Supporting Information

Alkene functionalization for the stereospecific synthesis of substituted aziridines by visible-light photoredox catalysis

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1. General information.

All glassware was thoroughly oven-dried. Chemicals and solvents were either purchased from commercial suppliers or purified by standard techniques. Thin-layer chromatography plates were visualized by exposure to ultraviolet light and/or staining with phosphomolybdic acid followed by heating on a hot plate. Flash chromatography was carried out using silica gel (200–300 mesh). ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a 400 MHz spectrometer. The spectra were recorded in deuterochloroform (CDCl₃) and dimethyl-d6 sulfoxide (DMSO-d6) as solvent at room temperature; ¹H and ¹³C NMR chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to the residual solvent peak. The residual solvent signals were used as references, and the chemical shifts were converted to the TMS scale (CDCl₃: $\delta_{\rm H} = 7.26$ ppm, $\delta_{\rm C} = 77.0$ ppm, DMSO-d6: $\delta_{\rm H} = 2.50$ ppm, $\delta_{\rm C} = 39.5$ ppm). Data for ¹ H NMR are reported as follows: chemical shift (δ ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet, dd = doublet, br = broad), integration, coupling constant (Hz), and assignment. Data for ¹³C NMR are reported as chemical shift. IR spectra were recorded on an FT-IR instrument and are reported in wave numbers (cm⁻¹). HRMS spectra using ESI were recorded on an ESI-FTMS mass spectrometer.

2. Starting materials.

Preparation of the N-protected 1-aminopyridium salts (2a-2i)

General procedure for the synthesis of N-protected 1-aminopyridium salts (2a-2i):1

(1) To a mixture of 1-aminopyridinium iodide (1 equiv) and distilled-CH₃CN (0.13M) were added DMAP (10 mol%), K₂CO₃ (3.6 equiv) and sulfonyl chloride (1 equiv) at 0 °C under N₂. Then, the cooling bath was removed and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 6 h. The suspension was filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was suspended in CH₂Cl₂ and filtered to remove inorganic impurities. After the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, the crude product was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 10/1) and washed with a small amount of CH₂Cl₂ to afford aminopyridinium ylide.

(2) The ylide product (1 equiv) was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (0.3M) and tetrafluoroboric acid solution (40wt.% in H_2O) (1.3 equiv) was added to the solution at rt. The mixture was stirred for 30 min, then the product was precipitated. The mixture was filtered, washed with diethyl ether and pentane and dried *in vacuo*. The pure product was obtained as a white solid.

1-(*p*-Toluenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2a)



Product was obtained as a white solid. Spectral data were in complete agreement with reported values.¹

1-(Benzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2b)

The product was obtained as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400MHz, DMSO-d6)
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 δ (ppm) = 127.4, 128.5, 129.6, 133.3, 138.0, 144.0, 145.5; HRMS (ESI) for $[C_{11}H_{11}N_2O_2S]^+$ calcd 235.0536, found 235.0535.

1-(4-Methoxybenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2c)



The product was obtained as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400MHz, DMSOd6) δ (ppm) = 3.81 (s, 3H), 7.03 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (d, J = 2H), 7.94 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 8.39 (td, J = 7.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 8.51 (d, J =

5.6 Hz, 2H), 10.09 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 55.6, 114.4, 128.1, 129.4, 130.2, 142.9, 145.3, 162.3; HRMS (ESI) for $[C_{12}H_{13}N_2O_3S]^+$ calcd 265.0641, found 265.0643.

1-(4-tert-Butylbenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2d)

The product was obtained as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 1.26 (s, 9H), 7.53-7.58 (m, 4H), 8.00 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 8.48 (t, BF₄ J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.57 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 13.19 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR 2d $(100MHz, DMSO-d6) \delta$ (ppm) = 30.8, 35.0, 126.5, 127.5, 128.6, 134.5, 144.5, 145.4, 156.7; HRMS (ESI) for $[C_{15}H_{19}N_2O_2S]^+$ calcd 291.1162, found 291.1156.

1-(4-Fluorobenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2e)

The product was obtained as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 7.33 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.3 Hz, 2H), 7.95 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 8.42 (td, J = 7.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 8.53 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 13.23 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 116.7 (d, J = 22.5 Hz), 128.5, 130.4 (d, J = 22.5 Hz), 128.5, 130.4 (d, J = 22.5 Hz) 9.5 Hz), 135.0, 143.8, 145.7, 164.5 (d, J = 249.8 Hz); HRMS (ESI) for $[C_{11}H_{10}FN_2O_2S]^+$ calcd 253.0442, found 253.0442.

1-(4-Chlorobenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2f)



The product was obtained as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 7.52-7.57 (m, 4H), 7.90-7.93 (m, 2H), 8.35-8.39 (m, 1H), 8.50-8.52 (m, 2H), 12.10 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 128.3, 129.0, 129.5, 137.2, 138.8, 142.8, 145.7; HRMS (ESI) for [C₁₁H₁₀ClN₂O₂S]⁺ calcd

269.0146, found 269.0145.

