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## 2,2,2-Trifluoroethanol as a Tool to Control Nucleophilic Peptide Arylation

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### Materials and general methods

All chemicals and solvents were analytical grade and used without further purification. Liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry (LC/MS; ESI+ mode) analyses were performed on a Acquity UPLC BEH C18 column (1.7 µm 2.1 mm x 50 mm) using a Waters Acquity UPLC system equipped with a photodiode array detector, providing absorbance data from 210 nm to 400 nm. A gradient with eluent I (0.1% HCOOH in water) and eluent II (0.1% HCOOH in acetonitrile) rising linearly from 5 to 95% of II during t=0.2-4.0 min was applied at a flow rate of 0.6 ml/min after 0.2 min of 95% solvent I initial equilibration. High-resolution QToF-LC/MS and QToF-MS/MS analyses were performed in a Acquity UPLC BEH C18 column (1.7 µm, 2.1 mm x 50 mm) using a Waters Acquity UPLC system coupled to Micromass QToF Premier mass spectrometer, also equipped with a photodiode array detector providing absorbance data from 210 nm to 400 nm. A gradient with eluent I (0.1% HCOOH in water) and eluent II (0.1% HCOOH in acetonitrile) rising linearly from 0 to 99% of II during t=0.0-5.0 min was applied at a flow rate of 0.6 ml/min. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra studies were recorded at 376MHz in a Bruker Advance spectrometer at 298 K, using 8 scans with a relaxation delay of 1s. All data has been processed using Mestrenova® software.

Peptides (pep1-4) were prepared using conventional Fmoc/tBu SPSS procedures. Full experimental details and characterisation of **pep1-4** are given in -

D. Gimenez, C.A Mooney, A. Dose, G. Sandford, C.R. Coxon and S.L. Cobb, "Application of Pentafluoropyridine and Related Polyfluorinated Reagents in the Preparation of Modified Peptide Systems". *OB-ART-02-2017-000283*.

## Model peptide tagging and stapling with perfluoroaromatics:

## General procedure for solution phase peptide tagging and stapling

Solid crude peptides **pep1-3** (2 mg, approx. 2.5  $\mu$ mol) were dissolved in the DMF or TFE (0.5 mL) in a 1.5 mL plastic Eppendorf tube, to which a Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> or DIPEA stock solution (50 mM in appropriate solvent, 0.5 mL) was added. Pentafluoropyridine (1) or hexafluorobenzene (3) was added in 5 equivalents and the tube was shaken vigorously at room temperature for 4.5 h. After removal of volatiles under vacuum, all products were redissolved in an 8:1:1 mixture of DMF/H<sub>2</sub>O/MeCN (1mL) and characterised by LC/MS (ESI+). When formation of novel compounds was observed, 10-fold scaled reactions were employed in all cases for product isolation and purification in order to afford a complete characterisation. Scaled reactions were run under exactly the same conditions but in argon-flushed syringes, to avoid air bubbles where volatile aromatic compounds could concentrate. LC/MS data for crude reactions is provided next.

*LC/MS analysis of small scale reactions* **1-22** 

# Effect of the solvent: DMF vs. TFE, using DIPEA. Entries 1-12 from Table 1 (main article)



Entry 1: Ac-YCGGGCAL- NH<sub>2</sub> + HEXAFLUOROBENZENE in DMF/DIPEA:

**Figure SI01**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ = 280 (middle panel) and  $\lambda$ = 220 nm (lower panel) of crude reaction of peptide **pep1** with hexafluorobenzene when using DIPEA as a base in DMF.

Entry 2: Ac-YSGGGSAL-NH<sub>2</sub> + HEXAFLUOROBENZENE in DMF/DIPEA:



**Figure SI02**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep2** with hexafluorobenzene when using DIPEA as a base in DMF.





**Figure SI03**. LC/MS traces  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep3** with hexafluorobenzene when using DIPEA as a base in DMF.

Entry 4: Ac-YCGGGCAL- NH<sub>2</sub> + PENTAFLUOROPYRIDINE in DMF/DIPEA:



Peak	Retention time	m/z	Identity
1	1.946	820	Starting peptide [M+MeCN] <sup>+</sup>
2	2.706	1082	Double ArF addition [M+2ArF] <sup>+</sup>
3	3.074	1138	[M+2ArF+TFA] <sup>2+</sup>
4	3.175	1231	Triple ArF addition [M+3ArF] <sup>+</sup>

**Figure SI04**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =280 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep1** with pentafluoropyridine when using DIPEA as a base in DMF.





