Supporting Information for

## Nickel and nucleophilic cobalt-catalyzed trideuteriomethylation of aryl halides using trideuteriomethyl *p*-toluenesulfonate

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#### **General Information.**

All reactions were performed on oven-and flame-dried glassware under argon using standard Schlenk techniques. Flash column chromatography was performed with silica gel 60 (KANTO Chemical Co. Inc., 40-50 nm). TLC monitoring was carried out with silica gel aluminum sheets (Merck, type 60 F<sub>254</sub>). Gas chromatography (GC) monitoring was carried out on Shimadzu GC-2014. Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were recorded with Varian-400 (<sup>1</sup>H NMR: 400 MHz; <sup>13</sup>C NMR: 101 MHz) spectrometer or Varian-500 (<sup>1</sup>H NMR: 500 MHz; <sup>13</sup>C NMR: 126 MHz) spectrometers, calibrated from residual chloroform and deuterated chloroform as internal standards at 7.26 ppm for <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra and at 77.0 ppm for <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra, respectively. <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz on Varian-500) was recorded in CHCl<sub>3</sub> solvent using CDCl<sub>3</sub> (7.26 ppm) as an external standard. Low-resolution mass spectrum (LRMS) was recorded on Shimadzu GCMS-QP2010SE (EI, 70 eV). High-resolution mass spectrum (HRMS) was performed by the Natural Science Center for Basic Research and Development (N-BARD) of Hiroshima University using LTQ Orbitrap XL from Thermo Fisher Scientific.

#### Materials.

Nickel complexes were synthesized by the literature method.<sup>1</sup> CoCl(dmgH)<sub>2</sub>py,<sup>2</sup> Co(salen) derivatives,<sup>3</sup> and Me–Co(salen)(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sup>4</sup> were prepared by the reported methods. *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide (DMF) were dried over activated MS 4Å, distilled and stored with activated MS 4Å under argon. Unless otherwise noted, commercially available reagents were used as received without further purification.

# Representative procedure for the trideuteriomethylation of aryl halides (Table 1 by Co(salen)).

In an oven-dried Schlenk tube, Mn powder (110.0 mg, 2.0 mmol) was added and heated at 400 °C for 15 min under vacuum. After cooling, the Schlenk tube was charged with NiBr<sub>2</sub>bpy (37.5 mg, 0.1 mmol) and Co(salen) (32.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), and then heated again at ca. 80 °C under vacuum. After cooling, DMF (4 mL) and TMSCI (6.4  $\mu$ L) were poured and stirred for 10 min at room temperature. 4-Phenyl iodobenzene (**1a**, 280.1 mg, 1.0 mmol) and CD<sub>3</sub>OTs (283.9 mg, 1.5 mmol) were successfully added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 30 °C. The obtained mixture was diluted and quenched with ethyl acetate and brine. The aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic phase was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration and removal of the solvent, the residue was purified by a silica-gel column chromatography to get **3a**<sup>5</sup> as a white solid (Mp.: 255–255.5 °C) in 140.4 mg (82%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.61 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.32 (ddt, *J* = 7.9, 6.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.22 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  141.14, 138.34, 136.89, 129.46, 128.68, 126.97, 126.95, 126.94, 20.26 (hept, *J* = 19.3 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.31; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 171(M<sup>+</sup>, 100), 154 (11).

**3b**: Isolated as a colorless oil in 62% yield (137.1 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (s, 12H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  141.26, 134.77, 128.49, 83.59, 20.88 (hept, *J* = 19.0 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.33; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 221 (M<sup>+</sup>, 25), 206(29), 135(73), 122(100); HRMS calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>D<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>2</sub> [M<sup>+</sup>]: 221.1666, found: 221.1666.

