## **Supporting Information for**

# Metal-free Direct Amination/aromatisation of 2-Cyclohexenones to Iodo-*N*-Arylanilines and *N*-Arylanilines promoted by iodine †

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Table SA Optimization of aromatization of 2-cyclohexenone<sup>a</sup>

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Entry	Reagent (mol%) T	emp (°C)	Solvent	Time (h)	1:2	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>
1	I <sub>2</sub> (110) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10)	90	DMSO	1	25:75 <sup>c</sup>	78
2	I <sub>2</sub> (110) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10)	90	DMSO	4	100:00	89
3	I <sub>2</sub> (50) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10)	90	DMSO	1	00:100	91
4	I <sub>2</sub> (30) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10)	90	DMSO	5	00:100	45
5	I <sub>2</sub> (50) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10)	50	DMSO	1.5	00:100	79
6	I <sub>2</sub> (50) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10)	rt	DMSO	12	00:100	40
7	l <sub>2</sub> (110)	90	DMSO	4	100:00	79
8	I <sub>2</sub> (110) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10)	75	EtOH	12	00:100	55
9	I <sub>2</sub> (110) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10)	65	THF	12	00:100	45
10	l <sub>2</sub> (110) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10)	80	CH₃CN	12	00:100	72
11	NIS (110) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10	)) 75	EtOH	12	00:100	69
12	NIS (110) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10	) 65	THF	12	00:100	56
13	NIS (110) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10	) 40	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	12	00:100	49
14	NIS (110) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10	)) 90	DMSO	18	10:90 <sup>c</sup>	77
15	NIS (220) + <i>p</i> -TsOH (10	)) 90	DMSO	18	100:00	75

<sup>a</sup>Mixture of 0.33 mmol of 2-cylchexenone, 0.25 mmol of amine in 0.5 ml of solvent was studied; <sup>b</sup>Isolated Yield; <sup>c</sup>Isolated ratio, separated by preparative TLC.





#### **Experimental Procedures:**

All chemicals used were of reagent grade. All solvents were freshly distilled before use. Flash chromatography was performed on Kieselgel 60, particle size 0.032-0.063 mm. NMR spectra were obtained at 400 MHz (<sup>1</sup>H NMR) and 100 MHz (<sup>13</sup>C NMR) using CDCl<sub>3</sub> as solvent unless noted otherwise. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to TMS. Infrared (IR) spectra were obtained using a Perkin-Elmer 1600 FT-IR spectrophotometer and are in cm<sup>-1</sup>; *para*-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate = *p*-TsOH; trace amounts of solvents such as CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, EtOAc, H<sub>2</sub>O (from CDCl<sub>3</sub>) are found to be present in a few <sup>1</sup>H-NMR-spectra.

2-Cyclohexen-1-one and 3-methyl-2-cyclohexen-1-one were purchased commercially. Syntheses of 6-Carbethoxy-5-methyl-2-cyclohexen-1-one<sup>1</sup>, 4-methyl-2-cyclohexen-1one<sup>2</sup>, 4-phenyl-2-cyclohexen-1-one<sup>2</sup>, 4-*tert*-butyl-2-cyclohexen-1-one<sup>2</sup>, 4-Carbethoxy-3methyl-5-phenyl-2-cyclohexen-1-one<sup>3</sup> and 4-Carbethoxy-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-2cyclohexen-1-one<sup>3</sup> were carried following literature procedures.

#### General Experimental procedure for the synthesis of mono-iodo-*N*-phenylanilines:

In a screw capped vessel, a solution of 2-cyclohexenones (0.33 mmol), amines (0.25 mmol), iodine (70 mg, 110 mol%) and *p*-TsOH (4.7 mg, 10 mol%) in 0.50 ml of DMSO was heated at 90 °C for the required time to complete the reaction (TLC). After cooling, 40 ml of dichloromethane was added. The solution was washed with 20 ml of 20% sodium thiosulfate followed by 10 ml of brine. The organic extract was dried over sodium sulfate. Evaporation of the organic layer and purification through a short silica gel column (eluted with hexanes/ethyl acetate) afforded the titled products.