1-(4-Bromobenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2g)

The product was obtained as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 7.48 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.92-7.93 (m, 2H), 8.38-8.39 (m, 1H), 8.52 (m, 2H), 13.44 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz,

DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 126.4, 128.4, 129.2, 132.5, 139.0, 143.1, 145.7; HRMS (ESI) for $[C_{11}H_{10}BrN_2O_2S]^+$ calcd 312.9641, found 312.9641.

1-(4-Trifluoromethylbenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2h)

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The product was obtained as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (t, *J* = 6.6Hz, 2H), 8.33 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 8.52 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 14.00

(brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 123.9 (q, J = 271 Hz), 126.5 (q, J = 3.6 Hz), 128.0, 128.3, 131.9 (q, J = 32.0 Hz), 142.5, 145.1, 145.9; HRMS (ESI) for $[C_{12}H_{10}F_3N_2O_2S]^+$ calcd 303.0410, found 303.0406.

1-(2-Naphthalenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2i)



The product was obtained as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 7.59-7.72 (m, 3H), 7.96 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 8.04 (dd, *J* = 13.9, 8.1 Hz, 2H), 8.11 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (s, 1H), 8.46 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H),

8.59 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 13.55 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, DMSO-d6) δ (ppm) = 122.9, 127.9, 128.1, 128.7, 128.9, 129.4, 129.5, 130.0, 131.9, 134.7, 134.8, 144.6, 145.7; HRMS (ESI) for $[C_{15}H_{13}N_2O_2S]^+$ calcd 285.0692, found 285.0693.

Preparation of alkene substrates

Substrates 1b-1p, 1r, 1s, 1w were prepared according to Wittig olefination procedure.^{2,3}

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Potassium *tert*-butoxide (0.618g, 5.5 mmol) was added to a suspension of the corresponding phosphonium salt (5.5 mmol) in THF (6.5 mL) at 0 °C. After this, the resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at room temperature. Then, the appropriate aldehyde (5 mmol) was added and stirred for 18 h. The mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl and extracted with diethyl ether. The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude residues were purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (10% Et₂O/pentane) affording the corresponding alkenes 1. (Substrates 1b-1p, 1r, 1s were obtained as a mixture of E- and Z-isomers).

3. General procedure for the synthesis of aziridine derivatives



Substrate 1 (0.1 mmol), *N*-protected 1-aminopyridinium 2 (0.15 mmol) and K₂HPO₄ (0.15 mmol) were added to a solution of photocatalyst Ir(ppy)₂(dtbbpy)PF₆ (1 mol %) in dichloromethane (2 mL) at room temperature. The heterogeneous mixture was degassed by three cycles of freeze–pump–thaw and then placed in the irradiation apparatus equipped with a 25 W blue light-

emitting diode (LED) strip. The resulting mixture was stirred at 25 °C until the starting material was completely consumed after 3-12 h. Upon completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the resulting crude mixture was purified on silica gel flash column chromatography using ethyl acetate/hexanes (1/10) eluent to give the corresponding aziridine derivatives.

4. Initial studies and reaction optimization

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entry	photocatalyst	1a:2a	base	solvent	time (h)	yield (%) ^a	dr ratio
1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	1:1.5	NaOAc	CH_2Cl_2	12	56	dr > 20:1
2	$Ir(ppy)_2(dtbbpy)PF_6$	1:1.5	NaOAc	CH_2Cl_2	3	72	dr > 20:1
3	$Ru(bpy)_3(PF_6)_2$	1:1.5	NaOAc	CH_2Cl_2	24	trace	-
4	Methylene blue	1:1.5	NaOAc	$\mathrm{CH}_2\mathrm{Cl}_2$	24	NR	-
5	Eosin Y	1:1.5	NaOAc	$\mathrm{CH}_2\mathrm{Cl}_2$	24	NR	-
6	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	NaHCO ₃	CH_2Cl_2	3	76	dr > 20:1
7	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	Na ₂ CO ₃	CH_2Cl_2	3	75	dr > 20:1
8	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	K_2HPO_4	CH_2Cl_2	3	78	dr > 20:1
9	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	K_3PO_4	CH_2Cl_2	3	53	dr > 20:1
10	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	Na ₂ HPO ₄	CH_2Cl_2	3	77	dr > 20:1
11	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	CsF	CH_2Cl_2	3	61	dr > 20:1
12	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	DABCO	CH_2Cl_2	12	44	dr > 20:1
13	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	2,6-lutidine	CH_2Cl_2	12	50	dr > 20:1
14	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	iPr ₂ EtN	CH_2Cl_2	24	trace	-
15	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	K_2HPO_4	DCE	3	52	dr > 20:1
16	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	K ₂ HPO ₄	CHCl ₃	12	61	dr > 20:1
17	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	K_2HPO_4	THF	24	NR	-
18	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	K ₂ HPO ₄	toluene	48	58	dr > 20:1
19	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	K ₂ HPO ₄	DMF	24	NR	
20	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:2	K ₂ HPO ₄	CH_2Cl_2	3	71	dr > 20:1
21	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1	K ₂ HPO ₄	CH_2Cl_2	3	57	dr > 20:1
22^{b}	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	K_2HPO_4	CH_2Cl_2	3	78	dr > 20:1
23	-	1:1.5	K_2HPO_4	CH_2Cl_2	3	NR	-
24 ^c	Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	1:1.5	K ₂ HPO ₄	CH_2Cl_2	3	NR	-

