. Siloxyfuran (**2a'**) was also a suitable participant, although a decreased yield of **3aa** was achieved. Surprisingly, the expected pyrrolidinone (**8**) was not observed under the standard conditions using **2a''** or **2l** as the coupling reagent, and Michael adduct (**9**) was also not observed.



(a) Synthesis of Linear Propargylic Esters³



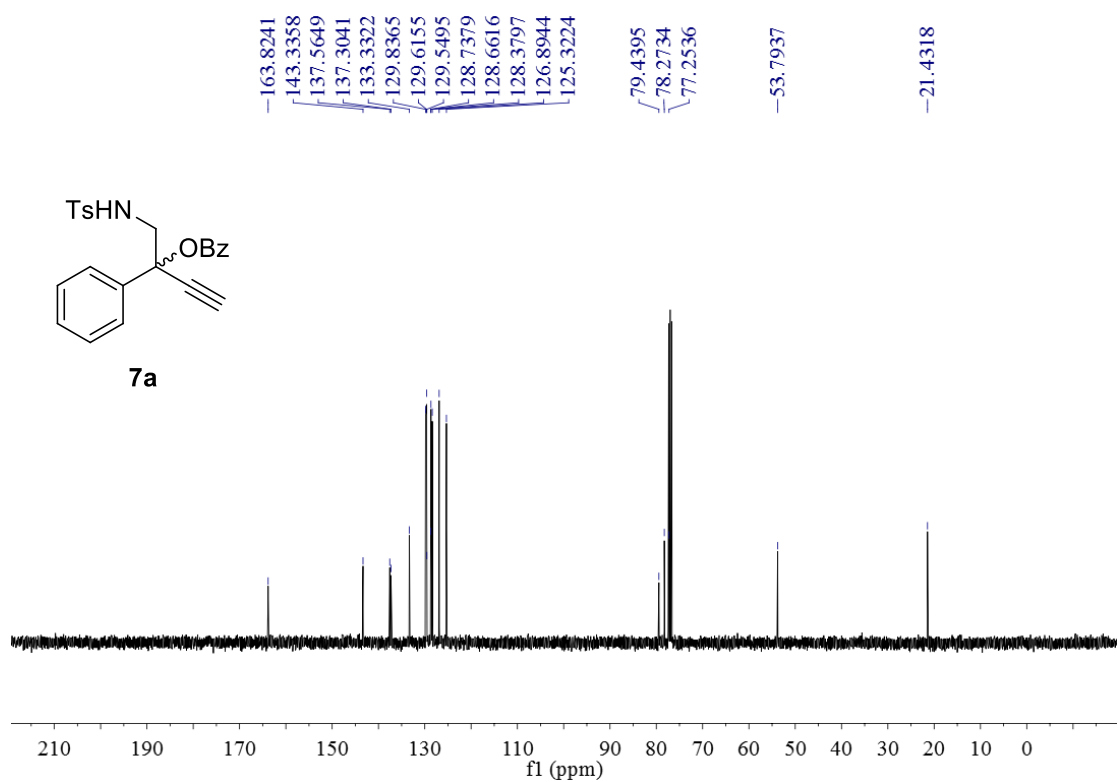
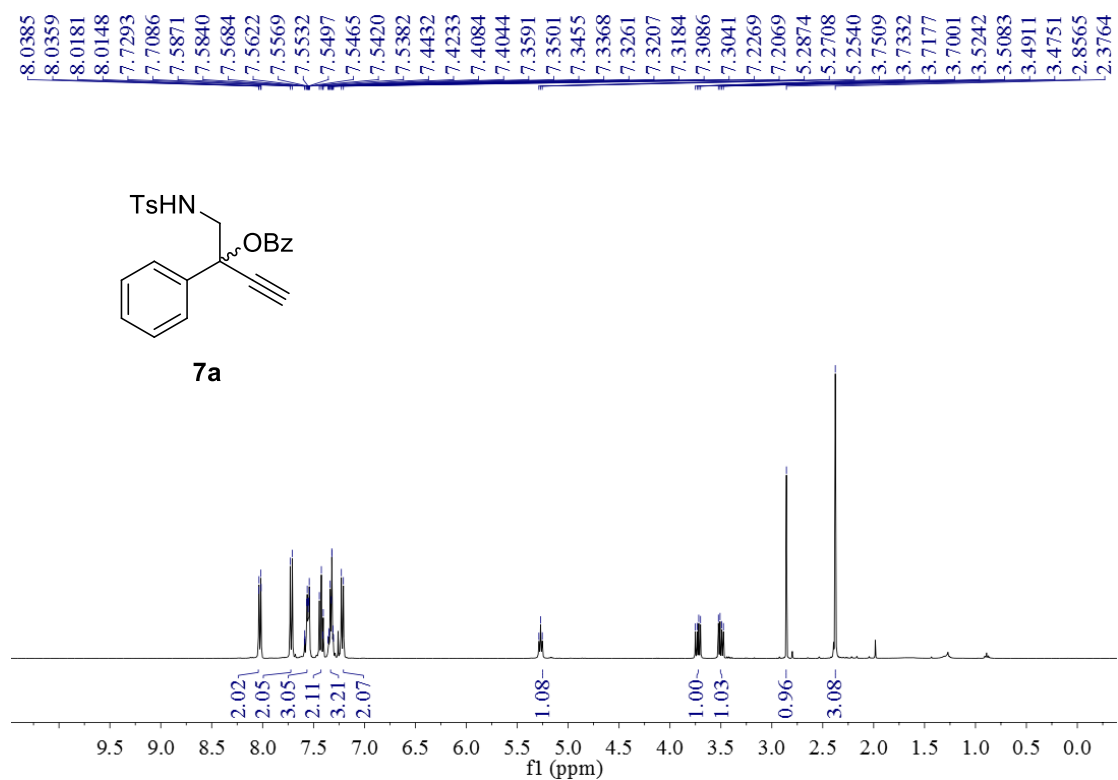
To a solution of amino alcohol **S7** (631 mg, 2 mmol) and DMAP (24.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) at 0 °C was added BzCl (351 mg, 2.5 mmol) and Et_3N (304 mg, 3 mmol). The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 24 hours. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: PE:EtOAc = 7:1) to give the desired product **7a**.

