# Efficient and Facile Synthesis of $\alpha$-Chloroenones Bearing $\beta$-Carbonates or $\beta$-Carbamates 

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#### Abstract

Efficient synthesis of $\alpha$-chloroenones bearing $\beta$-carbonates or $\beta$-carbamates was achieved by rhodium(II)catalyzed reaction of cyclic diazodicarbonyl compounds with a variety of chloroformates or carbamyl chlorides in good yields. These reactions provided a useful and rapid route to $\beta$-substituted $\alpha$-haloenones.


Key Words : Rhodium(II)-catalyzed reaction, Diazodicarbonyl compounds, $\alpha$-chloroenones

## Introduction

$\alpha$-Halo enones have been widely used as valuable and versatile intermediates in the synthesis of $\alpha$-carbon substituted enones ${ }^{1}$ and biologically active natural products. ${ }^{2}$ There are many known methods for the preparation of $\alpha$ haloenones. They are generally prepared by a halogenationdehydrohalogenation reaction, ${ }^{3}$ an addition-elimination reaction, ${ }^{4}$ and a halohydrin-dehydration reaction. ${ }^{5}$ Recently, the gold-catalyzed reaction of propargylic acetates to give $\alpha$ haloenones has been reported. ${ }^{6}$ Although, many methods for the preparation of these compounds have been developed, their synthetic exploitation has been limited due to difficulty in the regioselectivity, the strong acidic conditions, and the side reactions involving over-oxidation. ${ }^{7}$ The necessity for overcoming these serious problems has prompted our research for a preparation of $\beta$-substituted $\alpha$-haloenones.
Rhodium(II)-catalyzed decomposition of diazodicarbonyl compounds has become a useful method in organic synthesis. ${ }^{8}$ We have been interested in rhodium(II)-catalyzed reactions of diazodicarbonyl compounds with several substrates such as nitriles, isocyanates, ketones, and vinyl ethers for the formation of a number of heterocycles. ${ }^{9}$ In particular, we developed a new and useful methodology for preparing a
variety of $\beta$-substituted $\alpha$-haloenones using rhodium(II)catalyzed reactions of cyclic diazodicarbonyl compounds with acid chlorides, benzyl halides, or dihalomethanes (Scheme 1). ${ }^{10}$ We also developed another new methodology for the preparation of $\beta$-substituted $\alpha$-haloenones starting from idodonium ylides. ${ }^{11}$ Later, a similar $\alpha$-halogenation of acyclic diazo compounds with dihalomethanes has been reported by other group. ${ }^{12}$ Importantly, our work for the formation of $\alpha$ haloenones from iodonium ylides was retried by Moriarty group. ${ }^{13}$ While continuing our study based on the rhodium(II)catalyzed reactions, we have expanded this work to the synthesis of novel $\beta$-substituted $\alpha$-chloroenones. To the best of our knowledge, no facile and efficient one-pot methodology for the synthesis of $\alpha$-chloroenones bearing $\beta$-carbonates or $\beta$-carbamates has yet been developed. We report herein one-pot synthesis of $\alpha$-chloroenones bearing $\beta$-carbonates or $\beta$-carbamates by rhodium(II)-catalyzed reactions of cyclic diazodicarbonyl compounds with chloroformates or carbamyl chlorides (Scheme 2).

## Results and Discussion

In order to give $\alpha$-chloroenones bearing $\beta$-carbonates, we first examined the reaction of readily available diazodi-


Scheme 1


Scheme 2


Scheme 3
carbonyl compounds with several alkyl chloroformates, which serve as a solvent and a reactant, in the presence of 1 $\mathrm{mol} \%$ of $\mathrm{Rh}_{2}(\mathrm{OAc})_{4}$. For example, treatment of 2-diazo-1,3-cyclohexanedione (1a) with ethyl chloroformate in the presence of $1 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ of $\mathrm{Rh}_{2}(\mathrm{OAc})_{4}$ at room temperature for 8 h gave desired product 2a in $84 \%$ yield (Scheme 3). Support for the structural assignment comes from its spectroscopic

Table 1. Additional reactions of diazodicarbonyl compounds 1a-1d with alkyl chloroformates
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analysis. Compound 2a is identified by its IR carbonyl absorptions of an enone at $1694 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ and a carbonate at 1769 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$, and its ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR peaks of the ethoxy group appeared as a quartet at $\delta 4.31$ and a triplet at $\delta 1.36$, respectively. Further, support for the structural assignment of 2a is confirmed from its ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectrum, which clearly shows the expected nine carbons, including the two carbonyl carbons of the enone at $\delta 191.3$ and the carbonate at $\delta 163.5$.