 Table 1. Optimization of the reaction conditions

^{*a*}Isolated yield. ^{*b*}E/Z-1a mixtures (1.6:1) was used. ^{*c*}Reaction carried out in the dark.

5. Stern-Volmer fluorescence quenching studies

Stern-Volmer fluorescence quenching experiments were run with freshly prepared solutions of 1×10^{-3} M Ir(ppy)₂(dtbbpy)PF₆ and varying concentrations of quencher in acetonitrile at room temperature. The solutions were irradiated at 454 nm and fluorescence was measured from 450 nm to 750 nm. Control experiments showed that excited state of Ir(ppy)₂(dtbbpy)PF₆ was only quenched by *N*-Ts aminopyridium salts.



Figure S1. Fluorescence quenching date with $Ir(ppy)_2(dtbbpy)PF_6$ and variable *N*-Ts aminopyridium salts.



Figure S2. Plots were constructed according to the Stern-Volmer equation $I_0/I = 1 + k_q \tau_0[C]$. 6. Devices for the photocatalytic reactions



Figure S3. Devices for the photocatalytic reactions.

7. Unsuccessful substrates



8. Characterization of products

(2R*, 3R*)-2-Methyl-3-phenyl-1-(phenylsulfonyl)aziridine (3ab)⁴



Colorless dense oil; 21.8 mg, 80% yield, reaction time 6 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.85 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.91-2.96 (m, 1H), 3.82 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.25 (m, 3H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.93-7.95 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.2, 49.2, 49.3, 126.2, 127.1, 128.1, 128.5, 128.9, 133.0, 135.3, 140.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3064, 2927, 2854,

1585, 1449, 1414, 1316, 1239, 1159, 1090, 1036, 972, 887, 799, 692, 545. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{15}H_{16}NO_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 274.0896, found 274.0897.

(2R*, 3R*)-1-((4-Methoxyphenyl)sulfonyl)-2-methyl-3-phenylaziridine (3ac)



Colorless dense oil; 22.2 mg, 73% yield, reaction time 6 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.83 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.87-2.92 (m, 1H), 3.77 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.0, 48.9, 49.0, 55.5, 114.0, 126.2, 128.0, 128.4, 129.3, 132.5, 135.6, 163.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2928,

2844, 1595, 1498, 1458, 1413, 1320, 1259, 1154, 1091, 1027, 971, 889, 691, 593. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{16}H_{18}NO_3S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 304.1002, found 304.1003.

(2R*, 3R*)-1-((4-(tert-Butyl)phenyl)sulfonyl)-2-methyl-3-phenylaziridine (3ad)



Colorless dense oil; 25.1 mg, 76% yield, reaction time 6 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.31 (s, 9H), 1.84 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.90-2.95 (m, 1H), 3.81 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.15-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.1, 31.0, 35.1, 49.1 (2C), 125.9, 126.3, 127.0, 128.0, 128.5, 135.6, 137.8, 156.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹):

2959, 2925, 1595, 1459, 1322, 1162, 1109, 1086, 971, 890, 755, 697, 657, 575. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{19}H_{24}NO_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 330.1522 , found 330.1520.

(2R*, 3R*)-1-((4-Fluorophenyl)sulfonyl)-2-methyl-3-phenylaziridine (3ae)⁴



Colorless dense oil; 17.4 mg, 59% yield, reaction time 6 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.85 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.92-2.98 (m, 1H), 3.80 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.11-7.16 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.94-7.97 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.2, 49.4 (2C), 116.2 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz), 126.2, 128.2, 128.5, 129.9 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz), 135.2, 136.9 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 165.3 (d, *J* = 253.7 Hz);

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3067, 2925, 2853, 1591, 1494, 1457, 1324, 1234, 1153, 1089, 1036, 890, 837, 693, 588, 536. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{15}H_{15}FNO_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 292.0802, found 292.0801.

(2R*, 3R*)-1-((4-Chlorophenyl)sulfonyl)-2-methyl-3-phenylaziridine (3af)



Colorless dense oil; 16.1 mg, 52% yield, reaction time 6 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.85 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.93-2.99 (m, 1H), 3.81 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.3, 49.5, 49.6, 126.2, 128.3, 128.6, 129.2, 135.1, 139.3, 139.6; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2926, 2854, 1582, 1457,

1394, 1323, 1161, 1088, 1036, 970, 889, 759, 698, 653, 556. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{15}H_{15}CINO_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 308.0507, found 308.0508.

