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Clickable coupling of carboxylic acids and amines at room temperature mediated by SO_2F_2 : A significant breakthrough for the construction of amides and peptide linkages

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1. General considerations

All reactions were carried out under an air atmosphere. Unless otherwise specified, NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ on a 500 MHz (for ¹H), 471 MHz (for ¹⁹F), and 126 MHz (for ¹³C) spectrometer. All chemical shifts were reported in ppm relative to TMS (¹H NMR, 0 ppm) and CFCl₃ (¹⁹F NMR, 0 ppm) as internal standards. The HPLC experiments were carried out on a Waters e2695 instrument (column: J&K, RP-C18, 5 μ m, 4.6 × 150 mm), and the yields of the products were determined by using the corresponding pure compounds as the external standards. Enantiomeric excesses were determined on HPLC using Chiralcel OD or IC column with UV detector. Optical rotations were measured on a Roudolph Autopl IV. Melting points of the products were measured on a micro melting point apparatus (SGW X-4) and uncorrected. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on an Agilent 1260-6221 TOF mass spectrometry. Reagents used in the reactions were all purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification.

2. Screening the optimized conditions for amidation reaction of 1a with 4a

Table 1 The amidation reaction of 1a with 4a in the presence of different bases.^a

| COOH + | NH ₂ SO ₂ F ₂ base (3 equiv.) MeCN (0.15 M) | N H |
|--------|--|-------------------------------|
| 1a | 4a rt (2 equiv.) | ~5а |
| Fntry | Base | Yield |
| Linuy | Dube | (5 a, %) ^b |
| 1 | DIPEA | 82 |
| 2 | Et ₃ N | 81 |
| 3 | DBU | <1 |
| 4 | DBN | <1 |
| 5 | TMEDA | 54 |
| 6 | DMAP | 46 |
| 7 | DABCO | 32 |
| 8 | proton sponge | <1 |
| 9 | K ₂ CO ₃ | 26 |
| 10 | Na ₂ CO ₃ | <1 |
| 11 | K ₃ PO ₄ | 13 |
| 12 | Na ₃ PO ₄ | <1 |
| 13 | KOAc | 9 |
| 14 | NaOAc | <1 |
| 15 | Cs_2CO_3 | 47 |
| 16 | NaHCO ₃ | <1 |

^a General conditions: a mixture of benzoic acid (**1a**, 0.3 mmol), aniline (**4a**, 0.6 mmol) and base (0.9 mmol, 3 equiv) in MeCN (reaction diluted to 0.15 M) under SO₂F₂ atmosphere (balloon) was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. ^b The yield was determined by HPLC using *N*-phenylbenzamide (**5a**, $t_R = 3.807 \text{ min}$, $\lambda_{max} = 263.0 \text{ nm}$, water/methanol = 30 : 70 (v/v)) as the external standard.

| \bigcirc | COOH + 〔 1a | NH ₂ SO ₂ F DIPEA (3 solvent (0 4a rt (2 equiv.) | equiv.) (.15 M) 5a |
|------------|-------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| | Entw | Solvent | Yield |
| | Entry | | (5a , %) ^b |
| | 1 | MeCN | 82 |
| | 2 | dioxane | 59 |
| | 3 | toluene | 67 |
| | 4 | THF | 19 |
| | 5 | acetone | 24 |
| | 6 | DMF | 20 |
| | 7 | DMSO | 26 |
| | 8 | NMP | 45 |
| | 9 | DCM | 36 |

Table 2 The amidation reaction of 1a with 4a in the presence of different solvents.^a

^a General conditions: a mixture of benzoic acid (**1a**, 0.3 mmol), aniline (**4a**, 0.6 mmol) and DIPEA (0.9 mmol, 3 equiv) in solvent (reaction diluted to 0.15 M) under SO₂F₂ atmosphere (balloon) was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. ^b The yield was determined by HPLC using *N*-phenylbenzamide (**5a**, t_R = 3.807 min, $\lambda_{max} = 263.0$ nm, water/methanol = 30 : 70 (v/v)) as the external standard.

Table 3 The amidation reaction of 1a with 4a at different reaction concentrations.^a

| COOH + 1a | NH ₂ SO ₂ F ₂ DIPEA (3 equiv.) 4a rt (2 equiv.) | O N H 5a |
|---------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Entry Concentration | | Yield |
| Liiuy | (mol/L) | (5a , %) ^b |
| 1 | 0.15 | 82 |
| 2 | 0.2 | 85 |
| 3 | 0.3 | 94 |
| 4 | 0.4 | 94 |
| 5 | 0.5 | 95 |
| 6 | 0.6 | 93 |
| 7 | 1.0 | 91 |

^a General conditions: a mixture of benzoic acid (**1a**, 0.3 mmol), aniline (**4a**, 0.6 mmol) and DIPEA (0.9 mmol, 3 equiv) in MeCN (reaction diluted to the specified concentration) under SO₂F₂ atmosphere (balloon) was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. ^b The yield was determined by HPLC using *N*-phenylbenzamide (**5a**, $t_R = 3.807$ min, $\lambda_{max} = 263.0$ nm, water/methanol = 30 : 70 (v/v)) as the external standard.