**2-Bromo-4-fluoro-***N***-(4-iodophenyl)aniline (1):** Brownish white solid (87 mg, 89%), m.p. = 75 °C; IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3390, 3058, 3016, 1583, 1502, 1466, 1315, 1023, 806, 749, 665; <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  7.55 (m, 2H), 7.31 (dd, J = 7.9, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (ddd, J = 9.0, 7.9, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (m, 2H), 5.79 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  157.1 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 253.5 Hz), 142.3, 138.3 (2C), 136.9 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.7 Hz), 120.4 (2C), 120.1 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 25.4 Hz), 118.7 (d, J = 11.1 Hz), 115.2 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 22.3 Hz), 113.8 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 9.3 Hz), 83.9. HRMS (ESI-FIA-TOF) Calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>BrFIN [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires m/z = 391.8947; Found: m/z = 391.8942.



**2-Chloro-***N***-(4-iodophenyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)aniline (1a):** White solid (84 mg, 85%), m.p. = 82 °C; IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3401, 3063, 3024, 1597, 1502, 1484, 1460, 1440, 1315, 1221, 1055, 1012, 808, 749, 678; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, J = 8.2 Hz, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (m, 2H), 6.17 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 140.4, 140.2, 138.7 (2C), 130.3, 130.1 (q,  $J_{C-F}$  = 32.4 Hz), 126.7 (q,  $J_{C-F}$  = 271.3 Hz), 124.6 (broad), 122.7 (2C), 116.9 (q,  $J_{C-F}$  = 3.8 Hz), 111.5 (q,  $J_{C-F}$  = 3.9 Hz), 86.4. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>8</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>IN: C, 39.27; H, 2.03; N, 3.52. Found: C, 39.31; H, 1.82; N, 3.63.



**2-Chloro-***N***-(4-iodophenyl)-4-methylaniline (1b):** Brownish white solid (78 mg, 91%), m.p. = 73 °C; IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3401, 3052, 3017, 1587, 1501, 1489, 1469, 1443, 1317, 1222, 1051, 1038, 1002, 809, 745, 682; <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  7.53 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 5.88 (s, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  142.3, 138.1 (2C), 136.5, 131.7, 130.2, 128.0, 122.9, 120.3 (2C), 117.5, 83.3, 20.4. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>CIIN: C, 45.44; H, 3.23; N, 4.08. Found: C, 45.64; H, 3.05; N, 4.18.



**4-Iodo-***N***-p-tolylaniline** (**1c**): White solid (17 mg, 22%), m.p. = 99 °C; IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3390, 3024, 2914, 2856, 1604, 1578, 1535, 1507, 1482, 1320, 1269, 1176, 1109, 1060, 999, 854, 709, 563; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.75 (m, 2H), 5.58 (broad s, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 143.9, 139.4, 138.0 (2C), 131.9, 129.9 (2C), 119.7 (2C), 118.4 (2C), 81.2, 20.7. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>IN: C, 50.51; H, 3.91; N, 4.53. Found: C, 50.52; H, 3.95; N, 4.56.



**5-Chloro-2-iodo-***N***-(4-iodophenyl)aniline (1d):** White solid (103 mg, 91%), m.p. = 117 <sup>o</sup>C; IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3401, 3062, 3027, 1587, 1502, 1484, 1459, 1440, 1315, 1221, 1055, 1031, 1012, 808, 749, 678; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.68 – 7.59 (m, 3H), 7.08 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.63 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 144.5, 140.8, 140.1, 138.5 (2C), 135.3, 122.5 (2C), 122.1, 115.2, 85.9, 85.4. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>8</sub>ClI<sub>2</sub>N: C, 31.64; H, 1.77; N, 3.08. Found: C, 31.74; H, 1.62; N, 3.23.



**2,4-Dichloro-***N***-(4-iodophenyl)aniline (1e):** White solid (84 mg, 92%), m.p. = 88 °C; IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3405, 3048, 1592, 1504, 1467, 1390, 1315, 1220, 1099, 1049, 808, 773, 740, 694, 549; <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  7.59 (m, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (m, 2H), 5.95 ( broad s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  141.1, 138.4 (2C), 138.3, 129.5, 127.6, 125.1, 122.5, 121.8 (2C), 116.7, 85.1. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>8</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>IN: C, 39.59; H, 2.22; N, 3.85. Found: C, 39.77; H, 2.06; N, 4.00.



