

Supporting Information

Oxidative Acylation of Sulfoximines with Methylarenes as Acyl Donor **

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General Information:

All reactions were carried out in oven-dried glassware. All methylenes and sulfoximines were obtained from commercial sources and used as received. All the reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC); products purification was done using silica gel column chromatography.

$^1\text{H}/^{13}\text{C}$ NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance 400 MHz and Bruker AMX 400 MHz spectrometer at 400/100 MHz, respectively, in CDCl_3 unless otherwise stated, using either TMS or the undeuterated solvent residual signal as the reference. Chemical shifts are given in ppm and are measured relative to CDCl_3 as an internal standard. The IR spectra (neat) were recorded with a Nicolet 6700 spectrometer. Mass spectra were obtained by the electrospray ionization time-of-flight (ESI-TOF) mass spectrometry. Flash column chromatography purification of compounds was carried out by gradient elution using ethyl acetate (EA) in light petroleum ether (PE).

General experimental procedure for N-acylated sulfoximines:

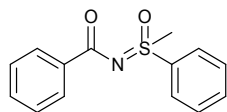
To a mixture of iodine (12.7 mg, 0.05 mmol, 20 mol %) and $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (10.27 mg, 0.038 mmol, 15 mol %) were added methylenes **1** (5.0 mmol, 20 equiv.), NH-sulfoximine (0.25 mmol), and TBHP (70 wt % in water, 0.27 mL, 2.0 mmol, 8 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C inside a sealed tube for 24–60 h. After the reaction over (TLC), the contents were cooled to room temperature and then diluted with ethyl acetate (2 mL). The mixture was dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product which was further purified by silica gel column chromatography with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent.

General experimental procedure for control experiments:

To a mixture of iodine (12.7 mg, 0.05 mmol, 20 mol %) and $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (10.27 mg, 0.038 mmol, 15 mol %) were added acyl donor (5.0 mmol, 20 equiv. of toluene, benzyl alcohol or benzaldehyde, respectively), NH-sulfoximine (0.25 mmol), TBHP (70 wt % in water, 0.27 mL, 2.0 mmol, 8 equiv.) and radical trapping reagent (0.5 mmol, 2 equiv. of TEMPO or BHT, respectively). The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C inside a sealed tube and monitored with TLC. After 24 h, the contents were cooled to room temperature and then diluted with ethyl acetate (2 mL). The mixture was dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered, concentrated and further purified by silica gel column chromatography with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent.

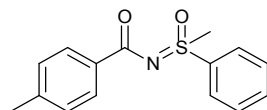
Characterization of products:

N-Benzoyl-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3aa)¹



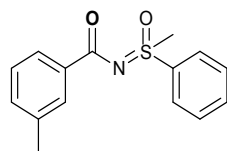
White solid; yield: 93%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.18-8.16 (m, 2H), 8.06-8.04 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.53-7.39 (m, 3H), 3.46 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.4, 139.1, 135.6, 133.9, 132.3, 129.8, 129.5, 128.1, 127.3, 44.4.

N-(4-Methylbenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ab)^{1a, 2}



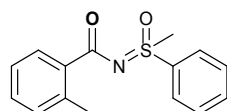
White solid; yield: 95%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.06-8.05 (m, 4H), 7.69-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.4, 142.8, 139.3, 133.9, 133.1, 129.8, 129.6, 128.9, 127.3, 44.5, 21.7.

N-(3-Methylbenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ac)^{1a, 2}



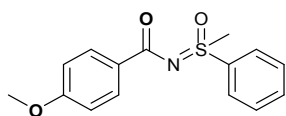
White solid; yield: 94%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.07-8.05 (m, 2H), 7.98-7.96 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.63-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 2H), 3.46 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.6, 139.2, 137.9, 135.7, 133.9, 133.1, 130.1, 129.8, 128.1, 127.3, 126.8, 44.5, 21.5.