**Figure SI05**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep2** with pentafluoropyridine when using DIPEA as a base in DMF.

Entry 6: Ac-YKGGGKAL- NH<sub>2</sub> + PENTAFLUOROPYRIDINE in DMF/DIPEA:



**Figure SI6**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep3** with pentafluoropyridine when using DIPEA as a base in DMF.





**Figure SI7**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep1** with hexafluorobenzene when using DIPEA as a base in TFE.





**Figure SI8**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep2** with hexafluorobenzene when using DIPEA as a base in TFE.

Entry 9: Ac-YKGGGKAL- NH<sub>2</sub> + HEXAFLUOROBENZENE in TFE/DIPEA:



**Figure SI9**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep3** with hexafluorobenzene when using DIPEA as a base in TFE.

#### Entry 10: Ac-YCGGGCAL- $NH_2$ + PENTAFLUOROPYRIDINE in TFE/DIPEA:



Figure SI10. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide pep1 with pentafluoropyridine when using DIPEA as a base in TFE. Upper figure showing the scheme corresponding to adduct formation on the basis of the observed masses.

Entry 11: Ac-YSGGGSAL- NH<sub>2</sub> + PENTAFLUOROPYRIDINE in TFE/DIPEA:



**Figure SI11**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep2** with pentafluoropyridine when using DIPEA as a base in TFE.

Entry 12: Ac-YKGGGKAL- NH<sub>2</sub> + PENTAFLUOROPYRIDINE in TFE/DIPEA:



**Figure SI12**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep3** with pentafluoropyridine when using DIPEA as a base in TFE



Entry 13: Ac-YCGGGCAL- NH<sub>2</sub> + HEXAFLUOROBENZENE in TFE/Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>:

**Figure SI13**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep1** with hexafluorobenzene when using Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> as a base in TFE.

Entry 14: Ac-YSGGGSAL- NH<sub>2</sub> + HEXAFLUOROBENZENE in TFE/Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>:



**Figure SI14**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep2** with hexafluorobenzene when using Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> as a base in TFE.

Entry 15: Ac-YKGGGKAL- NH<sub>2</sub> + HEXAFLUOROBENZENE in TFE/Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>:



**Figure SI15**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep3** with hexafluorobenzene when using Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> as a base in TFE.



Figure SI16. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep1** with pentafluoropyridine when using Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> as a base in TFE. Upper figure showing the scheme corresponding to adduct formation on the basis of the observed masses.





**Figure SI17**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep2** with pentafluoropyridine when using Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> as a base in TFE.

Entry 18: Ac-YKGGGKAL- NH<sub>2</sub> + PENTAFLUOROPYRIDINE in TFE/Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>



**Figure SI18**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep3** with pentafluoropyridine when using Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> as a base in TFE.



Entry 19: Ac- FKACGKGCA - NH<sub>2</sub> + HEXAFLUOROBENZENE in DMF/DIPEA

**Figure SI19**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep4** with hexafluorobenzene when using DIPEA as a base in DMF.



Entry 20: Ac- FKACGKGCA - NH<sub>2</sub> + HEXAFLUOROBENZENE in TFE/DIPEA

**Figure SI20**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep4** with hexafluorobenzene when using DIPEA as a base in TFE.



Entry 21: Ac- FKACGKGCA - NH<sub>2</sub> + PENTAFLUOROFYRIDINE in DMF/DIPEA

**Figure SI21**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep4** with pentafluoropyridine when using DIPEA as a base in DMF.



Entry 22: Ac- FKACGKGCA - NH<sub>2</sub> + PENTAFLUOROFYRIDINE in TFE/DIPEA

**Figure SI22**. LC/MS traces at  $\lambda$ =220 nm of crude reaction of peptide **pep4** with pentafluoropyridine when using DIPEA as a base in TFE.