Table 4 Screening the loading of 4a and DIPEA.^a

| | 1a 4a (X equiv.) | SO ₂ F ₂ IPEA (Y equiv.) MeCN (0.3 M) rt | N H 5a |
|-------|---------------------|---|--------------------|
| Entry | X (equiv) | Y (equiv) | Yield |
| | | | $(5a, \%)^{\circ}$ |
| 1 | 2 | 0 | <1 |
| 2 | 2 | 1 | 61 |
| 3 | 2 | 2 | 88 |
| 4 | 2 | 3 | 94 |
| 5 | 2 | 4 | 94 |
| 6 | 2 | 5 | 92 |
| 7 | 1.5 | 3 | 90 |
| 8 | 1.2 | 3 | 84 |

^a General conditions: a mixture of benzoic acid (**1a**, 0.3 mmol), aniline (**4a**, 0.6 mmol) and DIPEA (0.9 mmol, 3 equiv) in MeCN (reaction diluted to 0.3 M) under SO₂F₂ atmosphere (balloon) was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. b: The yield was determined by HPLC using *N*-phenylbenzamide (**5a**, $t_R = 3.807 \text{ min}$, $\lambda_{max} = 263.0 \text{ nm}$, water/methanol = 30 : 70 (v/v)) as the external standard.

3. Enantiopurity of the Amino Acid Amides 7a-7m



Ethyl benzoyl-L-alaninate (**7a**).^[1] >99% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel OD-H, n-hexane/2-propanol = 80/20, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm). t_R = 9.92 min (minor) and 12.32 min (major). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.



Ethyl benzoyl-L-tyrosinate (**7b**).^[2] >99% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel OD-H, n-hexane/2-propanol = 80/20, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm). t_R = 14.79 min (minor) and 23.29 min (major). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.



| | MI20181208IWSM-LAO-OET-RAC - 检测器 1) | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|--------|-------|--|--|
| 保留时间 峰面积 峰高 [min] [mAU.s] [mAU] | | | | | | |
| 1 | 14.788 | 1287.437 | 43.977 | 47.0 | | |
| 2 | 23.290 | 1453.636 | 32.855 | 53.0 | | |
| | 合计 | 2741.073 | 76.832 | 100.0 | | |



Ethyl benzoyl-L-phenylalaninate (7c).^[1] 98% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel OD-H, n-hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm). t_R = 8.93 min (minor) and 11.58 min (major). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.



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| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] | |
| 1 | 8.929 | 16.675 | 0.453 | 1.0 | |
| 2 | 11.578 | 1631.298 | 69.623 | 99.0 | |
| | 合计 | 1647.974 | 70.075 | 100.0 | |



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| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] |
|---|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 | 8.813 | 1568.309 | 92.437 | 52.2 |
| 2 | 11.611 | 1436.881 | 61.500 | 47.8 |
| | 合计 | 3005.190 | 153.936 | 100.0 |



Ethyl benzoyl-L-valinate (7d).^[3] 99% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel OD-H, n-hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm). $t_R = 5.36 \text{ min (minor)}$ and 6.62 min (major). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.



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| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] | | |
| 1 | 5.357 | 3.572 | 0.307 | 0.3 | | |
| 2 | 6.615 | 1316.343 | 82.149 | 99.7 | | |
| | 合计 | 1319.915 | 82.456 | 100.0 | | |



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| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] |
|---|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 | 5.346 | 1463.236 | 107.828 | 59.7 |
| 2 | 6.625 | 988.614 | 67.308 | 40.3 |
| | 合计 | 2451.850 | 175.136 | 100.0 |



Tert-butyl (S)-2-(phenylcarbamoyl)pyrrolidine-1-carboxylate (7e).^[4] 95% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel OD-H, n-hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm). $t_R = 5.31$ min. (minor) and 6.49 min. (major). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.



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| | 保留时间 峰面积 峰高 面积 [min] [mAU.s] [mAU] [%] | | | | |
| 1 | 5.307 | 179.057 | 10.971 | 2.3 | |
| 2 | 6.491 | 7732.432 | 422.818 | 97.7 | |
| | 合计 | 7911.490 | 433.789 | 100.0 | |



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| | | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] |
|---|---|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| I | 1 | 5.310 | 8435.054 | 514.236 | 55.6 |
| I | 2 | 6.506 | 6728.661 | 366.699 | 44.4 |
| I | | 合计 | 15163.715 | 880.935 | 100.0 |



Ethyl (tert-butoxycarbonyl)glycyl-L-phenylalaninate (**7f**).^[5] >99% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel IC, n-hexane/2-propanol = 80/20, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm). t_R = 8.96 min (major) and 13.58 min (minor). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.





