Supporting Information

CO-Trapping Reaction under Thermolysis of Alkoxyamines.

Application to the Synthesis of 3,4-Cyclopenta-1-Tetralones

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¹H NMR spectra were recorded with a JEOL JMN ECP-500 General information. (500 MHz) spectrometer in CDCl₃. Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (δ) downfield from internal TMS at 0.00. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded with a JEOL JMN ECP-500 (125 MHz) spectrometer and referenced to the solvent peak at 77.00 ppm. Infrared spectra were obtained on a JASCO FT/IR 4100 spectrometer; absorptions are reported in reciprocal centimeters. Both conventional and high resolution mass spectra were recorded with a JEOL MS700 GPC was performed on a JAI LC-908 chromatograph with JAIGEL-1H + JAIGEL-2H columns. Alkoxyamines **1a-1h** were prepared from the corresponding benzyl bromides and TEMPO (2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine-1-oxyl) according the procedure described in reference 2. Alkoxyamine 1i was prepared from 6-bromo-6-phenyl-1-hexene¹ and the corresponding nitroxide according to the similar procedure. Products were purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (Kanto Chemical Co., Inc., Silica Gel 60N, 70-230 mesh).

Experimental procedure for carbonylation of 1a (entry 1 of Table 1).

A magnetic stirring bar, 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-(1-phenylhex-5-enoyloxy)piperidine 1a (157.7 mg, 0.50 mmol) and ^tBuOH (50 mL) were placed in a 100 mL stainless steel autoclave. The autoclave was closed, purged three times with carbon monoxide, pressurized to 85 atm of CO and then heated at 130 °C. After 12 h, excess CO was discharged at room temperature. And the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. After adding ether (5 mL) and 1%-NaOHaq (5 mL) to the residue, the aqueous phase was then separated, washed twice with ether, and acidified with 2M-HCl. solution was extracted with ether twice. The ether phase was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated *in vacuo*, to give carboxylic acid **4a** as the product (14.2) mg, 14%), which was essentially pure by NMR that there was no need for further On the other hand, the organic phase was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and then filtrated. After evaporation, tetrachloroethane (0.121 mmol) was added to the residue as a standard and the yield of 2a was determined to be 7% by NMR. After determining the NMR yield, the crude mixture was purified by column chromatography on slica gel (eluent: hexane/EtOAc = 10/1) to give **3a** (41.5 mg, 24%). The separation of the cis- and trans-isomers of 3a was achieved using a preparative HPLC.

trans-1-Phenyl-2-(2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-1-yloxy-carbonylmethyl)cyclopentane (trans-3a)

IR (neat) 1763 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.98 (s, 3.00H, C H_3), 1.01 (s, 3.00H, C H_3), 1.10 (s, 3.00H, C H_3), 1.11 (s, 3.00H, C H_3), 1.32-1.82 (m, 10.00H, C H_2), 2.04-2.22 (m, 3.00H, C H_2 CO, C H_2), 2.32-2.41 (m, 1.00H, CHCH₂CO), 2.45 (dd, J = 15.12, 3.67 Hz, 1.00H, C H_2 CO), 2.53-2.59 (m, 1.00H, PhC H_3), 7.19-7.32 (m, 5.00H, Ar H_3); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.03, 20.60, 23.79, 32.05, 32.32, 35.19, 37.17, 39.03, 44.30, 52.86, 59.96, 126.36, 127.64, 128.57, 144.02, 172.81; HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₂₂H₃₃NO₂ (M⁺) 343.2511, found 343.2513.

$cis-1-Phenyl-2-(2,2,6,6-tetramethyl) piperidin-1-yloxy-carbonyl methyl) cyclopentane \\ (cis-3a)$

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.97 (s, 3.00H, C H_3), 1.00 (s, 3.00H, C H_3), 1.08 (s, 3.00H, C H_3), 1.10 (s, 3.00H, C H_3), 1.35-2.03 (m, 13.00H, C H_2 CO, C H_2), 2.05-2.22 (m, 1.00H, C H_2 CO), 2.64-2.72 (m, 1.00H, C H_2 CO), 3.30-3.45 (m, 1.00H, PhC H_3), 7.17-7.32 (m, 5.00H, Ar H_3); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.03, 20.60, 23.55, 30.38, 31.45, 34.64, 39.04, 40.54, 44.30, 48.32, 59.97, 126.12, 128.27, 128.53, 142.94, 173.28.

