

## **Supporting Information**

for

# Oxidation of benzylic alcohols to carbonyls using *N*-heterocyclic stabilized $\lambda^3$ -iodanes

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#### **1** General information

Unless otherwise stated, all reactions with moisture- or oxygen-sensitive reagents were performed using standard Schlenk techniques under a nitrogen or argon atmosphere. Reagents were used as received from their commercial supplier (abcr, Acros Organics, Alfa Aesar, Apollo Scientific, Carbolution Chemicals, Sigma Aldrich, TCI, fluorochem, BLD pharm). *m*CPBA was dried under vacuum ( $10^{-3}$  mbar) for 2 h before use. Anhydrous dichloromethane (DCM), acetonitrile (MeCN), tetrahydrofuran (THF) and toluene were obtained from an *inert* PS-MD-6 solvent purification system. All other solvents were dried using standard methods. [1] Unless otherwise stated, all yields refer to isolated yields of compounds estimated to be >95% pure as determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy.

Thin layer chromatography was performed on fluorescence indicator marked precoated silica gel 60 plates (Macherey-Nagel, ALUGRAM Xtra SIL G/UV<sub>254</sub>) and visualized by UV light (254 nm/366 nm). Flash column chromatography was performed on silica gel (0.040–0.063 mm) with the solvents given in the procedures.

<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, and <sup>19</sup>F spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance Neo 600-spectrometers. Chemical shifts for <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were reported as  $\delta$  (parts per million) relative to the residual proton signal in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 7.26 ppm (s), *d*<sub>4</sub>-MeOH at 3.31 ppm (quin.), *d*<sub>6</sub>-DMSO at 2.50 ppm (quin) or *d*<sub>3</sub>-MeCN at 1.94 ppm (quin). Chemical shifts for <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were reported as  $\delta$  (parts per million) relative to the signal of CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 77.0 ppm (t), CD<sub>3</sub>OD at 49.0 ppm (sept.), *d*<sub>6</sub>-DMSO at 39.5 ppm (sept.) or CD<sub>3</sub>CN at 118.26 ppm (s). <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra were reported as  $\delta$  (parts per million) relative to CFCl<sub>3</sub> at 0.00 ppm as external standard. The following abbreviations were used to describe splitting patterns: br = broad, s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, quin = quintet, sext. = sextet, sept = septet, m = multiplet. Coupling constants *J* are given in hertz.

HR-ESI mass spectra were recorded on a Bruker impact II. APCI mass spectra were recorded on an Advion Expression CMS<sup>L</sup> via ASAP probe or direct inlet. EI mass spectra were obtained from an Agilent 7890B GC System with an Agilent 5977A MSD mass spectrometer. All signals were reported with the quotient from mass to charge m/z. Many iodonium salts undergo reductive ring-opening reactions during HRMS measurement.

IR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet Thermo iS10 scientific spectrometer with a diamond ATR unit. The absorption bands were reported in cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Melting points were determined on a Büchi M-5600 melting point apparatus with a heating rate of 5 °C/min. The melting points were reported in °C. Most of the hypervalent iodine compounds underwent changes in appearance (e.g. softening) before final melting/decomposition.

Single crystals were grown from MeCN solution. A suitable crystal was selected and measured on a Bruker D8 Venture diffractometer. The crystal was kept at 100 K during data collection. Using Olex2 [2], the structure was solved with the ShelXT [3] structure solution program using intrinsic phasing and refined with the XL [4] refinement package using least squares minimization. The ORTEP drawing was made using the program Mercury from the CCDC.

#### 2 Synthesis of iodanes

#### 5-(2-Iodophenyl)-1H-tetrazole (6)

Following a literature known procedure [5] 2-iodobenzonitrile (4.58 g, 20.0 mmol), NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (2.14 g, 40.0 mmol) and NaN<sub>3</sub> (2.60 mmol, 40.0 mmol) were stirred in DMF (100 mL) at 130 °C



for 24 h. Water (300 mL) was added and afterwards acidified with aq. HCl (37%) to pH 1–2. The solution was stored at 4  $^{\circ}$ C for 18 h, the formed yellowish crystals were filtered, washed with water (3 × 50 mL) and dried in vacuum to obtain **6** (3.92 g, 14.4 mmol, 72%).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 8.09 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.35 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 5.7, 3.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 156.3, 139.8, 132.4, 131.2, 130.5, 128.5, 97.6. **MS** (ESI+) *m*/*z* 272.9 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2446, 1823, 1599, 1471, 1438, 1390, 1163, 1051, 989, 930, 770, 744, 714. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 222-223 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [5]

