

Competitive intramolecular C-C vs. C-O bond coupling reactions toward C₆ Ring-Fused 2-Pyridones Synthesis

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1) General Procedure 1: precursor synthesis.

To a stirred solution containing α,β -unsaturated chromone derivatives and CsF (10.0 mol%) in dichloromethane or ethanol, the corresponding amine (1.1 equiv.) was slowly added. The reaction mixture was stirred under reflux until full consumption of substrates was observed (followed by TLC). After concentration under reduced pressure, the resulting mixture yielded pure *N*,3,5-trisubstituted pyridin-2-ones by simple filtration of the formed precipitate or by purification on silica gel column chromatography.

Ethyl 1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (1a). White powder (precipitation in Et₂O), *R*_f = 0.40, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 213 °C, 3.00 g scale reaction (in 15 mL of CH₂Cl₂) for 5 h, 3.92 g was isolated, 88% yield. IR ($\nu_{\max}$ / cm⁻¹): 1724, 1660, 1619, 1215 and 758. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{H} 8.54 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.24 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.30 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.40 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{C} 194.0, 164.1, 162.4, 158.7, 146.8, 143.9, 136.5, 136.3, 133.2, 131.7, 131.0, 129.1, 128.1, 124.6, 120.4, 119.0, 118.8, 118.3, 115.2, 61.6, 51.6, 34.6, 14.3. HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₃H₂₁BrNO₅ [M+H]⁺ 471.0603, found 471.0590.

Ethyl 5-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)-1-(phenethyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (1c). White powder (precipitation in Et₂O), *R*_f = 0.40, eluent (80% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 158 °C, 1.00 g scale reaction (in 5 mL of CH₂Cl₂) for 4 h, 1.09 g was isolated, 88% yield. IR ($\nu_{\max}$ / cm⁻¹): 1725, 1650, 1624, 1536, 1344, 1269, 1220. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{H} 8.58 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.74 – 6.83 (m, 2H), 4.43 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.27 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.20 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.43 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{C} 194.0, 164.1, 162.3, 158.6, 147.0, 144.0, 137.2, 136.1, 131.0, 129.2 (x2), 129.1 (x2), 127.1, 120.3, 119.1, 118.6, 118.3, 114.9, 61.6, 54.1, 34.2, 14.2. HRMS (ESI⁺) calcd for C₂₃H₂₂NO₅ [M+H]⁺ 392.1497, found 392.1492.

Ethyl 1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(2-hydroxy-5-methylbenzoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (5a). Pale yellow powder (column chromatography), *R*_f = 0.35, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 156–158 °C, 250 mg scale reaction (in 4 mL of CH₂Cl₂) for 2 h, 273 mg was isolated, 74% yield. IR ($\nu_{\max}$ / cm⁻¹): 1726, 1529, 1340, 1238. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{H} 11.12 (s, 1H), 8.54 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.18 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.13 (dt, *J* = 9.1, 6.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.30 (q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 3.31 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.42 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{C} 194.0, 164.1, 160.3, 158.7, 146.6, 144.0, 137.5, 136.4, 133.1, 131.5, 130.9, 129.1, 128.3, 128.1, 124.5, 120, 118.6, 118.2, 115.7, 61.6, 51.4, 35.2, 20.7, 14.3. HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₄H₂₃BrNO₅ [M+H]⁺ 484.0760, found 484.0757.

Ethyl 5-[5-(benzyloxy)-2-hydroxybenzoyl]-1-(2-bromophenethyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (5b). Yellow powder (precipitation in Et₂O), *R*_f = 0.49, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 179 °C, 700 mg scale reaction (in 5 mL of dichloromethane) for 4 h, 869 mg was isolated, 91% yield. IR ($\nu_{\max}$ / cm⁻¹): 1721, 1647, 1584, 1218, 1020 and 761. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{H} 10.85 (s, 1H), 8.55 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 7.34 (dd, *J* = 5.5, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.13 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 7.06 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (s, 2H), 4.43 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.29 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.41 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{C} 193.7, 164.1, 158.6, 156.7, 151.0, 146.6, 143.8, 136.5, 136.2, 133.18, 131.4, 129.1, 128.7 (x2), 128.3, 128.0, 127.4 (x2), 124.8, 124.5, 119.9, 119.7, 118.1, 115.7, 115.5, 71.1, 61.7, 51.4, 35.1, 14.3. HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₃₀H₂₇BrNO₆ [M+H]⁺ 576.1016, found 576.1016.

Ethyl 1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(2-hydroxy-6-methoxybenzoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (5c). Pale yellow powder (column chromatography), *R*_f = 0.54, eluent (70% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 80 – 82 °C, 300 mg scale reaction (in 3 mL of CH₂Cl₂) for 4 h, 343 mg was isolated, 79% yield. IR ($\nu_{\max}$ / cm⁻¹): 1741, 1697, 1654, 1535, 1473 and 1282. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{H} 10.11 (s, 1H), 8.32 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.10 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 6.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.27 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.25 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.37 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{C} 192.2, 164.5, 161.2, 159.1, 158.9,

146.4, 144.8, 136.4, 135.6, 133.1, 131.4, 129.0, 128.0, 124.5, 118.6, 117.9, 110.9, 110.8, 102.3, 61.4, 55.6, 50.9, 35.3, 14.3. HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₄H₂₃BrNO₆ [M+H]⁺ 502.0688, found 502.0708.