2-Phenylcyclopentylacetic acid (4a)

IR (neat) 1707, 2400-3600 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.17-2.15 (m, 7.32H, C H_2 CO, trans, C H_2 CO, cis, C H_2), 2.20-2.32 (m, 0.68H, CHCH₂CO, trans), 2.41 (dd, J = 15.12, 4.12 Hz, 0.68H, C H_2 CO, trans), 2.48-2.66 (m, 1.00H, PhCH, trans, CHCH₂CO, cis), 3.26-3.32 (m, 0.32H, PhCH, cis), 7.10-7.38 (m, 5.00H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.50 (cis), 23.76 (trans), 30.05 (cis), 31.08 (cis), 32.16 (trans), 35.01 (trans), 35.88 (cis), 38.36 (trans), 40.42 (cis), 44.42 (trans), 48.18 (cis), 52.54 (trans), 126.24 (cis), 126.40 (trans), 127.61 (trans), 128.30 (cis), 128.45 (cis), 128.55 (trans), 142.59 (cis), 143.95 (trans), 179.64 (trans), 180.01 (cis); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₁₆O₂ (M⁺) 204.1150, found 204.1146.

Typical Procedure for 3,4-Cyclopenta-1-tetralones 2. A magnetic stirring bar, 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-(1-phenylhex-5-enoyloxy)piperidine **1a** (156.8 mg, 0.5 mmol) and ¹BuOH (50 mL) were placed in a 100 mL stainless steel autoclave. The autoclave was closed, purged three times with carbon monoxide, pressurized to 75 atm of CO, then

heated 130 °C (bath temp.) for 20 h. Excess CO was then discharged at room temperature. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. CF_3SO_3H (3 mL) was added to the residue, followed by stirring for 2 h at 50°C (bath temp). After quenching with ice, the solution was extracted with ether three times, the organic layer was washed with brine and then dried over Na_2SO_4 . After evaporation, the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane/EtOAc = 30/1) to give 2a (46.6 mg, 51%).

1,2,3,3a,4,9b-Hexahydro-cyclopenta[a]naphthalen-5-one (2a)

Obtained as a diastereomer mixture. mp 89-90 °C; IR (neat) 1682 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.20-2.08 (m, 5.65H, C H_2), 2.15-2.26 (m, 0.35H, C H_2 , cis), 2.31-2.46 (m, 1.30H, C H_2 CO, CHCH₂CO, trans), 2.53-2.80 (m, 1.70H, C H_2 CO, cis, CHCH₂CO, cis, CHPh, trans), 3.00 (dd, J = 16.96, 3.67 Hz, 0.65H, C H_2 CO, trans), 3.23-3.30 (m, 0.35H, CHPh, cis), 7.20-7.38 (m, 3.00H, ArH), 7.96 (d, J = 7.33 Hz, 0.35H, ArH, cis), 8.03 (d, J = 7.79 Hz, 0.65H, ArH, trans); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.21 (trans), 23.75 (cis), 28.41 (trans), 31.00 (trans), 31.41 (cis), 33.18 (cis), 38.61 (cis), 40.85 (cis), 42.86 (cis), 44.24 (trans), 45.51 (trans), 46.59 (trans), 126.24 (trans), 126.37 (cis), 126.50 (trans), 126.66 (cis), 127.64 (trans), 129.23 (cis), 131.61 (cis), 132.33 (trans), 133.54 (trans), 133.74 (cis), 146.34 (cis), 146.96 (trans), 199.03 (cis), 199.22 (trans); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₁₄O (M⁺) 186.1045, found 186.1044;