#### 3,6-Diphenyl-1,2,4,5-tetrazine (S1)

Following a literature known procedure [6] to a suspension of Zn(OTf)<sub>2</sub> (505 mg, 1.50 mmol) in benzonitrile (3.09 mL, 30.0 mmol)

under an Ar atmosphere was added hydrazine hydrate (7.2 mL, 150 mmol) and the mixture was stirred at 90 °C for 4 h. The reaction was cooled to 0 °C, added to a solution of sodium nitrate (90 mL, 1.0 M) and HCl (2.0 M) was added dropwise until pH 3 was achieved. The mixture was extracted with dichloromethane (4 × 300 mL), the combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified via column chromatography on silica (Cy 98:2 EtOAc) to obtain 3,6-diphenyl-1,2,4,5-tetrazine (**S1**, 3.29 g, 14.0 mmol, 47%) as a purple solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.66 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 4H), 7.91 – 7.49 (m, 6H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 164.1, 132.8, 131.9, 129.5, 128.1. **MS** (ESI+) *m*/*z*  235.0  $[M+H]^+$ . **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3071, 3016, 2970, 1738, 1374, 1217, 917, 765, 685. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 189-190 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [6]

## 3-(2-Iodophenyl)-6-phenyl-1,2,4,5-tetrazine (S2a) and 3,6-bis(2-iodophenyl)-1,2,4,5-tetrazine (S2b)

Following a literature known procedure [7] 3,6-diphenyl-1,2,4,5-tetrazine (**S1**, 1.40 g, 6.00 mmol), NIS (1.35 g, 6.00 mmol) and Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (134 mg, 600  $\mu$ mol) were dissolved in AcOH (48 mL) and

stirred for 25 min under microwave irradiation (1200 W) at 100 °C. The reaction was cooled to room temperature, water (200 mL) was added and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 200 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified via column chromatography on silica (Cy 98:2 EtOAc) to obtain 3-(2-iodophenyl)-6-phenyl-1,2,4,5-tetrazine (**S2a**, 808 mg, 2.24 mmol, 37%) as a purple solid and 3,6-bis(2-iodophenyl)-1,2,4,5-tetrazine (**S2b**, 378 mg, 778 µmol, 13%) as a purple solid (more polar).

#### S2a

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.73 – 8.70 (m, 2H), 8.12 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.70 – 7.62 (m, 3H), 7.61 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** 

(151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 167.4, 163.3, 141.2, 133.1, 132.4, 131.6, 129.5, 129.4, 128.8, 128.5, 128.1, 95.7. **MS** (ESI+) *m*/*z* 360.9 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3027, 2970, 1738, 1431, 1217, 909, 766, 690. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 102-103 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [8]

#### S2b

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 8.13 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 8.08 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 7.4, 1.7 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 166.8, 141.2, 137.1, 132.8, 132.0, 128.8, 96.1. **MS** (ESI+) *m*/*z* 486.8

 $[M+H]^+$ . **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3016, 1739, 1585, 1379, 1217, 1010, 892, 750, 713. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 122-123 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [8]

#### 5*H*-5λ<sup>3</sup>-Benzo[4,5][1,2]iodazolo[2,3-*d*]tetrazol-5-ol (1a)

Following a known procedure [9] iodoarene **6** (1.63 g, 6.00 mmol) and Oxone monohydrate (1.85 g, 3.00 mmol) were suspended in water (12 mL) and the mixture was stirred at 75 °C for 4 h. The reaction was

filtered at room temperature, washed with water (2  $\times$  10 mL), MeCN (2  $\times$  10 mL) and S4







Et<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL) over an air steam (no high vacuum) to obtain **1a** (1.50 g, 5.21 mmol, 87%) as a colorless powder.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 8.96 (s, 1H), 8.27 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 160.1, 132.0, 131.2, 127.4, 127.2, 126.0, 121.3. **HRMS** (ESI+) Calculated for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>6</sub>IN<sub>4</sub>O<sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> *m*/*z* 288.9581, found *m*/*z* 288.9579. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2843, 2409, 1456, 1425, 1217, 1110, 1066, 996, 776, 736. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 222-224 °C (decomposition). Caution. The compound in known to explode under rapid heating! The data is in accordance with the literature. [9]

#### (2-(2*H*-Tetrazol-5-yl)phenyl)(hydroxy)- $\lambda^3$ -iodaneyl triflate (1b)

Following a modified literature procedure [5] iodoarene **6** (544 mg, 2.00 mmol) and *m*CPBA (85%, 449 mg, 2.20 mmol) were dissolved in

