Visible-Light mediated directed perfluoroalkylation of hydrazones

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1. General information

All reagents were commercially available and used without further purification. All solvents were dried according to standard procedures. Melting points were measured on a Taike X-4 microscopic melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker ACF-400 spectrometer and recorded at 400 and 100 MHz, respectively, using CDCl₃ or DMSO as solvent. IR spectra were taken with a Nicolet FT-IR 5DX spectrometer. HRMS were taken with a AB Triple TOF 5600 plus System (AB SCIEX, Framingham,USA). The exact mass calibration was performed automatically before each analysis employing the Automated Calibration Delivery System. EPR spectra were measured on a Bruker A300 spectrometer.

2. Photoreaction setup



Fig. 1s Reaction apparatus for the small test reactions (left) and gram-scale reaction (right).

3. Determination of the geometry of the C=N double bond

NOESY experiment



4. Stern-Volmer Fluorescence Quenching Studies

Fluorescence quenching experiments were performed on a JASCO FP-6500Spectrofluorometer. In a typical experiment, a 0.15mM solution of Ir(ppy)₃ in CH₃CN was added to the appropriate amount of quencher in a screw-top 1.0 cm quartz cuvette. All solutions were excited at $\lambda = 367$ nm (absorption maximum of the photocatalyst) and the emission intensity at 526 nm was recorded (emission maximum)



Ir(ppy)₃Emission Quenched by 1b

Ir(ppy)₃Emission Quenched by 2a





5. The Radical Trapping Experiment:

6. EPR spin trapping experiment with DMPO

Typical spectrometer parameters are shown as follows: Center-Field: 3508 G; Width: 100 G; Receiver Gain: 5.02×10^3 ; Scans: 1; Modulation Amplitude: 1 G; Modulation Frequency: 9.845957 GHz; Microwave Power: 2.41mW; Time constant: 0.08192 s. Simulated EPR spectrum (b and c) based on hyperfine coupling constants of $a_N = 13.52$ Gs and $a_F = 1.96$ Gs (g=2.00948).

7. Synthetic Utility of Methodology

(1) Hydrolysis reaction of hydrazone

3b (0.1085 g, 0.2569 mmol) was added to a 7.5mL 1/1 mixture of HCl (0.3N)/THF. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature and monitored by TLC. After 24h, the solution was extracted by DCM and washed with aq NaHCO₃. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography to afford **9** (41 mg, 47 %).

(2) Photoredox three-component couping reaction

In a vial $Ir(ppy)_3$ (2.6 mg, 0.004 mmol, 1 mol%), p-tolualdehyde(0.4 mmol), morpholin-4-amine (0.44 mmol), Na₂HPO₄ (113.6mg, 0.8 mmol) and perfluoroalkyliodide 2 (0.8 mmol) were dissolved in 8mL DMF. The reaction mixture was stirred under irradiation with a 3 W blue LED lamp for 24 hours. After the reaction was completed, the reaction mixture was poured into 60mL water and extracted with EtOAc (8 mL×3). The combined organic layers were dried with anhydrous MgSO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the crude mixture was directly charged on silica gel and purified by column chromatography with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluents.

8. Spectral data of products 3-9





















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