(2R*, 3R*)-1-((4-Bromophenyl)sulfonyl)-2-methyl-3-phenylaziridine (3ag)⁴



Colorless dense oil; 21.5 mg, 61% yield, reaction time 6 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.85 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.93-2.99 (m, 1H), 3.81 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.3, 49.5, 49.6, 126.2, 128.1, 128.3, 128.6, 128.7, 132.2, 135.1, 139.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2925, 2854,

1574, 1459, 1388, 1324, 1160, 1088, 1036, 970, 890, 747, 699, 643, 550. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{15}H_{15}BrNO_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 352.0001, found 352.0014.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-Methyl-3-phenyl-1-((4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)sulfonyl)aziridine (3ah)



Colorless dense oil; 22.1 mg, 65% yield, reaction time 10 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.87 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.98-3.04 (m, 1H), 3.86 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.5, 49.8, 49.9, 123.1 (q, *J* = 271.4 Hz), 126.1 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 126.2, 127.6, 128.4, 128.6, 134.6 (q, *J* =

32.9 Hz), 134.9, 144.2; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2927, 1606, 1499, 1457, 1404, 1323, 1165, 1062, 970, 891, 800, 719, 641, 549. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₆H₁₅F₃NO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 342.0770, found 342.0777.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-Methyl-1-(naphthalen-2-ylsulfonyl)-3-phenylaziridine (3ai)



Colorless dense oil; 18.0 mg, 55% yield, reaction time 10 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.89 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.94-3.00 (m, 1H), 3.88 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.22 (m, 5H), 7.54-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.89-7.96 (m, 3H), 8.48 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.3, 49.4 (2C), 122.6, 126.3, 127.4, 127.8, 128.1, 128.3, 128.5, 128.9, 129.3, 129.4, 131.9, 135.0, 135.4, 137.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3059, 2924, 1591, 1456, 1318, 1157, 1074, 969, 890, 748,

679, 578, 539. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₉H₁₇KNO₂S [M+K]⁺ calcd 362.0612, found 362.0610.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-Methyl-3-phenyl-1-tosylaziridine (3aa)⁴



Colorless dense oil; 22.4 mg, 78% yield, reaction time 3 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.84 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.88-2.93 (m, 1H), 3.79 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.1, 21.5, 49.1 (2C), 126.2, 127.1, 128.0,

128.4, 129.5, 135.5, 137.8, 143.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3032, 2924, 1597, 1455, 1320, 1158, 1089, 971, 890, 815, 748, 685, 589, 536. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{16}H_{18}NO_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 288.1053, found 288.1055.

2-Methyl-3-(p-tolyl)-1-tosylaziridine (3ba)



Colorless dense oil; 10.5 mg, 35% yield, reaction time 3 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) (2*R**,3*S**)-3ba (major isomer) δ (ppm) = 1.02 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 3.14-3.20 (m, 1H), 3.89 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (s, 4H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); (2*R**, 3*R**)-3ba (minor

isomer) δ (ppm) = 1.83 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.87-2.93 (m, 1H), 3.76 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.02-7.05 (m, 4H), 7.25 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) (**2***R**, **3***S**)-**3**ba and (**2***R**, **3***R**)-**3**ba δ (ppm) = 11.9, 14.1, 21.1, 21.5, 21.6, 41.5, 46.0, 49.0, 49.2, 126.2, 127.1, 127.4, 127.8, 128.9, 129.1, 129.5, 129.6, 129.7, 132.5, 135.3, 137.5, 137.8, 138.0, 143.8, 144.3; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2922, 2854, 1597, 1515, 1452, 1322, 1159, 1090, 1042, 981, 886, 815, 747, 672, 575. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₇H₂₀NO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 302.1209, found 302.1208.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (3ca)

F 3ca

Colorless dense oil; 16.6 mg, 54% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.83 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.86-2.91 (m, 1H), 3.76 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ

(ppm) = 14.0, 21.6, 48.4, 49.1, 115.5 (d, J = 21.7 Hz), 127.2, 128.0 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 129.5, 131.3 (d, J = 3.2 Hz), 137.8, 144.0, 162.5 (d, J = 245.2 Hz); IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3066, 2962, 2929, 1601, 1512, 1451, 1401, 1321, 1228, 1158, 1091, 1039, 973, 892, 685, 536. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₆H₁₇FNO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 306.0959, found 306.0960.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (3da)

CI 3da

Colorless dense oil; 25.8 mg, 80% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.83 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.84-2.90 (m, 1H), 3.75 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ

(ppm) = 14.0, 21.5, 48.3, 49.2, 127.1, 127.6, 128.7, 129.6, 133.9, 134.1, 137.7, 144.0; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2928, 1597, 1493, 1449, 1321, 1236, 1158, 1089, 1038, 973, 889, 815, 685, 590, 537. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{16}H_{17}CINO_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 322.0663, found 322.0662.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (3ea)



Colorless dense oil; 30.0 mg, 82% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.83 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.84-2.89 (m, 1H), 3.73 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ

(ppm) = 14.0, 21.6, 48.3, 49.2, 122.0, 127.1, 127.9, 129.6, 131.6, 134.6, 137.7, 144.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2923, 2852, 1596, 1489, 1452, 1379, 1321, 1159, 1089, 889, 816, 685, 589, 536. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₆H₁₇BrNO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 366.0158, found 366.0165.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-(4-Iodophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (3fa)

Colorless dense oil; 31.1 mg, 75% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.83 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.83-2.89 (m, 1H), 3.72 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.0, 21.5, 48.4, 49.2, 93.5, 127.1, 128.1, 129.5, 135.3, 137.5, 137.6, 144.0; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2925, 1596, 1486, 1321, 1159, 1090, 1038, 973, 891, 817, 685, 589, 536. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₆H₁₇INO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 414.0019, found 414.0020.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-(2-Chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (3ga)

CI N Me (4

White solid; 26.1 mg, 81% yield, reaction time 5 h; mp 91-92 °C; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.89 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.76-2.81 (m, 1H), 4.05 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (td, *J* = 7.4, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H); 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.2

Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.0, 21.6, 47.1, 48.8, 126.9, 127.1, 127.4, 129.0 (2C), 129.6, 133.5, 133.7, 137.6, 144.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2922, 2852, 2387, 1595, 1445, 1323, 1159, 1089, 1054, 891, 753, 684, 589, 538. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₆H₁₇ClNO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 322.0663, found 322.0664.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-(3-Chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (3ha)

CI Sha Colorless dense oil; 25.1 mg, 78% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.83 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.84-2.90 (m, 1H), 3.75 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.02-7.05 (m, 1H), 7.10 (s, 1H), 7.16-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃)

δ (ppm) = 14.0, 21.6, 48.1, 49.2, 124.5, 126.3, 127.2, 128.2, 129.6, 129.8, 134.4, 137.6, 137.7, 144.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2923, 2853, 1597, 1453, 1322, 1160, 1089, 906, 859, 687, 591, 555. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₆H₁₇ClNO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 322.0663, found 322.0664.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-(2-Bromophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (3ia)

Br N 3ia Colorless dense oil; 30.5 mg, 83% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.91 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.73-2.78 (m, 1H), 3.99 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.86 (m, 1H), 7.06-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.48-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm)

= 14.0, 21.6, 48.9, 49.4, 123.1, 127.4 (2C), 129.3, 129.6, 132.2, 135.5, 137.6, 144.2; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3063, 2925, 2854, 1596, 1442, 1413, 1323, 1159, 1089, 1037, 981, 895, 814, 753, 684, 589, 538. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{16}H_{17}BrNO_{2}S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 366.0158, found 366.0161.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-(3-Bromophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (3ja)



Colorless dense oil; 28.7 mg, 78% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.83 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.84-2.90 (m, 1H), 3.74 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.06-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.34-7.37 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) =

13.9, 21.5, 47.9, 49.2, 122.5, 124.9, 127.2, 129.3, 129.6, 130.0, 131.1, 137.5, 137.9,144.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2925, 2855, 1596, 1569, 1448, 1321, 1159, 1089, 976, 896, 812, 686, 591, 552. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{16}H_{17}BrNO_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 366.0158, found 366.0160.

4-((2R*, 3R*)-3-Methyl-1-tosylaziridin-2-yl)benzonitrile (3ka)



Colorless dense oil; 17.9 mg, 57% yield, reaction time 12 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.85 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.84-2.90 (m, 1H), 3.81 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 13.9, 21.6, 47.8, 49.7, 111.8,

118.4, 126.9, 127.2, 129.6, 132.3, 137.4, 141.0, 144.3; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2923, 2853, 2227, 1597,

1453, 1322, 1160, 1090, 1036, 975, 852, 685, 591, 554. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{17}H_{17}N_2O_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 313.1005, found 313.1006.

Methyl 4-((2R*, 3R*)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridin-2-yl)benzoate (3la)



Colorless dense oil; 26.9 mg, 77% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.86 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.88-2.94 (m, 1H), 3.82 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz), ¹³C N

CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.0, 21.5, 48.4, 49.5, 52.1, 126.2, 127.2, 129.5, 129.7, 129.8, 137.6, 140.7, 144.1, 166.6; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2923, 2852, 1720, 1610, 1434, 1321, 1279, 1159, 1090, 969, 890, 760, 685, 589, 537. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₈H₂₀NO₄S [M+H]⁺ calcd 346.1108, found 346.1111.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-Methyl-1-tosyl-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)aziridine (3ma)



Colorless dense oil; 24.4 mg, 68% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.86 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.86-2.91 (m, 1H), 3.83 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.0, 21.6, 48.1,

49.5, 123.9 (q, J = 270.8 Hz), 125.5 (q, J = 3.7 Hz), 126.6, 127.2, 129.6, 130.2 (q, J = 31.9 Hz), 137.6, 139.7, 144.2; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2927, 2869, 1451, 1324, 1237, 1178, 1126, 1066, 976, 892, 853, 685, 646, 600, 535. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₇H₁₇F₃NO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 356.0927, found 356.0929.