DCM (10 mL) and TfOH (264  $\mu$ L, 3.00 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at 40 °C for 2 h, stored at 4 °C for 30 min, filtered, washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 × 2 mL) and dried to obtain **1b** (623 mg, 1.42 mmol, 71%) as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 8.26 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (td, *J* = 8.2, 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 160.1, 132.1, 131.2, 127.5, 127.2, 125.9, 121.3, 120.7 (q, *J* = 322.4 Hz). <sup>19</sup>**F NMR** (565 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) -77.7. **HRMS** (ESI+) Calculated for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>6</sub>IN<sub>4</sub>O<sup>+</sup> [M-OTf]<sup>+</sup> *m*/*z* 288.95809, found *m*/*z* 288.95792. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3084, 2915, 2765, 1604, 1473, 1269, 1212, 1020, 984, 739. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 155 °C (slow explosion!).

#### Hydroxy(2-(6-phenyl-1,2,4,5-tetrazin-3-yl)phenyl)-λ<sup>3</sup>-iodaneyl triflate (1c)

Following a modified literature procedure [5] iodoarene **S2a**  $HO-I^+$  (360 mg, 1.00 mmol) and *m*CPBA (85%, 225 mg, 1.10 mmol) were dissolved in DCM (7 mL) and TfOH (88.2 µL, 1.00 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, stored at 4 °C for 30 min, filtered, washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 × 2 mL) and dried to obtain **1c** (476 mg, 905 µmol, 91%) as red solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN) δ (ppm) 9.13 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.63 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 8.25 – 8.16 (m, 2H), 8.04 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 6.5,

1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN)  $\delta$  (ppm) 166.7, 159.3, 138.6, 135.6, 133.3, 131.8, 131.1, 131.0, 129.7, 128.5, 117.9 (one signal could not be detected and is probably overlapping with the solvent signal). <sup>19</sup>**F NMR** (565 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN)  $\delta$  (ppm) -77.7. **HRMS** (ESI+) Calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>10</sub>IN<sub>4</sub>O<sup>+</sup> [M-OTf]<sup>+</sup>







*m*/*z* 376.9894, found *m*/*z* 376.9883. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3016, 1737, 1445, 1390, 1217, 1154, 1025, 742. M<sub>P</sub>: 165-166 °C (decomposition).

#### Hydroxy(2-(6-phenyl-1,2,4,5-tetrazin-3-yl)phenyl)- $\lambda^3$ -iodaneyl tosylate (1d)

Following a modified literature procedure [5] iodoarene S2a (54.0 mg, 150 µmol) and *m*CPBA (85%, 33.7 mg, 165 µmol) were dissolved in DCM (1 mL) and TfOH (13.3 µL, 150 µmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, stored at 4 °C for 30 min, filtered, washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 x 2 mL) and dried to obtain 1d (66.1 mg, 121 µmol, 80%) as a red solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN) δ (ppm) 9.11 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 8.62 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 8.25 – 8.13 (m, 2H), 8.02 (ddd, J = 8.0, 6.1, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN) δ (ppm) 166.9, 159.4, 142.7, 141.6, 138.7, 135.7, 133.4, 131.9, 131.2, 131.1, 130.1, 129.8, 128.6, 126.9, 118.0, 21.4 (one signal could not be detected and is probably overlapping with the solvent signal). HRMS (ESI+) Calculated for C14H10IN4O<sup>+</sup> [M-OTf]<sup>+</sup> *m*/*z* 376.9894, found *m*/*z* 376.9893. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3016, 1739, 1448, 1366, 1217, 1034, 1008, 685. M<sub>P</sub>: 139-140 °C (decomposition).

#### ((1,2,4,5-Tetrazine-3,6-diyl)bis(2,1phenylene))bis(hydroxy- $\lambda^3$ -iodanediyl) bistriflate (1e)

Following a modified literature procedure [5] iodoarene S2b (97.2 mg, 200 µmol) and *m*CPBA (85%, 89.8 mg, 440 µmol) were dissolved in MeCN (1 mL) and TfOH

(88.4 µL, 440 µmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 mL) was added and the suspension was filtered, washed with  $Et_2O(2 \times 2 mL)$  and dried to obtain 1e (161 mg, 197 µmol, 99%) as a yellow solid.



