

Supporting information

Experimental and Computational Studies on H₂O-Promoted, Rh-Catalyzed Transient-Ligand-Free *Ortho*-C(sp²)-H Amidation of Benzaldehydes with Dioxazolones

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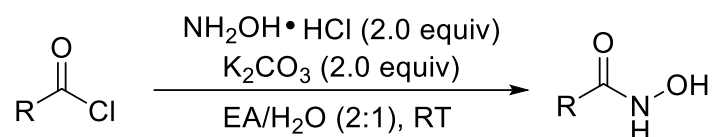
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1 General considerations

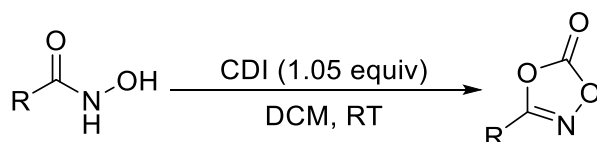
All ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AVANCE III HD 400 and 500 instruments and calibrated using residual solvent peaks as internal reference. Multiplicities are recorded as: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dd = doublet of doublets, m = multiplet, br = broad. High resolution ESI mass experiments were operated on a Solarix-70FT-MS.

All chemicals and materials in the experiments were purchased from commercial suppliers and used as received unless otherwise noted. Flash Column chromatography was performed using 200-300 mesh silica gel, SiO_2 . The starting material of product **12**^[1], the starting material (**60**) of product **61**^[2] and benzaldehyde $[\text{D}_5]\text{-1}$ ^[3] were prepared according to reported methods.

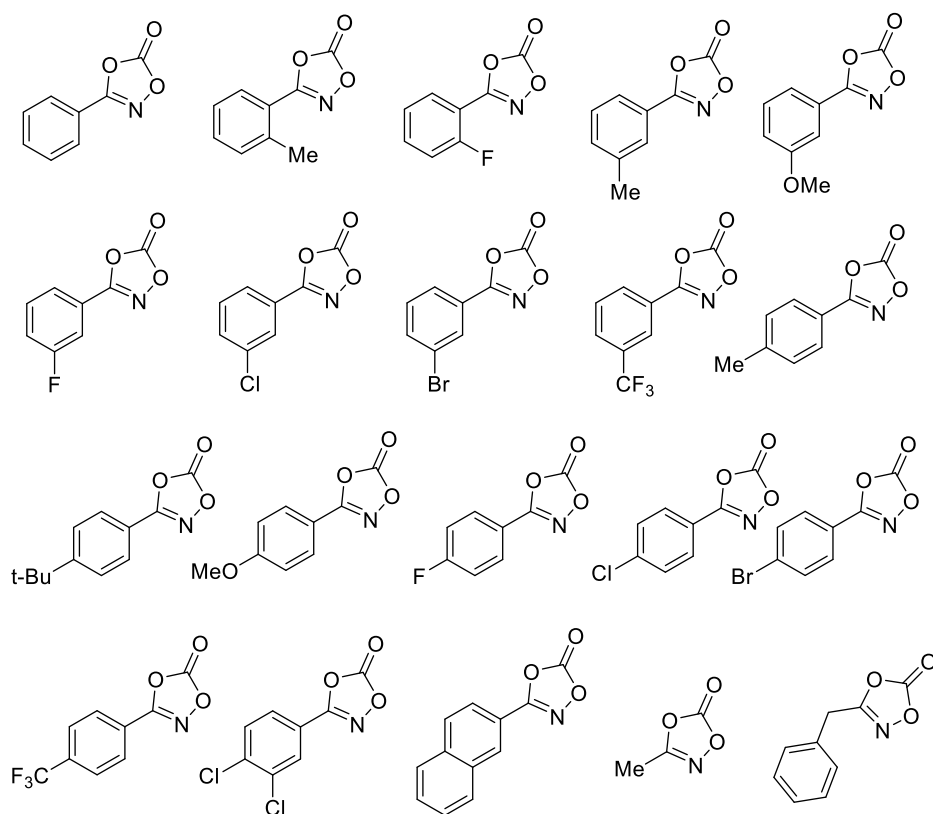
2 General procedure for the preparation of dioxazolones



Following a modified procedure^[4], hydroxylamine hydrochloride (20.0 mmol), ethyl acetate (60 mL), H_2O (40 mL) and K_2CO_3 (20.0 mmol) were added to a 250 mL flask at 0 °C. Then acyl chloride (10.0 mmol) dissolved in 20 mL ethyl acetate was added to the resulting mixture dropwise. The solution was warmed up to room temperature and stirred overnight. After that, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, washed with water and brine and dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 . The solvent was evaporated under the reduced pressure to afford the desired product(s) for the next step without further purification.

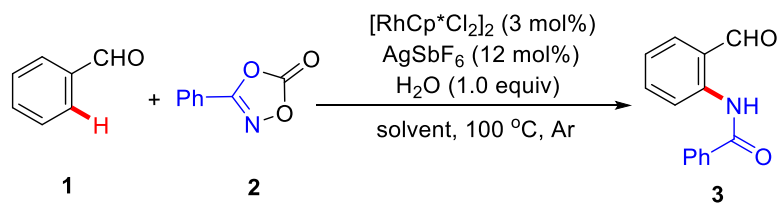


Following a modified procedure^[5], to a stirred solution of hydroxamic acid (8 mmol) in freshly distilled dichloromethane (60 mL) in a 250 mL flask was added 1,1'-carbonyldiimidazole (8.4 mmol) in one portion at room temperature. After stirring for 20-30 min, the reaction mixture was quenched with 1 N aqueous solution of HCl (50 mL) and extracted with dichloromethane. The combined organic layers was washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , and then concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was further purified by recrystallization with ethyl acetate and hexane to give the desired 3-substituted-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-ones.



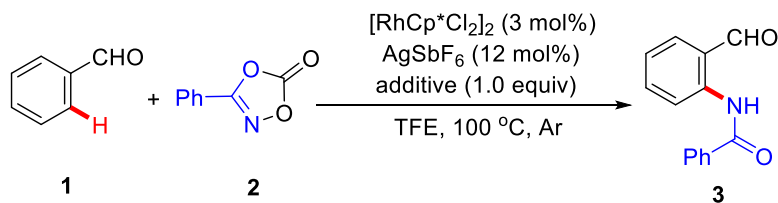
List of prepared dioxazolones

3 Optimization of the Rh-catalyzed *ortho*-amidation of benzaldehydes



entry	solvent	Yield (%)
1	TFE	81
2	HFIP	65
3	DCE	68
4	DCM	14
5	THF	51
6	1,4-dioxane	trace
7	MeCN	trace
8	MeOH	NR
9	Toluene	NR

Reaction conditions: benzaldehyde **1** (0.2 mmol), dioxazolone **2** (0.4 mmol), $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$ (3 mol%), AgSbF_6 (12 mol%), and H_2O (1.0 equiv) in solvent (1 mL) at 100 °C under Ar for 12 h. Isolated yields are given.



entry	additive	Yield (%)
1	AcOH	trace
2	PivOH	trace
3	MesCOOH	18
4	1-AdCOOH	58
5	PhCOOH	73
6	(BnO) ₂ POOH	NR
7		48
8	H ₂ O	81

Reaction conditions: benzaldehyde **1** (0.2 mmol), dioxazolone **2** (0.4 mmol), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (3 mol%), AgSbF₆ (12 mol%), and additive (1.0 equiv) in TFE (1 mL) at 100 °C under Ar for 12 h. Isolated yields are given.

4 General procedure for the Rh-catalyzed *ortho*-amidation reactions

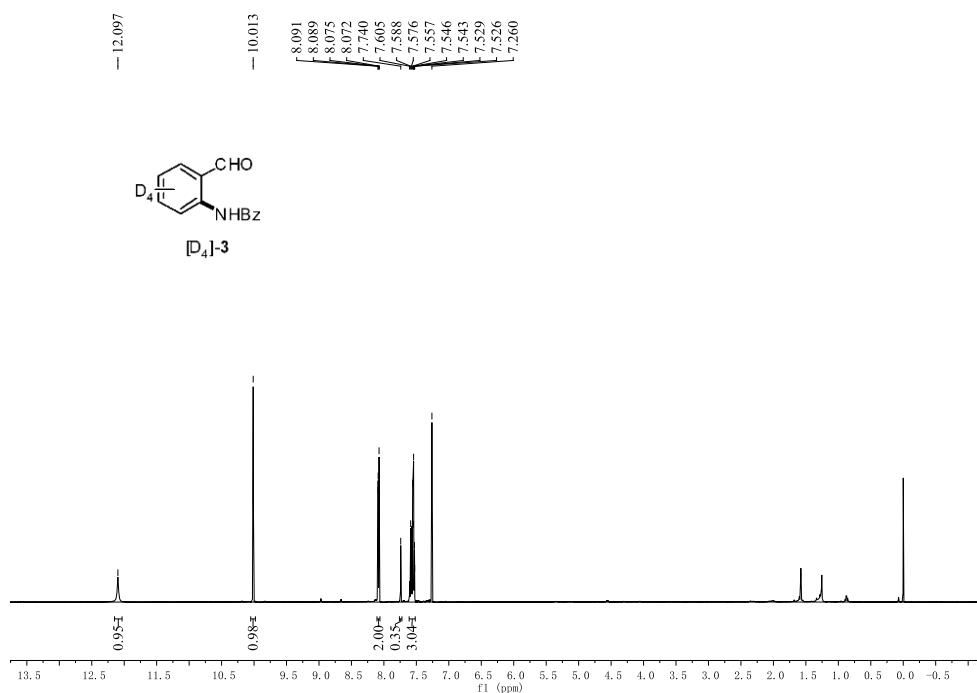
A mixture of benzaldehyde substrate (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), dioxazolones (0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (0.006 mmol, 3 mol%), AgSbF₆ (0.024 mmol, 12 mol%) and H₂O (0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in 1 mL TFE in a 10 mL glass vial was purged with Ar and sealed with PTFE cap. After heated at 100 °C for 12 h and cooled to room temperature, the reaction mixture was diluted with EA, filtered through a pad of Celite and concentrated *in vacuo*. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography to give the desired amidated product.

5 Preliminary mechanistic experiments

a) Parallel kinetic isotope effect

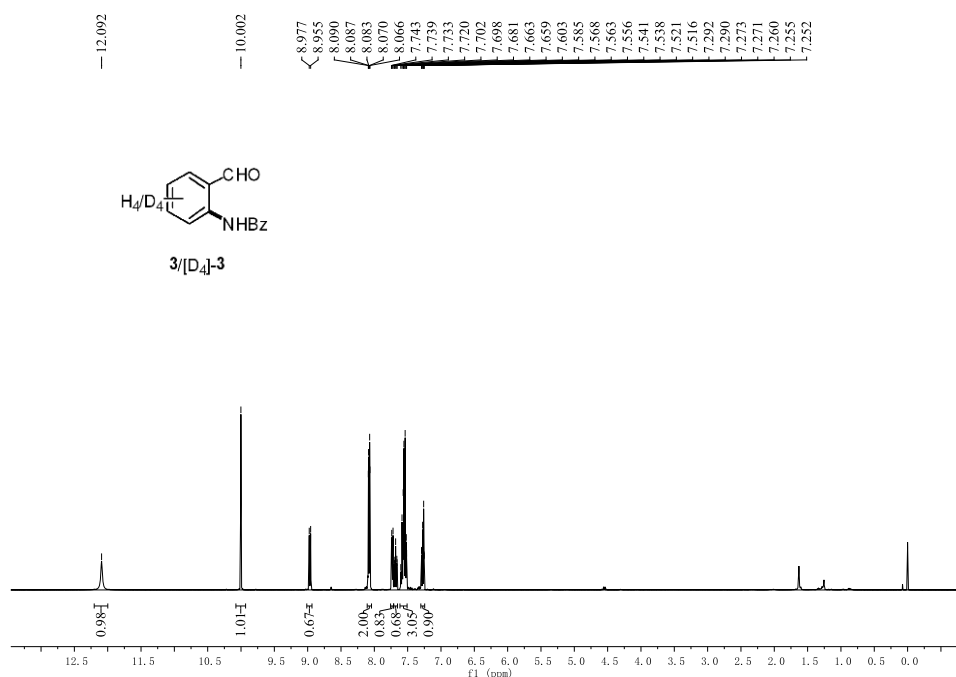
One mixture of benzaldehyde **1** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), dioxazolones **2** (0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (0.006 mmol, 3 mol%), AgSbF₆ (0.024 mmol, 12 mol%) and H₂O (0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in 1 mL TFE in a 10 mL glass vial was purged with Ar and sealed with PTFE cap. The other mixture of benzaldehyde [D₅]-**1** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), dioxazolones **2** (0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (0.006 mmol, 3 mol%), AgSbF₆ (0.024 mmol, 12 mol%) and H₂O (0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in 1 mL TFE in a 10 mL glass vial was also purged with Ar and sealed with PTFE cap. After heated at 100 °C for 6 h and cooled to room temperature, the reaction mixtures were diluted with EA, filtered through a pad of Celite and concentrated *in vacuo*. The resulting residues were purified by flash column chromatography to give the amidated product **3** as a white solid (18 mg, 40% yield) and the amidated product [D₄]-**3** as a white solid (7.0 mg, 16% yield) respectively. By the yield of the product, KIE=40%/16%=2.5, and the

35% D/H exchange in the product $[D_4]-3$ can be observed in the 1H NMR of $[D_4]-3$.