1,3,3a,9b-Tetrahydronaphtho[1,2-c]furan-5(4H)-one (2b)3

Obtained as a diastereomer mixture. IR (neat) 1686 cm⁻¹; ⁻¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.72-2.79 (m, 1.18H, C H_2 CO, cis), 2.99-3.08 (m, 0.59H, CHCH₂CO, cis), 3.00-3.04 (m, 0.82H, C H_2 CO, trans), 3.15-3.20 (m, 0.41H, CHCH₂CO, trans), 3.62-3.70 (m, 1.00H, PhCH), 3.72-3.92 (m, 2.00H, C H_2 O), 4.10 (dd, J = 8.71, 5.96 Hz, 0.59 H, C H_2 O, cis), 4.18 (t, J = 7.33 Hz, 0.41H, C H_2 O, trans), 4.33 (t, J = 8.25 Hz, 0.59H, C H_2 O, cis), 4.56 (t, J = 7.33 Hz, 0.41H, C H_2 O, trans), 7.07 (d, J = 7.79 Hz, 0.41H, ArH, trans), 7.26 (d, J = 7.79 Hz, 0.59H, ArH, cis), 7.36 (t, J = 7.79 Hz, 0.59H, ArH, cis), 7.40 (d, J = 7.79 Hz, 0.41H, ArH, trans), 7.52-7.57 (m, 1.00H, ArH), 8.00 (d, J = 7.79 Hz, 0.59H, ArH, cis), 8.07 (d, J = 7.79, 0.41H, ArH, trans); 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 38.47, 38.74, 41.39, 41.91, 43.40, 45.57, 70.06, 71.76, 73.39, 73.71, 125.74, 127.06, 127.36, 127.47, 128.21, 129.38, 131.60 (cis), 132.27 (trans), 133.84 (trans), 134.13 (cis), 141.63 (cis), 142.24 (trans), 197.16 (trans), 197.38 (cis); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₁₂H₁₂O₂ (M+) 188.0837, found 188.0830.

7-Methyl-1,2,3,3a,4,9b-hexahydro-cyclopenta[a]naphthalen-5-one (2c)

Obtained as a diastereomer mixture. mp 81-82 °C; IR (neat) 1682 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.18-2.05 (m, 5.67H, C H_2), 2.11-2.23 (m, 0.33H, C H_2 , cis), 2.25-2.41 (m, 1.34H, C H_2 CO, CHCH $_2$ CO, trans), 2.35 (s, 2.01H, PhC H_3 , cis), 2.37 (s, 0.99H, PhC H_3 , trans), 2.50-2.80 (m, 1.66H, C H_2 CO, cis, CHCH $_2$ CO, cis, CHPh, trans), 2.96 (dd, J = 16.96, 3.67 Hz, 0.67H, C H_2 CO, trans), 3.18-3.27 (m, 0.33H, CHPh, cis), 7.12-7.38 (m, 2.00H, ArH), 7.77 (s, 0.33H, ArH, cis), 7.84 (s, 0.67H, ArH, trans); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 20.09 (cis), 21.10 (trans), 22.23 (trans), 23.76 (cis), 28.51 (trans), 30.95 (trans), 31.23 (cis), 33.21 (cis), 38.72 (cis), 40.92 (cis), 42.51 (cis), 44.39 (trans), 45.53 (trans), 46.30 (trans), 126.17 (trans), 126.73 (cis), 127.86 (trans), 129.15 (cis), 131.40 (cis), 132.11 (trans), 134.37 (trans), 134.77 (cis), 136.02 (cis), 136.14 (trans), 143.44 (cis), 144.17 (trans), 199.26 (cis), 199.46 (trans); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₆O (M+) 200.1201, found 200.1194;

9-Methyl-1,2,3,3a,4,9b-hexahydro-cyclopenta[a]naphthalen-5-one (2d)

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Obtained as a diastereomer mixture. mp 105-107 °C; IR (neat) 1682 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.18-2.05 (m, 5.53H, C H_2), 2.22-2.58 (m, 1.53H, C H_2 , cis, C H_2 CO, trans, CHCH₂CO, trans), 2.36 (s, 1.41H, PhC H_3 , cis), 2.43 (s, 1.59H, PhC H_3 , trans), 2.60-2.82 (m, 1.94H, C H_2 CO, cis, CHCH₂CO, cis, CHPh, trans), 2.95 (dd, J= 16.04, 3.21 Hz, 0.53H, C H_2 CO, trans), 3.20-3.24 (m, 0.47H, CHPh, cis), 7.17-7.40 (m, 2.00H, ArH), 7.87 (d, J= 7.79 Hz, 0.47H, ArH, cis), 7.97 (s, J= 7.79 Hz 0.53H, ArH, trans); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 19.35 (cis), 21.78 (trans), 22.43 (trans), 23.27 (cis), 29.39 (cis), 30.17 (trans), 30.88 (trans), 31.65 (cis), 39.34 (cis), 40.09 (cis), 40.76 (cis), 44.02 (trans), 44.41 (trans), 46.81 (trans), 124.73 (cis), 126.01 (cis), 126.08 (trans), 126.27 (trans), 131.50 (cis), 133.59 (trans), 135.45 (cis), 136.14 (trans), 136.80 (cis), 136.84 (trans), 144.78 (cis), 145.03 (trans), 199.11 (cis), 199.36 (trans); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₆O (M⁺) 200.1201, found 200.1199;