<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN) δ (ppm) 9.03 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H),

8.29 (ddd, J = 8.7, 7.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.12 – 8.02 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN) δ (ppm) 162.2, 140.0, 133.8, 132.8, 128.6, 127.5, 119.0. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN) δ (ppm) -79.3. Measurement of <sup>13</sup>C NMR was challenging due to poor solubility and slow decomposition in CD<sub>3</sub>CN and fast decomposition in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> and CD<sub>3</sub>OD. The following data were recorded with a few additional drops of trifluoroacetic acid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN) δ (ppm) 9.02 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 8.28



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(t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.08 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C** NMR (151 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN)  $\delta$  (ppm) 162.4, 140.2, 134.0, 133.0, 128.8, 127.6, 119.0. <sup>19</sup>**F** NMR (565 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>CN)  $\delta$  (ppm) -79.6. HRMS (ESI+) Calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>I<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M-2OTf-H-N<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 490.8748, found *m/z* 490.8739. (One of the iodine atoms is reduced to I(I) and in the tetrazine moiety N<sub>2</sub> is substituted by an oxygen.) **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3067, 1589, 1489, 1406, 1280, 1240, 1155, 1024, 765, 709. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 160-161 °C.

#### ((1,2,4,5-Tetrazine-3,6-diyl)bis(2,1-phenylene))bis(mesityliodonium) bistriflate (S3)



Note: No HRMS could be measured of compound **1e**. To proof the successful synthesis of **1e** this iodane was transferred into the bismesitylene salt **S3**.



To a mixture of **1i** (81.2 mg, 100  $\mu$ mol) and mesitylene (43.2  $\mu$ L, 240  $\mu$ mol) in MeCN (0.5 mL) was added TfOH (26.5  $\mu$ L,

 $300 \mu$ mol) and the reaction was stirred for 24 h at room temperature. The suspension was filtered, washed with MeCN (1 mL), Et<sub>2</sub>O (1 mL) and was dried to obtain **S3** (97.2 mg, 950 µmol, 95%) as pink solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (601 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 9.00 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (s, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (s, 6H), 2.44 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 161.38, 144.72, 142.87, 137.16, 132.50, 132.25, 130.94, 130.37, 130.27, 121.08, 120.7 (q, *J* = 322.3 Hz), 111.79, 26.18, 20.82. <sup>19</sup>**F NMR** (565 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) -77.8. **HRMS** (ESI+) Calculated for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>30</sub>I<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub><sup>2+</sup> [M-2OTf]<sup>2+</sup> *m/z* 362.0275, found *m/z* 362.0271. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3086, 2958, 2919, 1588, 1444, 1392, 1256, 1142, 1029, 769, 704. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 256 - 257 °C (slow explosion!).

## **3 Optimization data**

#### Temperature

	ОН ]	<b>1a</b> (1.0 equiv.) AICI <sub>3</sub> (1.0 equiv.), EtOAc <i>T</i> , 18 h	
R = Me) 3a (R = Me) 3b (R = Cl)		then Me <sub>2</sub> S (2.0 equiv.)	4a 4b
Substrate	R	<i>T</i> [°C]	Yield <b>4a/4b</b> [%]
3a	Me	rt	21
3a	Me	50	55
3a	Me	60	61
3a	Me	70	58
3a	Me	60	65ª
3b	Cl	rt	8
3b	Cl	50	39
3b	C1	60	43
3b	Cl	70	26
3b	C1	60	<b>39</b> ª

Reaction conditions: Iodane **1a** (100  $\mu$ mol, 28.8 mg), alcohol **3a** (100  $\mu$ mol, 12.2 mg) or **3b** (100  $\mu$ mol, 14.3 mg), respectively and AlCl<sub>3</sub> (100  $\mu$ mol, 13.3 mg) were stirred with EtOAc (1 mL) as solvent for 18 h at the given temperature. Me<sub>2</sub>S (200  $\mu$ mol, 14.7  $\mu$ L) was added, stirred for 5 min and then the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> and the yield was determined using tetraethylsilane as standard. a: 2.5 h reaction time.