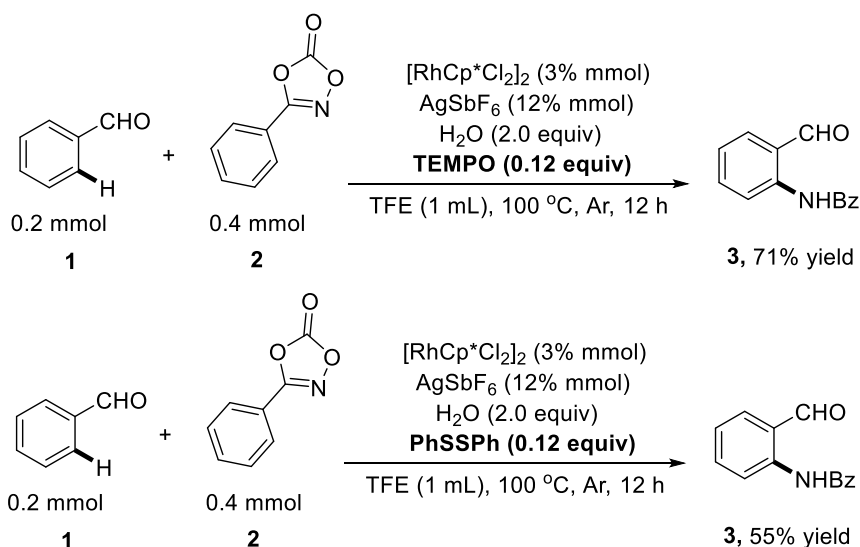


b) Intermolecular kinetic isotope effect

A mixture of benzaldehyde **1** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), benzaldehyde $[D_5]-1$ (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), dioxazolones **2** (0.8 mmol, 2.0 equiv), $[RhCp^*Cl_2]_2$ (0.012 mmol, 3 mol%), $AgSbF_6$ (0.048 mmol, 12 mol%) and H_2O (0.8 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in 2 mL TFE in a 10 mL glass vial was purged with Ar and sealed with PTFE cap. After heated at 100 °C for 6 h and cooled to room temperature, the reaction mixture was diluted with EA, filtered through a pad of Celite and concentrated *in vacuo*. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography to give the amidated product **3**/ $[D_4]-3$ as a white solid (23 mg). By the analysis of the 1H NMR of **3**/ $[D_4]-3$, KIE=0.68/0.32=2.2.



c) Radical capture experiment



6 Synthetic utilities of the C–H amidation method

a) Gram-scale reaction

A mixture of benzaldehyde **1** (1.06 g, 10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), dioxazolones **2** (15 mmol, 1.5 equiv), $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$ (0.2 mmol, 2 mol%), AgSbF_6 (0.8 mmol, 8 mol%) and H_2O (20 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in 35 mL TFE in a 75 mL sealed tube was purged with Ar and sealed with PTFE cap. After heated at 100 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 16 h and cooled to room temperature, the reaction mixture was diluted with EA, filtered through a pad of Celite and concentrated *in vacuo*. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography to give the amidated product **3** as a white solid (1.46 g, 66% yield).

b) Late-stage C(sp²)-H amidation of complex molecule

A mixture of **60** (57 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), dioxazolones **2** (0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv), $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$ (0.008 mmol, 4 mol%), AgSbF_6 (0.032 mmol, 16 mol%) and H_2O (0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in 1 mL TFE in a 10 mL glass vial was purged with Ar and sealed with PTFE cap. After heated at 100 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 12 h and cooled to room temperature, the reaction mixture was diluted with EA, filtered through a pad of Celite and concentrated *in vacuo*. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography to give the amidated product **61** as a white solid (41 mg, 51% yield).

c) Direct synthesis of substituted quinoline^[6]

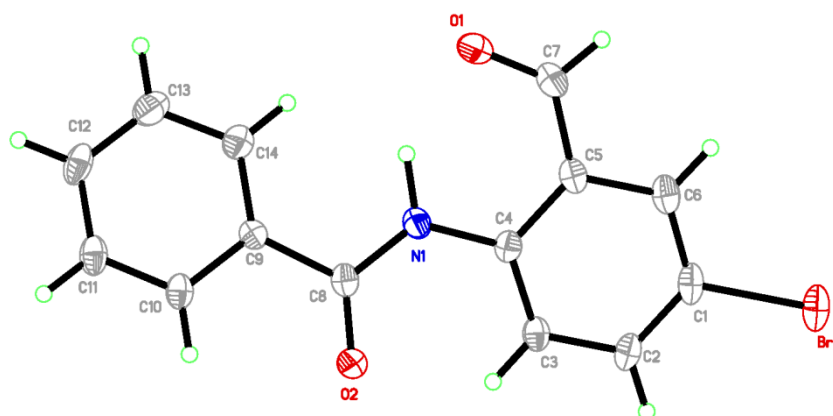
A mixture of the amidated product **3** (113 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), α -Me- γ -Me-allenoate (87.6 mg, 0.625 mmol, 1.25 equiv) and K_2CO_3 (69.1 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in 2.5 mL DMSO in a 10 mL glass vial reacted in a preheated oil bath at 100 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 15 min. After cooled to room temperature, the reaction was quenched by 25 mL sat. aq. NH_4Cl , and the aqueous phase was extracted with Et_2O three times. The combined organic layers were washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and evaporated under the reduced pressure. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography to give **62** as a colorless oil (169 mg, 97% yield).

d) Diversification of aldehyde group^[7]

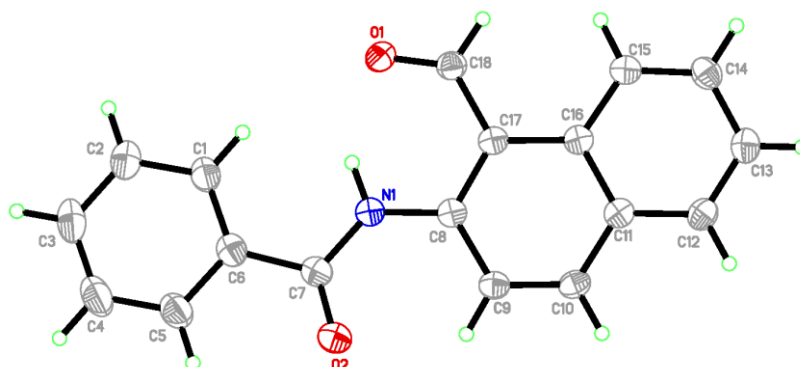
A mixture of the amidated product **3** (45 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), morpholine (35 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv), $\text{NaBH}(\text{OAc})_3$ (170 mg, 0.8 mmol, 4.0 equiv) and AcOH (1 drop) in 2.0 mL DCE in a 10 mL glass vial was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. Then the reaction mixture was diluted with 15 mL DCM, washed with 15 mL sat. aq. NaHCO_3 and dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 . The solvent was evaporated under the reduced pressure and the resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography to give **63** as a white solid (46 mg, 78% yield).

A mixture of the amidated product **3** (45 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Ylide (100 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), 4 $\text{\AA}$ molecular sieve (40 mg) in 1.0 mL DCE in a 10 mL glass vial was purged with Ar and sealed with PTFE cap. After stirred at room temperature for 4 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with DCM, filtered through a pad of Celite and concentrated *in vacuo*. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography to give **64** as a white solid (53 mg, 94% yield).

7 X-ray single crystal structures of product 16 and 40

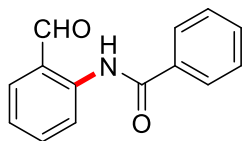


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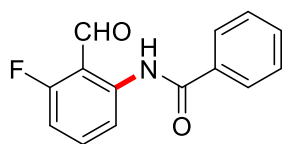
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8 Characterization data for the products



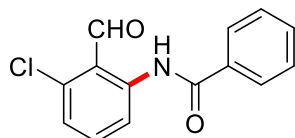
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N-(2-Formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.09 (s, 1H), 10.00 (s, 1H), 8.96 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.09 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.73 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.68 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.0, 166.3, 141.4, 136.5, 136.3, 134.5, 132.3, 129.0 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 123.2, 122.1, 120.1. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 226.0868, found 226.0870.



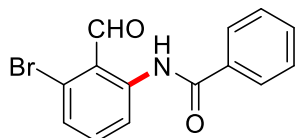
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N-(3-Fluoro-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 39 mg, 79% yield; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.27 (s, 1H), 10.44 (s, 1H), 8.74 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.65 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 6.88 – 6.84 (m, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 191.2 (d, $J = 13.0$ Hz), 166.3, 166.2 (d, $J = 256.8$ Hz), 142.6 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz), 138.4 (d, $J = 11.3$ Hz), 134.1, 132.5, 129.0 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 115.9 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 111.1 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 109.7 (d, $J = 20.6$ Hz). **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{FNO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 244.0774, found 244.0775.



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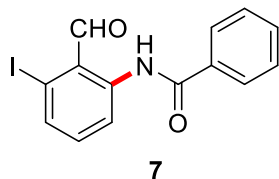
N-(3-Chloro-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 46 mg, 88% yield; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.47 (s, 1H), 10.63 (s, 1H), 8.90 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 7.17 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 194.8, 166.3, 143.5, 140.3, 137.0, 134.2, 132.5, 129.0 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 124.8, 119.2, 117.9. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClNO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 260.0478, found 260.0486.



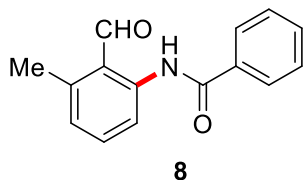
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N-(3-Bromo-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 54 mg, 89% yield; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.47 (s, 1H), 10.52 (s, 1H), 8.95 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 – 8.03 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.50 (m, 3H), 7.44 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.36 (m, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$

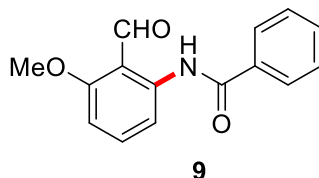
NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 197.3, 166.2, 143.6, 137.1, 134.3, 132.5, 130.0, 129.0 (2C), 128.3, 127.7 (2C), 120.0, 118.6. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₄H₁₁BrNO₂ [M+H] 303.9973, found 303.9981.