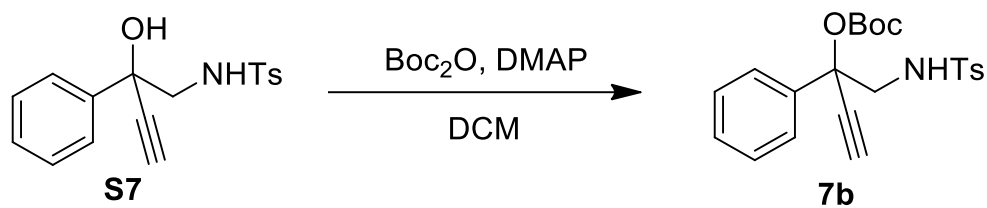


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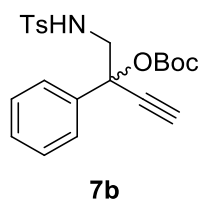
1-(4-Methylphenylsulfonamido)-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-yl benzoate

White solid, 210 mg, yield: 25%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.44 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.27 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (dd, J = 13.3, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dd, J = 13.3, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (s, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.8, 143.3, 137.6, 137.3, 133.3, 129.8, 129.6, 129.6, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 126.9, 125.3, 79.4, 78.3, 77.3, 53.8, 21.4. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 418.1119, found: 418.1114.