Ethyl 1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(5-chloro-2-hydroxy-4-methylbenzoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (5d).

Pale yellow powder, R_f = 0.59, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 161-163 °C, 500 mg scale reaction (in 5 mL of CH₂Cl₂) for 3 h, 597 mg was isolated, 84% yield. IR (ν_{max} / cm⁻¹): 1737, 1653, 1531, 1469 and 1231. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 11.25 (s, 1H), 8.51 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.18 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.14 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 6.9, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 4.43 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.31 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.43 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 192.8, 163.9, 160.9, 158.6, 146.5, 145.9, 143.6, 136.3, 133.2, 131.4, 130.6, 129.1, 128.0, 124.5 (x2), 120.9, 120.3, 117.4, 115.3, 61.7, 51.5, 35.1, 20.9, 14.3. HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₄H₂₂BrClNO₅ [M+H]⁺ 518.0375, found 518.0361.

Ethyl 1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(2-hydroxy-1-naphthoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (5e).

Yellow solid (column chromatography), R_f = 0.22, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 101 °C, 400 mg scale reaction (in 5 mL of dichloromethane) for 5 h, 487 mg was isolated, 85% yield. IR (ν_{max} / cm⁻¹): 1732, 1660, 1591, 1341, 1217 and 753. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 8.52 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.24 (m, 4H), 6.95 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 4.38 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.23 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.22 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.38 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 182.2, 166.7, 166.6, 157.3, 152.8, 137.1, 135.2, 133.1, 131.6, 131.2, 130.0, 128.6, 128.3 (x2), 127.8, 126.4, 124.5, 124.4, 118.9, 115.4, 98.5, 61.7, 61.6, 56.0, 48.9, 38.3, 14.1. HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₇H₂₃BrNO₅ [M+H]⁺ 520.0754, found 520.0754

Ethyl 5-(5-bromo-2-hydroxybenzoyl)-1-(2-bromophenethyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (5f).

Pale yellow powder (column chromatography), R_f = 0.35, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 140 - 142 °C, 300 mg scale reaction (in 4 mL of CH₂Cl₂) for 3 h, 352 mg was isolated, 84% yield. IR (ν_{max} / cm⁻¹): 1739, 1622, 1530, 1333, 1207. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 11.17 (s, 1H), 8.52 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.14 (dt, *J* = 9.1, 6.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.28 – 4.36 (m, 2H), 3.32 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.43 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 193.0, 163.9, 161.2, 158.5, 146.8, 143.5, 139.0, 136.2, 133.2, 133.1, 131.4, 129.2, 128.1, 124.5, 120.9, 120.3, 119.9, 115.0, 110.7, 61.7, 51.4, 35.2, 14.3. HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₃H₂₀Br₂NO₅ [M+H]⁺ 549.9691, found 549.9683

Ethyl 1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(2-hydroxy-5-nitrobenzoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (5g).

Yellow solid (column chromatography), R_f = 0.39, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 134 °C, 1.00 g scale reaction (in 5 mL of CH₂Cl₂) for 5 h, 1.01 g was isolated, 71% yield. IR (ν_{max} / cm⁻¹): 1732, 1539, 1337, 1247 and 751. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 11.94 (s, 1H), 8.52 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 8.42 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.16 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.35 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 3.32 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.41 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 193.1, 167.1, 163.7, 158.4, 147.1, 143.1, 139.6, 136.1, 133.1, 131.4, 131.1, 129.2, 128.1, 127.3, 124.5, 120.4, 119.9, 117.5, 114.4, 61.9, 51.4, 35.2, 14.3. HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₃H₂₀BrN₂O₇ [M+H]⁺ 515.0448, found 515.0449.

Ethyl 1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(1-hydroxy-2-naphthoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (5h).

Yellow solid (column chromatography), R_f = 0.44, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 77 °C, 500mg scale reaction (in 5 mL of dichloromethane) for 6 h, 463 mg was isolated, 64% yield. IR (ν_{max} / cm⁻¹): 1733, 1660, 1590, 1342, 1217 and 752. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 13.33 (s, 1H), 8.57 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 8.45 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.75 (m, 3H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.09 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.31 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.35 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.41 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 193.9, 164.1, 163.3, 158.7, 146.6, 144.1, 137.1, 136.6, 133.2, 131.7, 130.5, 129.1, 128.1, 127.5, 126.3, 125.3, 125.1, 124.7, 124.5, 120.3, 118.50, 115.6, 111.7, 61.6, 51.6, 34.8, 14.3. HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₇H₂₃BrNO₅ [M+H]⁺ 520.0754, found. 520.0754

1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carbonitrile (5i).