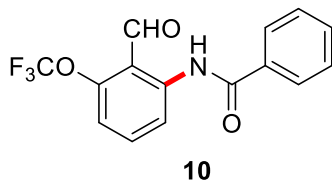
N-(2-Formyl-3-iodophenyl)benzamide: white solid, 57 mg, 81% yield; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 12.51 (s, 1H), 10.27 (s, 1H), 9.01 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.08 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.76 – 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.61 – 7.53 (m, 3H), 7.26 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 202.2, 166.1, 143.1, 137.2, 135.7, 134.4, 132.5, 129.1 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 121.1, 119.5, 105.0. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₄H₁₁INO₂ [M+H] 351.9835, found 351.9835.



N-(2-Formyl-3-methylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 35 mg, 72% yield; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 12.57 (s, 1H), 10.53 (s, 1H), 8.83 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.10 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 6.97 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.71 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 194.9, 166.4, 143.5, 142.2, 136.8, 134.8, 132.2, 129.0 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 126.1, 120.0, 118.7, 19.4. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₅H₁₄NO₂ [M+H] 240.1024, found 240.1023.

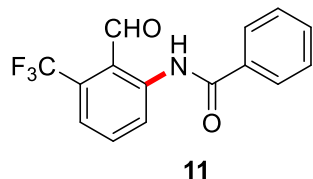


N-(2-Formyl-3-methoxyphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 35 mg, 68% yield; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 12.64 (s, 1H), 10.58 (s, 1H), 8.52 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.10 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.50 (m, 4H), 6.68 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 193.9, 166.5, 163.5, 142.8, 138.3, 134.7, 132.2, 129.0 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 112.3, 111.3, 105.4, 56.1. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₅H₁₄NO₃ [M+H] 256.0973, found 256.0977.

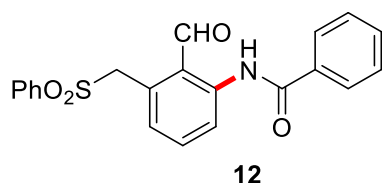


N-(2-Formyl-3-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)benzamide: white solid, 36 mg, 58% yield; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 12.42 (s, 1H), 10.48 (s, 1H), 8.94 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 8.08 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.69 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.08 – 7.05

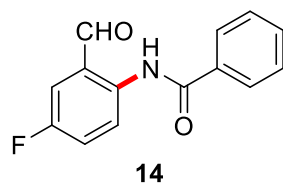
(m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 192.3, 166.5, 152.5, 143.2, 137.6, 134.2, 132.6, 129.1 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 120.5 (q, $J = 258.4$ Hz), 118.8, 114.5, 114.2. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_3$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 310.0691, found 310.0692.



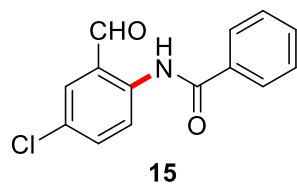
N-(2-Formyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)benzamide: white solid, 36 mg, 61% yield; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.59 (s, 1H), 10.45 (s, 1H), 9.25 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.08 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.74 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.53 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 193.7 (q, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 166.5, 143.4, 135.5, 134.1, 133.1 (q, $J = 31.3$ Hz), 132.7, 129.1 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 124.7, 123.7 (q, $J = 273.3$ Hz), 120.7 (q, $J = 6.3$ Hz), 118.0. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 294.0742, found 294.0740.



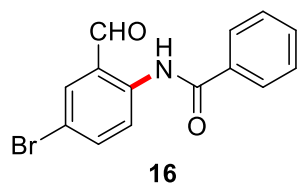
N-(2-Formyl-3-((phenylsulfonyl)methyl)phenyl)benzamide: pale yellow solid, 42 mg, 55% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.57 (s, 1H), 10.38 (s, 1H), 9.02 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.09 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.70 – 7.65 (m, 3H), 7.60 – 7.45 (m, 6H), 6.65 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.73 (s, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 193.2, 166.5, 143.0, 137.5, 135.9, 134.6, 134.5, 132.8, 132.5, 129.5 (2C), 129.1 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 128.0, 127.7 (2C), 121.8, 120.2, 59.0. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 380.0957, found 380.0954.



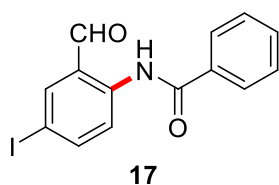
N-(4-Fluoro-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 33 mg, 68% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 11.92 (s, 1H), 9.94 (s, 1H), 8.99 (dd, $J_1 = 9.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 – 8.03 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 194.7 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz), 166.1, 157.9 (d, $J = 243.8$ Hz), 137.8 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 134.2, 132.4, 129.0 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 123.6 (d, $J = 21.7$ Hz), 122.9 (d, $J = 5.3$ Hz), 122.2 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz), 121.3 (d, $J = 22.3$ Hz). **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{FNO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 244.0774, found 244.0775.



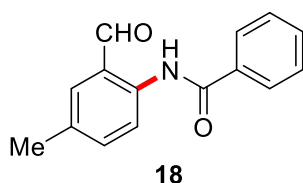
N-(4-Chloro-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 32 mg, 61% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 11.99 (s, 1H), 9.95 (s, 1H), 8.96 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.07 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.70 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd, $J_1 = 8.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 194.8, 166.2, 139.9, 136.3, 135.3, 134.1, 132.6, 129.1 (2C), 128.2, 127.6 (2C), 123.1, 121.8. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClNO}_2$ [M+H] 260.0478, found 260.0481.



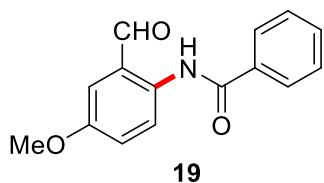
N-(4-Bromo-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 38 mg, 62% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 11.98 (s, 1H), 9.93 (s, 1H), 8.90 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 – 8.03 (m, 2H), 7.83 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, $J_1 = 9.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.52 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 194.8, 166.2, 140.3, 139.2, 138.3, 134.1, 132.6, 129.1 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 123.4, 122.0, 115.3. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{BrNO}_2$ [M+H] 303.9973, found 303.9969.



N-(2-Formyl-4-iodophenyl)benzamide: white solid, 49 mg, 70% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 11.98 (s, 1H), 9.91 (s, 1H), 8.76 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 – 8.03 (m, 2H), 8.00 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.93 (dd, $J_1 = 8.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 194.7, 166.2, 144.9, 144.4, 140.9, 134.1, 132.6, 129.1 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 123.8, 122.2, 85.0. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{INO}_2$ [M+H] 351.9835, found 351.9834.

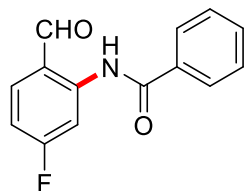


N-(2-Formyl-4-methylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 34 mg, 71% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 11.99 (s, 1H), 9.95 (s, 1H), 8.85 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.08 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.57 – 7.47 (m, 5H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.1, 166.1, 139.0, 137.3, 136.5, 134.6, 132.9, 132.2, 129.0 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 122.1, 120.1, 20.7. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2$ [M+H] 240.1024, found 240.1024.



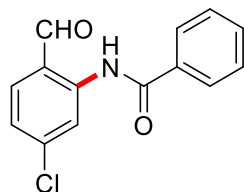
N-(2-Formyl-4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 28 mg, 55% yield; ^1H

NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 11.84 (s, 1H), 9.96 (s, 1H), 8.91 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.07 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.57 – 7.50 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 195.7, 166.0, 155.3, 135.1, 134.6, 132.2, 129.0 (2C), 127.5 (2C), 122.9, 122.5, 121.9, 120.0, 55.9. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₅H₁₄NO₃ [M+H] 256.0973, found 256.0977.



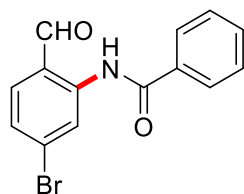
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N-(5-Fluoro-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 40 mg, 81% yield; **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 12.27 (s, 1H), 9.92 (s, 1H), 8.74 (dd, J_1 = 12.0 Hz, J_2 = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 8.06 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.71 (dd, J_1 = 8.5 Hz, J_2 = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 6.95 – 6.91 (m, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 194.5, 167.5 (d, J = 255.5 Hz), 166.3, 143.7 (d, J = 13.9 Hz), 138.8 (d, J = 12.0 Hz), 133.9, 132.6, 129.1 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 119.0 (d, J = 6.0 Hz), 110.6 (d, J = 23.0 Hz), 107.6 (d, J = 28.9 Hz). **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₄H₁₁FNO₂ [M+H] 244.0774, found 244.0771.



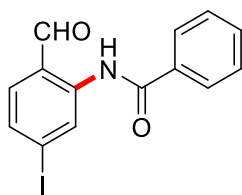
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N-(5-Chloro-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 45 mg, 87% yield; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 12.14 (s, 1H), 9.95 (s, 1H), 9.05 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.07 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.23 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 2.0 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 194.9, 166.3, 143.3, 142.1, 137.2, 133.9, 132.6, 129.1 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 123.5, 120.4, 120.2. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₄H₁₁ClNO₂ [M+H] 260.0478, found 260.0479.



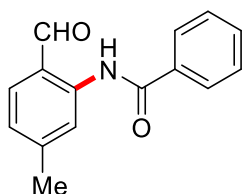
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N-(5-Bromo-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 52 mg, 86% yield; **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 12.10 (s, 1H), 9.94 (s, 1H), 9.22 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.07 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.52 (m, 4H), 7.40 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 2.0 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 195.1, 166.2, 142.0, 137.1, 134.0, 132.6, 132.3, 129.1 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 126.5, 123.2, 120.8. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₄H₁₁BrNO₂ [M+H] 303.9973, found 303.9976.



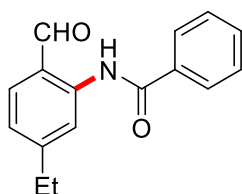
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N-(2-Formyl-5-iodophenyl)benzamide: white solid, 60 mg, 85% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.05 (s, 1H), 9.92 (s, 1H), 9.43 (s, 1H), 8.06 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.64 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.38 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.4, 166.2, 141.4, 136.8, 134.0, 132.7, 132.6, 129.2, 129.1 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 121.2, 105.6. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{INO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 351.9835, found 351.9841.



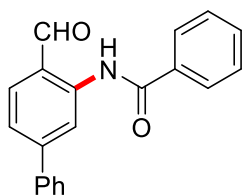
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N-(2-Formyl-5-methylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 39 mg, 81% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.12 (s, 1H), 9.92 (s, 1H), 8.80 (s, 1H), 8.09 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 7.08 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 2.48 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.4, 166.3, 148.4, 141.4, 136.4, 134.5, 132.3, 129.0 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 124.2, 120.5, 120.2, 22.7. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 240.1024, found 240.1027.



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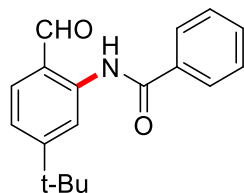
N-(5-Ethyl-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 40 mg, 78% yield; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.14 (s, 1H), 9.93 (s, 1H), 8.84 (s, 1H), 8.09 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.62 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.11 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 2.76 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 1.31 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.4, 166.3, 154.4, 141.5, 136.5, 134.5, 132.3, 129.0 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 123.0, 120.3, 119.4, 29.9, 15.2. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 254.1181, found 254.1181.



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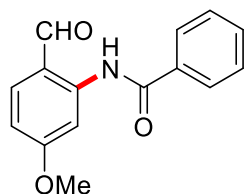
N-(4-Formyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-yl)benzamide: white solid, 41 mg, 68% yield; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.17 (s, 1H), 9.99 (s, 1H), 9.29 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.12

– 8.09 (m, 2H), 7.77 – 7.72 (m, 3H), 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.50 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.45 – 7.41 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.4, 166.3, 149.1, 141.8, 139.5, 136.7, 134.4, 132.4, 129.1 (2C), 129.0 (2C), 129.0, 127.7 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 121.7, 120.9, 118.6. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2$ [M+H] 302.1181, found 302.1183.