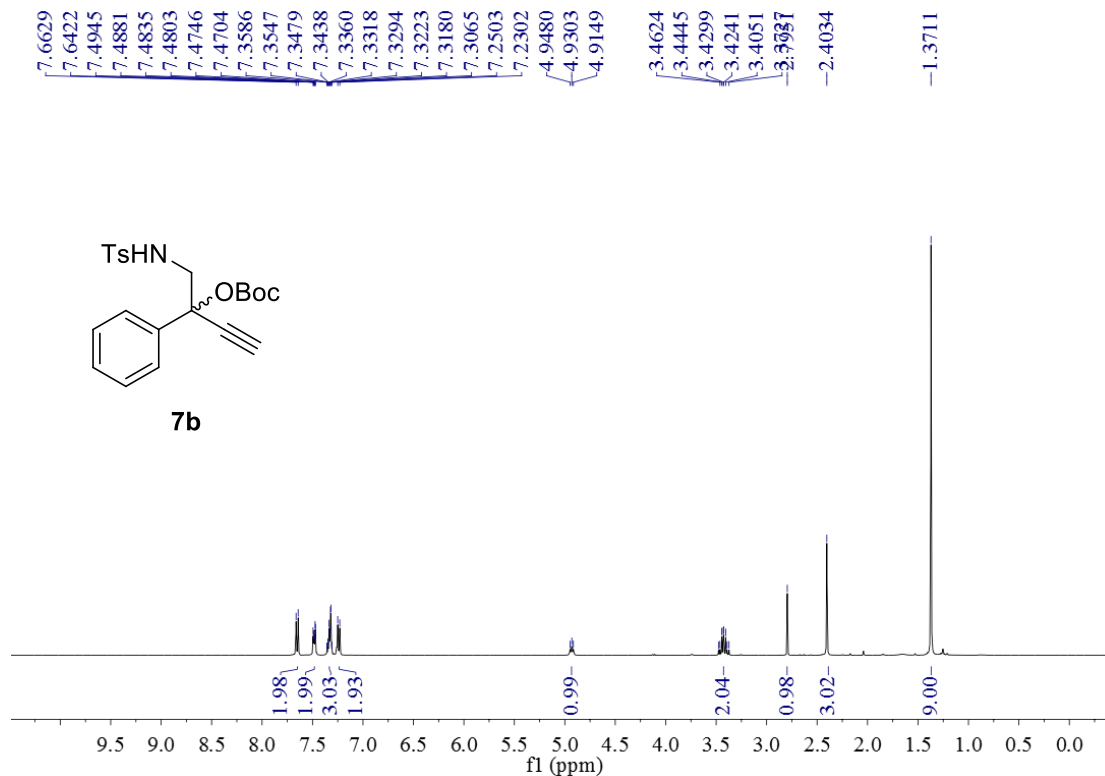


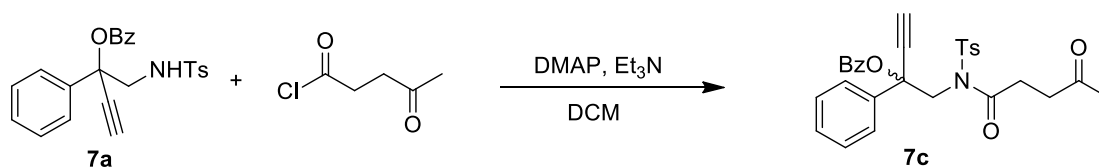
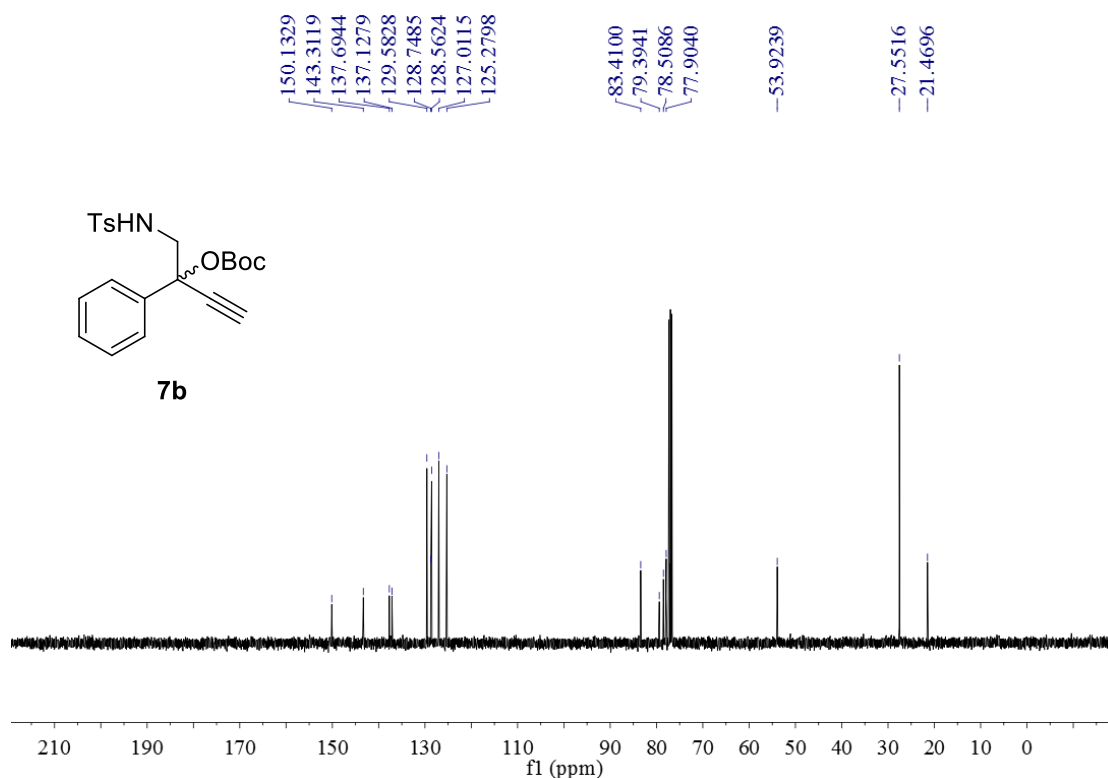
To a solution of amino alcohol **S7** (631 mg, 2 mmol) and DMAP (24.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) at 0 °C was added Boc_2O (873 mg, 4 mmol). The reaction mixtures was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 24 hours. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: PE:EtOAc = 7:1) to give the desired product **7b**.



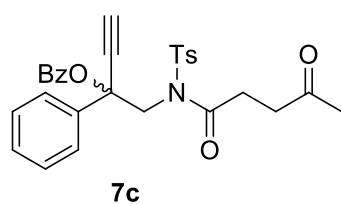
***tert*-Butyl (1-(4-methylphenylsulfonyl)-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-yl) carbonate**

White solid, 125 mg, yield: 15%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.65 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.49 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.93 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.48 – 3.37 (m, 2H), 2.80 (s, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 150.1, 143.3, 137.7, 137.1, 129.6, 128.8, 128.6, 127.0, 125.3, 83.4, 79.4, 78.5, 77.9, 53.9, 27.6, 21.5. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 414.1381, found: 414.1375.