#### Additive and solvent

	OH add solv	1a (1.0 equiv.) ditive (1.0 equiv.) vent, 60 °C, 2.5 h ►		0
R <sup>°</sup> 3a, 3b,	R = Me R = Cl	R	4a 4b	
Entry	Additivo	Columnt	Yiel	d [%]
Entry	Additive	Solvent	4a	4b
1	AlCl <sub>3</sub>	EtOAc	65	39
2	TsOH·H2O	EtOAc	1	1
3	NaOTs	EtOAc	1	1
4	TBAF	EtOAc	9	19
5	TBACl	EtOAc	67	62
6	TBABr	EtOAc	58	47
7	TBAI	EtOAc	40	36
8	NH4Cl	EtOAc	37	26
9	HCl	EtOAc	82	44
10	HCl	TFE	1	-
11	HCl	MeCN	72	-
12	HCl	Toluene	20	-
13	HCl	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	49	-
14	HCl	MeOH	48	-
15	HCl	EtOAc/MeCN	79	-
		(1:1)		
16	HCl	$H_2O$	1	-
17	TBACl	MeCN	64	69
18	TBACl	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	-	32
19	TBACl	EtOAc/MeCN	-	55
		(1:1)		
20	TBACl	H <sub>2</sub> O	-	2

Reaction conditions: **1a** (100  $\mu$ mol), **3a/3b** (100  $\mu$ mol) and the additive (100  $\mu$ mol) were stirred in the given solvent (1 mL) at 60 °C for 2.5 h and quenched with Me<sub>2</sub>S (200  $\mu$ mol). The yield was determined via <sup>1</sup>H NMR using tetraethylsilane as an internal standard.

#### Concentration

	ОН	<b>1a</b> (1.0 equiv for <b>3a</b> : HCl (1.0 equiv for <b>3b</b> : TBACl (1.0 equ 60 °C, 2.5 h	.) x.), EtOAc iv.), MeCN	O I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I
R → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → →		then Me <sub>2</sub> S (2.0 e	R 4a 4b	
Substrate	R	<i>c</i> [mM]	<b>4a</b> [%]	<b>3a</b> [%]
3a	Me	1.00	81	2
3a	Me	0.50	78	3
3a	Me	0.20	80/78	2/2
3a	Me	0.10	76	2
3a	Me	0.05	68	15
3a	Me	0.02	47	45
3b	Cl	0.05	65	30
3b	Cl	0.10	72/68	23/19
3b	Cl	0.20	81	18
3b	Cl	1.00	75	18

Reaction conditions: Iodane **1a** (100  $\mu$ mol, 28.8 mg), alcohol **3a** (100  $\mu$ mol, 12.2 mg) or **3b** (100  $\mu$ mol, 14.3 mg), respectively and additive (100  $\mu$ mol) were stirred with EtOAc or MeCN as solvent for 2.5 h at 60 °C. Me<sub>2</sub>S (200  $\mu$ mol, 14.7  $\mu$ L) was added, stirred for 5 min and then the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> and the yield was determined using tetraethylsilane as standard.

#### **Equivalents of additive TBACl**

CI 3b	<b>1a</b> (1.0 equiv.) TBACI, MeCN 60 °C, 2.5 h Me <sub>2</sub> S (2.0 equiv.)	CI 4b
equiv <i>n</i> Bu₄NC	Cl 4b [%]	<b>3b</b> [%]
0.5	47	45
1.0	72/68	23/19
1.25	73	25
1.5	69	30
2.0	73	27

Iodane **1a** (100 µmol, 28.8 mg), alcohol **3b** (100 µmol, 14.3 mg), and TBACl were stirred with MeCN (0.5 mL) as solvent for 2.5 h at 60 °C. Me<sub>2</sub>S (200 µmol, 14.7 µL) was added, stirred for 5 min and then the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in DMSO- $d_6$  and the yield was determined using tetraethylsilane as standard.

#### **Equivalents of iodane**

ОН	<b>1a</b> for <b>3a</b> : HCl (1.0 equiv.), EtOAc for <b>3b</b> : TBACl (1.0 equiv.), MeCN 60 °C, 2.5 h		O I I I	
R		then Me <sub>2</sub> S (2.0 equiv.)	R ↓ 4a 4b	
Substrate	R	equiv of <b>1a</b>	Yield <b>4a/4b</b> [%]	
3a	Me	1.0	84	
3a	Me	1.2	86	
3a	Me	1.4	90	
3a	Me	1.6	86	
3b	Cl	1.0	70	
3b	Cl	1.2	71	
3b	C1	1.4	78	
3b	Cl	1.6	69	

Reaction conditions: Iodane **1a**, alcohol **3a** (100  $\mu$ mol, 12.2 mg) or **3b** (100  $\mu$ mol, 14.3 mg), respectively and additive (100  $\mu$ mol) were stirred with EtOAc or MeCN (0.5 mL) as solvent for 2.5 h at 60 °C. Me<sub>2</sub>S (200  $\mu$ mol, 14.7  $\mu$ L) was added, stirred for 5 min and then the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> and the yield was determined using tetraethylsilane as standard.