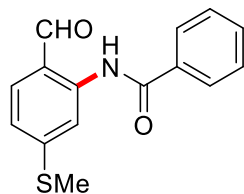
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N-(5-(Tert-butyl)-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 36 mg, 63% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.12 (s, 1H), 9.95 (s, 1H), 9.09 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.10 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.65 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.30 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.4, 166.4, 161.2, 141.4, 136.2, 134.6, 132.3, 129.0 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 120.6, 120.1, 117.3, 36.0, 31.1 (3C). HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_2$ [M+H] 282.1494, found 282.1493.



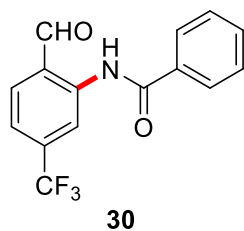
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N-(2-Formyl-5-methoxyphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 37 mg, 72% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.39 (s, 1H), 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.60 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.09 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 6.75 (dd, $J_1 = 8.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 194.0, 166.5, 166.2, 143.9, 138.1, 134.3, 132.4, 129.0 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 116.2, 110.7, 103.8, 56.0. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_3$ [M+H] 256.0973, found 256.0975.

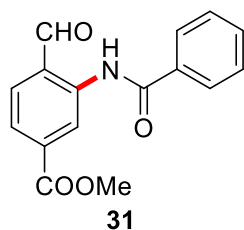


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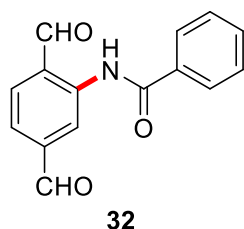
N-(2-Formyl-5-(methylthio)phenyl)benzamide: white solid, 17 mg, 31% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.25 (s, 1H), 9.86 (s, 1H), 8.88 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.08 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 4H), 7.06 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.60 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 194.5, 166.5, 151.4, 141.6, 136.0, 134.3, 132.4, 129.1 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 119.7, 118.7, 114.8, 14.7. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2\text{S}$ [M+H] 272.0745, found 272.0747.



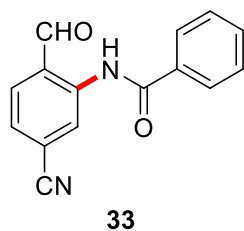
N-(2-Formyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)benzamide: white solid, 42 mg, 71% yield; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.12 (s, 1H), 10.09 (s, 1H), 9.34 (s, 1H), 8.08 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.88 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.50 (m, 4H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.5, 166.4, 141.7, 137.4 (q, $J = 32.6$ Hz), 136.5, 133.8, 132.8, 129.2 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 123.6, 123.3 (q, $J = 271.9$ Hz), 119.6 (q, $J = 3.7$ Hz), 117.4 (q, $J = 4.0$ Hz). **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 294.0742, found 294.0739.



Methyl 3-benzamido-4-formylbenzoate: white solid, 40 mg, 71% yield; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.01 (s, 1H), 10.06 (s, 1H), 9.55 (s, 1H), 8.07 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.90 (dd, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.51 (m, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.7, 166.2, 166.0, 141.3, 136.8, 136.0, 134.1, 132.5, 129.1 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 124.3, 123.9, 121.2, 52.8. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_4$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 284.0923, found 284.0921.

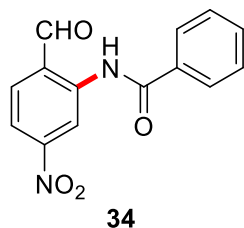


N-(2,5-Diformylphenyl)benzamide: yellow solid, 31 mg, 61% yield; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.12 (s, 1H), 10.14 (s, 1H), 10.12 (s, 1H), 9.49 (s, 1H), 8.10 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.91 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.79 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.54 (m, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.9, 191.8, 166.5, 142.1, 141.3, 136.6, 133.9, 132.8, 129.2 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 124.8, 123.4, 121.6. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_3$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 254.0817, found 254.0820.

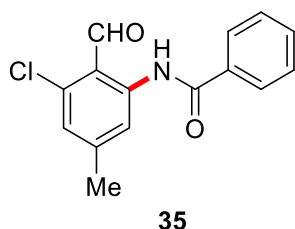


N-(5-Cyano-2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 21 mg, 42% yield; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.07 (s, 1H), 10.08 (s, 1H), 9.36 (s, 1H), 8.07 – 8.04 (m, 2H),

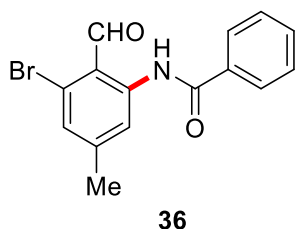
7.86 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.52 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.2, 166.4, 141.6, 136.3, 133.6, 132.9, 129.2 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 126.0, 123.8, 123.7, 119.4, 117.7. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 251.0821, found 251.0822.



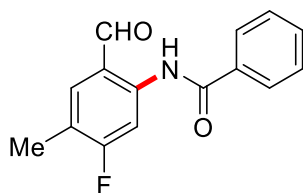
***N*-(2-Formyl-5-nitrophenyl)benzamide**: yellow solid, 21 mg, 38% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.12 (s, 1H), 10.15 (s, 1H), 9.84 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.09 – 8.04 (m, 3H), 7.94 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.65 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.0, 166.3, 152.2, 142.3, 136.9, 133.6, 133.0, 129.2 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 124.9, 117.3, 115.5. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 271.0719, found 271.0719.



***N*-(3-Chloro-2-formyl-5-methylphenyl)benzamide**: white solid, 47 mg, 85% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.52 (s, 1H), 10.55 (s, 1H), 8.75 (s, 1H), 8.07 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 194.3, 166.3, 149.3, 143.4, 140.2, 134.3, 132.5, 129.0 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 125.7, 119.5, 115.8, 22.5. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClNO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 274.0635, found 274.0636.

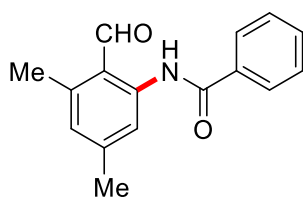


***N*-(3-Bromo-2-formyl-5-methylphenyl)benzamide**: white solid, 55 mg, 86% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.54 (s, 1H), 10.47 (s, 1H), 8.80 (s, 1H), 8.08 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.8, 166.3, 149.3, 143.4, 134.3, 132.5, 130.1, 129.3, 129.1 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 120.3, 116.5, 22.3. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrNO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 318.0130, found 318.0132.



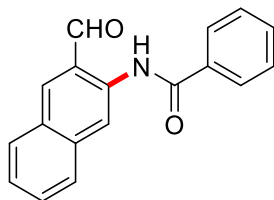
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N-(5-Fluoro-2-formyl-4-methylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 43 mg, 84% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.17 (s, 1H), 9.90 (s, 1H), 8.69 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 8.07 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 2.32 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 194.6, 166.2, 166.0 (d, J = 254.7 Hz), 141.5 (d, J = 13.7 Hz), 139.5 (d, J = 9.0 Hz), 134.1, 132.5, 129.1 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 120.3 (d, J = 19.1 Hz), 118.9 (d, J = 2.5 Hz), 107.5 (d, J = 29.8 Hz), 14.1 (d, J = 2.9 Hz). HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{FNO}_2$ [M+H] 258.0930, found 258.0936.



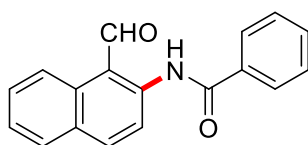
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N-(2-Formyl-3,5-dimethylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 44 mg, 87% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.61 (s, 1H), 10.43 (s, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 8.09 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.50 (m, 3H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 2.64 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 194.1, 166.3, 148.3, 143.3, 142.2, 134.7, 132.1, 128.8 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 127.0, 118.8, 117.6, 22.5, 19.2. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2$ [M+H] 254.1181, found 254.1180.



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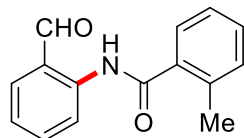
N-(3-Formylnaphthalen-2-yl)benzamide: yellow solid, 40 mg, 73% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 11.92 (s, 1H), 10.14 (s, 1H), 9.35 (s, 1H), 8.25 (s, 1H), 8.12 – 8.10 (m, 2H), 7.91 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.66 – 7.46 (m, 5H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.0, 166.2, 140.5, 137.4, 135.9, 134.6, 132.2, 130.6, 129.2, 129.0 (2C), 128.9, 128.3, 127.5 (2C), 126.1, 123.2, 117.5. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2$ [M+H] 276.1025, found 276.1027.



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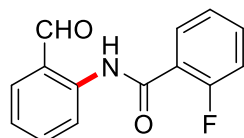
N-(1-Formylnaphthalen-2-yl)benzamide: yellow solid, 42 mg, 76% yield; ^1H NMR

(400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 13.14 (s, 1H), 11.09 (s, 1H), 9.16 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 8.49 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.16 – 8.11 (m, 3H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 – 7.48 (m, 5H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 193.2, 166.8, 143.2, 138.0, 134.6, 133.8, 132.5, 129.8, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1 (2C), 127.9 (2C), 125.4, 119.9, 119.4, 113.0. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₄NO₂ [M+H] 276.1025, found 276.1031.



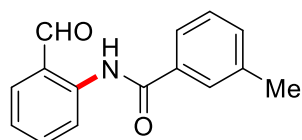
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N-(2-Formylphenyl)-2-methylbenzamide: white solid, 36 mg, 75% yield; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 11.54 (s, 1H), 9.94 (s, 1H), 8.94 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.72 – 7.62 (m, 3H), 7.41 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 2.57 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 195.6, 169.0, 141.1, 137.3, 136.4, 136.3, 135.9, 131.7, 130.8, 127.3, 126.2, 123.2, 122.0, 120.0, 20.4. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₅H₁₄NO₂ [M+H] 240.1024, found 240.1028.



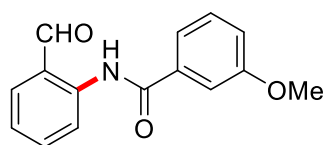
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2-Fluoro-N-(2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 38 mg, 78% yield; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 11.97 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 9.97 (s, 1H), 8.96 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (td, J_1 = 7.6 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (dd, J_1 = 7.6 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69 – 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.56 – 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 195.2, 163.1 (d, J = 2.6 Hz), 160.4 (d, J = 249.7 Hz), 140.5, 136.3, 136.2, 133.9 (d, J = 9.0 Hz), 131.8 (d, J = 2.0 Hz), 124.9 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 123.6, 122.6, 122.5 (d, J = 12 Hz), 120.9, 116.7 (d, J = 23.4 Hz). HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₄H₁₁FNO₂ [M+H] 244.0774, found 244.0772.



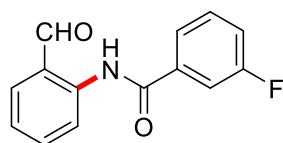
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N-(2-Formylphenyl)-3-methylbenzamide: white solid, 34 mg, 71% yield; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 12.05 (s, 1H), 10.00 (s, 1H), 8.96 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.88 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.74 – 7.72 (m, 1H), 7.70 – 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.44 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 196.0, 166.6, 141.4, 138.9, 136.5, 136.3, 134.5, 133.1, 128.9, 128.5, 124.6, 123.1, 122.1, 120.1, 21.6. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₅H₁₄NO₂ [M+H] 240.1024, found 240.1024.



