Supporting Information

Cp*Ir(III)-Catalyzed C-H/O-H Functionalization of Salicylaldehydes for the Synthesis of Chromones at Room Temperature

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1. H/D Exchange Experiment (Scheme 5a)

Iridium-Catalyzed H/D Exchange in salicylaldehyde 1a with CD₃COOD

To a dried screw capped vial with a spinvane triangular-shaped Teflon stirbar were added salicylaldehyde **1a** (12.2 mg, 0.10 mmol), $[Cp*IrCl_2]_2$ (2.0 mg, 2.5 mol %), CD_3COOD (2.0 equiv) and CD_3OD (0.6 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h, filtered through a pad of celite and the celite pad was washed with CHCl₃ (10 mL × 2). The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the extents of deuterium incorporation was measured by 1H NMR analysis of the crude mixture (Figure S1).

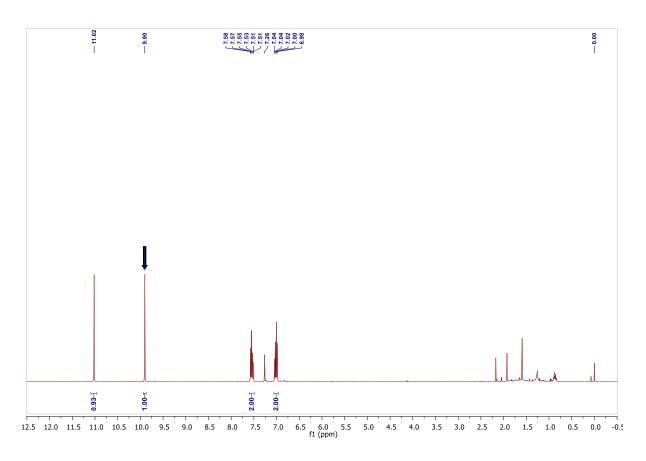


Figure S1. Crude ¹H NMR for H/D exchange experiment of **1a** with CD₃COOD in absence of **2a**.

2. Intermolecular Competitive Experiment (Scheme 5b)

To a dried screw capped vial with a spinvane triangular-shaped Teflon stirbar were added **1f** (15.2 mg, 0.10 mmol), **1g** (14.0 mg, 0.10 mmol), ethyl diazoacetate **2a** (23.4 mg, 0.15 mmol), [Cp*IrCl₂]₂ (2.0 mg, 2.5 mol %), PivOH (20.4 mg, 2.0 equiv.), and MeOH (0.6 mL) under air atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h, filtered through a pad of celite and then the celite pad was washed with CHCl₃ (10 mL × 2). The combined organic layers were removed under reduced pressure. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and dried under vacuo. The crude ¹H NMR was recorded to determine the ratio of the products **3fa** and **3ga** (Figure S2).

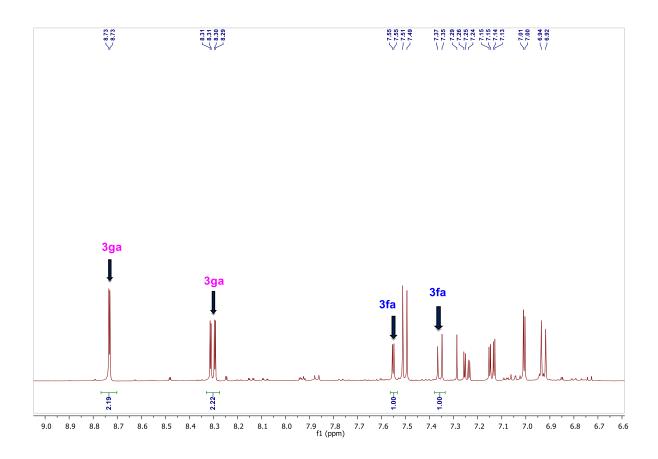


Figure S2. Crude ¹H NMR for intermolecular competitive experiment between 1f and 1g.

3. Intermolecular Kinetic Isotope Effect Experiments (Scheme 5c)

(A) Competitive reaction

To a dried screw capped vial with a spinvane triangular-shaped Teflon stirbar were added **1a** (24.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), **1a-D** (24.6 mg, 0.20 mmol), ethyl diazoacetoacetate **2a** (46.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), [Cp*IrCl₂]₂ (4.0 mg, 2.5 mol %), PivOH (40.4 mg, 2.0 equiv.), and MeOH (1.2 mL) under air atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 sec and immediately diluted with HPLC Hexane (15 mL) and transfered to 25 mL round bottom flask. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the desired **3aa** (9 mg, 19%) and unreacted mixture of **1a** and **1a-D** in 1:1.3 ratio as determined by ¹H NMR (*k*H/*k*D = 1.34) (Figure S3).

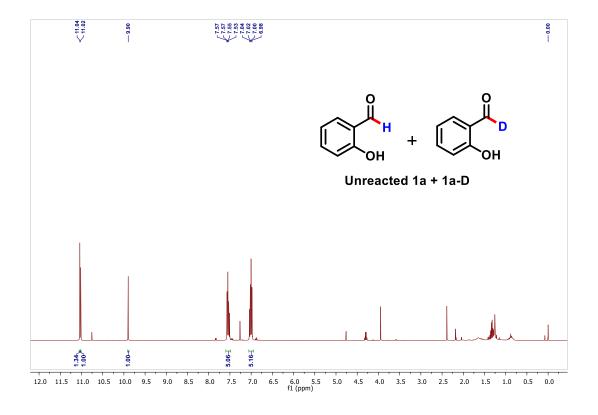


Figure S3. ¹H NMR for unreacted 1a and 1a-D from Intermolecular KIE Study.

(B) Parallel reactions

To a dried two separate screw capped vial with a spinvane triangular-shaped Teflon stirbar were added **1a** (24.4 mg, 0.20 mmol) and **1a-D** (24.6 mg, 0.20 mmol). Then in each vial were added ethyl diazoacetoacetate **2a** (46.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), [Cp*IrCl₂]₂ (4.0 mg, 2.5 mol %), PivOH (40.4 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and MeOH (1.2 mL) under air atmosphere. Both the reaction mixtures were stirred at room temperature for 30 sec and immediately diluted with HPLC Hexane (15 mL) and transfered to two different 25 mL round bottom flasks. The solvent was evaporated and the residues were purified separately by column chromatography. The reaction with **1a** afforded the desired **3aa** in 38% yield (18.0 mg) and the reaction with **1a-D** afforded the desired **3aa** in 26% yield (12.0 mg). **KIE** = **1.5**

Appendix I

Spectral Copies of ¹H and ¹³C NMR of Compounds Obtained in this study