Additional reactions of diazodicarbonyl compounds 1a-1d with alkyl chlorofomates in the presence of $1 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ of $\mathrm{Rh}_{2}(\mathrm{OAc})_{4}$ were next attempted. The results are summarized in Table 1. Reactions of $\mathbf{1 a}$ with methyl choroformate or isopropyl chloroformate at room temperature for $10-12 \mathrm{~h}$ afforded the desired products $2 \mathbf{b}-\mathbf{2 c}$ in 75 and $50 \%$ yield, respectively (entries 1-2, Table 1). Similarly, treatment of 1b with methyl chlorofomate, ethyl chlorofomate, or isoprppyl chlorofomate afforded products 2d-2f in 72, 84, and 52\% yield, respectively (entries 3-5, Table 1). Reactions of diazodicarbonyl compounds $\mathbf{1 c} \mathbf{- 1 d}$ with substituents of isopropyl and phenyl group on the cyclohexane ring were also successful (entries 6-11, Table 1). These reactions provided desired products $2 \mathrm{~g}-21$ in $42-87 \%$ yield. These reactions provided a rapid approach to the synthesis of a variety of $\alpha$ chloroenones bearing $\beta$-carbonates.

In order to extend the utility of this methodology, we also examined the reactions of diazodicarbonyl compounds 1a1d with alkylcarbamyl chlorides to produce $\alpha$-chloroenones bearing $\beta$-carbamates. Treatment of $\mathbf{1 a}$ with diethylcarbamyl chloride as a solvent and reactant in the presence of $1 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ of $\mathrm{Rh}_{2}(\mathrm{OAc})_{4}$ at room temperature for 10 h afforded product 3a in $78 \%$ yield (Scheme 4). In the IR spectrum, the structure of $\mathbf{3 a}$ is confirmed by the observation of two carbonyl absorptions of an enone at $1691 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ and a carbamate at $1729 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Further support for the structural assignment is obtained from its ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectrum, which clearly shows the expected two carbonyl carbons of the enone at $\delta 191.8$ and the carbamate at $\delta 165.5$.

Additional reactions of diazodicarbonyl compounds 1a-1d with dialkylcarbamyl chloride were next carried out under rhodium catalysis. Reaction of $\mathbf{1 a}$ with dimethylcarbamyl chloride in the presence of $1 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ of $\mathrm{Rh}_{2}(\mathrm{OAc})_{4}$ at room temperature for 15 h afforded expected compound $\mathbf{3 b}$ in $48 \%$ yield (entry 1, Table 2). Similarly, reactions of 1b-1d with dimethylcarbamyl chloride or diethylcarbamyl chloride provided the desired products $\mathbf{3 c} \mathbf{- 3 h}$ in $45-80 \%$ yield (entries $2-7$, Table 2). These reactions also provided a rapid synthetic route for the preparation of various $\alpha$-chloroenones bearing $\beta$-carbamates.

The proposed mechanism for the formation of $\mathbf{2 a}$ and $\mathbf{3 a}$ is best described as shown in Scheme 5. The diazodicarbonyl


Scheme 4

Table 2. Further reactions of diazodicarbonyl compounds 1a-1d with alkylcarbamyl chlorides

compound 1a first gives a metal carbenoid $\mathbf{4}$ by displacement of nitrogen by $\mathrm{Rh}_{2}(\mathrm{OAc})_{4}{ }^{14}$ Nucleophilic attack of the chlorine atom in the acid chloride of ethyl chloroformate or diethylcarbamyl chloride to the electrophilic carbenoid 4 yields intermediate 5 or $\mathbf{6},{ }^{15}$ which undergo fast intramolecular nucleophilic addition of oxygen to the carbonyl group followed by the cleavage of the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl}$ bond to give product 2a or 3a respectively.

In conclusion, rhodium-catalyzed reactions of diazodicarbonyl compounds with a variety of chloroformates and carbamyl chlorides are described. These reactions provided a simple and facile method for the synthesis of $\alpha$ chloroenones bearing $\beta$-carbonates or $\beta$-carbamates in good yields.