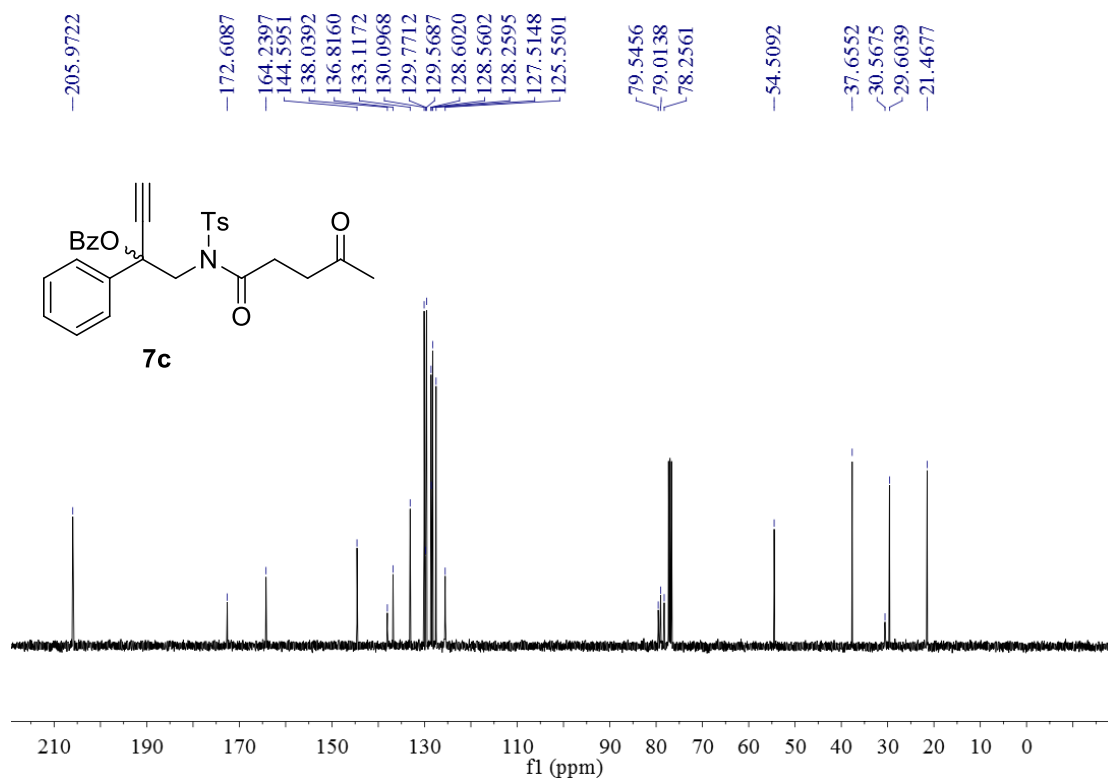
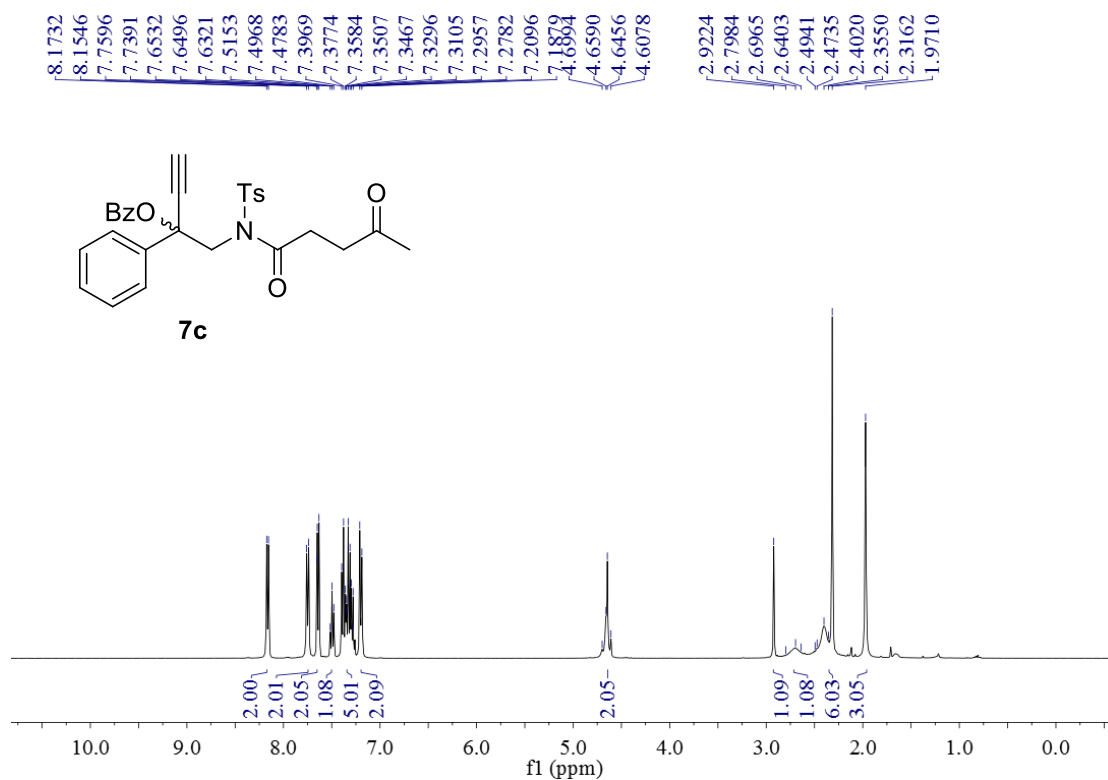


To a solution of propargylic ester **7a** (210 mg, 0.5 mmol) and DMAP (6.1 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) at 0 °C was added 4-oxopentanoic acid (87.5 mg, 0.65 mmol) and Et_3N (75.9 mg, 0.75 mmol). The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 24 hours. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: PE:EtOAc = 10:1) to give the desired product **7c**.

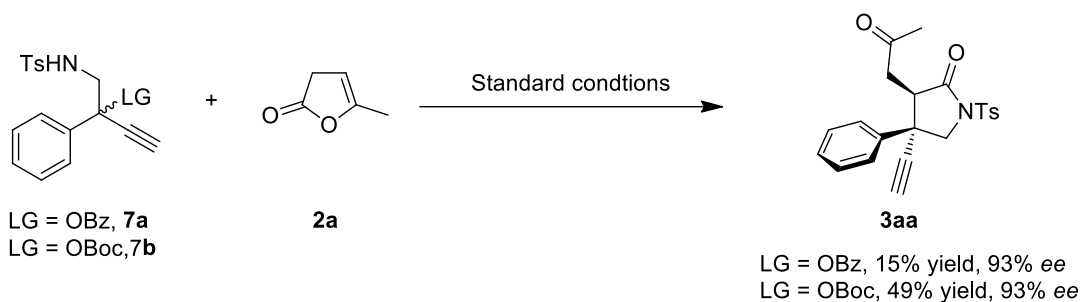


1-(4-Oxo-N-tosylpentanamido)-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-yl benzoate

Colorless oil, 176 mg, yield: 68%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.16 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.65 – 7.63 (m, 2H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.28 (m, 5H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 4.70 – 4.61 (m, 2H), 2.92 (s, 1H), 2.80 – 2.64 (m, 1H), 2.49 – 2.32 (m, 6H), 1.97 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.0, 172.6, 164.2, 144.6, 138.0, 136.8, 133.1, 130.1, 129.8, 129.6, 128.6, 128.6, 128.3, 127.5, 125.6, 79.6, 79.0, 78.3, 54.5, 37.7, 30.6, 29.6, 21.5. HRMS calc. for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_6\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 535.1897, found: 535.1889.