6,8-Dimethyl-1,2,3,3a,4,9b-hexahydro-cyclopenta[a]naphthalen-5-one (2e)

Obtained as a diastereomer mixture. mp 82-84 °C; IR (neat) 1673 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.20-2.02 (m, 5.74H, C H_2), 2.12-2.24 (m, 0.26H, C H_2 , cis), 2.26-2.40 (m, 1.48H, C H_2 CO, CHCH $_2$ CO, trans), 2.31 (s, 0.78H, PhC H_3 , cis), 2.34 (s, 2.22H, PhC H_3 , trans), 2.50-2.73 (m, 1.52H, C H_2 CO, cis, CHCH $_2$ CO, cis, CHPh, trans), 2.56 (s, 0.78H, PhC H_3 , cis), 2.61 (s, 2.22H, PhC H_3 , trans), 2.93 (dd, J = 17.41, 4.58 Hz, 0.74H, C H_2 CO, trans), 3.17-3.22 (m, 0.26H, CHPh, cis), 6.68-6.92 (m, 2.00H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.53, 21.66, 22.44, 22.85, 23.15, 23.89, 28.97, 31.05, 31.88, 33.97, 38.15, 43.39, 43.66, 44.71, 47.00, 47.12, 124.66 (trans), 127.85 (cis), 128.14 (cis), 128.51 (trans), 130.96 (cis), 131.33 (trans), 140.18 (cis), 141.64 (trans), 142.87 (trans), 143.30 (cis), 147.65 (cis), 148.13 (trans), 200.68 (trans), 200.90 (cis); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₁₅H₁₈O (M+) 214.1358, found 214.1358;

7-Fluoro-1,2,3,3a,4,9b-hexahydro-cyclopenta[a]naphthalen-5-one (2f)

Obtained as a diastereomer mixture. mp 54-56 °C; IR (neat) 1690 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.35-2.08 (m, 5.59H, C H_2), 2.10-2.23 (m, 0.41H, C H_2 , cis), 2.28-2.43 (m, 1.18H, C H_2 CO, C H_2 CO, trans), 2.51-2.78 (m, 1.82H, C H_2 CO, cis, C H_2 CO, cis, C H_2 CO, cis, C H_2 Ph, trans), 3.00 (dd, J = 17.41, 3.67 Hz, 0.59H, C H_2 CO, trans), 3.18-3.26 (m, 0.41H, C H_2 Ph, cis), 7.17-7.32 (m, 2.00H, Ar H_1), 7.61 (dd, J = 9.17, 2.75 Hz, 0.41H, Ar H_1 , cis), 7.68 (dd, J = 9.17, 2.75 Hz, 0.59H, Ar H_1 , trans); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.12 (trans), 23.69 (cis), 28.61 (trans), 30.84 (trans), 31.24 (cis), 33.19 (cis), 38.64 (cis), 40.52 (cis), 42.27 (cis), 44.35 (trans), 45.20 (trans), 46.07 (trans), 112.52 (d, $^2J_{CF}$ = 22.07 Hz, cis), 113.79 (d, $^2J_{CF}$ = 22.07 Hz, trans), 120.53 (d, $^2J_{CF}$ = 22.07 Hz, trans), 121.03 (d, $^2J_{CF}$ = 22.07 Hz, cis), 128.12 (d, $^3J_{CF}$ = 7.68 Hz, trans), 131.07 (d, $^3J_{CF}$ = 7.68 Hz, cis), 133.19 (d, $^3J_{CF}$ = 6.72 Hz, cis), 134.06 (d, $^3J_{CF}$ = 5.76 Hz, trans), 142.00 (d, $^4J_{CF}$ = 2.88 Hz, cis), 142.75 (d, $^4J_{CF}$ = 2.88 Hz, trans), 161.56 (d, $^1J_{CF}$ = 245.68 Hz, trans), 161.77 (d, $^1J_{CF}$ = 246.64 Hz, cis), 197.92 (cis), 198.12 (trans); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₁₃FO (M⁺) 204.0950, found 204.0947