## Experimental Section

All experiments were carried out under a nitrogen atmosphere. Merck pre-coated silica gel plates (Art. 5554) with a fluorescent indicator were used as analytical TLC. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel 9385 (Merck). ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Model ARX ( 300 and 75 MHz , respectively) spectrometer in $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ as the solvent. IR spectra were recorded on a JASCO FTIR 5300 spectrophotometer. The HRMS were carried out at Korea Basic Science Institute (Daegu) on a Jeol JMS 700 spectrometer.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of $\alpha$-Chloroenones Bearing $\beta$-Carbonates (2a-2l). To a solution of diazodicarbonyl compound ( 1.0 mmol ) and alkyl chloroformates ( 1 mL ) was added rhodium catalyst ( $1 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ ) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 8-12 h until the completion of the reaction as indicated by TLC. The halide was evaporated under reduced pressure to give the residue. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with $n$-hexane/EtOAc (10:1) to give the product.

2-Chloro-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Ethyl Carbonate (2a): Yield $84 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 4.31$ $(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{q}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}), 2.73(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=6.3 \mathrm{~Hz}), 2.61(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=$ $6.3 \mathrm{~Hz}), 2.15-2.04(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.36(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 191.3,163.5,150.0,122.0,65.8$, 37.1, 29.4, 20.1, 13.9; IR (neat) 2964, 1769, 1694, 1629, $1461,1367,1226,1099,995,882,825,775,632,555 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (FAB) $m / z(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H})^{+}$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}: 219.0424$. Found: 219.0425.

2-Chloro-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Methyl Carbonate (2b): Yield $75 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 3.93$ $(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.73(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=6.3 \mathrm{~Hz}), 2.60(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=6.3 \mathrm{~Hz})$, 2.12-2.04 (2H, m); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta$ 191.3, 163.3, 150.7, 56.1, 37.1, 32.5, 29.3, 20.1; IR (neat) 2957, 1774, 1694, 1598, 1443, 1358, 1232, 1079, 1018, 957, 920, $776,641,557,481 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $m / z\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{9} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}$ : 204.0189. Found: 204.0190.

2-Chloro-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Isopropyl Carbonate (2c): Yield $50 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta$ 4.93-4.87 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 2.71-2.65 ( $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 2.58-2.51 ( $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 2.04-2.00 ( $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 1.33-1.29 ( $6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 75 MHz , $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 191.4,163.5,149.5,121.9,74.5,37.2,29.5,21.5$, 20.1; IR (neat) 2983, 1765, 1695, 1629, 1461, 1380, 1231,


Scheme 5

1103, 1018, 909, 625, $556 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (FAB) $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H})^{+}$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}$ : 233.0581 . Found: 233.0582 .

2-Chloro-5,5-Dimethyl-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Methyl Carbonate (2d): Yield $72 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 $\left.\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 3.87(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.58(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.44(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 1.09$ $(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta$ 191.3, 161.5, 150.8 , 121.2, 56.1, 50.9, 42.9, 32.5, 27.8; IR (neat) 2963, 1776, $1695,1639,1446,1372,1239,1060,1024,944,641,599$ $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $m / z\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}: 232.0502$. Found: 232.0505.

2-Chloro-5,5-Dimethyl-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Ethyl Carbonate (2e): Yield $84 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 4.31(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{q}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}), 2.60(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.46(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s})$, $1.37(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=7.2), 1.12(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 191.3,161.6,150.2,121.2,65.8,51.0,43.0,32.5,29.6$, $27.8,14.0$; IR (neat) $2925,1769,1696,1637,1464,1373$, 1230, 1010, 632, $599 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (FAB) $m / z(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H})^{+}$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}: 247.0737$. Found: 247.0733.
2-Chloro-5,5-dimethyl-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Isopropyl Carbonate (2f): Yield $52 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 4.98-4.90(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.59(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.46(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 1.35$ $(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.3 \mathrm{~Hz}), 1.11(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ $\delta 191.4,184.0,161.8,149.6,121.2,74.5,51.0,46.1,43.1$, 32.5, 27.9, 21.5; IR (neat) 2962, 1764, 1699, 1464, 1374, 1234, 1102, 950, 911, 805, $623 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (FAB) m/z $(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H})^{+}$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}: 261.0894$. Found: 261.0891 .
2-Chloro-5-isopropyl-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Methyl Carbonate (2g): Yield $69 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $(300 \mathrm{MHz}$, $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 3.89(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.73-2.71(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.61-2.58$, $(2 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{m}), 2.33-2.23(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.06-1.94(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.68-1.57(1 \mathrm{H}$, m), $0.91(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta$ 191.7, 163.2, 150.8, 121.7, 55.1, 41.1, 39.1, 33.1, 31.5, 19.4; IR (neat) 2963, 2880, 1774, 1695, 1637, 1443, 1388, 1238, 1195, 1056, 971, 776, 642, $515 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $m / z\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}: 246.0659$. Found: 246.0659 .
2-Chloro-5-isopropyl-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Ethyl Carbonate (2h): Yield $75 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 4.30(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{q}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}), 2.73-2.65(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.61-$ $2.58(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.33-2.23(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.06-1.93(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.68-$ $1.57(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.35(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}), 0.91(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.6$ Hz ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 191.7,185.1,163.3,150.1$, $121.6,65.8,41.1,39.0,33.2,31.4,19.3,14.0$; IR (neat) 2965, 1770, 1695, 1636, 1467, 1387, 1232, 1003, 879, 775, $636 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (FAB) $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H})^{+}$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}$ : 261.0894. Found: 261.0891.