## 4 Oxidation of benzylic alcohols

#### 4.1 General procedure for oxidation of electron-rich alcohols (GP A)

Iodane **1a** (700  $\mu$ mol, 201 mg, 1.40 equiv) and alcohol (500  $\mu$ mol, 1.00 equiv) were dissolved/suspended in EtOAc (2.5 mL) in a screw cap vial and aq. HCl (37%, 500  $\mu$ mol, 41.6  $\mu$ L, 1.00 equiv) was added. The reaction was stirred for 2.5 h at 60 °C, then Me<sub>2</sub>S (1.40, 104  $\mu$ L, 2.80 equiv) was added and stirring was continued for 5 min. Then, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the reaction was purified on column chromatography with silica to obtain the pure aldehyde.

#### 4.2 General procedure for oxidation of electron-poor alcohols (GP B)

Iodane **1a** (700  $\mu$ mol, 201 mg, 1.40 equiv) and alcohol (500  $\mu$ mol, 1.00 equiv) were dissolved/suspended in MeCN (2.5 mL) in a screw cap vial and TBACl (500  $\mu$ mol, 139 mg, 1.00 equiv) was added. The reaction was stirred for 2.5 h at 60 °C, then Me<sub>2</sub>S (1.40, 104  $\mu$ L, 2.80 equiv) was added and stirring was continued for 5 min. Then, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the reaction was purified on column chromatography with silica to obtain the pure aldehyde.

#### 4.3 Substrate scope

#### 4-Methylbenzaldehyde (4a)

Following **GP A** the aldehyde **4a** (50.2 mg, 418  $\mu$ mol, 84%) was obtained as a colorless solid. Additionally, the iodoarene **6** (172 mg, 633  $\mu$ mol, 90%) was reisolated as a colorless solid.



<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 9.97 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 192.1, 145.7, 134.4, 130.0, 129.9, 22.0. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 119.09 [M-H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3027, 2970, 2822, 2732, 1701, 1603, 1365, 1207, 1167, 846, 806, 757. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 109-110 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [10]

#### 4-Chlorobenzaldehyde (4b)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde **4b** (57.2 mg, 407 µmol, 81%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 9.98 (s, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 191.0, 141.1, 134.9, 131.0, 129.6. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 138.95 [M-H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2810, 2551, 1674, 1590, 1421, 1281, 1091, 923, 851, 758. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 46-47 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [11]

#### 4-Bromobenzaldehyde (4c)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde **4c** (81.1 mg, 438 µmol, 88%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.97 (s, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 191.2, 135.2, 132.6, 131.1, 129.9. **MS** (EI) m/z 182.90 [M-H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2956, 1678, 1585, 1279, 1065, 1010, 811, 755. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 51-52 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [11]

#### 4-Iodobenzaldehyde (4d)

Following **GP A** the aldehyde **4d** (87.2 mg, 376 µmol, 75%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (ppm)  $\delta$  9.95 (s, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 191.5, 138.5, 135.7, 130.9, 103.0. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 231.95 [M]<sup>+•</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2966, 1657, 1255, 1060, 1015, 821. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 83-84 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [11]

#### 4-Nitrobenzaldehyde (4e)

Following **GPB** the aldehyde **4e** (51.8 mg, 343 µmol, 69%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 10.15 (s, 1H), 8.39 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 190.4, 151.2, 140.2, 130.6, 124.4. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 150.96 [M]<sup>+•</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3211, 2955, 1703, 1525, 1342, 1194, 848, 812, 737, 677. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 105-106 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [11]

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#### 4-Formylbenzonitrile (4f)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde **4f** (52.2 mg, 398 µmol, 80%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 10.10 (s, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 190.7, 138.9, 133.1, 130.0, 117.8, 117.8. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 130.02 [M-H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3£94, 2850, 2745, 2229, 1700, 1607, 1571, 1385, 1296, 1201, 1172, 828, 737. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 100-101 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [11]

#### 2-Iodobenzaldehyde (4g)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde **4g** (49.5 mg, 213 µmol, 43%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 10.06 (s, 1H), 7.95 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 195.9, 140.8, 135.6, 135.3, 130.4, 128.8, 100.8. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2849, 2746, 1682, 1578, 1388, 1261, 1200, 1016, 821, 747, 671. **MS** (EI) m/z = 231.96 [M]<sup>+•</sup>. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 36 - 37 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [12]