**3c**: Isolated as a colorless oil in 40% yield (95.0 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCI<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.08 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 3.93 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.82 – 1.72 (m, 1H), 1.50 – 1.40 (m, 1H), 1.39 – 1.24 (m, 3H), 0.93 – 0.86 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (500 MHz, CHCI<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  157.29, 130.53, 126.68, 120.00, 110.87, 67.86, 31.83, 29.36, 29.28, 26.16, 22.67, 15.44 (hept. *J* = 19.3 Hz), 14.11; <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCI<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.22; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 223 (M<sup>+</sup>, 10), 111 (100); HRMS calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>D<sub>3</sub>O [M<sup>+</sup>]: 223.2015, found: 223.2015.

**3d**: Isolated as a colorless oil in 55 yield (103.0 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.36 –

7.27 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 7.07 (tt, J = 7.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.02 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 6.97 – 6.88 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  157.79, 154.69, 132.78, 130.21, 129.62, 122.76, 119.10, 118.31, 19.87 (hept, J = 19.2 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 2.21; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 187 (M<sup>+</sup>, 100), 169 (5), 94 (64), 77 (18); HRMS calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>9</sub>D<sub>3</sub>O [M<sup>+</sup>]: 187.1076, found: 187.1076.

#### A gram-scale procedure for the trideuteriomethylation of 1e.

In an oven-dried 50mL Schlenk tube, Mn powder (769.0 mg, 14.0 mmol) was added and heated at 400 °C for 15 min under vacuum. After cooling, the Schlenk tube was charged with NiBr<sub>2</sub>bpy (259.5 mg, 0.7 mmol) and Co(salen) (227.7 mg, 0.7 mmol), and then heated again at ca. 80 °C under vacuum. After cooling, DMF (28 mL) and TMSCI (20.0  $\mu$ L) were poured and stirred for 1 h at room temperature. **1e** (1.93 g, 7.0 mmol) and CD<sub>3</sub>OTs (1.99 g, 10.5 mmol) were successfully added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 h at 30 °C. The obtained mixture was diluted and quenched with ethyl acetate and brine. The aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic phase was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration and removal of the solvent, the residue was purified by a silica-gel column chromatography to get **3e** as a white solid (Mp.: 81–81.5 °C) in 87% yield (1.01 g); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.20 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 1.85 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.72 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  168.16, 135.33, 133.83, 129.46, 120.02, 24.49, 20.00 (hept, *J*= 19.3 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.34; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 166 (M<sup>+</sup>, 37), 124 (100); HRMS calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>D3NO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 167.1185, found: 167.1257.

**3f**: Isolated as a white solid (Mp.: 180–180.5 °C) in 65% yield (156.2 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.91–7.88 (m, 4H), 7.75–7.72 (m, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.72 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.43 138.08, 134.30, 131.83, 129.78, 128.97, 126.45, 123.68, 20.58 (hept, *J* = 19.3 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.37; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 240 (M<sup>+</sup>, 100), 196 (50); HRMS calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>8</sub>D<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> [M<sup>+</sup>]: 240.09878, found: 240.09878.

**3g**: Isolated as a yellow oil in 62% yield (123.5 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.88 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 197.86, 143.77, 134.74, 129.24, 128.43, 26.65 – 26.45 (m), 20.83 (hept, J = 19.5 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.49; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 137 (M<sup>+</sup>, 31), 122 (100);

HRMS calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>7</sub>D<sub>3</sub>O [M<sup>+</sup>]: 137.0920, found: 137.0925.

**3h**: Isolated as a colorless oil in 58% yield (137.7 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 7.15 (m, 2H), 6.84 (m, 2H), 3.96 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.81 (q, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.55–1.30 (m, 10H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  157.28, 130.52, 126.71, 126.67, 119.99, 110.87, 67.86, 31.82, 29.37, 29.36, 29.26, 26.15, 22.66, 15.42 (hept, *J* = 19.3 Hz), 14.10; <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.20; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 223 (M<sup>+</sup>, 9), 111 (100); HRMS calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>D<sub>3</sub>O [M<sup>+</sup>]: 223.2015, found: 223.2015.