(2*R**,

3*R**)-2-Methyl-3-(4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)-1-tosylaziridine (3na)



Colorless dense oil; 28.6 mg, 69% yield, reaction time 3 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.31 (s, 12H), 1.85 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.88-2.94 (m, 1H), 3.79 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.1, 21.5, 24.8, 49.1, 49.3, 83.8, 125.5, 127.1, 129.5, 134.8,

137.8, 138.6, 143.9; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2977, 2928, 1613, 1397, 1360, 1323, 1160, 1090, 962, 891, 857, 685, 589, 538. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{22}H_{29}BNO_4S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 414.1905, found 414.1898.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-(4-Bromo-2-fluorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (30a)

F	N / Me
Br	3oa

White solid; 29.4 mg, 76% yield, reaction time 5 h; mp 124-126 °C; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.84 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.86-2.92 (m, 1H), 3.92 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.83

2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.0, 21.6, 42.9 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz), 48.2, 118.8 (d, *J* = 23.9 Hz), 121.9 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz), 122.3 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz), 127.3, 127.6 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 128.3 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz), 129.6, 137.4, 144.2, 161.0 (d, *J* = 250.5 Hz); IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2925, 2854, 1604, 1488, 1403, 1325, 1160, 1089, 899, 868, 709, 685, 592, 557. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₆H₁₆BrFNO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 384.0064, found 384.0062.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (3pa)



Colorless dense oil; 28.6 mg, 80% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.83 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.83-2.88 (m, 1H), 3.71 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.32 (m, 3H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ

(ppm) = 13.9, 21.6, 47.4, 49.3, 125.6, 127.2, 128.2, 129.6, 130.5, 132.1, 132.7, 135.9, 137.4, 144.3; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2924, 2854, 1596, 1420, 1376, 1322, 1160, 1089, 1034, 979, 910, 863, 816, 685, 595. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₆H₁₆Cl₂NO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 356.0273, found 356.0274.

2-Phenyl-1-tosylaziridine (3qa)



White solid; 12.2 mg, 44% yield, reaction time 3 h; mp 78-80 °C ; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 2.38 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.98 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.20-7.33 (m, 7H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.5, 35.8, 40.9, 126.4, 127.8, 128.2, 128.4,

129.6, 134.9 (2C), 144.5; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3033, 2922, 1597, 1495, 1457, 1324, 1232, 1160, 1093, 979, 910, 816, 773, 665, 567. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{15}H_{16}NO_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 274.0896, found 274.0900.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-Ethyl-3-phenyl-1-tosylaziridine (3ra)⁵



Colorless dense oil; 22.6 mg, 75% yield, reaction time 3 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.16 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 2.05-2.16 (m, 1H), 2.22-2.32 (m, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.79-2.84 (m, 1H), 3.79 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm)

= 12.3, 21.5, 22.2, 48.6, 54.7, 126.4, 127.2, 128.0, 128.4, 129.5, 135.5, 137.8, 143.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2956, 2924, 1598, 1458, 1323, 1159, 1090, 1019, 906, 814, 748, 696, 589, 538. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{17}H_{20}NO_2S$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 302.1209, found 302.1213.

(2R*, 3R*)-2-Phenyl-3-propyl-1-tosylaziridine (3sa)⁵



Colorless dense oil; 22.4 mg, 71% yield, reaction time 3 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.47-1.70 (m, 2H), 1.98-2.07 (m, 1H), 2.26-2.34 (m, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.79-2.84 (m, 1H), 3.79 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR

 $(100 \text{ MHz}, \text{ CDCl}_3) \delta$ (ppm) = 13.8, 21.2, 21.5, 30.5, 48.9, 53.4, 126.3, 127.2, 128.0, 128.5, 129.5, 135.5, 137.8, 143.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2960, 2927, 2871, 1598, 1496, 1458, 1323, 1159, 1092, 924, 814, 747, 696, 541. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₈H₂₂NO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 316.1366, found 316.1367.