#### [1,1'-Biphenyl]-2-carbaldehyde (4h)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde **4h** (77.3 mg, 424 µmol, 85%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.99 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td, J = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.42 (m, 5H), 7.39 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 192.6, 146.1, 137.8, 133.8, 133.7, 130.9, 130.2, 128.5, 128.2, 127.9, 127.7. **MS** (EI) m/z 180.94 [M-H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3059, 2843, 2750, 1687, 1595, 1194, 745, 700. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 47-48 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [13]

#### 2-(Trifluoromethyl)benzaldehyde (4j)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde 4j (48.9 mg, 264 µmol, 53%) was obtained as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 10.41 (q, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.30 – 7.98 (m, 1H), 7.89 – 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.75 – 7.57 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 189.1, 133.9, 133.8, 132.5, 131.2 (q, J = 32.2 Hz), 129.2, 126.3 (q, J = 5.7 Hz), 123.9 (q, J = 274.4 Hz). <sup>19</sup>**F NMR** (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) -55.55 (d, J = 2.2 Hz). **MS** (EI) m/z 172.99 [M-H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** 

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(ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2895, 2657, 1702, 1416, 1275, 1126, 1037, 892, 764, 677. The data is in accordance with the literature. [14]

#### 3-(Trifluoromethyl)benzaldehyde (4k)

Following **GPB** the aldehyde **4k** (73.2 mg, 420  $\mu$ mol, 84%) was obtained as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 10.08 (s, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 190.9, 136.9, 132.8, 132.0 (q, *J* = 33.3 Hz), 131.0 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 129.9, 126.6 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 123.7 (q, *J* = 272.6 Hz). <sup>19</sup>**F NMR** (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) -63.0. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 173.00 [M-H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2928, 2850, 2739, 1704, 1326, 1166, 1122, 1069, 802, 694. The data is in accordance with the literature. [15]

#### 4-(Trifluoromethyl)benzaldehyde (41)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde **4l** (61.8 mg, 355 µmol, 71%) was obtained as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 10.11 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 191.3, 138.8, 135.8 (q, *J* = 32.7 Hz), 130.1, 126.3 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 123.6 (q, *J* = 272.9 Hz). **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 172.98 [M-H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2836, 2741, 1707, 1513, 1424, 1389, 1320, 1166, 1123, 1062, 1016, 832, 759. The data is in accordance with the literature. [14]

#### 2,6-Dichlorobenzaldehyde (4m)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde **4m** (34.2 mg, 195 µmol, 39%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 10.49 (s, 1H), 8.06 – 6.89 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 188.9, 137.0, 133.7, 130.6, 129.9. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 172.92 [M-H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3093, 2892, 1698, 1576, 1434, 1185, 1093, 775, 660. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 68 - 69 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [16]

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#### 2-Naphthaldehyde (4n)

Following **GPB** the aldehyde **4n** (34.7 mg, 222 µmol, 44%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 10.16 (s, 1H), 8.34 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.98 – 7.87 (m, 3H), 7.65 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 6.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 6.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 192.4, 136.6, 134.7, 134.3, 132.8, 129.7, 129.3, 129.2, 128.2, 127.2, 122.9. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 156.03 [M]<sup>+•</sup> **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3061, 2923, 2869, 1683, 1594, 1318, 1219, 989, 810, 752. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 61 - 62 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [17]

#### Picolinaldehyde (40)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde **4o** (46.4 mg, 433 µmol, 87%) was obtained as a yellowish oil.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 10.09 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 8.80 (ddd, J = 4.8, 1.7, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (dt, J = 7.7, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (tdd, J = 7.7, 1.7, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (ddd, J = 7.6, 4.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 193.3, 152.7, 150.1, 137.0, 127.8, 121.6. **MS** (EI) m/z 107.00 [M]<sup>+•</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3015, 2970, 2840, 1710, 1365, 1216, 994, 737. The data is in accordance with the literature. [18]

#### Nicotinaldehyde (4p)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde **4p** (34.4 mg, 321 µmol, 64%) was obtained as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 10.12 (s, 1H), 9.08 (dd, *J* = 2.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 8.85 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (dt, *J* = 7.9, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (ddt, *J* = 7.8, 4.8, 0.7 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 190.8, 154.9, 152.2, 136.0, 131.6, 124.3. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 107.01 [M]<sup>+•</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3381, 2840, 1698, 1588, 1427, 1210, 1024, 831, 700. The data is in accordance with the literature. [10]