N-(2-Methylbenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ad)²



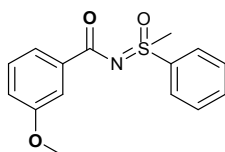
White solid; yield: 60%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.06-8.05 (m, 2H), 7.68-7.60 (m, 3H), 7.34-7.19 (m, 4H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 2.60 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 176.6, 139.4, 139.1, 135.4, 133.9, 131.6, 131.0, 130.7, 129.8, 127.2, 125.5, 44.6, 21.9.

N-(4-Methoxybenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ae)^{1b, 2a}



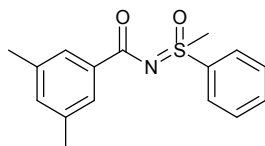
White solid; yield: 96%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 8.13 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.06-8.04 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.63-7.59 (m, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.46 (s, 3H); **¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 173.8, 162.9, 139.2, 133.7, 131.4, 129.7, 128.3, 127.2, 113.2, 55.4, 44.4.

N-(3-Methoxybenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3af)^{2a}



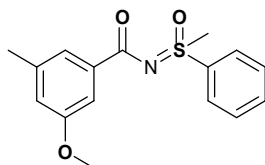
White solid; yield: 84%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 8.05-8.03 (m, 2H), 7.79-7.77 (m, 1H), 7.68-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.63-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 1H), 7.07-7.05 (m, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.45 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 174.2, 159.5, 139.1, 137.1, 133.9, 129.8, 129.1, 127.3, 122.1, 118.9, 113.9, 55.5, 44.6.

N-(3,5-dimethylbenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ag)^{1a}



White solid; yield: 92%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 8.06-8.04 (m, 2H), 7.78 (s, 2H), 7.69-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.15 (s, 1H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 6H); **¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 174.7, 139.1, 137.7, 135.5, 133.9, 133.8, 129.7, 127.21, 127.19, 44.4, 21.3.

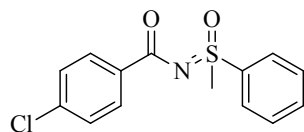
N-(3-methyl-5-Methoxybenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ah)



White solid; yield: 92%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 8.05-8.03 (m, 2H), 7.69-7.60 (m, 4H), 7.49 (s, 1H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.44 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H).; **¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 174.4, 159.5, 139.2, 139.1, 136.9, 133.9, 129.8, 127.2, 122.9, 119.6, 111.0, 55.5, 44.4, 21.5; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 1622, 1601, 1589, 1464, 1445, 1333, 1304, 1242, 1206, 1066, 983, 772, 686; HRMS (m/z) [C₁₆H₁₇NO₃S +

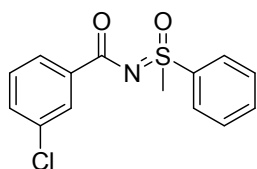
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N-(4-Chlorobenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ai)¹



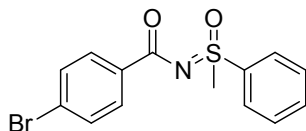
White solid; yield: 84%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 8.03-8.01 (m, 2H), 7.69-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.45 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.2, 138.8, 138.5, 134.2, 134.0, 130.9, 129.8, 128.4, 127.2, 44.4.

N-(3-Chlorobenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ag)^{1a}



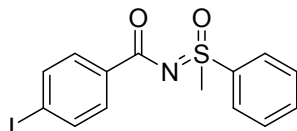
White solid; yield: 84%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.17-8.09 (m, 1H), 8.04-8.02 (m, 3H), 7.70-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.63-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.32 (m, 1H), 3.45 (s, 3H).; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 172.9, 138.7, 137.5, 134.2, 134.1, 132.2, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 127.6, 127.2, 44.5.

N-(4-Bromobenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ak)^{1a}



White solid; yield: 94%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.04-8.01 (m, 4H), 7.71-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.63 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 3.46 (s, 3H).; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.4, 138.9, 134.7, 134.0, 131.4, 131.2, 129.9, 127.2, 127.1, 44.5.