Yellow powder (precipitation in Et₂O), R_f = 0.59, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 173 °C, 500 mg scale reaction (in 4 mL of ethanol) for 4 h, 397 mg was isolated, 51% yield. IR (ν_{max} / cm⁻¹): 2233, 1664, 1596, 1251 and 757. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 11.13 (s, 1H), 8.24 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16 – 7.35 (m, 4H),

7.13 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.76 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 4.33 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.33 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 192.8, 162.5, 158.9, 147.1, 146.9, 136.8, 136.0, 133.3, 131.7, 130.7, 129.4, 128.3, 124.7, 119.3, 119.1, 118.0, 116.0, 114.50, 105.40, 52.1, 34.4. HRMS (ESI^+): calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 423.0339, found 423.0339.

3-benzoyl-1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one (5j). Pale yellow powder (column chromatography), R_f = 0.49, eluent (33% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 175–177 °C, 200 mg scale reaction (in 3 mL of CH_2Cl_2) for 7 h, 147 mg was isolated, 51% yield. IR (ν_{max} / cm^{-1}): 1677, 1590, 1540, 1341, 1271. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 11.33 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.85 – 7.92 (m, 2H), 7.70 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.56 (m, 3H), 7.32 (td, J = 7.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (dd, J = 7.7, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, J = 7.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (ddd, J = 11.0, 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.3, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.35 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 194.2, 193.2, 162.5, 159.6, 145.8, 141.2, 136.7, 136.5, 136.4, 133.5, 133.2, 131.7, 131.1, 129.6, 129.5 (x2), 129.2, 128.5 (x2), 128.2, 124.7, 119.1, 118.8, 118.4, 116.1, 51.4, 34.74. HRMS (ESI^+): calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{21}\text{BrNO}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 502.0649, found 502.0660

1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(2-hydroxy-1-naphthoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carbonitrile (5k). Yellow solid (column chromatography), R_f = 0.17, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 117 °C, 700 mg scale reaction (in 5 mL of ethanol) for 6 h, 550 mg was isolated, 53% yield. IR (ν_{max} / cm^{-1}): 2232, 1627, 1543, 1241, 1342 and 759. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 9.88 (s, 1H), 7.92 – 8.03 (m, 2H), 7.84 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.50 (m, 4H), 7.19 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.03 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 4.23 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.20 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 191.4, 159.3, 158.1, 148.1, 146.8, 135.7, 135.5, 133.1, 131.4, 131.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.5, 128.0, 127.9, 124.6, 124.5, 124.4, 118.9, 118.2, 114.7, 114.1, 104.4, 51.2, 34.8. HRMS (ESI^+): calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 473.0495, found 473.0495

1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(1-hydroxy-2-naphthoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carbonitrile (5l). Pale green solid (column chromatography), R_f = 0.38, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 199 °C, 600 mg scale reaction (in 5 mL of ethanol) for 4 h, 561 mg was isolated, 63% yield. IR (ν_{max} / cm^{-1}): 2236, 1663, 1597, 1273 and 759. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 13.18 (s, 1H), 8.48 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.75 (m, 3H), 7.59 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.15 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 192.6, 163.6, 158.9, 147.0, 146.8, 137.2, 136.0, 133.3, 131.6, 130.9, 129.4, 128.3, 127.6, 126.6, 125.2, 124.7, 124.5 (x2), 118.9, 116.4, 114.7, 111.3, 105.3, 52.0, 34.5. HRMS (ESI^+): calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 473.0495, found 473.0495

2) General Procedure 2: O-methylated benzoylpyridones synthesis.

To a heated solution containing the appropriated pyridin-2-ones, K_2CO_3 (2.5 equiv.), KI (10.0 mol% equiv.) and 18-crown-6 (1.0 mol%) in dichloromethane, methyl iodide (2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise and the mixture allowed to stir at 40 °C for 2 hours then left at room temperature during overnight. The reaction mixture was filtered through celite and rinsed with dichloromethane, and then the filtrate concentrated. The crude product was purified by using silica gel column chromatography (cyclohexane / ethyl acetate) to yield pure O-alkylated pyridones.

Ethyl 1-(2-bromophenethyl)-5-(2-methoxybenzoyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one-3-carboxylate (1b). Pale yellow solid (column chromatography), R_f = 0.23, eluent (50% ethyl acetate in cyclohexane), mp = 191 °C, 150 mg scale reaction (in 5 mL of toluene) for 24 h, 130 mg was isolated, 81% yield. IR (ν_{max} / cm^{-1}): 1737, 1705, 1644, 1436 and 1231. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 8.52 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.24 (m, 4H), 6.95 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 4.38 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.23 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.22 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.38 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 190.3, 164.4, 159.0, 156.8, 147.6, 143.8, 136.4, 133.0, 132.6, 131.5, 129.5, 129.0, 127.9, 126.8, 124.4, 120.9, 119.7, 116.4, 111.8, 61.4, 55.6, 50.9, 35.2, 14.3. HRMS (ESI^+): calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{23}\text{BrNO}_5$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 484.0760, found 484.0754.

3) Copies of ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of starting materials, arylated and aryloxyated products















































