## **Isolation and characterization of compounds 4-14**

#### General methods:

Products from large-scale reactions were purified and isolated by semi-preparative reverse phase HPLC performed on a Discovery Bio wide pore C<sub>18</sub>-5 column from Supelco (5 µm, 25 cm × 10 mm), using a Pelkin-Elmer 200 LC pump coupled to a Waters 486 tuneable absorbance detector set at  $\lambda$ =220 nm. A gradient with eluent A (95:5:0.1%) H<sub>2</sub>O:ACN:TFA) and eluent B (5:95:0.1% H<sub>2</sub>O:ACN:TFA) was applied, where solvent B was firstly rose linearly from 0 to 100% during t=60 min and finally maintained isocratically for 5 min at a flow rate of 2 mL/min. Purified pooled fractions were then freeze-dried and the identity of the different compounds verified by LC/MS. The desired pure compounds were then further characterised by <sup>19</sup>F NMR (2 mg/mL in H<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN 50:50, unless otherwise stated), high resolution LC/MS-QToF and ion directed tandem mass spectrometry (MS/MS), allowing to obtain the characteristic rupture profile for each product. In MS/MS fragmentation analysis we have made use of the accepted nomenclature for fragment ions firstly proposed by Roepstorff and Fohlman (P. Roepstorff and J. Fohlman, Biol. Mass Spectrom. 1984, 11, 601-601.), and subsequently modified by Johnson et al. (R. S. Johnson, S. A. Martin, K. Biemann J. T. Stults and J. T. Watson, Anal. Chem., 1987, 59, 2621-2625). Note that, in peptides and proteins, ions arising from fragmentation series  $\gamma$  or b are expected to be predominant.

#### **Product 4.**



QToF LC/MS: Calculated *m/z*: 929.96, observed *m/z*: 931.49  $[M+H^+]^+$ . Retention time: 2.400 min. Elemental composition: C<sub>38</sub> H<sub>47</sub> F<sub>4</sub> N<sub>9</sub> O<sub>10</sub> S<sub>2</sub>.



**Figure SI23**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace at  $\lambda$ =280 nm and composition of isolated compound 4.



**Figure SI24**. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound **4** as recorded in D<sub>2</sub>O/MeCN 1:1 at room temperature.

**Product 5.** 



QToF LC/MS: Calculated m/z: 1230.27, observed m/z: 1231.28 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>. Retention time: 3.442 min. Elemental composition: C<sub>47</sub> H<sub>46</sub> F<sub>12</sub> N<sub>12</sub> O<sub>10</sub> S<sub>2</sub>.

QToF-MS/MS: Calculated *m*/*z*: 1103.18 [b7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 1032.81 [b6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 780.14 [b5+H]<sup>+</sup>, 722.11 [b4+H]<sup>+</sup>, 665.09 [b3+H]<sup>+</sup>, 608.07 [b2+H]<sup>+</sup>, 356.07 [b1+H]<sup>+</sup>, 495.15 [z4+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

Observed *m/z*: 1103.22 [b7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 1032.18 [b6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 780.17 [b5+H]<sup>+</sup>, 722.14 [b4+H]<sup>+</sup>, 665.12 [b3+H]<sup>+</sup>, 608.13 [b2+H]<sup>+</sup>, 355.08 [b1+H]<sup>+</sup>, 495.14 [z4+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ -91.20 (m, 2F), -93.42 (m, 4F), -137.49 (m, 4F), -155.63 (m, 2F).



**Figure SI25**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace at  $\lambda$ =220 nm and composition of isolated compound 5.



**Figure SI26**. MS/MS analysis of compound **5** showing its characteristic rupture pattern and the assignation of the main ions observed.



Figure SI27. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound 5 as recorded in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at room temperature.

**Product 6.** 



QToF LC/MS: Calculated *m/z*: 900.34, observed *m/z*: 901.34  $[M+H]^+$  Retention time: 2.375 min. Elemental composition: C<sub>37</sub> H<sub>48</sub> F<sub>4</sub> N<sub>10</sub> O<sub>12</sub>.

QToF-MS/MS: Calculated *m/z*: 771.24 [b7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 700.20 [b6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 613.17 [b5+H]<sup>+</sup>, 499.12 [b3+H]<sup>+</sup>, 442.35 [b2+H]<sup>+</sup>, 355.07 [b1+H]<sup>+</sup>, 530.26 [z7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 443.23 [z6+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

Observed *m/z*: 771.27 [b7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 700.24 [b6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 613.19 [b5+H]<sup>+</sup>, 449.10 [b3+H]<sup>+</sup>, 442.08 [b2+H]<sup>+</sup>, 355.11 [b1+H]<sup>+</sup>, 530.26 [z7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 442.08 [z6+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, H<sub>2</sub>O/MeOD 1:1) δ -91.32 (m, 2F), -155.98 (m, 2F).