**Ethyl 3-(4-iodophenylamino)benzoate (1f):** Grey solid (68 mg, 75%), m.p. = 78 °C; IR ( $\nu_{max}$ ): 3368, 2977, 2931, 1716, 1683, 15181, 1506, 1484, 1465, 1299, 1251, 1228, 1174, 1112, 1078, 1002, 813, 775, 698, 543; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.33 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (m, 2H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 4.36 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.38 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 166.5, 142.6, 142.5, 138.4 (2C), 132.1, 129.6, 122.6, 122.1, 119.8 (2C), 118.9, 83.1, 61.1, 14.3. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>INO<sub>2</sub>: C, 49.07; H, 3.84; N, 3.81. Found: C, 49.16; H, 3.62; N, 3.88.



**2-Chloro-***N***-(4-iodophenyl)pyridin-3-amine (1g):** Yellow solid (58 mg, 70%), m.p. = 110 °C; IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3359, 3248, 3060, 1567, 1492, 1417, 1313, 1263, 1070, 1006, 809, 734; <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  7.92 (dd, J = 4.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.51 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, J = 8.1, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (m, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.13 (broad s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  139.9, 139.8, 138.6 (2C), 136.9, 123.2, 122.5 (2C), 121.9, 86.3. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>8</sub>CIIN<sub>2</sub>: C, 39.97; H, 2.44; N, 8.47. Found: C, 39.88; H, 2.32; N, 8.63.



**2,4-Dichloro-***N***-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)aniline (1h):** Yellow viscous liquid (76 mg, 80%); IR ( $\nu_{max}$ ): 3405, 3047, 1592, 1510, 1467, 1390, 1314, 1225, 1099, 1051, 808, 777, 742, 695, 546; <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  7.69 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 5.95 (s, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  142.6, 141.5, 139.6, 138.5, 129.4, 127.6, 124.8, 122.3, 121.2, 119.0, 116.7, 92.2, 28.1. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>10</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>IN: C, 41.30; H, 2.67; N, 3.71. Found: C, 41.54; H, 2.60; N, 3.73.



**2-Bromo-***N***-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-4-methylaniline (1i):** Yellow viscous liquid (85 mg, 85%); IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3390, 3060, 3011, 1583, 1502, 1453, 1318, 1022, 806, 747, 669; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.63 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (dd, J = 8.2, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (s,

1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  142.9, 142.3, 139.4, 137.9, 133.4, 132.0, 128.8, 119.9, 117.8, 117.7, 113.6, 90.5, 28.2, 20.4. HRMS (ESI-FIA-TOF) Calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>BrIN [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires m/z = 401.9354; Found: m/z = 401.9349.



**4-Iodo**-*N*-(**4-iodophenyl**)-**3-methylaniline** (**1j**): Brown viscous liquid (26 mg, 24%); IR ( $\nu_{max}$ ): 3389, 3021, 2914, 2856, 1604, 1577, 1535, 1511, 1482, 1320, 1266, 1178, 1109, 1065, 999, 854, 709, 567; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.63 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (m, 2H), 6.94 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, m, 2H), 6.61 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (s, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 142.7, 142.4, 142.3, 139.5, 138.2 (2C), 119.9 (2C), 119.4, 117.4, 90.4, 82.9, 28.2. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>I<sub>2</sub>N: C, 35.89; H, 2.55; N, 3.22. Found: C, 35.82; H, 2.40; N, 3.06.



**2-Bromo-***N***-(2-iodo-4-methylphenyl)-4-methylaniline (1k):** White solid (75 mg, 75%), m.p. = 53 °C; IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3402, 3071, 3021, 1573, 1502, 1446, 1325, 1022, 811, 748, 665; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.14 – 6.93 (m, 4H), 6.05 (s, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 140.6, 139.8, 138.4, 133.3, 133.2, 131.8, 129.7, 128.7, 118.4, 117.5, 113.6, 91.3, 20.3, 20.1. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>13</sub>BrIN: C, 41.82; H, 3.26; N, 3.48. Found: C, 42.09; H, 3.40; N, 3.58.