2-Chloro-5-isopropyl-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Isopropyl Carbonate (2i): Yield $42 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 4.99-4.90(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.74-2.67(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.61-2.52$ $(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.33-2.24(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.88-1.86(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.64-1.53$ $(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.35(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.3 \mathrm{~Hz}), 0.89(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz})$; ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 191.8,185.1,163.4,149.6$, $74.5,41.1,39.0,33.3,31.6,29.6,21.5,19.4$; IR (neat) 2962, $1765,1696,1600,1465,1369,1238,1156,1101,910,637$ $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (FAB) m/z $(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H})^{+}$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}$ : 275.1050. Found: 275.1052.

2-Chloro-3-oxo-5-phenylcyclohex-1-enyl Methyl Carbonate (2j): Yield $80 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz ,
$\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 7.34-7.32(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 7.24-7.22(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 3.90(3 \mathrm{H}$, s), 3.54-3.37 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 3.09-3.00 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 2.94-2.87 $(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m})$, 2.81-2.76 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta$ 190.7, 162.5, 151.0, 141.2, 129.2, 127.8, 126.7, 122.3, 56.4, 44.3, 38.7, 37.1; IR (neat) 3030, 2959, 1773, 1694, 1598, 1445, 1367, 1232, 1039, 978, 924, 766, 702, 638, $502 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $m / z\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}$ : 280.0502 . Found: 280.0505.

2-Chloro-3-oxo-5-phenylcyclohex-1-enyl Ethyl Carbonate (2k): Yield $87 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta$ 7.29-7.27 ( $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 7.19-7.17 (3H, m), $4.25(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), 3.49-3.38 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 3.04-2.95 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 2.90-2.80 $(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m})$, 2.76-2.70 $(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.31(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 75 $\left.\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 190.5,162.4,141.0,128.9,127.5,126.6$, $126.5,121.9,65.9,44.0,38.4,36.9,14.0$; IR (neat) 2984, $1768,1695,1634,1454,1370,1225,1004,766,702,633$, $578 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (FAB) $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H})^{+}$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}$ : 295.0737. Found: 295.0739.

2-Chloro-3-oxo-5-phenylcyclohex-1-enyl Isopropyl Carbonate (21): Yield $47 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H} \operatorname{NMR}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta$ 7.30-7.17 (5H, m), 4.94-4.86 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 3.47-3.22 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 2.89-2.81 ( $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 2.42-2.33 ( $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), $1.30(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.3$ Hz ) ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 190.7,162.8,149.8$, $141.3,129.2,128.8,127.7,126.8,74.9,44.3,38.8,37.3$, 21.7; IR (neat) 3031, 2982, 2924, 1761, 1697, 1635, 1497, $1458,1375,1230,1194,1102,900,909,761,701,620 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (FAB) $m / z(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H})^{+}$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{ClO}_{4}$ : 309.0894. Found: 309.0891.

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2-Chloro-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Diethylcarbamate (3a): Yield $78 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 3.38-$ $3.28(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.76(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=6.0 \mathrm{~Hz}), 2.56(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=6.0$ $\mathrm{Hz}), 2.08-2.00(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.23-1.14(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 75 $\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 191.8,165.5,150.7,121.0,42.5,42.3,37.3$, 30.3, 20.4, 14.0, 13.1; IR (neat) 2975, 2883, 1729, 1691, 1624, 1459, 1424, 1352, 1259, 1190, 1145, 1069, 980, 920, 826, 748, $645,554 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{ClNO}_{3}: 245.0819$. Found: 245.0819 .