**Figure SI28**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace at  $\lambda$ =220 nm and composition of isolated compound **6**.



**Figure SI29**. MS/MS analysis of compound **6** showing its characteristic rupture pattern and the assignation of the main ions observed.



**Figure SI30**. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound **6** as recorded in  $H_2O/MeOD$  1:1 at room temperature.

Product 7.



QToF LC/MS: Calculated m/z: 1280.44, observed m/z: 1281.45 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Retention time: 3.492 min. Elemental composition: C<sub>53</sub> H<sub>60</sub> F<sub>12</sub> N<sub>14</sub> O<sub>10</sub>.

QToF-MS/MS:

Calculated *m/z*: 1152.34 [b7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 1081.30 [b6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 804.22 [b5+H]<sup>+</sup>, 691.2337 [b3+H]<sup>+</sup>, 747.20 [b4+H]<sup>+</sup>, 911.36 [z7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 634.28 [z6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 520.23 [z4+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

Observed *m/z*: 1152.40 [b7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 1082.36 [b6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 804.26 [b5+H]<sup>+</sup>, 690.23 [b3+H]<sup>+</sup>, 747.24 [b4+H]<sup>+</sup>, 911.36 [z7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 634.29 [z6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 520.23 [z4+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, H<sub>2</sub>O/MeOD 1:1) δ -91.66 (m, 2F), -98.17 (m, 4F), -156.29 (m, 4F), -165.54 (m, 2F).



**Figure SI31**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace at  $\lambda$ =220 nm and composition of isolated compound 7.



**Figure SI32**. MS/MS analysis of compound **7** showing its characteristic rupture pattern and the assignation of the main ions observed.



Figure SI33. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound 7 as recorded in  $H_2O/MeOD$  1:1 at room temperature.

**Product 8.** 



QToF LC/MS: Calculated m/z: 1081.28, observed m/z: 1082.19 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Retention time: 3.017 min. Elemental composition: C<sub>42</sub> H<sub>47</sub> F<sub>8</sub> N<sub>11</sub> O<sub>10</sub> S<sub>2</sub>.

QToF-MS/MS:

Calculated m/z: 953.18 [b7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 882.14 [b6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 630.56 [b5+H]<sup>+</sup>, 573.51 [b4+H]<sup>+</sup>, 516.46 [b3+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

Observed *m/z*: 954.22 [b7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 883.18 [b6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 630.16 [b5+H]<sup>+</sup>, 573.16 [b4+H]<sup>+</sup>, 517.06 [b3+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, H<sub>2</sub>O/ MeCN-*d*<sub>3</sub> 1:1) δ -94.02 (m, 2F), -94.16 (m, 2F), -138.01 (m, 2F), -138.32 (m, 2F).



**Figure SI34**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace and composition of isolated compound **8**.



**Figure SI35**. MS/MS analysis of compound **8** showing its characteristic rupture pattern and the assignation of the main ions observed.



**Figure SI36**. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound **8** as recorded in  $H_2O/MeCN-d_3$  1:1 at room temperature.

Product 9. (Mixture of regioisomers)



QToF LC/MS: Calculated m/z: 932.96, observed m/z: 989.36 [2M+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup> Retention time: 2.842 min. Elemental composition: C<sub>37</sub> H<sub>48</sub> F<sub>4</sub> N<sub>10</sub> O<sub>10</sub> S<sub>2</sub>.

QToF-MS/MS:

Calculated *m/z*: 860.50 [2(b7/b'7)+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 789.95 [2(b6/b'6)+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 768.50 [2(z7/z'7) +TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 629.25 [2b4+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 537.50 [2b'5+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 515.58 [2b2+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 480.63 [2b'5+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 423.61 [2b'3+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 366.59 [2b'2+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup> Da.