2,2-Dimethyl-1,2,3,3a,4,9b-hexahydro-cyclopenta[a]naphthalen-5-one (2g)

Obtained as a diastereomer mixture. IR (neat) 1684 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.05 (s, C H_3), 1.12 (s, C H_3), 1.13 (s, C H_3), 1.20 (s, C H_3), 1.34-1.43 (m, C H_2), 1.52 (dd, J=11.91, 11.91 Hz, C H_2), 1.79-1.85 (m, C H_2), 2.00 (dd, J=12.83, 7.33 Hz, C H_2), 2.10-2.23 (m, 0.54H, CHCH₂CO, trans), 2.20 (dd, J=11.91, 6.87 Hz, C H_2), 2.36 (dd, J=16.96, 13.29 Hz, 0.54H, C H_2 CO, trans), 2.60-2.69 (m, 0.92H, C H_2 CO, cis), 2.80-2.89 (m, 1.00H, CHCH₂CO, cis, PhC H_3 , trans), 2.92 (dd, J=16.96, 3.67 Hz, 0.54H, C H_3 CO, trans), 3.43-3.48 (m, 0.46H, PhC H_3 , cis), 7.18-7.50 (m, 3.00H, Ar H_3), 7.93 (d, J=7.79 Hz, 0.46H,

ArH, cis), 8.02 (d, J = 7.79 Hz, 0.54H, ArH, trans); 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 31.33, 31.46, 32.08, 32.21, 37.26, 38.08, 38.79, 41.77, 42.05, 43.73, 44.93, 45.43, 46.07, 47.09, 47.58, 48.99, 126.08 (trans), 126.26 (cis), 126.50 (trans), 126.58 (cis), 127.64 (trans), 129.14 (cis), 131.80 (cis), 132.37 (trans), 133.51 (trans), 133.69 (cis), 146.30 (cis), 147.07 (trans), 198.98 (cis), 199.02 (trans); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₁₅H₁₈O (M+) 214.1358, found 214.1357.

Spiro[cyclohexane-1,2'-(1',2',3',3a',4',9b'-hexahydro-cyclopenta[a]naphthalen-5'-one)] (2h)

Obtained as a diastereomer mixture. IR (neat) 1684 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.20-1.62 (m, C H_2), 1.73-1.94 (m, C H_2), 2.02-2.14(m, 0.42H, C H_2 CO,trans), 2.08 (dd, J=13.29, 7.79 Hz, C H_2), 2.29 (dd, J=13.27, 6.87 Hz, C H_2), 2.33 (dd, J=16.96, 13.29 Hz, 0.42H, C H_2 CO, trans), 2.58-2.68 (m, 1.16H, C H_2 CO, cis), 2.74-2.84 (m, 1.00H, PhC H_2 CO, trans, C H_2 CO,cis), 2.93 (dd, J=16.96, 3.67 Hz, 0.42H, C H_2 CO, trans), 3.35-3.39 (m, 0.58H, PhC H_2 Cis), 7.23-7.56 (m, 3.00H, Ar H_2), 7.95 (d, J=7.79 Hz, 0.58H, Ar H_2 Cis), 8.02 (d, J=7.79 Hz, 0.42H, Ar H_2 CH, trans); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.44, 23.63, 23.73, 24.78, 26.03, 26.06, 37.80, 39.69, 40.48, 40.73, 41.08, 41.50, 41.60, 41.76, 42.83, 42.88, 45.12, 45.51, 126.09 (trans), 126.30 (cis), 126.46 (trans), 126.67 (cis), 127.63 (trans), 129.15 (cis), 131.73 (cis), 132.39 (trans), 133.49 (trans), 133.68 (cis), 146.33 (cis), 147.21 (trans), 199.01 (cis), 199.09 (trans); HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₁₈H₂₂O (M+) 254.1671, found 254.1672.

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