**3i**: Isolated as a colorless oil in 61% yield (163.2 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.13 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 7.06 – 7.02(m, 1H), 6.85 – 6.78 (m, 1H), 1.35 – 1.26 (m, 3H), 1.12 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  154.32, 130.84, 128.43, 126.52, 120.57, 117.92, 18.04, 16.21 (hept, *J* = 19.8 Hz), 13.02; <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.20; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 267 (M<sup>+</sup>, 29), 224 (100), 196(56); HRMS calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>25</sub>D<sub>3</sub>OSi [M<sup>+</sup>]: 267.2098, found: 267.2097.

**3j**: Isolated as a colorless oil in 65% yield (129.5 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.82 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  198.65, 138.60, 137.72, 133.11, 130.97, 130.12, 128.52, 128.44, 125.18, 19.18 (hept, *J* = 19.3 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.28; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 199 (M<sup>+</sup>, 11), 197 (100), 121(70); HRMS calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>D<sub>3</sub>O [M<sup>+</sup>]: 199.1076, found: 199.1080.

**3k**: Isolated as a colorless oil in 58% yield (111.5 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 7.28 – 7.24(m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 3.67 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.72 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  137.92, 133.60, 130.35, 128.69, 125.84, 125.11, 48.33, 45.26, 25.99, 24.60, 10.14 (hept, *J* = 19.3); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.29; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 192 (M<sup>+</sup>, 42), 122 (100); HRMS calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>D<sub>3</sub>NO [M<sup>+</sup>]: 192.1342, found: 192.1344.

**3I**: Isolated as a white solid (Mp.: 179 – 179.5 °C) in 45% yield (108.1 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.96 – 7.80 (m, 4H), 7.37 – 7.21 (m, 4H), <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.34, 136.41, 134.30, 132.00, 131.13, 130.57, 129.43, 128.68, 126.87, 123.75, 17.23

(hept, J = 19.0 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.18; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 240 (M<sup>+</sup>, 89), 220 (100), 76 (64); HRMS calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>8</sub>D<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> [M<sup>+</sup>]: 240.0978, found: 240.0978.

**3m**: Isolated as a colorless oil in 48% yield (115.4 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.65 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.08 (m, 6H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (s, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.72 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  136.34, 135.57, 135.18, 130.38, 128.60, 127.95, 127.69, 127.35, 126.35, 121.61, 120.95, 119.50, 109.53, 101.57, 48.08, 18.26 (hept, *J* = 19.3 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.27; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 224 (M<sup>+</sup>, 34), 108 (100); HRMS calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>12</sub>D<sub>3</sub>N [M<sup>+</sup>]: 224.1393, found: 224.1393.

**3n**:<sup>5</sup> Isolated as a white solid (Mp.: 105–105.5 °C) in 60% yield (173.0 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.98 (dt, *J* = 8.3, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (dt, *J* = 7.4, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24 (td, *J* = 7.4, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  144.59, 135.38, 135.21, 131.76, 129.73, 126.70, 124.51, 123.04, 122.92, 119.34, 118.43, 113.63, 21.51, 8.92 (hept, *J* = 19.9 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.19; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 288 (M<sup>+</sup>, 28), 133 (100), 91 (23).

**3o**: Isolated as a yellow oil in 45% yield (65.8 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.77 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (ddt, *J* = 8.4, 6.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (tt, *J* = 6.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.40, 146.54, 134.69, 130.33, 129.14, 128.41, 128.11, 127.11, 126.52, 17.93 (hept, *J* = 19.7 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.60; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 146 (M<sup>+</sup>, 100), 118 (26), 91 (7); HRMS calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>D<sub>3</sub>N [M<sup>+</sup>]: 146.0923, found: 146.0922.

