## Electronic Supplementary Information for

## Air Oxidative Radical Oxysulfurization of Alkynes Leading to

## $\alpha$-Thioaldehydes

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## SI-1. Optimization of the reaction conditions in detail

|  | $\mathrm{PhSH}+$ | $\mathrm{COO}^{\text {tBu }}$ | Condition |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Entry | Solvent | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ratio } \\ & (\mathbf{1 a : 2 a}) \end{aligned}$ | Temp <br> ( ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) | Time <br> (h) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Yield(\%) } \\ (\mathbf{3 a}) /(\boldsymbol{Z} \text { and } \boldsymbol{E})^{\mathrm{a}} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Yield(\%) } \\ (\mathbf{4 a})^{\text {a }} \end{gathered}$ |
| 1 | DMF | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 37 | 0 |
| 2 | Toluene | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 2.2 | 0 |
| 3 | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 29 | 0 |
| 4 | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | ${ }^{t} \mathrm{BuOH}$ | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 11 | 25 |
| 6 | 1,4-Dioxane | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 17 | 28 |
| 7 | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 15 | 29 |
| 8 | 1,2-dimethox yethane | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 14 | 21 |
| $9^{b}$ | DMF | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 30 | 0 |
| $10^{b}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 20 | 38 |
| $11^{\text {c }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 0 | 0 |
| $12^{\text {b }}$ | THF | 0.5:1 | 25 | 24 | 14 | 0 |
| $13^{b}$ | THF | 1:1 | 25 | 24 | 34 | 5 |
| $14^{b}$ | THF | 1.5:1 | 25 | 24 | 16 | 31 |
| $15^{b}$ | THF | 2.5:1 | 25 | 24 | 20 | 40 |
| $16^{\text {b }}$ | THF | 3:1 | 25 | 24 | 32 | 31 |
| $17^{\text {b,d }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| $18^{\text {b,d }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 4 | 29 | 0 |
| $19^{b, d}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 8 | 42 | 0 |
| $20^{\text {b,d }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 12 | 35 | 22 |
| $21^{\text {b,d }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 20 | 45 |
| $22^{e}$ | DMF | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 68 | 0 |
| $23^{b, d, e}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 24 | 25 | 75 |
| $24^{\text {b,d,e }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 48 | 2 | 98 |
| $25^{\text {b,d,e }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 72 | 9 | 90 |
| $26^{\text {b,e }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 0 |
| $27^{\text {b,e }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 13 | 48 | 27 | 0 |
| $28^{\text {b,e }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 48 | 0 | 77 |
| $29^{\text {b,e }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 40 | 48 | 70 | 25 |
| $30^{\text {b,e }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 60 | 48 | 86 | 1.4 |
| $31^{d, e, f}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 48 | 12 | 70 |
| $32^{\text {b, d,g }}$ | THF | 2:1 | 25 | 48 | 34 | 0 |

${ }^{a}$ Isolated yield. ${ }^{b}$ Addition of $5 \% \mathrm{~mol} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1 \mu \mathrm{~L}) .{ }^{c}$ Anhydrous THF. ${ }^{d}$ Gas chromatography yield. ${ }^{\mathrm{e}}$ Addition of $0.5 \% \mathrm{~mol}$ TBHP ( $1 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ). ${ }^{f}$ Addition of $4 \mu \mathrm{~L} \mathrm{H} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} .{ }^{g}$ Addition of $5 \% \mathrm{~mol}$ TBHP ( $10 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ).

The discussion of the reactions of 3-hydroxypropyne, $\alpha$-methoxypropyne and $\alpha$-tert-butoxypropyne with thiophenol

The reaction of 3-hydroxypropyne with thiophenol was complicated. It may be attributed to the $\alpha$-hydroxyl group can activate the $\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{C}$ triple bond thus leading to complicated mixtures. To support this, reactions of substrates such as $\alpha$-methoxypropyne and $\alpha$-tert-butoxypropyne were carried out and unsurprisingly, similar results were obtained. In the case of 5-hydroxypentyne (20), the hydroxy group is farther and could not activate the $\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{C}$ triple bond, instead directing the reaction to form selectively alkenylsulfide.


## Compound 4a




## Compound 4b




## Compound 4c




## Compound 4d




## Compound 4e




## Compound 4f




## Compound 4g




## Compounds 4h




## Compound 4i




## Compound 4k



## Compound 41




## Compound 3m



Compound 3n


## Compound 3o




## Compound 3p



## Compound 3ba




## Compound 4ba




Compound 3ca



## Compounds 4ca




## Compound 3da




## Compound 4ga




## Compound 4ha




## Compound 4ia




Compound 3ja



## Compound 4ja




Compound 2b'


## Compound 4b,



Compound 6


