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# Oxidative C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-H amidation of tertiary arylamines with nitriles

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### General:

All reactions were carried out under air. Unless otherwise noted, all reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz) spectra were measured on Bruker AVIII 400M spectrometers with CDCl<sub>3</sub> as solvent and tetramethylsilane (TMS) as internal standard. Chemical shifts were reported in units (ppm) by assigning TMS resonance in the <sup>1</sup>H spectrum as 0.00 ppm and CDCl<sub>3</sub> resonance in the <sup>13</sup>C spectrum as 77.26 ppm. All coupling constants (*J* values) were reported in Hertz (Hz). Chemical shifts of common trace <sup>1</sup>H NMR impurities (ppm): H<sub>2</sub>O: 1.56, CHCl<sub>3</sub>: 7.26. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel 300-400 mesh. The unknown products were further characterized by HRMS (FT-ICR-MS) and electrospray ionization source in positive-ion mode.

#### Experimental Procedure for the Synthesis of N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)benzamide



1 (1.5 mmol, 3 equiv), 2 (0.5 mmol, 1 equiv), CuI (0.15 mmol, 30 mol%), NHPI (0.05 mmol, 30 mol%), TEMPO (0.75 mmol, 1.5 eq) and toluene (2.0 mL) were placed in a round bottom flask at room temperature. The reaction mixture was heated with stirring at 80 °C in the air for 16 hours. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using a hexane/AcOEt (10:1-2:1, v/v) as the eluent to give the corresponding products.

### **Spectral Data for Products**

N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)benzamide (3a)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.64 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.21 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 6.79 – 6.72 (m, 3H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 5.03 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 2.98 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 168.1 (s), 148.0 (s), 134.3 (s), 131.8 (s), 129.6 (s), 128.7 (s), 127.1 (s), 118.4 (s), 113.4 (s), 58.3 (s), 38.1 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 263.1155, found 263.1155.

N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (3b)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.83 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 6.93 – 6.84 (m, 4H), 5.13 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 3.10 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 166.9 (s), 147.9 (s), 137.5 (s), 133.4 (m,  $J_{C-F} = 31.4$  Hz), 129.6 (s), 127.6 (s), 125.6 (m,  $J_{C-F} = 3.7$  Hz), 123.7 (m,  $J_{C-F} = 272.7$  Hz), 118.5 (s), 113.4 (s), 58.5 (s), 38.1 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 331.1029, found 331.1031.

4-Fluoro-N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)benzamide (3c)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.74 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.06 – 7.03 (m, 2H), 6.86 – 6.80 (m, 3H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 5.08 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 167.0 (s), 164.9 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 252.3 Hz), 147.9 (s), 130.4 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.5 Hz), 129.6 (s), 129.5 (m, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.9 Hz), 118.4 (s), 115.7 (m, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 272.7 Hz), 113.3 (s), 58.4 (s), 38.1 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>FN<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 281.1061, found 281.1059.

4-Chloro-N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)benzamide (3d)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.65 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.27

-7.24 (m, 2H), 6.85 - 6.77 (m, 4H), 5.06 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 3.04 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 167.1 (s), 147.9 (s), 138.0 (s), 132.5 (s), 129.6 (s), 128.9 (s), 128.6 (s), 118.4 (s), 113.3 (s), 58.3 (s), 38.1 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 297.0765, found 297.0758.

4-Bromo-N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)benzamide (3e)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 6.86 – 6.81 (m, 3H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 5.09 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.04 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 167.1 (s), 147.9 (s), 133.0 (s), 131.99 (s), 131.93 (s), 129.7 (s), 126.5 (s), 118.5 (s), 113.4 (s), 58.4 (s), 38.2 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 341.0260, found 341.0257.