Observed *m/z*: 860.29 [2(b7/b'7) +TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 789.25 [2(b6/b'6) +TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 769.24 [2(z7/z'7)+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 629.17 [2b4+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 536.23 [2b'5+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 515.17 [2b2+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 479.21 [2b'4+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 422.19 [2b'3+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 365.17 [2b'2+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup> Da.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, H<sub>2</sub>O/ MeCN-*d*<sub>3</sub> 1:1) δ -94.05 (m, 2F), -94.18 (m, 2F), -138.01 (m, 2F), -138.31 (m, 2F).



**Figure SI37**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace at  $\lambda$ =220 nm and composition of isolated compound 9.



Figure SI38. MS/MS analysis of compound 9 showing its characteristic rupture pattern and the assignation of the main ions observed.



**Figure SI39**. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound **9** as recorded in  $H_2O/MeCN-d_3$  1:1 at room temperature.

Product 10. (Mixture of regioisomers)



QToF LC/MS: Calculated m/z: 1081.28, observed m/z: 1138.35 [2M+TFA+2H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>2+</sup>. Retention time: 3.300 min. Elemental composition: C<sub>42</sub> H<sub>47</sub> F<sub>8</sub> N<sub>11</sub> O<sub>10</sub> S<sub>2</sub>.

QToF-MS/MS:

Calculated *m/z*: 938.64 [2(b6/b'6)+TFA+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 919.18 [(b7/b'7)+TFA-4*f*Pyr+H]<sup>+</sup>, 848.15 [b6/b'6+TFA-4*f*Pyr+H]<sup>+</sup>, 778.61 [2(b'4)+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 722.59 [2b'3+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 686.60 [2b5 + TFA +H]<sup>2+</sup>, 664.57 [2b'3+ TFA +H]<sup>2+</sup>, 629.62 [2b4 + TFA +H]<sup>2+</sup>, 480.15 [2b5-4*f*Pyr+H]<sup>+</sup>, 423.13 [2b4-4*f*Pyr+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

Observed *m/z*: 939.24 [2(b6/b'6)+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 920.56 [(b7/b'7)+ TFA-4*f*Pyr+H]<sup>+</sup>, 849.17 [b6/b'6)+TFA-4*f*Pyr+H]<sup>+</sup>, 779.14 [2b'4+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 723.14 [2b'3+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 687.23 [2b5+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 664.12 [2b'3+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 630.18 [2b4+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>, 481.13 [2b5-4*f*Pyr+H]<sup>+</sup>, 424.08 [2b4-4*f*Pyr+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, H<sub>2</sub>O/ MeCN-*d*<sub>3</sub> 1:1) δ -91.57 (m, 2F), -93.40 (m, 2F), -137.69 (m, 2F), -156.12 (m, 2F).



**Figure SI40**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace at  $\lambda$ =220 nm and composition of isolated compound **10**.



Figure SI41. MS/MS analysis of compound 10 showing its characteristic rupture pattern and the assignation of the main ions observed.



**Figure SI42**. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound **10** as recorded in  $H_2O/MeCN-d_3$  1:1 at room temperature.

#### Product 11.



QToF LC/MS: Calculated *m/z*: 1070.41, observed *m/z*: 1071.41 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 536.39 [M+2H]<sup>2+</sup> Retention time: 1.875 min. Elemental composition:  $C_{45} H_{62} F_4 N_{12} O_{10} S_2$ .

QToF-MS/MS:

Calculated *m/z*: 881.32 [y8+H]<sup>+</sup>, 753.23 [y7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 536.22 [M+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 492.67 [b8+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 441.16 [y8+2H]<sup>2+</sup> Da.

Observed *m/z*: 884.28 [y8+H]<sup>+</sup>, 757.26 [y7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 537.72 [M+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 493.19 [b8+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 442.66 [y8+2H]<sup>2+</sup> Da.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, H<sub>2</sub>O/ MeCN-*d*<sub>3</sub> 1:1) δ -134.53 (m, 4F).





**Figure SI43**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace at  $\lambda$ =220 nm and composition of isolated compound 11.

Figure SI44. MS/MS analysis of compound 11 showing its characteristic rupture pattern and the assignation of the main ions observed.



**Figure SI45**. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound **11** as recorded in  $H_2O/MeCN-d_3$  1:1 at room temperature.





QToF LC/MS: Calculated *m/z*: 1520.39, observed *m/z*: 1521.41 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>. Retention time: 4.033 min. Elemental composition:  $C_{59}$  H<sub>60</sub> F<sub>16</sub> N<sub>16</sub> O<sub>10</sub> S<sub>2</sub>.