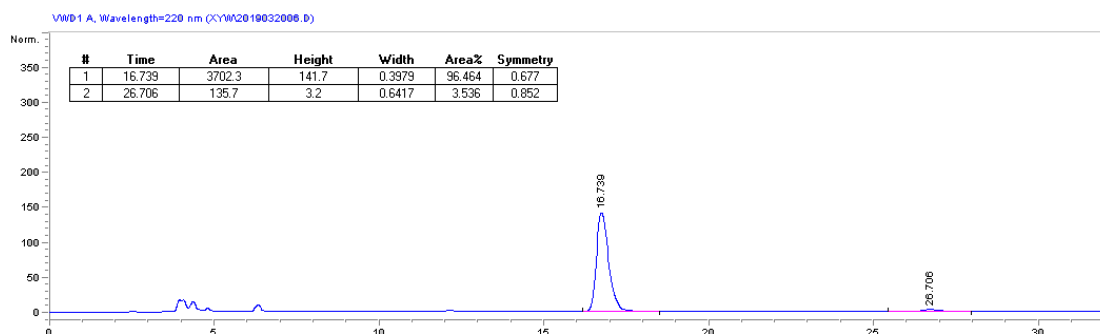


(b) Transformation of Linear Propargylic Esters

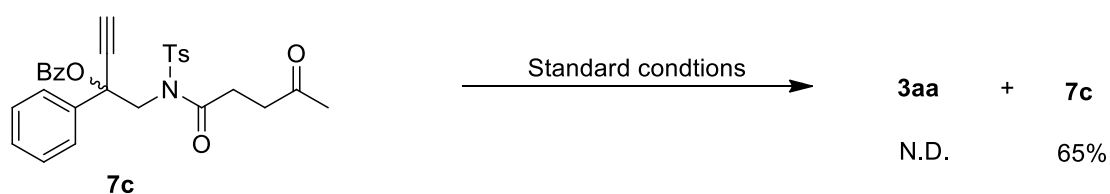
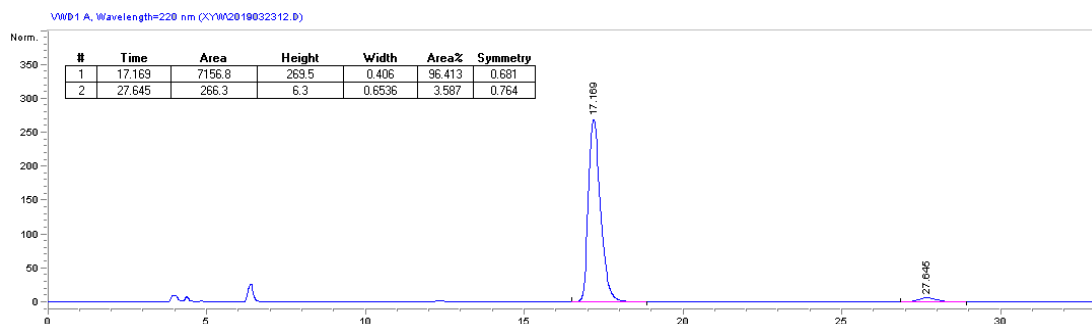


Cu(OTf)₂ (3.6 mg, 0.010 mmol) and **L3** (*S, S*) (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol) were stirred at 60 °C in 1 mL of anhydrous methanol under nitrogen atmosphere for 1 h. Then, the mixture was cooled to -10 °C and a solution of **7a** or **7b** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (58.9 mg, 0.6 mmol) and Cy₂NMe (46.9 mg, 0.24 mmol) in a mixture of anhydrous DCM and MeOH (1:1, 2 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at -10 °C for 24 h, filtered through a pad of celite, and concentrated in vacuum. The concentrate was then purified by silica gel chromatography (PE/EtOAc, 10:1 to 5:1) to afford the pyrrolidinone (**3aa**).

When LG = OBz, 11.9 mg, 15% yield of **3aa**. 93% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): *t_R* (major) = 16.7 min, *t_R* (major) = 26.7 min.

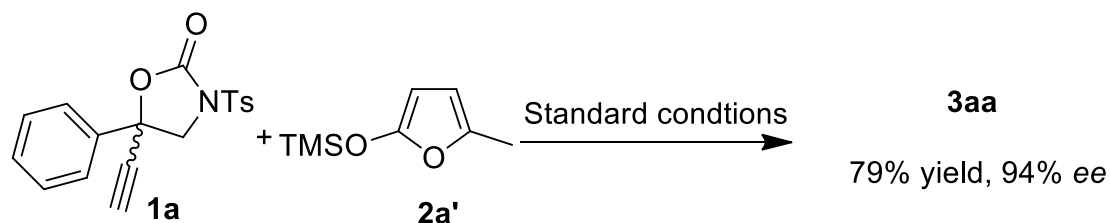


When LG = OBoc, 38.8 mg, 49% yield of **3aa**. 93% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): *t_R* (major) = 17.2 min, *t_R* (major) = 27.6 min.