(2S*, 3R*)-2-(((tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)methyl)-3-phenyl-1-tosylaziridine (3ta)⁶



Colorless dense oil; 19.8 mg, 47% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 0.094 (s, 6H), 0.89 (s, 9H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 3.08-3.11 (m, 1H), 3.89 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17-7.19 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 5H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C

NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = -5.3, 18.3, 21.6, 25.8, 47.5, 52.3, 60.7, 126.8, 127.4, 128.2, 128.4, 129.5, 134.7, 137.3, 144.0; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2955, 2927, 2857, 1599, 1461, 1327, 1256, 1161, 1091, 912, 836, 779, 694, 588, 540. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₃₂NO₃SSi [M+H]⁺ calcd

(2S*, 3R*)-2-(Bromomethyl)-3-phenyl-1-tosylaziridine (3ua)⁷



Colorless dense oil; 20.1 mg, 55% yield, reaction time 12 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 2.42 (s, 3H), 3.20-3.25 (m, 1H), 3.95-4.07 (m, 3H), 7.16-7.18 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.31 (m, 5H), 7.84 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.6, 28.1, 49.5, 50.9, 126.6, 127.5, 128.5, 128.6, 129.7, 134.0, 136.6,

144.6; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2923, 2852, 1596, 1456, 1324, 1159, 1087, 1026, 933, 813, 701, 572. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₆H₁₇BrNO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 366.0158, found 366.0159.

(2R*,3R*)-2,3-diphenyl-1-tosylaziridine (3va)⁸



White solid; (E-stilbenes) 8.7 mg, 25% yield, reaction time 4 h; (Z-stilbenes) 8.2 mg, 23% yield, reaction time 5 h; mp 121-123°C ; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 2.38 (s, 3H), 4.26 (s, 2H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.34-7.36 (m, 6H),7.41-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm)

= 21.6, 50.3, 127.5, 128.3, 128.4, 128.7, 129.4, 133.0, 137.0, 143.9; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2923, 2854, 1598, 1497, 1451, 1326, 1162, 909, 761, 697, 535. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₁H₂₀NO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 350.1209, found 350.1199.

2,2-Dimethyl-3-phenyl-1-tosylaziridine (3wa)⁹



Colorless dense oil; 14.3 mg, 47% yield, reaction time 5 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.06 (s, 3H), 1.90 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 4.04 (s, 1H), 7.02-7.04 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.86 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.0, 21.2, 21.6, 53.6, 53.7, 127.0, 127.3, 127.6,

128.2, 129.5, 134.2, 138.2, 143.8; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2924, 2853, 1598, 1455, 1378, 1322, 1244, 1157, 1093, 1044, 940, 870, 767, 673, 588, 535. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₇H₂₀NO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 302.1209, found 302.1208.

1-Tosyl-1a,2,3,7b-tetrahydro-1H-naphtho[1,2-b]azirine (3xa)¹⁰



White solid; 10.2 mg, 34% yield, reaction time 5 h; mp 116-118 °C; ¹H NMR $(400 \text{MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta$ (ppm) = 1.62-1.70 (m, 1H), 2.22-2.28 (m, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.51-2.56 (m, 1H), 2.71-2.80 (m, 1H), 3.54-3.56 (m, 1H), 3.81 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 3H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H); 13 C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 19.9, 21.5, 24.6, 41.7, 42.0, 126.3, 127.6, 128.4, 128.5, 129.4, 129.6, 130.0, 135.6, 136.6, 144.2; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3027, 2925, 2854, 1597, 1396, 1321, 1157, 1090, 989, 907, 876, 753, 670, 600, 571. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₇H₁₈NO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 300.1053, found 300.1056.

(Z)-N,5-diphenyl-3-tosylthiazolidin-2-imine (4)¹¹



Colorless dense oil; 15.7 mg, 38% yield, reaction time 3 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 2.48 (s, 3H), 4.05 (dd, J = 10.3, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (dd, J = 10.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (dd, J = 8.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.36 (m, 7H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR $(100MHz, CDCl_3) \delta$ (ppm) = 21.7, 47.0, 56.8, 120.7, 124.3, 127.5, 128.7, 128.9, 129.0, 129.1, 129.2, 134.7, 136.5, 144.9, 150.0, 152.1; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2922, 2853, 1642, 1592, 1455, 1361, 1170, 1099, 809, 763, 696, 660, 566, 543. HRMS (ESI) for $C_{22}H_{21}N_2O_2S_2$ [M+H]⁺ calcd 409.1039, found 409.1041.

4-Methyl-N-(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)benzenesulfonamide (5)¹²

White solid; 10.4 mg, 36% yield, reaction time 12 h; mp 38-40 °C; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 2.39 (s, 3H), 4.46 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 2H), 5.65 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.45-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.84-7.86 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.5, 48.6, 127.2, 127.8, 128.9, 129.8, 133.8, 134.4, 136.1, 143.7, 192.5; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3280, 2923, 1690, 1597, 1446, 1339, 1160, 1092, 984, 815, 755, 674, 550. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₅H₁₆NO₃S [M+H]⁺ calcd 290.0845, found 290.0843.