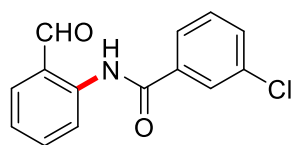
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N-(2-Formylphenyl)-3-methoxybenzamide: white solid, 26 mg, 52% yield; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.06 (s, 1H), 9.97 (s, 1H), 8.93 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.59 (m, 3H), 7.43 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.25 (td, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.12 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.9, 166.1, 160.1, 141.3, 136.5, 136.3, 135.9, 130.0, 123.2, 122.1, 120.0, 119.5, 118.9, 112.5, 55.5. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_3$ [M+H] 256.0973, found 256.0974.



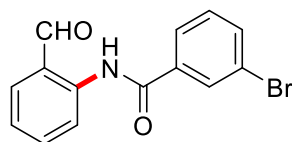
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3-Fluoro-N-(2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 28 mg, 58% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.09 (s, 1H), 9.98 (s, 1H), 8.91 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.84 – 7.82 (m, 1H), 7.78 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.24 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.1, 164.9 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 163.1 (d, $J = 246.4$ Hz), 141.0, 136.7 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 136.6, 136.3, 130.7 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz), 123.5, 122.9 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 122.1, 120.1, 119.4 (d, $J = 21.3$ Hz), 115.1 (d, $J = 23.0$ Hz). HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{FNO}_2$ [M+H] 244.0774, found 244.0773.



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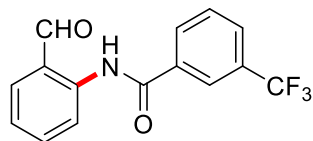
3-Chloro-N-(2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 40 mg, 65% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.08 (s, 1H), 9.99 (s, 1H), 8.91 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.05 (t, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.93 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.73 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 – 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.56 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.47 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.28 (td, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.1, 164.8, 141.0, 136.6, 136.3, 136.2, 135.3, 132.4, 130.3, 128.3, 125.3, 123.5, 122.1, 120.1. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClNO}_2$ [M+H] 260.0478, found 260.0481.



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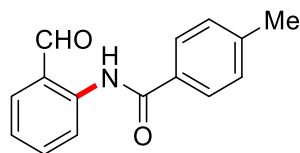
3-Bromo-N-(2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 46 mg, 75% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.08 (s, 1H), 9.99 (s, 1H), 8.90 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.21 (t, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.98 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.73 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 – 7.66

(m, 2H), 7.41 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.28 (td, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.1, 164.7, 141.0, 136.6, 136.4, 136.3, 135.3, 131.2, 130.5, 125.8, 123.5, 123.3, 122.1, 120.1. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{BrNO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 303.9973, found 303.9978.



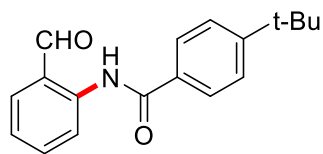
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***N*-(2-Formylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide**: white solid, 30 mg, 51% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.08 (s, 1H), 10.00 (s, 1H), 8.92 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.36 (s, 1H), 8.23 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.72 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.30 (td, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 0.8$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.2, 164.7, 141.0, 136.6, 136.4, 135.3, 131.7 (q, $J = 32.8$ Hz), 130.4, 129.6, 128.9 (q, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 123.8 (q, $J = 270.9$ Hz), 125.1 (q, $J = 3.9$ Hz), 123.7, 122.2, 120.1. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 294.0742, found 294.0744.



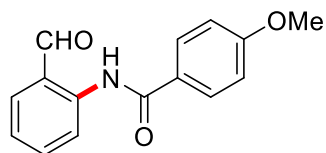
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***N*-(2-Formylphenyl)-4-methylbenzamide**: white solid, 35 mg, 72% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.04 (s, 1H), 9.98 (s, 1H), 8.95 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.71 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.0, 166.2, 142.9, 141.5, 136.5, 136.3, 131.6, 129.7 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 123.0, 122.0, 120.0, 21.6. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 240.1024, found 240.1021.



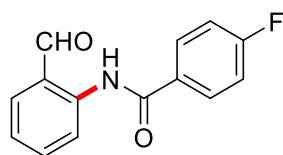
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4-(*Tert*-butyl)-*N*-(2-formylphenyl)benzamide: colorless oil, 40 mg, 71% yield; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.05 (s, 1H), 9.98 (s, 1H), 8.96 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.03 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.70 (dd, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 1.37 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.9, 166.2, 155.9, 141.5, 136.4, 136.3, 131.6, 127.5 (2C), 125.9 (2C), 123.0, 122.1, 120.0, 35.1, 31.2. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 282.1494, found 282.1493.



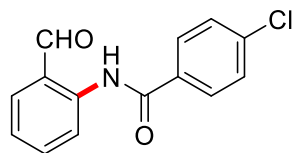
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N-(2-Formylphenyl)-4-methoxybenzamide: white solid, 21 mg, 41% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.02 (s, 1H), 9.99 (s, 1H), 8.94 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.16 – 8.03 (m, 2H), 7.71 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.04 – 7.00 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.0, 165.8, 162.9, 141.7, 136.5, 136.3, 129.6 (2C), 126.7, 122.9, 122.0, 120.0, 114.2 (2C), 55.6. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_3$ [M+H] 256.0973, found 256.0972.



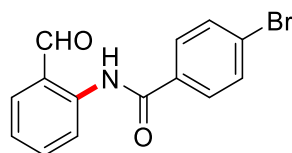
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4-Fluoro-N-(2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 40 mg, 82% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.07 (s, 1H), 9.99 (s, 1H), 8.92 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.11 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.73 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 – 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.1, 165.3 (d, $J = 251.6$ Hz), 165.1, 141.3, 136.6, 136.3, 130.6 (d, $J = 3.1$ Hz), 130.1 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 2C), 123.3, 122.1, 120.0, 116.1 (d, $J = 21.9$ Hz, 2C). HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{FNO}_2$ [M+H] 244.0774, found 244.0774.



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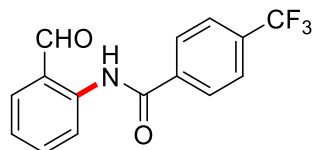
4-Chloro-N-(2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 44 mg, 84% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.08 (s, 1H), 9.99 (s, 1H), 8.92 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.02 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.73 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 – 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.1, 165.2, 141.2, 138.7, 136.6, 136.4, 132.8, 129.3 (2C), 129.1 (2C), 123.4, 122.1, 120.1. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClNO}_2$ [M+H] 260.0478, found 260.0474.



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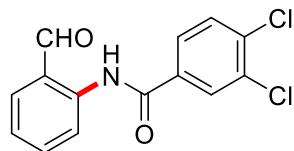
4-Bromo-N-(2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 52 mg, 86% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 12.09 (s, 1H), 10.00 (s, 1H), 8.92 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.95 – 7.92 (m, 2H), 7.74 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 – 7.66 (m, 3H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 196.1, 165.3, 141.2, 136.6, 136.4,

133.3, 132.3 (2C), 129.2 (2C), 127.3, 123.4, 122.1, 120.1. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{14}H_{11}BrNO_2$ [M+H] 303.9973, found 303.9978.



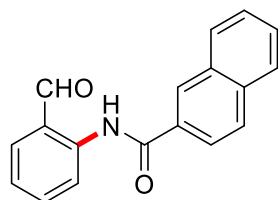
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N-(2-Formylphenyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide: white solid, 35 mg, 59% yield; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ : 12.18 (s, 1H), 10.00 (s, 1H), 8.93 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.18 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.75 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.72 – 7.68 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ : 196.2, 164.9, 141.0, 137.7, 136.6, 136.4, 133.9 (q, $J = 32.5$ Hz), 128.1 (2C), 126.1 (q, $J = 3.7$ Hz, 2C), 123.8 (q, $J = 271.0$ Hz), 123.7, 122.2, 120.2. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{15}H_{11}F_3NO_2$ [M+H] 294.0742, found 294.0745.



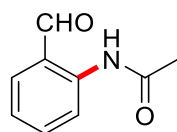
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3,4-Dichloro-N-(2-formylphenyl)benzamide: white solid, 49 mg, 83% yield; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ : 12.11 (s, 1H), 10.00 (s, 1H), 8.88 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.87 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 – 7.67 (m, 1H), 7.61 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ : 196.2, 163.9, 140.9, 136.9, 136.7, 136.4, 134.3, 133.7, 131.0, 130.2, 126.3, 123.7, 122.1, 120.1. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{14}H_{10}Cl_2NO_2$ [M+H] 294.0088, found 294.0091.



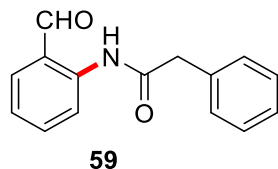
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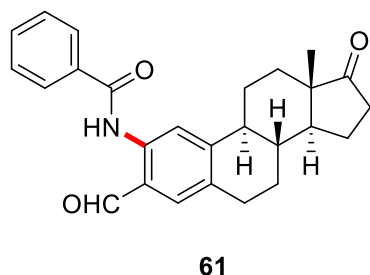


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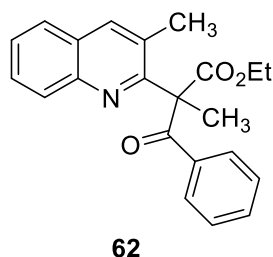
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N-(2-Formylphenyl)-2-phenylacetamide: colorless oil, <2% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 11.10 (s, 1H), 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.75 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 5H), 7.23 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 3.79 (s, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 195.4, 170.9, 140.9, 136.2, 136.1, 134.1, 129.8 (2C), 129.1 (2C), 127.6, 123.1, 121.9, 120.0, 45.9. HRMS(ESI) m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2$ [M+H] 240.1024, found 240.1020.

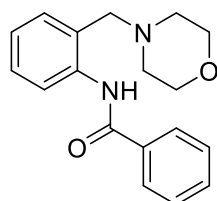


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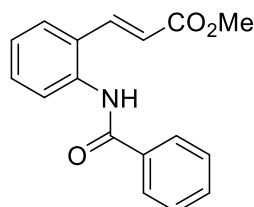
Ethyl 2-methyl-2-(3-methylquinolin-2-yl)-3-oxo-3-phenylpropanoate: colorless oil, 169 mg, 97% yield; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 7.94 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 7.72 – 7.69 (m, 3H), 7.63 – 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.51 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.24 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 4.33 – 4.20 (m, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.20 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 197.9, 171.4, 159.9, 145.4, 138.3, 136.8,

132.2, 130.1, 129.7 (2C), 129.3, 128.7, 127.9 (2C), 127.5, 126.9, 126.5, 68.0, 61.8, 21.9, 20.3, 14.0. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{22}H_{22}NO_3$ $[M+H]$ 348.1600, found 348.1601.



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***N*-(2-(Morpholinomethyl)phenyl)benzamide**: white solid, 46 mg, 78% yield; ^1H **NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 11.20 (s, 1H), 8.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.99 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.57 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.51 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.16 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.06 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 3.76 – 3.75 (m, 4H), 3.65 (s, 2H), 2.53 (s, 4H). ^{13}C **NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 165.3, 138.8, 135.5, 131.8, 130.2, 128.9, 128.7 (2C), 127.2 (2C), 124.9, 123.6, 121.1, 66.9 (2C), 62.8, 53.2 (2C). **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{18}H_{21}N_2O_2$ $[M+H]$ 297.1603, found 297.1601.



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Methyl (*E*)-3-(2-benzamidophenyl)acrylate: white solid, 53 mg, 94% yield; ^1H **NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.43 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.41 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H). ^{13}C **NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 167.2, 166.3, 139.7, 136.1, 134.3, 132.2, 131.0, 129.0 (2C), 128.3, 127.4, 127.3 (2C), 126.2, 125.5, 120.5, 51.9. **HRMS**(ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{17}H_{16}NO_3$ $[M+H]$ 282.1130, found 282.1130.