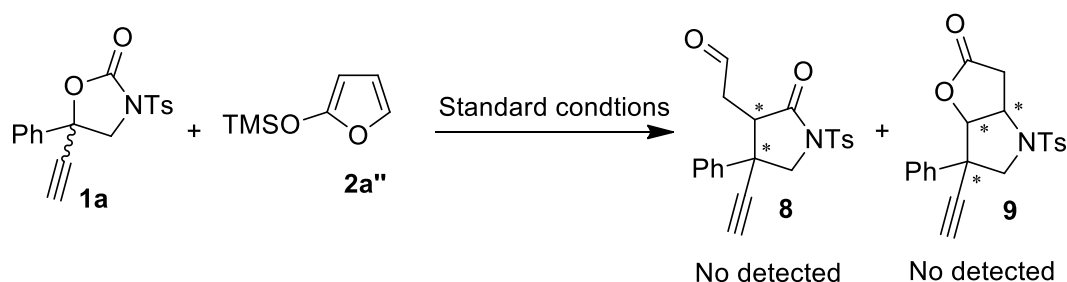
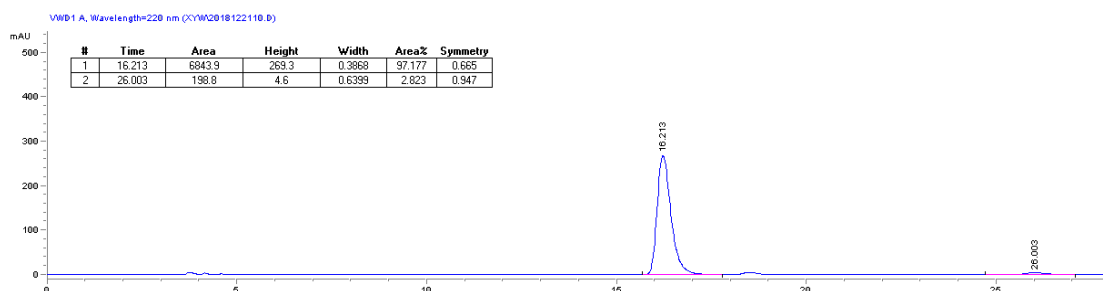
Cu(OTf)₂ (3.6 mg, 0.010 mmol) and **L3** (*S, S*) (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol) were stirred at 60 °C in 1 mL of anhydrous methanol under nitrogen atmosphere for 1 h. Then, the mixture was cooled to -10 °C and a solution of **7c** (103.5 mg, 0.2 mmol) and Cy₂NMe (46.9 mg, 0.24 mmol) in a mixture of anhydrous DCM and MeOH (1:1, 2 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at -10 °C for 24 h, filtered through a pad of celite, and concentrated in vacuum. The concentrate was then purified by silica gel chromatography (PE/EtOAc, 8:1) to recover **6c**.

(c) Siloxyfuran as the Coupling Reagent



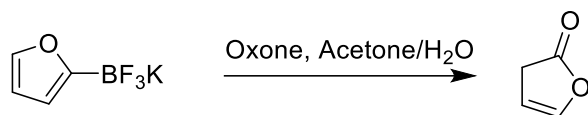
Cu(OTf)₂ (3.6 mg, 0.010 mmol) and **L3** (*S, S*) (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol) were stirred at 60 °C in 1 mL of anhydrous methanol under nitrogen atmosphere for 1 h. Then, the mixture was cooled to -10 °C and a solution of **1a** (68.3 mg, 0.2 mmol), **2a'** (102.2 mg, 0.6 mmol) and Cy₂NMe (46.9 mg, 0.24 mmol) in a mixture of anhydrous DCM and MeOH (1:1, 2 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at -10 °C for 24 h, filtered through a pad of celite, and concentrated in vacuum. The concentrate was then purified by silica gel chromatography (PE/EtOAc, 10:1 to 5:1) to afford the pyrrolidinone (**3aa**).

94% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 0.8 ml/min, 220 nm, 40 °C): *t_R* (major) = 16.2 min, *t_R* (major) = 26.0 min.

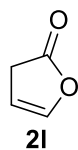


Cu(OTf)₂ (3.6 mg, 0.010 mmol) and **L3** (*S, S*) (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol) were stirred at 60 °C in 1 mL of anhydrous methanol under nitrogen atmosphere for 1 h. Then, the mixture was cooled to -10 °C and a solution of **1a** (68.3 mg, 0.2 mmol), **2a'** (93.8 mg, 0.6 mmol) and Cy₂NMe (46.9 mg, 0.24 mmol) in a mixture of anhydrous DCM and MeOH (1:1, 2 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at -10 °C for 24 h, and a complex mixture was observed by TLC.