2-(Perfluorophenyl)-5-phenyl-4,5-dihydrooxazole (6)¹³

White solid; 19.1 mg, 61% yield, reaction time 8h; mp 58-61 °C; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 4.06 (dd, J = 15.2, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (dd, J = 15.2, 10.4 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (dd, J = 10.4, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.43 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 63.2, 81.6, 104.8 (td, J = 15.3, 3.7 Hz), 125.6, 128.6, 128.9, 137.8 (dm, J = 249.1 Hz), 139.9, 142.7 (dm, J = 256.8 Hz), 145.7

(dm, J = 256.8 Hz), 154.4 (m); IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2924, 1672, 1524, 1501, 1343, 1208, 1083, 985, 805, 742, 698. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₅H₉F₅NO [M+H]⁺ calcd 314.0599, found 314.0600.

Ethyl (E)-3-((4-methyl-N-(1-phenylvinyl)phenyl)sulfonamido)acrylate (7)¹⁴

Ph $rac{N}{T_{S}}$ CO₂Et $rac{CO_2Et}{T_{S}}$ Prepared according to the literature procedure.¹³ Yellow oil; 22.9 mg, 61% yield, reaction time 16 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 1.23 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 4.13 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.89 (d, J = 0.7 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 5.90 (d, J = 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.31 (m, 5H), 7.39-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.72 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 8.29 (d, J = 13.7 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 14.3, 21.6, 60.0, 100.5, 117.3, 125.8, 127.8, 128.6, 129.2, 129.9, 134.0, 135.2, 142.0, 142.4, 144.9, 167.0; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3062, 2981, 2929, 1707, 1622, 1368, 1320, 1288, 1153, 1087, 1044, 949, 775, 703, 626, 571. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₀H₂₂NO₄S [M+H]⁺ calcd 372.1264, found 372.1261.

9-Methyl-4-phenyl-2-tosyl-2,3,4,9-tetrahydro-1H-pyrido[3,4-b]indole (8)¹⁵

Ph N-Ts Me 8

Prepared according to the literature procedure.¹⁴White solid; 29.1mg, 70% yield, reaction time 2 h; mp 194-196 °C; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.98 (dd, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.94 (dd, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (dd, *J* = 14.5 Hz, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.34-4.37 (m, 1H),

4.65 (d, J = 14.5 Hz, 1H), 6.75-6.88 (m, 2H), 7.10-7.14 (m, 1H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.29 (m, 6H), 7.68 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.5, 29.5, 40.3, 42.8, 52.2, 108.7, 109.8, 119.2, 119.6, 121.4, 125.7, 127.0, 127.6, 128.4, 128.5, 129.8, 131.1, 133.7, 137.4, 141.2, 143.7; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3055, 3028, 2923, 1597, 1469, 1344, 1163, 1098, 998, 910, 813, 739, 702, 575, 551. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₅H₂₅N₂O₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 417.1631, found 417.1628.

2,5-Diphenyl-1-tosyl-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine (9)



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Colorless dense oil; 11.8 mg, 30% yield, reaction time 10 h; ¹H NMR (400MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ (ppm) = 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.45-2.62 (m, 2H), 3.65-3.71 (m, 1H), 4.53 (d, J = 17.9 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.09-6.10 (m, 1H), 7.20-7.33 (m, 10H), 7.37 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) = 21.5, 26.8, 42.1, 52.5, 120.8, 124.9, 127.0, 127.4, 127.6, 127.7, 128.4, 128.5, 129.5, 133.7, 137.6, 138.6, 139.0, 143.2; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2922, 2852, 1597, 1498, 1448, 1337, 1158, 1096, 952,

886, 745, 687, 557. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₄H₂₄NO₂S [M+H]⁺ calcd 390.1522, found 390.1524.

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9. NMR spectra of compounds

1-(Benzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2b)



1-(4-Methoxybenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2c)



1-(4-tert-Butylbenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2d)



1-(4-Fluorobenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2e)



1-(4-Chlorobenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2f)



1-(4-Bromobenzenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2g)







1-(2-Naphthalenesulfonylamino)-pyridinium tetrafluoroborate (2i)



(2R*,3R*)-2-Methyl-3-phenyl-1-(phenylsulfonyl)aziridine (3ab)









































(2R*,3R*)-2-(2-Chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-tosylaziridine (3ga)















 $(2R^{*}, 3R^{*}) - 2 - Methyl - 3 - (4 - (4, 4, 5, 5 - tetramethyl - 1, 3, 2 - dioxaborolan - 2 - yl)phenyl) - 1 - tosylaziridine (3na)$













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2,2-Dimethyl-3-phenyl-1-tosylaziridine (3wa)





1-Tosyl-1a,2,3,7b-tetrahydro-1H-naphtho[1,2-b]azirine (3xa)







2-(Perfluorophenyl)-5-phenyl-4,5-dihydrooxazole (6)

Ethyl (E)-3-((4-methyl-N-(1-phenylvinyl)phenyl)sulfonamido)acrylate (7)

2,5-Diphenyl-1-tosyl-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine (9)