9 Computational Details

The M06 density functional method^[8] was used to carry out all the calculations. The LANL2DZ basis set in conjunction with the LANL2DZ pseudo potential was employed for Rh and Sb atoms,^[9] and the 6-31G(d) basis set was used for other atoms in geometry optimizations.^[10] For each optimized stationary point, vibrational frequency analyses at the same level of theory were performed on all optimized structures to characterize stationary points as local minima (no imaginary frequency) or transition states (one imaginary frequency). Intrinsic reaction coordinate calculations confirmed that the optimized transition states connect to their respective reactants and products. To consider solvation effects, single-point energy computations using the SMD model^[11] with TFE as the solvent were performed based on the optimized gas-phase geometries of all species. The basis sets (SDD for Rh and Sb and 6-311++G(d,p) for other atoms) were employed for such single-point energy calculations. The solution-phase Gibbs free energy was determined by adding the solvation single-point energy and the gas-phase thermal correction to the Gibbs free energy obtained from the vibrational frequency analyses. All calculations were carried out with the Gaussian 09 suite of programs.^[12]

The cationic [CpRh(SbF₆)]⁺ catalyst model was employed in the computational study. The additive, water molecule, could coordinate with Rh center to form **INT1**. With the assistance of substrate **2**, behaving as a Lewis base, the coordinated water molecule could dissociate to form **INT3**. After a ligand exchange step with substrate **1**, a complex **INT5** might be formed via the coordination of O atom of **1** with Rh (**Figure S1**). Subsequently, the yielded hydroxide anion in **INT5** could lead to the concerted metalation-deprotonation (CMD) with the *ortho* C–H group of **1** to afford **INT6**. The optimized transition state (TS) of the formation of **INT6** is shown as **TS2**, in which the C...H bond distance is lengthened to 1.27 Å while the O...H bond distance is shortened to 1.41 Å. The predicted overall free energy barrier to form **INT6** is ca. 40 kcal/mol relative to **INT2**. Next, the aminating agent **2** could undergo a ligand exchange step with water to form **INT7**, from which the dissociation of CO₂

may occur to afford the intermediate **INT8**. The calculated $\Delta G^\ddagger$ of the dissociation of CO_2 is ca. 27 kcal/mol relative to **INT7**. The generated **INT8** is ready to undergo intramolecular migratory insertion via **TS4** to yield **INT9**. Finally, the formed **INT9** can be protonated with water to produce the desired product **3** and the proposed active catalyst model **INT5** is regenerated after a ligand exchange step. Computational results suggest that the CMD step is the rate-limiting step, which is consistent with the experimental KIE results.

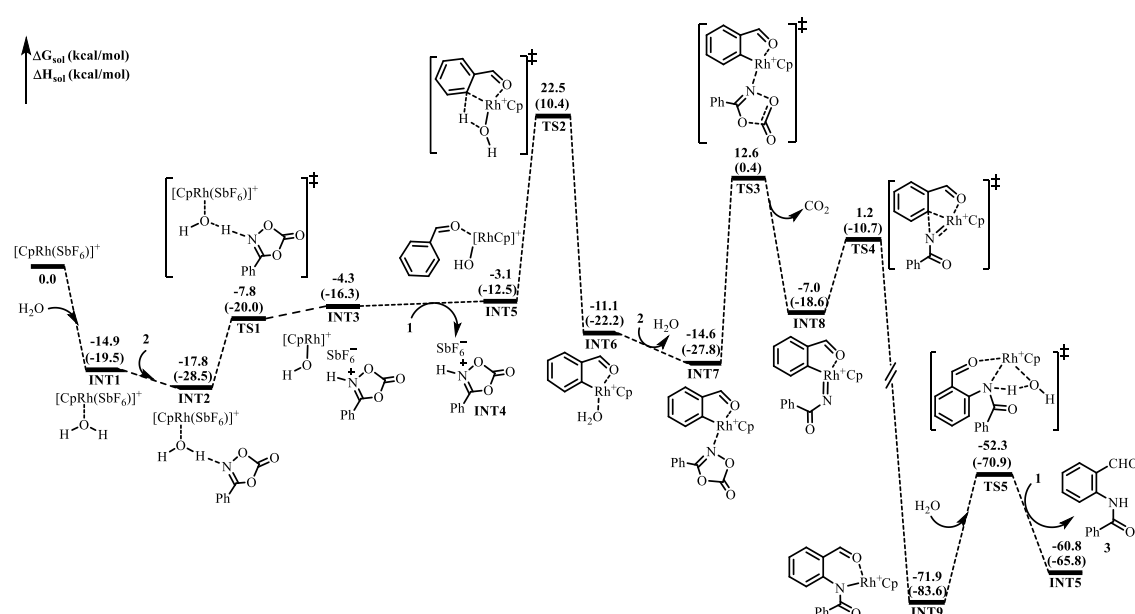


Figure S1. Energy profile for the H_2O -promoted, Rh-catalyzed *ortho*-C-H amidation of benzaldehydes with dioxazolones.

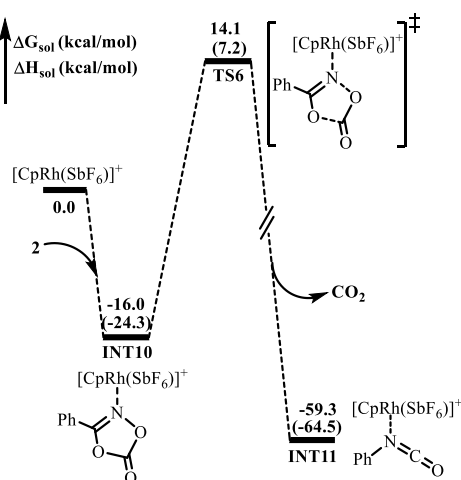


Figure S2. Energy profile for the Rh-mediated dissociation of **2** to form the corresponding isocyanate derivative and CO_2 .

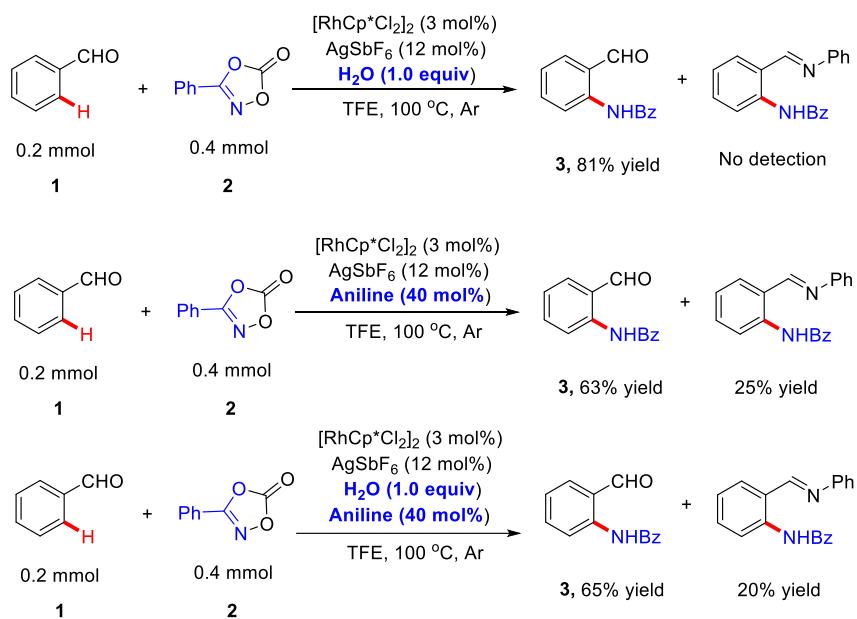


Figure S3. Control experiments.

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11 CartesianCoordinates and Energies

[CpRh(SbF₆)]⁺

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19	1	0	-3.435718	0.149492	2.089462
20	1	0	-4.120049	1.285183	-0.278716
21	1	0	-1.093606	2.873614	0.690013

Zero-point correction= 0.126411 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy= 0.142777
Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.143721
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.082083
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -983.287666
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -983.271300
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -983.270356
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -983.331993
M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-984.84033314

INT2

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	-3.838905	0.863260	-0.853436
2	6	0	-4.044998	0.141685	0.348795
3	6	0	-3.916242	1.063434	1.451613
4	6	0	-3.659795	2.361618	0.910955
5	6	0	-3.574585	2.239552	-0.510504
6	45	0	-2.075987	1.002385	0.371627
7	6	0	4.735535	2.216191	-2.245445
8	6	0	5.520948	1.485323	-1.358181
9	6	0	4.936855	0.864936	-0.262952
10	6	0	3.559055	0.989786	-0.058017
11	6	0	2.765226	1.713022	-0.956593
12	6	0	3.359641	2.326138	-2.047755
13	1	0	5.197112	2.695841	-3.106165
14	1	0	6.592064	1.395124	-1.522440
15	1	0	5.540008	0.288188	0.435160
16	1	0	1.685266	1.756506	-0.818096
17	1	0	2.749842	2.879949	-2.757967
18	6	0	2.689742	-1.125254	2.678026
19	6	0	2.943476	0.350626	1.082436
20	7	0	1.804963	0.645593	1.624630
21	8	0	3.545739	-0.680990	1.687261
22	8	0	1.609969	-0.301658	2.634418
23	8	0	2.872351	-2.031211	3.412058
24	1	0	0.448838	1.467480	1.282760
25	8	0	-0.399592	2.021823	1.139377
26	51	0	-0.461893	-1.548637	-0.848321
27	9	0	1.260838	-1.257888	-0.310383
28	9	0	-1.023751	-0.860004	0.897107
29	9	0	-0.611110	0.385385	-1.165057
30	9	0	-2.277815	-1.567725	-1.233990
31	9	0	-0.013609	-1.814524	-2.584433
32	9	0	-0.504174	-3.253132	-0.235567
33	1	0	-0.502793	2.574040	1.928813
34	1	0	-3.981116	0.808478	2.505044
35	1	0	-3.482450	3.268004	1.482321
36	1	0	-3.331873	3.035620	-1.207645
37	1	0	-3.769900	0.425529	-1.844553
38	1	0	-4.160606	-0.935403	0.423872

Zero-point correction= 0.247258 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy= 0.273930
Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.274874
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.188184
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1571.074292

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1571.047620
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1571.046676
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1571.133366
M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-1572.89877546

TS1

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	-3.782490	0.839522	-0.823216
2	6	0	-3.968135	0.090678	0.357995
3	6	0	-3.842359	0.987266	1.482593
4	6	0	-3.614274	2.305135	0.975878
5	6	0	-3.534549	2.211226	-0.449515
6	45	0	-2.001926	1.009269	0.412402
7	6	0	4.440344	2.494923	-2.103372
8	6	0	5.251799	1.637048	-1.363853
9	6	0	4.716116	0.920924	-0.305330
10	6	0	3.360532	1.082800	0.011694
11	6	0	2.537716	1.938417	-0.736624
12	6	0	3.087607	2.642241	-1.794073
13	1	0	4.864465	3.049749	-2.937763
14	1	0	6.302803	1.523377	-1.617272
15	1	0	5.335718	0.242569	0.277236
16	1	0	1.474924	2.021279	-0.508820
17	1	0	2.461335	3.300329	-2.391489
18	6	0	2.596199	-1.283162	2.579211
19	6	0	2.801279	0.333356	1.098872
20	7	0	1.671933	0.534150	1.721264
21	8	0	3.428757	-0.714803	1.619447
22	8	0	1.488507	-0.489785	2.628892
23	8	0	2.819015	-2.242332	3.220436
24	1	0	0.734590	1.160622	1.503675
25	8	0	-0.367082	1.881294	1.184017
26	51	0	-0.388485	-1.536301	-0.907824
27	9	0	1.348299	-1.259925	-0.358145
28	9	0	-0.912901	-0.927655	0.858532
29	9	0	-0.519949	0.380348	-1.186798
30	9	0	-2.199690	-1.575190	-1.292630
31	9	0	0.086729	-1.775492	-2.642925
32	9	0	-0.387128	-3.263481	-0.350810
33	1	0	-0.514952	2.639928	1.766553
34	1	0	-3.896400	0.704648	2.529340
35	1	0	-3.469142	3.203544	1.567382
36	1	0	-3.314072	3.026021	-1.131977
37	1	0	-3.711271	0.427581	-1.824435
38	1	0	-4.062669	-0.989131	0.410790