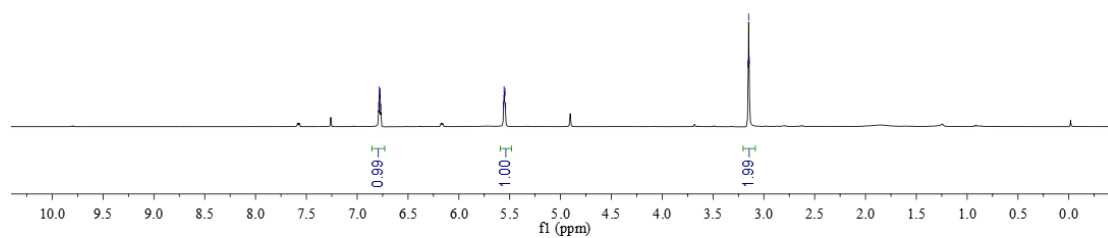
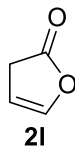
(d) Synthesis of furan-2(3*H*)-one⁴

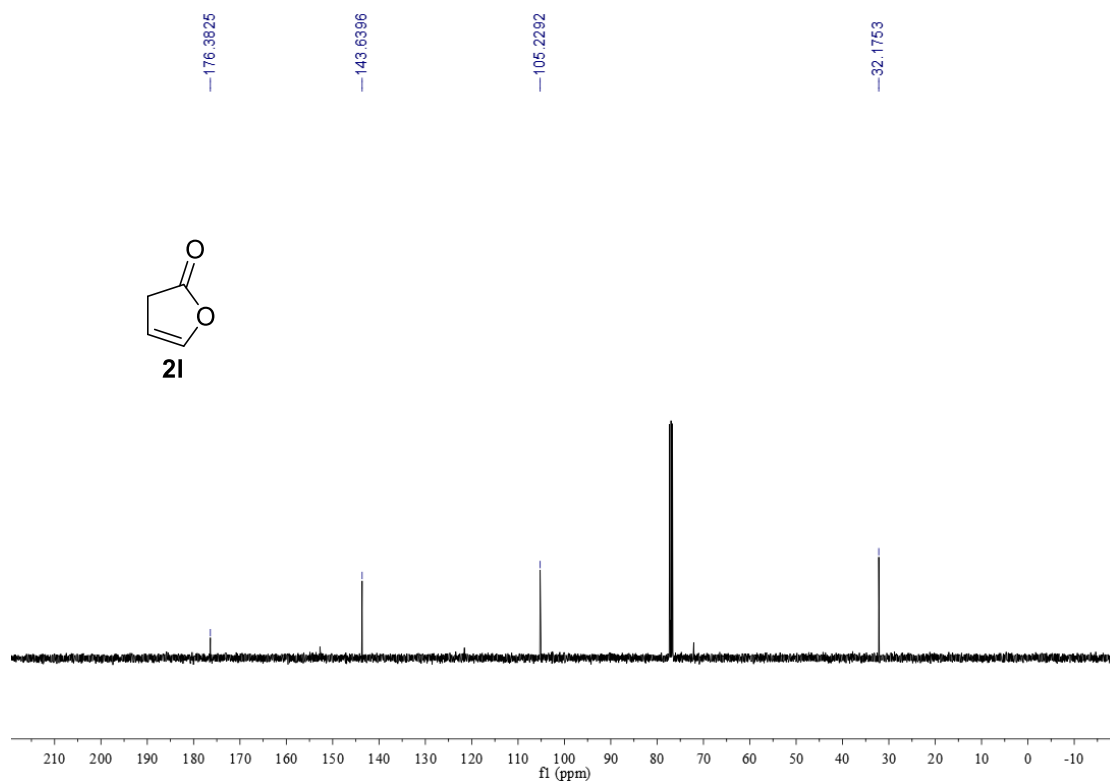


To a 50 mL round-bottom flask containing a mixture of potassium furan-2-yltrifluoroborate (174 mg, 1.0 mmol) and acetone (5 mL, 0.2 M) was added Oxone (5 mL of a 0.2 M solution in H₂O, 1 equiv) in one portion. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature until ¹¹B NMR indicated completion of the reaction (~2 min). To the crude mixture was added H₂O (5 mL) and aqueous HCl (0.1 M, 3 mL), and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic layers were dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, concentrated, and dried in vacuo. The crude extract was filtered through a small plug of silica topped with charcoal, with CH₂Cl₂ as eluent, to afford the desired pure product in 98% yield (0.1 g) as yellow oil.

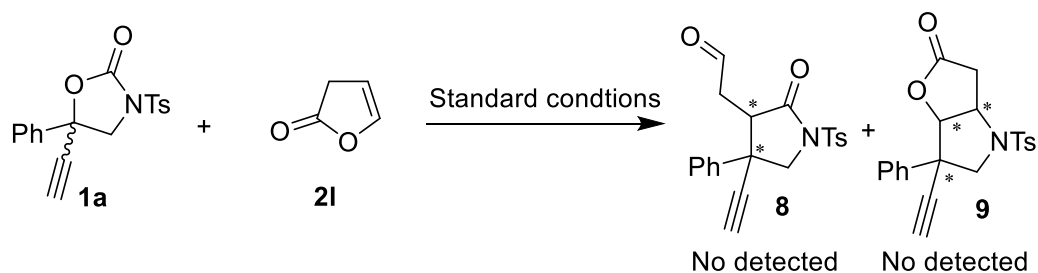


Yellow oil, 98% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.78 (dt, *J* = 3.6, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 5.55 (dt, *J* = 3.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.15 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.4, 143.6, 105.2, 32.2.