4-Butoxy-N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)benzamide (3f)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.67 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.85 – 6.71 (m, 6H), 5.05 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.02 (s, 3H), 1.77 – 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.51 – 1.43 (m, 2H), 0.96 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 167.6 (s), 162.0 (s), 148.1 (s), 129.5 (s), 128.9 (s), 126.1 (s), 118.1 (s), 114.3 (s), 113.3 (s), 67.9 (s), 58.2 (s), 38.0 (s), 31.2 (s), 19.2 (s), 13.8 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 335.1730, found 335.1726.

4-Methoxy-N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)benzamide (3g)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.71 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 6.89 – 6.79 (m, 5H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 5.09 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.05 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 167.5 (s), 162.4 (s), 148.1 (s), 129.6 (s), 128.9 (s), 126.4 (s), 118.3 (s), 113.9 (s), 113.3 (s), 58.2 (s), 55.5 (s), 38.1 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 293.1260, found 293.1253.

3-Methoxy-N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)benzamide (3h)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.32 (s, 1H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 7.00 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.85 – 6.78 (m, 4H), 5.06 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 3.09 (s, 3H), 3.04 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 167.9 (s), 159.8 (s), 148.0 (s), 135.7 (s), 129.6 (s), 129.5 (s), 118.8 (s), 118.2 (s), 117.9 (s), 113.3 (s), 112.5 (s), 58.3 (s), 55.4 (s), 38.0 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 293.1260, found 293.1255.

2-Methoxy-N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)benzamide (3i)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 8.32 (s, 1H), 8.20 – 8.18 (m, 1H), 7.44 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.08 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 6.92 – 6.87 (m, 3H), 6.83 – 6.80 (m, 1H), 5.13 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.06 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 165.8 (s), 157.6 (s), 148.4 (s), 133.1 (s), 132.3 (s), 129.4 (s), 121.42 (s), 121.40 (s), 118.2 (s), 113.6 (s), 111.5 (s), 57.9 (s), 56.0 (s), 38.2 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 293.1260, found 293.1263.

N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)-2-naphthamide (3j)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 8.27 - 8.25 (m, 1H), 7.91 - 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.54 - 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.42 - 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.33 - 7.29 (m, 2H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 5.18 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.14 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 170.1 (s), 147.9 (s), 134.2 (s), 133.7 (s), 130.8 (s), 130.1 (s), 129.6 (s), 128.4 (s), 127.2 (s), 126.5 (s), 125.4 (s), 125.0 (s), 124.7 (s), 118.5 (s), 113.6 (s), 58.0 (s), 38.2 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 313.1311, found 313.1301.

N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-carboxamide (3k)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.82 - 7.80 (m, 2H), 7.64 - 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.47 - 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.32 - 7.26 (m, 2H), 6.90 - 6.83 (m, 3H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.09 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 167.8 (s), 148.1 (s), 144.7 (s), 140.1 (s), 132.9 (s), 129.7 (s), 129.0 (s), 128.2 (s), 127.7 (s), 126.4 (s), 125.3 (s), 118.4 (s), 113.4 (s), 58.4 (s), 38.1 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 339.1468, found 339.1458.

N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)acetamide (31)



Yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.28 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (t, J = 4.5 Hz, 3H), 6.20 (s, 1H), 4.90 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.01 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 170.7 (s), 148.0 (s), 129.5 (s), 118.2 (s), 113.2 (s), 57.5 (s), 37.9 (s), 23.3 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 201.0998, found 201.0996.

N-((methyl (phenyl)amino)methyl)butyramide (3m)



Yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.29 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.84 - 6.81 (m, 3H), 6.06 (s, 1H), 4.92 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.01 (s, 3H), 2.15 (t, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 1.71 - 1.62 (m, 2H), 0.94 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 170.7 (s), 148.0 (s), 129.5 (s), 118.2 (s), 113.2 (s), 57.5 (s), 37.9 (s), 23.3 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 229.1311, found 229.1311.

N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)cyclohexanecarboxamide (3n)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.29 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (t, J = 4.9 Hz, 3H), 5.97 (s, 1H), 4.92 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.00 (s, 3H), 2.09 - 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.84 - 1.68 (m, 5H), 1.49 - 1.41 (m, 2H), 1.28 - 1.22 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 176.7 (s), 148.0 (s), 129.5 (s), 118.1 (s), 113.3 (s), 57.4 (s), 45.7 (s), 37.8 (s), 29.7 (s), 25.74 (s), 25.71 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 269.1624, found 269.1619.