Zero-point correction= 0.243626 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy= 0.269651
Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.270595
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.186174
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1571.072614
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1571.046589
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1571.045645
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1571.130065
M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-1572.88084620

INT3

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	3.717102	-0.887682	-0.855363
2	6	0	3.974731	-0.010501	0.217515
3	6	0	3.927864	-0.773057	1.441779
4	6	0	3.677632	-2.140785	1.105309
5	6	0	3.504264	-2.207979	-0.313741
6	45	0	2.017941	-0.926220	0.512710
7	6	0	-4.015386	-2.956742	-1.955024
8	6	0	-4.880910	-1.950817	-1.529463
9	6	0	-4.484626	-1.076983	-0.530839
10	6	0	-3.212441	-1.225354	0.042147
11	6	0	-2.334809	-2.233332	-0.389520

12	6	0	-2.746847	-3.096057	-1.389559
13	1	0	-4.330675	-3.639386	-2.741510
14	1	0	-5.864588	-1.847589	-1.980302
15	1	0	-5.146811	-0.283544	-0.191764
16	1	0	-1.337397	-2.320794	0.042730
17	1	0	-2.079020	-3.879533	-1.739163
18	6	0	-2.832883	1.486245	2.340412
19	6	0	-2.805280	-0.312445	1.065404
20	7	0	-1.733938	-0.351746	1.817154
21	8	0	-3.537815	0.739911	1.397105
22	8	0	-1.695721	0.778730	2.601818
23	8	0	-3.170124	2.502014	2.821997
24	1	0	-0.798901	-0.886398	1.725303
25	8	0	0.460814	-1.689774	1.476849
26	51	0	0.326895	1.499468	-0.963020
27	9	0	-1.392026	1.324860	-0.308349
28	9	0	0.937669	1.071329	0.822351
29	9	0	0.400984	-0.431899	-1.042902
30	9	0	2.109170	1.470829	-1.462510
31	9	0	-0.247311	1.571085	-2.684496
32	9	0	0.373433	3.275579	-0.591184
33	1	0	0.665651	-2.384184	2.119445
34	1	0	4.047279	-0.372709	2.443741
35	1	0	3.584170	-2.966793	1.803070
36	1	0	3.249445	-3.095470	-0.884242
37	1	0	3.578117	-0.592306	-1.889903
38	1	0	4.066348	1.067812	0.141920

Zero-point correction= 0.247438 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy= 0.273694
Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.274638
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.189803
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1571.069509
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1571.043252
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1571.042308
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1571.127144
M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD/M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-1572.87897873

INT4

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	2.557779	-3.630080	0.024945
2	6	0	3.657104	-2.857997	0.406528
3	6	0	3.588792	-1.478495	0.338272
4	6	0	2.408523	-0.875832	-0.131254
5	6	0	1.308314	-1.651652	-0.528240
6	6	0	1.388323	-3.029507	-0.436163
7	1	0	2.615929	-4.714710	0.093722
8	1	0	4.564637	-3.337363	0.765424
9	1	0	4.432287	-0.863943	0.644882
10	1	0	0.388866	-1.196036	-0.876405
11	1	0	0.521914	-3.623969	-0.715180
12	6	0	2.972961	2.651430	0.076753
13	6	0	2.331325	0.550126	-0.176816
14	7	0	1.365799	1.317530	-0.609991
15	8	0	3.342532	1.320196	0.230640
16	8	0	1.718305	2.636198	-0.449731
17	8	0	3.626607	3.592108	0.344652
18	1	0	0.351919	1.107007	-0.887666
19	9	0	-0.484290	0.049442	1.056015
20	51	0	-2.086223	0.037529	0.096113
21	9	0	-3.070973	-0.435278	1.557358
22	9	0	-0.909913	0.528620	-1.381656
23	9	0	-1.703178	-1.717518	-0.363224
24	9	0	-2.201934	1.844079	0.406658
25	9	0	-3.498273	0.068028	-1.064623

Zero-point correction= 0.148177 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy= 0.166548
Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.167492
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.099904
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1192.705997
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1192.687626

Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1192.686682
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1192.754270
M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-1193.21071413

INT5

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	45	0	-1.249093	0.138159	0.253702
2	6	0	-3.297718	-0.448203	0.571317
3	6	0	-2.571310	-1.550976	0.056748
4	6	0	-2.091582	-1.186441	-1.260384
5	6	0	-2.553926	0.117145	-1.562993
6	6	0	-3.251233	0.601613	-0.422467
7	6	0	3.113094	-1.695655	-0.144211
8	6	0	2.107606	-0.751339	-0.232606
9	6	0	4.445650	-1.285984	-0.037421
10	6	0	4.776932	0.066180	-0.028273
11	6	0	3.770918	1.014973	-0.126057
12	6	0	2.428711	0.615196	-0.218251
13	6	0	1.442827	1.664316	-0.332044
14	1	0	2.872327	-2.756177	-0.158964
15	1	0	5.232165	-2.034590	0.035452
16	1	0	5.816226	0.375332	0.049622
17	1	0	4.015125	2.077295	-0.126530
18	1	0	1.852229	2.688111	-0.419875
19	8	0	0.211492	1.568335	-0.376962
20	1	0	1.066178	-1.063207	-0.319436
21	8	0	-0.250249	0.207601	1.862764
22	1	0	-3.666445	1.597805	-0.306305
23	1	0	-2.309585	0.692439	-2.449023
24	1	0	-1.470281	-1.807168	-1.898074
25	1	0	-2.394535	-2.497569	0.556521
26	1	0	-3.780325	-0.384077	1.540654
27	1	0	-0.633650	-0.277796	2.612791

Zero-point correction= 0.210202 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy= 0.224463
Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.225407
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.166512
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -723.544293
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -723.530032
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -723.529088
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -723.587983
M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-725.08400597

TS2

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	45	0	-0.852175	0.147882	0.180744
2	6	0	-2.936491	-0.574567	0.309883
3	6	0	-2.017588	-1.654030	0.088222
4	6	0	-1.411327	-1.455391	-1.206772
5	6	0	-1.883620	-0.230682	-1.723993
6	6	0	-2.824067	0.324132	-0.775126
7	6	0	1.951783	-1.485163	0.618950
8	6	0	1.333218	-0.241070	0.493231
9	6	0	3.243686	-1.685111	0.123952
10	6	0	3.931577	-0.643769	-0.492159
11	6	0	3.334579	0.610748	-0.635331
12	6	0	2.039602	0.796454	-0.167610
13	6	0	1.312259	2.038508	-0.386287
14	1	0	1.444480	-2.296081	1.142087
15	1	0	3.722362	-2.656132	0.233425
16	1	0	4.941008	-0.806944	-0.863128
17	1	0	3.868879	1.424432	-1.125105
18	1	0	1.859569	2.952969	-0.672514
19	8	0	0.085346	2.091450	-0.283755
20	1	0	0.647267	0.156029	1.487531
21	8	0	-0.435464	0.799107	2.118068
22	1	0	-3.333716	1.276896	-0.870905
23	1	0	-1.579069	0.232029	-2.656507

24	1	0	-0.667843	-2.099559	-1.664416
25	1	0	-1.868441	-2.510426	0.737345
26	1	0	-3.532243	-0.418294	1.203033
27	1	0	-0.795096	0.165585	2.759418

Zero-point correction= 0.204721 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.218159
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.219103
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.164316
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -723.514103
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -723.500666
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -723.499721
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -723.554508
 M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-725.04109840

INT6

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	45	0	-0.780820	0.166171	0.144076
2	6	0	-3.045407	-0.348453	0.382161
3	6	0	-2.155884	-1.501544	0.395479
4	6	0	-1.528808	-1.587864	-0.877425
5	6	0	-1.876930	-0.403396	-1.596912
6	6	0	-2.880749	0.315552	-0.825254
7	6	0	1.753679	-1.583426	0.253645
8	6	0	1.172951	-0.351737	-0.008768
9	6	0	3.143146	-1.727342	0.151742
10	6	0	3.963684	-0.656405	-0.202240
11	6	0	3.398922	0.585196	-0.451553
12	6	0	2.009424	0.735316	-0.354202
13	6	0	1.326440	1.979789	-0.558159
14	1	0	1.148399	-2.445340	0.535558
15	1	0	3.590911	-2.700589	0.347876
16	1	0	5.038982	-0.796392	-0.279001
17	1	0	4.021373	1.439516	-0.717816
18	1	0	1.879956	2.900971	-0.802554
19	8	0	0.089545	2.047171	-0.454359
20	1	0	0.336982	0.203048	2.680004
21	8	0	-0.122298	0.884461	2.165513
22	1	0	-3.343254	1.251838	-1.117229
23	1	0	-1.543890	-0.141989	-2.595950
24	1	0	-0.839227	-2.355741	-1.210575
25	1	0	-2.082238	-2.234473	1.192390
26	1	0	-3.675491	-0.033518	1.207257
27	1	0	-0.816372	1.247789	2.736319

Zero-point correction= 0.210321 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.224675
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.225619
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.169437
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -723.567237
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -723.552883
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -723.551939
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -723.608121
 M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-725.09970673

INT7

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	45	0	0.864397	-0.987140	0.135590
2	6	0	0.577442	-2.669160	1.718241
3	6	0	1.720793	-1.799456	1.954416
4	6	0	2.649388	-1.998052	0.892155
5	6	0	2.009949	-2.819510	-0.077987
6	6	0	0.750810	-3.284022	0.484539
7	6	0	2.874830	1.343186	0.030424
8	6	0	1.902149	0.589582	-0.609801
9	6	0	3.475281	2.408432	-0.646528
10	6	0	3.113578	2.745364	-1.953665
11	6	0	2.128282	2.017605	-2.596927
12	6	0	1.523188	0.943382	-1.925071

13	6	0	0.471705	0.152948	-2.481251
14	1	0	3.167681	1.128836	1.058149
15	1	0	4.243120	2.990795	-0.139207
16	1	0	3.599473	3.578735	-2.454843
17	1	0	1.816426	2.269799	-3.610535
18	6	0	-1.717541	0.907691	0.774239
19	8	0	-1.935299	2.035475	1.471376
20	7	0	-0.491284	0.491519	0.909964
21	6	0	-0.762023	2.361637	2.120739
22	8	0	0.129032	1.390648	1.785660
23	8	0	-0.578785	3.290061	2.824421
24	1	0	0.077167	0.355803	-3.490317
25	8	0	-0.035563	-0.780300	-1.830051
26	6	0	-2.808575	0.326483	0.025684
27	6	0	-3.946625	1.108555	-0.218375
28	6	0	-2.749964	-0.999394	-0.424774
29	6	0	-5.008748	0.567543	-0.926501
30	1	0	-3.991478	2.132643	0.145345
31	6	0	-3.819863	-1.530019	-1.126328
32	1	0	-1.873084	-1.609468	-0.213256
33	6	0	-4.945386	-0.747569	-1.380620
34	1	0	-5.891186	1.172203	-1.121225
35	1	0	-3.782212	-2.559846	-1.473598
36	1	0	-5.782988	-1.169801	-1.931995
37	1	0	0.045458	-3.938358	-0.016426
38	1	0	2.434263	-3.139133	-1.023795
39	1	0	3.618435	-1.522449	0.787304
40	1	0	1.882668	-1.194490	2.841336
41	1	0	-0.289707	-2.753020	2.364854

Zero-point correction= 0.306269 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy= 0.328317
Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.329261
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.252826
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1234.988109
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1234.966061
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1234.965117
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1235.041551
M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-1236.72043652