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|---|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 | 9.000 | 199.328 | 5.384 | 23.2 |
| 2 | 13.581 | 661.191 | 10.540 | 76.8 |
| | 合计 | 860.520 | 15.924 | 100.0 |



Tert-butyl-(3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1-oxo-1-(phenylamino)propan-2-yl)carbamate (7i).^[4] Petroleum ether / ethyl acetate = 2 : 1 (v /v) as eluent for column chromatography. White solid, 322.6 mg, 85% yield. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.30 (s, 1H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 4.63 (s, 1H), 3.30 (d, *J* = 31.0 Hz, 2H), 1.42 (s, 9H). [α]_D²⁵ = -26.3 (c = 0.10, CHCl₃). 68% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel IA,

n-hexane/2-propanol = 80/20, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm). t_R = 8.98 min (major) and 14.90 min (minor). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.



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| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] |
|---|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 | 8.985 | 478.558 | 22.772 | 16.2 |
| 2 | 14.903 | 2475.716 | 66.343 | 83.8 |
| | 合计 | 2954.274 | 89.116 | 100.0 |



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| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] |
| 1 | 8.981 | 3287.864 | 155.262 | 54.2 |
| 2 | 14.924 | 2781.503 | 74.016 | 45.8 |
| | 合计 | 6069.367 | 229.279 | 100.0 |



Tert-butyl-(3-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-1-oxo-1-(phenylamino)propan-2-yl)carbamate (**7j**).^[4] Petroleum ether / ethyl acetate = 2 : 1 (v /v) as eluent for column chromatography. White solid, 352.9 mg, 99% yield. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.31 (s, 1H), 7.39 (d,

J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 3.29-3.16 (m, 1H), 3.08 (dd, J = 13.6, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 9H). [α]_D²⁵ = -61.4 (c = 0.10, CHCl₃). 60% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel IA, n-hexane/2-propanol = 80/20, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm). t_R = 6.91 min (major) and 9.94 min (minor). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.



結果表(不计算 - D: IECLASSICAL_W3200IWORK1IDATAIQINIWANG S MI20181208IWSM-BOC-LAO-L - 检测器 1)

| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] |
|---|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 | 6.910 | 2392.661 | 151.121 | 80.2 |
| 2 | 9.937 | 592.146 | 27.973 | 19.8 |
| | 合计 | 2984.807 | 179.094 | 100.0 |



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| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] |
|---|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 | 6.923 | 1902.427 | 116.497 | 40.0 |
| 2 | 9.948 | 2857.365 | 135.060 | 60.0 |
| | 合计 | 4759.792 | 251.557 | 100.0 |



Tert-butyl-(1-oxo-1-(phenylamino)propan-2-yl)carbamate (7k).^[4] Petroleum ether / ethyl acetate = 3 : 1 (v /v) as eluent for column chromatography. White solid, 259.0 mg, 98% yield. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.75 (s, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.10-7.04 (m, 1H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (s, 1H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.43 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). [α]_D²⁵ = +12.6 (c = 0.10, MeOH). 50% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel IA, n-hexane/2-propanol = 80/20, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm). t_R = 5.62 min (minor) and 6.32 min (major). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.



保留时间 [min] 峰面积 [mAU.s] 峰高 [mAU] 面积 [%] 25.2 3028.155 291.379 697.532 8964.959 74.8 6.315 合计 11993.114 988.911 100.0 5,65 1.2 1.0 6.34 0.8 Ð .Ph N H Boc H 0.6 - NH Boc 7k 7k' L-form D-form 0.4 0.2 0.0 5 10 15 0 [min.] Time

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| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] |
|---|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 | 5.652 | 12003.124 | 1128.538 | 55.0 |
| 2 | 6.344 | 9806.113 | 750.298 | 45.0 |
| | 合计 | 21809.237 | 1878.836 | 100.0 |



Tert-butyl-(4-methyl-1-oxo-1-(phenylamino)pentan-2-yl)carbamate (**71**). ^[4] Petroleum ether / ethyl acetate = 2 : 1 (v /v) as eluent for column chromatography. White solid, 281.9 mg, 92% yield. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 9.92 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 9.0 Hz, 1H), 1.67-1.62 (m, 1H), 1.56-1.50 (m, 1H), 1.44 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 1.38 (s, 9H), 0.89 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 4.2 Hz, 6H). [α]_D²⁵ = +36.6 (c = 0.10, MeOH). 50% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel IA, n-hexane/2-propanol = 80/20, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm). t_R = 4.65 min (minor) and 5.66 min (major). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.