2-Chloro-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Dimethylcarbamate (3b): Yield $48 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 2.91$ $(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.84(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.63(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=6.0 \mathrm{~Hz}), 2.43(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J$ $=6.3 \mathrm{~Hz}), 1.98-1.88(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta$ 191.4, 165.2, 150.9, 120.4, 36.9, 36.3, 36.3, 29.8, 20.0; IR (neat) $2943,1728,1626,1402,1275,1149,1009,827,747$, $645 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $m / z\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{ClNO}_{3}: 217.0506$. Found: 217.0504.

2-Chloro-5,5-dimethyl-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Dimethylcarbamate (3c): Yield $50 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 $\left.\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 3.04(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.96(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.64(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.42$
$(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 1.10(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta$ 191.7, 163.4, 129.1, 120.2, 51.1, 43.8, 43.7, 36.7, 36.6, 32.6, 27.9; IR (neat) 2959, 1736, 1691, 1630, 1463, 1396, 1347, 1290, 1208, 1158, 1032, 949, 825, 658, $599 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $m / z\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$ calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{ClNO}_{3}: 245.0819$. Found: 245.0816 .

2-Chloro-5,5-dimethyl-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Diethylcarbamate (3d): Yield $73 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 3.37-3.27(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.63(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.42(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 1.23-$ $1.13(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.09(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta$ 191.7, 163.5, 150.8, 120.1, 51.0, 43.8, 42.4, 42.2, 32.5, 27.9, $14.0,13.1$; IR (neat) $2966,1730,1691,1631,1466,1423$, $1350,1259,1205,1146,1045,947,785,652,600 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $m / z\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{ClNO}_{3}: 273.1132$. Found: 273.1130.

2-Chloro-5-isopropyl-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Dimethylcarbamate (3e): Yield $45 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 3.03(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.96(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.70-2.55(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.32-$ $2.22(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.66-1.55(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 0.90(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.6 \mathrm{~Hz})$; ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 192.1,165.2,151.4,120.6$, $41.2,39.3,36.7,36.6,34.0,31.5,19.4$; IR (neat) 2938, 1734, 1626, 1493, 1393, 1278, 1145, 1033, 822, 755, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{ClNO}_{3}: 259.0975$. Found: 259.0973.

2-Chloro-5-isopropyl-3-oxocyclohex-1-enyl Diethylcarbamate (3f): Yield $80 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 3.38-3.28(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.69-2.62(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.31-2.21$ $(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.03-1.91(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.66-1.55(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.23-1.13$ $(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 0.90(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 192.1,165.2,150.7,120.6,42.4,42.3,41.139 .2,34.1$, $31.4,19.4,19.9,13.9,13.1$; IR (neat) 2967, 2879, 1731, $1691,1629,1466,1424,1374,1200,1194,1144,1042,959$, $785,648,595 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;$ HRMS $m / z\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{ClNO}_{3}$ : 287.1288. Found: 287.1285.

2-Chloro-3-oxo-5-phenylcyclohex-1-enyl Dimethylcarbamate (3g): Yield $49 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta$ 7.28-7.23 ( $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), 7.20-7.15 (3H, m), 3.45-3.34 $(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 3.07-3.01(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.99(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.90(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 2.85-$ $2.82(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.80-2.77(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.73-2.67(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 190.8,164.2,151.2,141.3,128.8$, $127.3,126.5,120.8,44.1,38.6,37.7,36.7,36.6$; IR (neat) 2958, 1734, 1705, 1630, 1393, 1280, 1147, 1038, 820, 748 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{ClNO}_{3}$ : 293.0819 . Found: 293.0817.
2-Chloro-3-oxo-5-phenylcyclohex-1-enyl Diethylcarbamate (3h): Yield $79 \%$ as a liquid: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta$ 7.31-7.17 (5H, m), 3.46-3.35 (1H, m), 3.33-3.24 $(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 3.11-3.00(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.92-2.73(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.20-1.10$ $(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 190.9,164.3,150.6$, $141.4,128.8,127.3,120.9,44.2,42.5,42.3,38.8,37.8,14.0$, 13.1; IR (neat) 2976, 2933, 1730, 1601, 1626, 1456, 1424, $1374,1258,1191,1143,1011,978,922,762,701,640,556$ $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$; HRMS $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{ClNO}_{3}: 321.1132$. Found: 321.1129.

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