#### trans-2-Phenylcyclopropane-1-carbaldehyde (4r)

Following **GP B** the aldehyde 4r (36.8 mg, 264 µmol, 53%) was obtained as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.33 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (ddd, *J* = 9.2, 6.7, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (dddd, *J* = 8.4, 5.2, 4.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.74 (dtd, *J* = 9.2, 5.1, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 1.53 (ddd,

0 II *J* = 8.2, 6.7, 5.0 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 199.8, 139.1, 128.7, 126.9, 126.4, 33.9, 26.7, 16.5. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 145.03 [M-H]<sup>+</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3030, 2832, 2730, 1695, 1604, 1498, 1443, 1180, 1079, 1055, 1028, 922, 755, 695. The data is in accordance with the literature. [19]

#### 1-(*p*-Tolyl)ethan-1-one (4t)

Following **GP A** the ketone **4t** (65.2 mg, 486  $\mu$ mol, 97%) was obtained as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 198.0, 144.0, 134.8, 129.3, 128.5, 26.6, 21.7. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 134.11 [M]<sup>+•</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3003, 2970, 2923, 1677, 1605, 1356, 1266, 953, 812. The data is in accordance with the literature. [17]

#### 2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (4u)

Following **GP A** the ketone **4u** (30.5 mg, 231 µmol, 46%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.76 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (td, *J* = 7.4, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 3.23 – 2.96 (m, 2H), 2.71 – 2.67 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 207.3, 155.3, 137.2, 134.7, 127.4, 126.8, 123.9, 36.4, 25.9. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 132.04 [M]<sup>+•</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3031, 2924, 2858, 1704, 1525, 1342, 812, 754. **M**<sub>P</sub>: 40-41 °C. The data is in accordance with the literature. [16]

#### Carvone (4v)

Following **GP B** the ketone **4v** (55.6 mg, 370 µmol, 74%) was obtained as a colorless oil.

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 6.75 (ddd, *J* = 5.9, 2.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (ddt, *J* = 14.4, 10.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (ddd, *J* = 16.0, 3.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (dddt, *J* = 18.2, 5.9, 4.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 13.3 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (ddt, *J* = 18.3, 10.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 1.79 (dt, *J* = 2.6, 1.4 Hz, 3H), 1.75 (t, *J* = 1.1 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 199.9, 146.9, 144.7, 135.6, 110.6, 43.3, 42.6, 31.4, 20.7, 15.9. **MS** (EI) *m*/*z* 150.06 [M]<sup>+•</sup>. **IR** (ATR) v (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2970, 2923, 2854, 1738, 1670, 1365, 1217, 1109, 891. The data is in accordance with the literature. [20]

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#### **5** Mechanistic studies

#### Indication for the formation of an alkoxy-NHI



Figure S1: Reaction of the tetrazole-substituted (hydroxy)iodonium triflate **1b** with 1-octanol (**2**) leading to a significant downfield shift of the protons on the alpha-carbon from 3.48 ppm (blue) to 4.48 ppm (orange), indicating a bonding of the iodane to the alcohol and therefore resulting in a loss of electron density. Reaction conditions: An equimolar mixture of NHI **1b** (10.0  $\mu$ mol) and alcohol **2** (10.0  $\mu$ mol) were dissolved in CD<sub>3</sub>CN (600  $\mu$ L) and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded.



#### Indication of an activation of the iodane by chloride

Figure S2: Indication of an activation of the iodane **1a** by formation of an I–Cl bonding. Reaction conditions: iodane **1a** (100  $\mu$ mol, 28.8 mg) and aq. HCl (37%, 8.32  $\mu$ L) were dissolved in EtOAc (500  $\mu$ L), stirred for 1 h at 60 °C and an ESI(–) mass spectrum was recorded. Due to MeOH as solvent in the mass spectrometer a substitution of hydroxy with methoxy is possible. Note: Before heating the mixture also ESI(–) mass spectra were recorded, but no such species could be detected.

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## 7 NMR spectra



Figure S3:<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **1a** in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.

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Figure S4: <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **1b** in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.



230 220 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 f1 (ppm)



Figure S5: <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra of **1c** in CD<sub>3</sub>CN.



Figure S6: <sup>1</sup>H, and <sup>13</sup>C and NMR spectra of **1d** in CD<sub>3</sub>CN with a few drops of trifluoroacetic acid.





Figure S7: <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra of **1e** in CD<sub>3</sub>CN.



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Figure S8: <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra of **1e** in CD<sub>3</sub>CN with a few drops of trifluoroacetic acid.



Figure S9: <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **S3** in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.

#### 8 Crystal structure of 1c