**3p**: Isolated as a red oil in 67% yield (133.5 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.78 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.48 (s, 2H), 7.31 – 7.24 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  196.51, 143.10, 137.91, 134.85, 132.13, 130.27, 129.90, 128.94, 128.17, 20.81 (hept, *J* = 19.6 Hz); <sup>2</sup>H NMR (77 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.41; EI-MS *m/z* (relative intensity): 199 (M<sup>+</sup>, 38), 181 (M<sup>+</sup>-CD<sub>3</sub>, 8), 122 (100), 105 (27), 94 (33), 77 (25);

HRMS calcd for  $C_{14}H_9D_3O$  [M<sup>+</sup>]: 199.1076, found: 199.1076

**4**:<sup>6</sup> Isolated as a white solid (Mp.81–81.5 °C) in 75% yield (122.4 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.21 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.86 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.72 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 170.71, 142.05, 137.60, 130.32, 126.80, 37.17, 21.04; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 163 (M<sup>+</sup>, 30), 120 (100), 91(22).

**5**:<sup>7</sup> Isolated as a colorless oil in 54% yield (142.8 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 7.13 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 7.04 – 7.02(m, 1H), 6.85 – 6.77(m, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.33 – 1.29(m, 3H), 1.12 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  154.31, 130.86, 128.54, 126.52, 120.58, 117.95, 18.04, 16.99, 13.05; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 264 (M<sup>+</sup>, 29), 221 (100).

**6**:<sup>8</sup> Isolated as a colorless oil in 63% yield (161.5 mg); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 7.91 – 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  166.98, 160.51, 136.56, 132.00, 129.16, 128.51, 127.90, 126.99, 126.90, 122.12, 110.44, 69.79, 51.74, 16.28; EI-MS m/z (relative intensity): 256 (M<sup>+</sup>, 5), 91 (100).

#### <sup>2</sup>H NMR monitoring of the reaction of CD<sub>3</sub>OTs with KI

In an oven-dried Schlenk tube, KI (84.0 mg, 0.50 mmol), DMF (2 mL), and CD<sub>3</sub>OTs (118  $\mu$ L, 0.75 mmol) were successfully added and then followed by stirring. A part of the mixture (ca. 100  $\mu$ L) was collected, diluted with chloroform to monitor by <sup>2</sup>H NMR using CDCl<sub>3</sub> as an external standard.



### <sup>2</sup>H NMR monitoring of the reaction of CD<sub>3</sub>OTs with MnI<sub>2</sub>

In an oven-dried Schlenk tube,  $MnI_2$  (77.0 mg, 0.25 mmol), DMF (1 mL), and CD<sub>3</sub>OTs (59  $\mu$ L, 0.38 mmol) were successfully added and then followed by stirring. A part of the mixture (ca. 100  $\mu$ L) was collected, passed through a short Celite-column, and diluted with chloroform to monitor by <sup>2</sup>H NMR using CDCI<sub>3</sub> as an external standard.



Stoichiometric reaction of 1e with Me–Co(salen) in the presence of NiBr<sub>2</sub>bpy and Mn powder (eq 1).



In an oven-dried Schlenk tube, Mn powder (274.0 mg, 5 mmol) and activated MS 4Å (80 mg) were added and heated at 400 °C for 15 min under vacuum. After cooling, the Schlenk tube was charged with NiBr<sub>2</sub>bpy (93.5 mg, 0.25 mmol), KI (42.0 mg, 0.25 mmol), DMF (1.0 mL), and TMSCI (38  $\mu$ L, 0.3 mmol) were successfully added and then followed by stirring for 10 min. 4-acetylmethylaminophenyl iodide (**1e**, 70.0 mg, 0.25 mmol) and Me–Co(salen)(H<sub>2</sub>O) (134.0 mg, 0.38 mmol) were added into the solution. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at 30 °C. The reaction mixture was quenched with water and poured EtOAc to dilute the mixture. The yield of the product **4** (22%) was estimated by gas chromatography using triisopropylbenzene as an internal standard.

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#### NMR chart for products







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