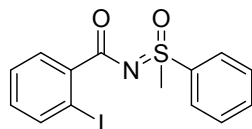
N-(4-Iodobenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3al)^{1a}



White solid; yield: 70%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.04-8.02 (m, 2H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H),

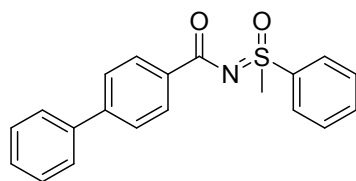
7.76 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.70-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.60 (m, 2H), 3.46 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 173.6, 138.9, 137.5, 135.3, 134.1, 131.2, 129.9, 127.3, 100.0, 44.5.

N-(2-Iodobenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3am)



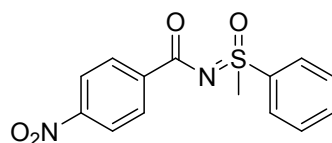
White solid; yield: 43%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.13-8.08 (m, 2H), 7.93-7.92 (m, 1H), 7.83-7.82 (m, 1H), 7.69-7.63 (m, 3H), 7.38-7.37 (m, 1H), 7.09-7.07 (m, 1H), 3.50 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 175.8, 141.5, 140.7, 138.5, 134.2, 131.5, 130.3, 129.8, 128.0, 127.5, 93.1, 44.3; FT-IR (neat, cm^{-1}) 1633, 1460, 1445, 1320, 1263, 1219, 980, 836, 750, 698; HRMS (m/z) [$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_2\text{SI} + \text{Na}$] $^+$ Calcd. 407.9531, Found 407.9532.

N-(4-Phenylbenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3an)^{1b}



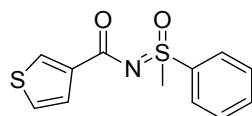
White solid; yield: 75%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.25 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 8.09-8.07 (m, 2H), 7.71-7.60 (m, 7H), 7.48-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 1H), 3.48 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 174.2, 145.0, 140.5, 139.2, 134.6, 134.0, 130.1, 129.8, 129.0, 128.0, 127.4, 127.3, 126.9, 44.5.

N-(4-Nitrobenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ao)¹



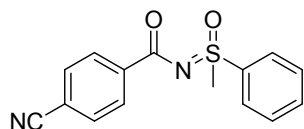
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N-(3-Thiophene)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ap)



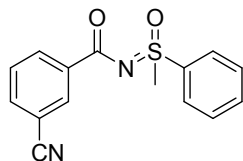
White solid; yield: 30%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 8.15-7.98 (m, 3H), 7.63-7.49 (m, 4H), 7.20-7.18 (m, 1H), 3.39 (s, 3H); **¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 169.2, 139.3, 138.2, 133.0, 131.1, 128.8, 127.4, 126.3, 124.5, 43.6; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 1712, 1621, 1518, 1447, 1409, 1277, 1222, 1121, 987, 801, 752; HRMS (m/z) [C₁₂H₁₁N₁O₂S + Na]⁺ Calcd. 288.0129, Found 288.0131.

N-(4-Cyanobenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3aq)



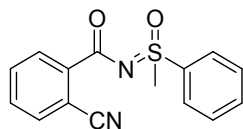
White solid; yield: 67%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 7.78-7.77 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.61 (m, 1H), 7.57-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.19 (m, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H); **¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 172.4, 139.6, 138.5, 134.2, 132.0, 130.0, 129.9, 127.2, 118.6, 115.4, 44.4; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2232, 1632, 1581, 1561, 1325, 1297, 1286, 1132, 1088, 991, 766, 690; HRMS (m/z) [C₁₅H₁₂N₂O₂S + Na]⁺ Calcd. 307.0517, Found 307.0520.