TS3

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	45	0	-1.061608	-0.840722	0.134272
2	6	0	-2.341475	-2.387472	-1.057871
3	6	0	-2.991351	-1.104094	-0.872809
4	6	0	-3.259392	-0.938409	0.520535
5	6	0	-2.628763	-2.009796	1.196582
6	6	0	-2.104147	-2.931125	0.201708
7	6	0	-1.523758	2.158916	0.615837
8	6	0	-0.822901	1.006173	0.931388
9	6	0	-1.161609	3.366474	1.221669
10	6	0	-0.111786	3.439394	2.140629
11	6	0	0.592272	2.293513	2.467274
12	6	0	0.238615	1.076036	1.864068
13	6	0	0.904038	-0.164315	2.113239
14	1	0	-2.340862	2.143294	-0.105484
15	1	0	-1.711418	4.270806	0.965624
16	1	0	0.148464	4.392915	2.592996
17	1	0	1.415133	2.325857	3.181483
18	6	0	1.222299	0.459943	-1.378301
19	8	0	1.322084	1.642270	-1.755047
20	7	0	0.088158	-0.263032	-1.386777
21	6	0	-0.381407	2.140335	-2.404387
22	8	0	-0.945891	1.059400	-2.335489
23	8	0	-0.359721	3.279205	-2.651321
24	1	0	1.743973	-0.237178	2.822807
25	8	0	0.545759	-1.202482	1.523312
26	6	0	2.373470	-0.299250	-0.840646
27	6	0	3.330136	0.431488	-0.125793
28	6	0	2.482383	-1.687014	-0.976216
29	6	0	4.391515	-0.239072	0.465450
30	1	0	3.232593	1.513342	-0.053095

31	6	0	3.551659	-2.344704	-0.382958
32	1	0	1.746782	-2.238477	-1.558726
33	6	0	4.497306	-1.624707	0.342780
34	1	0	5.148755	0.320176	1.010898
35	1	0	3.653425	-3.421760	-0.493777
36	1	0	5.333924	-2.144830	0.804882
37	1	0	-1.571445	-3.850359	0.419281
38	1	0	-2.603586	-2.160721	2.270720
39	1	0	-3.760081	-0.093931	0.981652
40	1	0	-3.301922	-0.433660	-1.668110
41	1	0	-2.018967	-2.792783	-2.010648

Zero-point correction= 0.301470 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.324239
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.325184
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.247247
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1234.937163
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1234.914394
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1234.913450
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1234.991387
 M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD/M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-1236.67150336

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Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	45	0	-1.444674	-0.325087	-0.003932
2	6	0	-3.221715	-1.351308	-1.008191
3	6	0	-3.003947	-0.038103	-1.539226
4	6	0	-3.298643	0.909971	-0.494004
5	6	0	-3.587731	0.187541	0.677445
6	6	0	-3.529038	-1.219695	0.364824
7	6	0	-0.208669	2.337815	-1.007240
8	6	0	-0.320614	1.392080	-0.003866
9	6	0	0.667584	3.414745	-0.830675
10	6	0	1.427144	3.557293	0.332475
11	6	0	1.319055	2.615124	1.342095
12	6	0	0.444986	1.531043	1.175486
13	6	0	0.283686	0.479371	2.130995
14	1	0	-0.772988	2.250388	-1.935080
15	1	0	0.758399	4.157615	-1.621705
16	1	0	2.100586	4.403565	0.441431
17	1	0	1.907022	2.701486	2.255537
18	6	0	0.961678	-1.907560	-0.194790
19	8	0	0.646259	-2.917480	0.433640
20	7	0	-0.148548	-1.400267	-0.832705
21	1	0	0.823505	0.481114	3.090416
22	8	0	-0.477321	-0.478388	1.894034
23	6	0	2.296558	-1.334641	-0.340545
24	6	0	3.355213	-1.952883	0.331819
25	6	0	2.516397	-0.196981	-1.124231
26	6	0	4.632931	-1.422545	0.227148
27	1	0	3.155199	-2.844280	0.924116
28	6	0	3.796481	0.327374	-1.225405
29	1	0	1.687226	0.267515	-1.659423
30	6	0	4.851112	-0.285272	-0.549392
31	1	0	5.463464	-1.898333	0.743809
32	1	0	3.977984	1.209419	-1.835919
33	1	0	5.855541	0.125295	-0.634043
34	1	0	-3.799179	0.609513	1.654010
35	1	0	-3.685422	-2.031046	1.067405
36	1	0	-3.062367	-2.282227	-1.541992
37	1	0	-2.761386	0.197954	-2.570050
38	1	0	-3.243724	1.989538	-0.582344

Zero-point correction= 0.288909 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.308891
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.309835
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.239215
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1046.470909
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1046.450927
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1046.449983
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1046.520603
 M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD/M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-1048.15080472

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Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	45	0	-1.603105	-0.289908	0.056423
2	6	0	-3.420918	-1.278888	-0.813556
3	6	0	-3.261692	0.064703	-1.294962
4	6	0	-3.445457	0.957350	-0.176922
5	6	0	-3.598876	0.173114	0.982430
6	6	0	-3.568406	-1.216975	0.589099
7	6	0	-0.074685	2.172991	-1.152769
8	6	0	-0.182073	1.248718	-0.126940
9	6	0	0.786931	3.264270	-0.989118
10	6	0	1.562408	3.404593	0.161903
11	6	0	1.490395	2.450859	1.172570
12	6	0	0.619578	1.368129	1.027473
13	6	0	0.481226	0.307226	1.995518
14	1	0	-0.643265	2.052464	-2.074048
15	1	0	0.859918	4.009071	-1.779736
16	1	0	2.230678	4.256237	0.263937
17	1	0	2.101509	2.542908	2.070313
18	6	0	0.954741	-1.575002	-0.685916
19	8	0	0.524307	-2.730438	-0.702435
20	7	0	-0.101866	-0.781114	-1.058746
21	1	0	1.131276	0.274684	2.885812
22	8	0	-0.350670	-0.597086	1.835640
23	6	0	2.339261	-1.172791	-0.456061
24	6	0	3.158608	-2.078316	0.228169
25	6	0	2.856782	0.038943	-0.924369
26	6	0	4.486226	-1.755232	0.468123
27	1	0	2.739147	-3.025637	0.562741
28	6	0	4.188657	0.349200	-0.691466
29	1	0	2.222159	0.719633	-1.490339
30	6	0	4.998996	-0.543146	0.009112
31	1	0	5.126526	-2.451210	1.005257
32	1	0	4.601506	1.283960	-1.065603
33	1	0	6.043180	-0.295701	0.190551
34	1	0	-3.706815	0.539614	1.997156
35	1	0	-3.639341	-2.065006	1.261540
36	1	0	-3.323990	-2.181176	-1.407762
37	1	0	-3.117249	0.355200	-2.330433
38	1	0	-3.391753	2.040304	-0.216735

Zero-point correction= 0.287778 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.307365
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.308309
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.238243
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1046.462697
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1046.443109
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1046.442165
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1046.512231
 M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-1048.13672333

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Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	45	0	-0.026762	-1.537334	0.043548
2	6	0	2.087087	-1.884824	0.489409
3	6	0	1.897022	-1.892042	-0.919650
4	6	0	1.012813	-2.978511	-1.231489
5	6	0	0.672454	-3.641789	-0.011190
6	6	0	1.324350	-2.969499	1.050873
7	6	0	-1.855272	2.308446	-0.693434
8	6	0	-1.715021	0.969945	-0.251670
9	6	0	-3.044828	2.985624	-0.538250
10	6	0	-4.162144	2.379458	0.061004
11	6	0	-4.058890	1.080001	0.495758
12	6	0	-2.856858	0.352715	0.353267
13	6	0	-2.856779	-0.984480	0.824038
14	1	0	-1.016203	2.806314	-1.174077
15	1	0	-3.115841	4.012174	-0.892240

16	1	0	-5.091921	2.930332	0.173616
17	1	0	-4.911277	0.584140	0.959253
18	6	0	0.550330	0.991566	-1.088455
19	8	0	0.622965	0.902000	-2.292139
20	7	0	-0.529408	0.314888	-0.392092
21	1	0	-3.794426	-1.350165	1.272824
22	8	0	-1.917256	-1.809116	0.790988
23	6	0	1.538497	1.687849	-0.242041
24	6	0	1.379503	1.841683	1.141495
25	6	0	2.667189	2.220577	-0.878243
26	6	0	2.344445	2.516396	1.877204
27	1	0	0.499164	1.437291	1.639344
28	6	0	3.630712	2.888807	-0.137594
29	1	0	2.764265	2.103242	-1.956050
30	6	0	3.469319	3.036106	1.239089
31	1	0	2.219405	2.642670	2.950497
32	1	0	4.507929	3.300741	-0.631580
33	1	0	4.223927	3.563744	1.819243
34	1	0	-0.023832	-4.467255	0.088330
35	1	0	1.232308	-3.200525	2.106392
36	1	0	2.670578	-1.160399	1.049285
37	1	0	2.320948	-1.192152	-1.632906
38	1	0	0.635860	-3.225540	-2.218456

Zero-point correction= 0.292173 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.311473
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.312417
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.242106
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1046.576800
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1046.557500
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1046.556556
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1046.626867
 M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-1048.25705120

TS5

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	45	0	-0.059873	-1.386307	-0.126633
2	6	0	-1.292407	-1.561935	1.683614
3	6	0	-2.114781	-1.593065	0.506307
4	6	0	-1.754889	-2.762709	-0.242229
5	6	0	-0.681263	-3.401491	0.429776
6	6	0	-0.392562	-2.655959	1.630123
7	6	0	2.915511	-1.114366	-0.677823
8	1	0	3.750778	3.879864	0.854003
9	6	0	3.557897	2.862817	0.518536
10	6	0	4.620232	2.045918	0.129007
11	1	0	5.643218	2.410516	0.161043
12	6	0	4.340706	0.766030	-0.295821
13	1	0	5.150172	0.101109	-0.595832
14	6	0	3.017392	0.273729	-0.334275
15	6	0	1.938955	1.120101	0.038104
16	7	0	0.588216	0.741045	-0.151672
17	6	0	2.246169	2.412289	0.473044
18	1	0	1.447320	3.085341	0.767934
19	1	0	3.864562	-1.590725	-0.981176
20	8	0	1.930380	-1.868863	-0.646773
21	6	0	-0.389192	1.372427	0.708565
22	8	0	-0.123157	1.566704	1.875971
23	6	0	-1.713265	1.685318	0.125407
24	6	0	-2.747433	1.939846	1.039387
25	6	0	-1.975670	1.753352	-1.247828
26	6	0	-4.029146	2.215429	0.588396
27	1	0	-2.521147	1.919101	2.104028
28	6	0	-3.260063	2.039402	-1.694315
29	1	0	-1.192710	1.578969	-1.980190
30	6	0	-4.287367	2.260231	-0.781308
31	1	0	-4.827707	2.403279	1.302898
32	1	0	-3.457943	2.094104	-2.762492
33	1	0	-5.291990	2.479659	-1.137577
34	1	0	0.384341	-2.880721	2.352060
35	1	0	-0.136636	-4.271483	0.077823
36	1	0	-2.161110	-3.046576	-1.207211

37	1	0	-2.882234	-0.871722	0.241290
38	1	0	-1.283548	-0.773756	2.431261
39	1	0	0.305905	0.427602	-1.282012
40	8	0	-0.150758	-0.540756	-2.050284
41	1	0	0.540835	-0.948933	-2.596955

Zero-point correction= 0.314277 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.334814
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.335758
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.265008
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1122.925381
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1122.904844
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1122.903900
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1122.974651
 M06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD/SMD//M06/6-31G(d)-LANL2DZ energy=-1124.66476460

12 ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR Spectra of the products