N-((methyl (phenyl)amino)methyl)-2-phenylacetamide (30)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.27 - 7.14 (m, 7H), 6.77 - 6.71 (m, 3H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 4.78 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.45 (s, 2H), 2.89 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 171.6 (s), 147.9 (s), 134.8 (s), 129.3 (s), 129.2 (s), 128.8 (s), 127.2 (s), 118.2 (s), 113.3 (s), 57.7 (s), 43.5 (s), 37.8 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 277.1311, found 277.1307.

N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)-4-phenylbutanamide (3p)



Yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.33 - 7.27 (m, 4H), 7.23 - 7.15 (m, 3H), 6.87 - 6.83 (m, 3H), 6.04 (s, 1H), 4.93 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 2.66 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.18 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.03 - 1.95 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 173.3 (s), 147.9 (s), 141.4 (s), 129.5 (s), 128.5 (s), 128.4 (s), 126.0 (s), 118.2 (s), 113.3 (s), 57.4 (s), 38.0 (s), 35.8 (s), 35.1 (s), 27.0 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 305.1624, found 305.1621.

N-((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)octanamide (3q)



Yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.31 - 7.27 (m, 2H), 6.84 - 6.81 (m, 3H), 5.91 (s, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.02 (s, 3H), 2.26 - 2.15 (m, 2H), 1.67 - 1.60 (m, 2H), 1.33 - 1.28 (m, 8H), 0.89 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 173.8 (s), 148.1 (s), 129.65 (s), 118.3 (s), 113.4 (s), 57.5 (s), 38.0 (s), 36.9 (s), 31.8 (s), 29.3 (s), 29.1 (s), 25.7 (s), 22.7 (s), 14.2 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 285.1937, found 285.1934.

N- ((methyl(phenyl)amino)methyl)dodecanamide (3r)



Yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.31 - 7.26 (m, 2H), 6.85 - 6.82 (m, 3H), 5.91 (s, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.02 (s, 3H), 2.17 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.64 - 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.27 (s, 16H), 0.91 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 173.8 (s), 148.0 (s), 129.6 (s), 118.3 (s), 113.4 (s), 57.4 (s), 38.0 (s), 36.9 (s), 32.0 (s), 29.7 (s), 29.5 (s), 29.4 (s), 25.7 (s), 22.8 (s), 14.3 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 341.2563, found 341.2554.

N-(((4-methoxyphenyl)(methyl)amino)methyl)benzamide (3s)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.72 - 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.50 - 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.41 - 7.37 (m, 2H), 6.86 (s, 4H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 5.04 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.97 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 168.0 (s), 153.1 (s), 142.5 (s), 134.4 (s), 131.8 (s), 128.7 (s), 127.1 (s), 115.9 (s), 115.1 (s), 59.4 (s), 55.8 (s), 38.4 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 271.1441, found 271.1436.

N-((methyl(p-tolyl)amino)methyl)benzamide (3t)



White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.72 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.50 - 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 5.09 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 3.03 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 168.1 (s), 145.9 (s), 134.4 (s), 131.8 (s), 130.1 (s), 128.7 (s), 127.9 (s), 127.1 (s), 113.9 (s), 58.7 (s), 38.2 (s), 20.4 (s). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 277.1311, found 277.1305.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectra for All Compounds







3c



3d





3f



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3i



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3n





3q



3p



3r



**3s** 



3t

The *in situ* generation of 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (TEMP, HRMS Calcd for  $C_9H_{20}N^+$ ,  $[M+H]^+$  142.1590, found 142.1593) was proved using the HRMS (FT-ICR-MS) technique.





 $M+H^+$ Chemical Formula: C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sup>+</sup> Exact Mass: 142.1590