N-(3-Cyanobenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3ar)



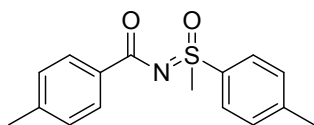
White solid; yield: 75%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 8.45-8.42 (m, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.77-7.75 (m, 1H), 7.71-7.69 (m, 1H), 7.65-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 1H), 3.48 (s, 3H); **¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 171.9, 138.4, 136.9, 135.2, 134.3, 133.5, 133.3, 129.9, 129.1, 127.0, 118.5, 112.4, 44.5; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2231, 1633, 1579, 1447, 1302, 1224, 1119, 986, 857, 755, 684; HRMS (m/z) [C₁₅H₁₂N₂O₂S + Na]⁺ Calcd. 307.0517, Found 307.0511.

N-(2-Cyanobenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (3as)



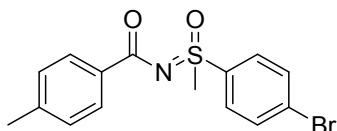
White solid; yield: 59%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 8.18-8.13 (m, 2H), 7.77-7.75 (m, 1H), 7.70-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.65-7.57 (m, 5H), 3.51 (s, 3H); **¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 171.4, 138.7, 138.2, 134.5, 134.3, 132.4, 131.6, 131.0, 129.9, 127.5, 118.9, 112.4, 44.3; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2224, 1635, 1591, 1447, 1285, 1223, 1154, 1098, 981, 839, 760, 686; HRMS (m/z) [C₁₅H₁₂N₂O₂S + Na]⁺ Calcd. 307.0517, Found 307.0520.

N-(4-Methylbenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-(4-methylphenyl)sulfoximine (3bb)



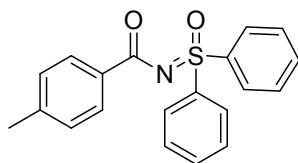
White solid; yield: 87%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 8.07-8.05 (m, 2H), 7.93-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.44 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); **¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 174.4, 144.9, 142.7, 136.1, 133.1, 130.4, 129.6, 128.8, 127.3, 44.6, 21.7 (2 C); IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 1705, 1627, 1450, 1406, 1313, 1283, 1222, 1174, 1137, 1097, 1020, 981, 841, 757; HRMS (*m/z*) [C₁₆H₁₇NO₂S + Na]⁺ Calcd. 310.0878, Found 310.0885.

N-(4-Methylbenzoyl)-S-methyl-S-(4-bromophenyl)sulfoximine (3cb)



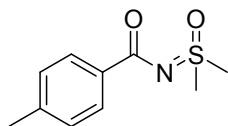
White solid; yield: 95%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 8.04-7.99 (m, 2H), 7.89-7.88 (m, 2H), 7.72-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.21 (m, 2H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); **¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 174.3, 143.0, 138.4, 135.2, 133.1, 132.8, 129.7, 128.93, 128.89, 44.5, 21.7; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 1623, 1572, 1388, 1323, 1291, 1214, 1145, 1065, 987, 854, 753, 689; HRMS (*m/z*) [C₁₅H₁₄NO₂SBr + Na]⁺ Calcd. 373.9826, Found 373.9829.

N-(4-Methylbenzoyl)-S, S-diphenylsulfoximine (3db)



White solid; yield: 80%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 8.15-8.13 (m, 2H), 8.07-8.05 (m, 4H), 7.57-7.51 (m, 6H), 7.26-7.23 (m, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H); **¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 174.0, 142.9, 140.2, 133.3, 129.7, 129.6, 128.9, 127.8 (2 C), 21.8; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 1635, 1608, 1452, 1377, 1278, 1228, 1140, 1020, 936, 832, 755, 720, 689; HRMS (*m/z*) [C₂₀H₁₇N₁O₂S + Na]⁺ Calcd. 358.0878, Found 358.0870.

N-(4-Methylbenzoyl)-S, S-dimethylsulfoximine (3eb)³



White solid; yield: 28%; **¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 8.02-8.00 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.19 (m, 2H), 3.38 (s, 6H), 2.39 (s, 3H); **¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 174.2, 142.7, 132.8, 129.3, 128.8, 41.8, 21.6.

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