(e) Furan-2(3*H*)-one as the Coupling Reagent



Cu(OTf)₂ (3.6 mg, 0.010 mmol) and **L3** (*S, S*) (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol) were stirred at 60 °C in 1 mL of anhydrous methanol under nitrogen atmosphere for 1 h. Then, the mixture was cooled to -10 °C and a solution of **1a** (68.3 mg, 0.2 mmol), **2l** (50.5 mg, 0.6 mmol) and Cy₂NMe (46.9 mg, 0.24 mmol) in a mixture of anhydrous DCM and MeOH (1:1, 2 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at -10 °C for 24 h, and a complex mixture was observed by TLC.

VIII. X-ray Data for Compounds 3ak

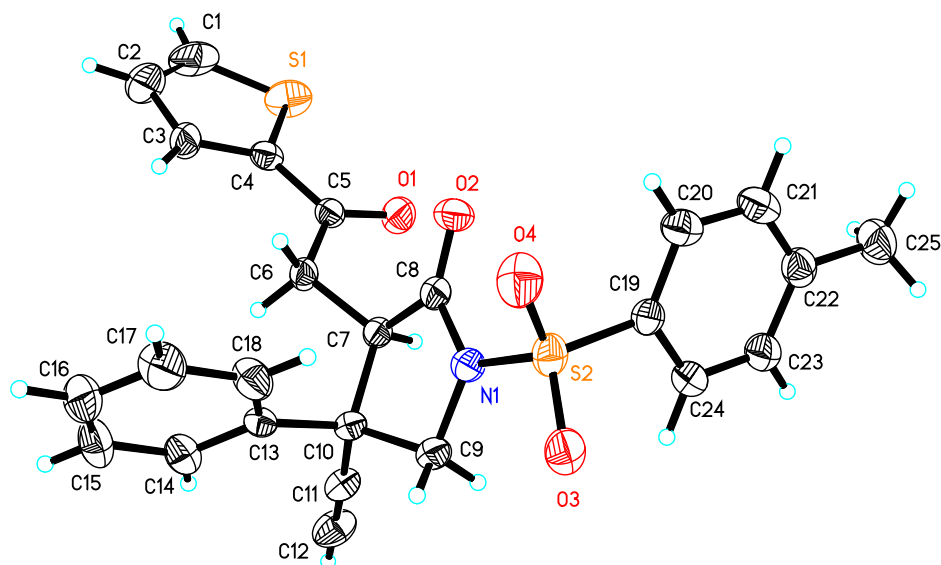


Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement for **3ak**

CCDC number	1906833	
Empirical formula	C ₂₅ H ₂₁ NO ₄ S ₂	
Formula weight	463.55	
Temperature	293(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	
Space group	P 21 21 21	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 10.3448(3) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 13.4995(4) Å	β = 90°.
	c = 16.1640(5) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	2257.30(12) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.364 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.268 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	968	
Crystal size	0.190 x 0.160 x 0.140 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	2.480 to 26.000°.	
Index ranges	-12 ≤ h ≤ 11, -16 ≤ k ≤ 13, -19 ≤ l ≤ 19	
Reflections collected	11335	
Independent reflections	4398 [R(int) = 0.0253]	

Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.2 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7456 and 0.6070
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	4398 / 0 / 291
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.046
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0356, wR2 = 0.0834
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0433, wR2 = 0.0899
Absolute structure parameter	0.03(3)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.148 and -0.168 e.Å ⁻³

Table S3. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **3ak**.
 $U(\text{eq})$ is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
S(1)	10918(1)	5819(1)	7380(1)	75(1)
S(2)	4066(1)	2729(1)	5909(1)	52(1)
O(1)	9340(2)	4438(2)	6364(1)	62(1)
O(2)	6274(2)	3726(2)	6827(1)	64(1)
O(3)	3259(2)	2596(2)	5204(2)	66(1)
O(4)	3519(2)	3034(2)	6676(2)	76(1)
N(1)	5135(2)	3591(2)	5614(2)	49(1)
C(1)	10929(4)	6967(3)	7810(2)	86(1)
C(2)	9821(5)	7450(3)	7690(2)	87(1)
C(3)	8918(4)	6906(2)	7215(2)	60(1)
C(4)	9396(3)	5997(2)	6987(2)	44(1)
C(5)	8808(2)	5230(2)	6479(2)	40(1)
C(6)	7534(2)	5481(2)	6075(2)	43(1)
C(7)	6934(3)	4628(2)	5593(2)	40(1)
C(8)	6116(3)	3944(2)	6116(2)	45(1)
C(9)	5179(3)	3983(2)	4769(2)	49(1)
C(10)	6032(3)	4924(2)	4860(2)	41(1)
C(11)	6786(3)	5080(2)	4103(2)	50(1)
C(12)	7402(3)	5229(3)	3502(2)	68(1)
C(13)	5242(2)	5859(2)	5080(2)	40(1)
C(14)	5533(3)	6755(2)	4716(2)	56(1)
C(15)	4939(3)	7619(3)	4973(3)	72(1)
C(16)	4036(4)	7597(3)	5578(2)	77(1)
C(17)	3695(4)	6709(3)	5932(2)	78(1)
C(18)	4296(3)	5842(3)	5681(2)	60(1)
C(19)	4995(3)	1665(2)	6064(2)	45(1)
C(20)	5201(3)	1296(2)	6846(2)	58(1)
C(21)	5882(3)	424(3)	6933(2)	62(1)
C(22)	6385(3)	-78(2)	6261(2)	56(1)
C(23)	6192(3)	326(2)	5487(2)	61(1)
C(24)	5499(3)	1182(2)	5379(2)	56(1)
C(25)	7143(4)	-1027(3)	6372(3)	80(1)

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