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| | | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] |
|---|---|---------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| | 1 | 4.649 | 2182.117 | 88.462 | 24.8 |
| | 2 | 5.657 | 6620.111 | 304.716 | 75.2 |
| Ì | | 合计 | 8802.228 | 393.178 | 100.0 |



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| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] | |
| 1 | 4.646 | 5565.671 | 202.257 | 47.6 | |
| 2 | 5.665 | 6124.195 | 258.878 | 52.4 | |
| | 合计 | 11689.866 | 461.135 | 100.0 | |



Tert-butyl-(4-(methylthio)-1-oxo-1-(phenylamino)butan-2-yl)carbamate (7m). ^[4] Petroleum ether / ethyl acetate = 3 : 1 (v /v) as eluent for column chromatography. White solid, 269.3 mg, 83% yield. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.63 (s, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.50 (d, J = 0.5 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (s, 1H), 2.61 (dd, J = 12.4, 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.18 (td, J = 13.5, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.01 (dd, J = 14.3, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.44 (s, 9H). [α]_D²⁵ = -5.9 (c = 0.10, MeOH). 64% ee was determined by chiral HPLC (chiralcel IA, n-hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm). t_R = 10.97 min (major) and 12.17 min (minor). Authentic samples were independently prepared from L- and D-amino acids and their mixture was used as reference racemate.



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| | 保留时间 [min] | 峰面积 [mAU.s] | 峰高 [mAU] | 面积 [%] |
| 1 | 10.970 | 8979.084 | 406.916 | 81.8 |
| 2 | 12.166 | 1991.985 | 82.756 | 18.2 |
| | 合计 | 10971.070 | 489.672 | 100.0 |

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4. General procedures for the gram scale reactions

Carboxylic acid (1, 1.0 equiv), amine (4, 2.0 equiv), DIPEA (3.0 equiv) and MeCN (reaction mixture was diluted to 0.3 M) were added to an oven-dried 100 mL round bottom flask equipped with a stirring bar and covered with a rubber stopper. Sulfuryl fluoride gas was introduced into the stirred reaction mixture by slowly bubbling from a balloon. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. After the reaction was completed, 1 M aqueous HCl solution (3×20 mL) was added to remove the excess amine and the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the desired product.

5. Procedures for the synthesis of compound 9, 11, 14 and 17.



Deferasirox (8, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), aniline (4a, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), DIPEA (3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) and MeCN (reaction mixture was diluted to 0.3 M) were added to an oven-dried 25 mL reaction flask equipped with a stirring bar and covered with a rubber stopper. Sulfuryl fluoride gas was introduced into the stirred reaction mixture by slowly bubbling from a balloon. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. After the reaction was completed, the reaction mixture was directly concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether / ethyl acetate = 1 : 1 (v/v) as eluents to give amide 9 in 98% yield.



(S)-ibuprofen (10, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), aniline (4a, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), DIPEA (3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) and MeCN (reaction mixture was diluted to 0.3 M) were added to an oven-dried 25 mL reaction flask equipped with a stirring bar and covered with a rubber stopper. Sulfuryl fluoride gas was introduced into the stirred reaction mixture by slowly bubbling from a balloon. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. After the reaction was completed, 1 M aqueous HCl solution (10 mL) was added to remove the excess amine and the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether / ethyl acetate = 2 : 1 (v /v) as eluents to give amide 11 in 99% yield.



2-Chloronicotinic acid (12, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 4'-chloro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-amine (13, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), DIPEA (3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) and MeCN (reaction mixture was diluted to 0.3 M) were added to an oven-dried 25 mL reaction flask equipped with a stirring bar and covered with a rubber stopper. Sulfuryl fluoride gas was introduced into the stirred reaction mixture by slowly bubbling from a balloon. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. After the reaction was completed, the reaction mixture was directly concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether / ethyl acetate = 1 : 1 (v /v) as eluents to give amide 14 in 87% yield.



2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)acetic acid (**15**, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 3,5-dimethylaniline (**16**, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), DIPEA (3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) and MeCN (reaction mixture was diluted to 0.3 M) were added to an oven-dried 25 mL reaction flask equipped with a

stirring bar and covered with a rubber stopper. Sulfuryl fluoride gas was introduced into the stirred reaction mixture by slowly bubbling from a balloon. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. After the reaction was completed, 1 M aqueous HCl solution (10 mL) was added to remove the excess amine and the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether / ethyl acetate = 2 : 1 (v /v) as eluents to give amide **17** in 99% yield.



6. NMR spectra of 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 14 and 17



















































































































































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