QToF MS/MS:

Calculated m/z: 753.18 [M-NH<sub>2</sub>+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 717.66 [b8+2H]<sup>2+</sup> Da.

Observed 754.18 [M-NH<sub>2</sub>+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 718.15 [b8+2H]<sup>2+</sup> Da.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, H<sub>2</sub>O/ MeCN-*d*<sub>3</sub> 1:1) δ -93.99 (m, 4F), -98.06 (m, 4F), -138.14 (m, 4F), -165.38 (m, 4F).



**Figure SI46**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace at  $\lambda$ =220 nm and composition of isolated compound **12**.



**Figure SI47**. MS/MS analysis of compound **12** showing its characteristic rupture pattern and the assignation of the main ions observed.



**Figure SI48**. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound **12** as recorded in  $H_2O/MeCN-d_3$  1:1 at room temperature.

#### Product 13.



QToF LC/MS: Calculated *m/z*: 1222.41, observed *m/z*: 1223.41 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 612.20 [M+2H]<sup>2+</sup>. Retention time: 2.200 min. Elemental composition:  $C_{49}$  H<sub>62</sub> F<sub>8</sub> N<sub>14</sub> O<sub>10</sub> S<sub>2</sub>.

#### QToF-MS/MS:

Calculated *m/z*: 1135.35 [b8+H]<sup>+</sup>, 1033.32 [y8+H]<sup>+</sup>, 905.23 [y7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 834.19 [y6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 612.05 [M+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 518.16 [y8+2H]<sup>+</sup>, 389.22 [b3+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

Observed *m/z*: 1130.45 [b8+H]<sup>+</sup>, 1036.31 [y8+H]<sup>+</sup>, 908.22 [y7+H]<sup>+</sup>, 837.18 [y6+H]<sup>+</sup>, 613.44 [M+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 518.94 [y8+2H]<sup>+</sup>, 389.22 [b3+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, H<sub>2</sub>O/ MeCN-*d*<sub>3</sub> 1:1) δ -94.01 (m, 4F), -137.98 (m, 4F).



**Figure SI49**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace at  $\lambda$ =220 nm and composition of isolated compound 13.



**Figure SI50**. MS/MS analysis of compound **13** showing its characteristic rupture pattern and the assignation of the main ions observed.



**Figure SI51**. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound **13** as recorded in  $H_2O/MeCN-d_3$  1:1 at room temperature.





QToF LC/MS: Calculated m/z: 1073.42, observed m/z: 1130.49 [2M+TFA+H]<sup>2+</sup>. Retention time: 2.167 min. Elemental composition: C<sub>44</sub> H<sub>63</sub> F<sub>4</sub> N<sub>13</sub> O<sub>10</sub> S<sub>2</sub>.

QToF-MS/MS:

Calculated *m/z*: 1058.40 [M-NH<sub>2</sub>+H]<sup>+</sup>, 942.83 [2(y8/y'8) +TFA+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 814.74 [2(y7/y'7) +TFA+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 743.50 [2(y6/y'6) +TFA+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 566.25 [Z'5+H]<sup>+</sup>, 537.71 [M+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 566.7301 [z5+TFA+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 389.22 [2b3/b'3+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

Observed *m/z*: 1059.40 [M-NH<sub>2</sub>+H]<sup>+</sup>, 943.39 [2(y8/y'8)+ +TFA+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 815.31 [2(y7/y'7)+TFA+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 744.25 [2(y6/y'6)+TFA+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 566.73 [z5'+H]<sup>+</sup>, 538.69 [M+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 472.19 [2z5+TFA+2H]<sup>2+</sup>, 389.21 [b3/b'3+H]<sup>+</sup> Da.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, H<sub>2</sub>O/ MeCN-*d*<sub>3</sub> 1:1) δ -93.39 (m, 2F), -138.12 (m, 2F).



**Figure SI52**. Structure, high resolution QToF-LC/MS trace at  $\lambda$ =220 nm and composition of isolated compound 14.



**Figure SI53**. MS/MS analysis of compound **14** showing its characteristic rupture pattern and the assignation of the main ions observed.



**Figure SI54**. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound **14** as recorded in  $H_2O/MeCN-d_3$  1:1 at room temperature.