**3-Chloro-4-iodo-***N***-p-tolylaniline (11):** Brown gummy solid (36 mg, 42%); IR ( $\upsilon_{max}$ ): 3400, 3050, 2898, 1587, 1510, 1481, 1469, 1443, 1317, 1222, 1051, 1028, 809, 745, 682; <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  7.59 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.59 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  145.8, 140.2, 138.9, 138.4, 132.9, 130.1 (2C), 120.6 (2C), 116.2, 116.0, 84.0, 20.8. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>CIIN: C, 45.44; H, 3.23; N, 4.08. Found: C, 45.35; H, 3.34; N, 3.92.



*N*-(2-Chloro-4-methylphenyl)-3-iodobiphenyl-4-amine (1m): White solid (76 mg, 73%), m.p. = 49 °C; IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3401, 3052, 3018, 1601, 1587, 1501, 1489, 1469, 1443, 1317, 1222, 1051, 1038, 1002, 809, 745, 682; <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  8.05 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.45 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.25 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H). 7.01 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.23 (broad s, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  142.4, 139.3, 137.9, 136.3, 135.7, 132.6, 130.4, 128.8 (2C), 128.1, 127.7, 127.1, 126.6 (2C), 124.2, 119.1, 116.6, 90.2, 20.5. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>ClIN: C, 54.37; H, 3.60; N, 3.34. Found: C, 54.35; H, 3.61; N, 3.18.



*N*-(2,4-Dichlorophenyl)-3-iodobiphenyl-4-amine (1n): White solid (77 mg, 70%), m.p. = 92 °C; IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3400, 3052, 3017, 1591, 1587, 1501, 1489, 1469, 1443, 1317, 1222, 1051, 1038, 1002, 809, 748, 680; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 8.08 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, J = 7.6

Hz, 2H), 7.50 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  141.2, 139.0, 138.2, 138.1, 137.2, 129.6, 128.9 (2C), 127.8, 127.6, 127.4, 126.6 (2C), 125.8, 123.5, 118.5, 117.8, 91.9. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>12</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>IN: C, 49.12; H, 2.75; N, 3.18. Found: C, 49.17; H, 2.66; N, 2.93.



**Ethyl-5-(2-iodo-4-methylphenylamino)-3-methylbiphenyl-2-carboxylate** (10): Yellow viscous liquid (61 mg, 52%); ( $\nu_{max}$ ): 3407, 3357, 3060, 2980, 2933, 1718, 1512, 1494, 1455, 1294 1176, 1129, 1046, 867, 770, 741, 695, 548; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.64 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.39 -7.28 (m, 5H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 0.89 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 169.6, 144.1, 142.5, 141.4, 139.9, 139.8, 137.9, 133.8, 129.9, 128.1 (4C), 127.2, 125.6, 119.4, 117.2, 115.5, 91.8, 60.6, 20.2 (2C), 13.6. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>INO<sub>2</sub>: C, 58.61; H, 4.70; N, 2.97. Found: C, 58.27; H, 4.75; N, 2,89.



**Ethyl-5-(4-iodophenylamino)-3-methylbiphenyl-2-carboxylate** (**1p**): White solid (67 mg, 59%), m.p. = 144 °C; IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3407, 3357, 3060, 2983, 2933, 1716, 1519, 1506, 1494, 1455, 1298 1176, 1128, 1043, 867, 773, 738, 694, 546; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.55 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7,38 – 7.28 (m, 5H), 6.93 – 6.77 (m, 4H), 3.99 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H),

0.90 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  169.6, 143.5, 142.5, 141.8, 141.2, 138.2 (2C), 137.9, 128.2 (2C), 128.0 (2C), 127.3, 125.7, 120.7 (2C), 117.3, 115.6, 83.6, 60.7, 20.1, 13.6. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>20</sub>INO<sub>2</sub>: C, 57.78; H, 4.41; N, 3.06. Found: C, 57.84; H, 4.45; N, 3.23.



**Ethyl-2-(4-iodophenylamino)-6-methylbenzoate** (**1q**): Yellow liquid (64 mg, 67%); IR ( $\nu_{max}$ ): 3366, 2979, 2931, 1716, 1683, 1519, 1506, 1494, 1465, 1297, 1251, 1228, 1174, 1112, 1078, 1002, 813, 775, 701, 549; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.73 (dd, J = 6.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 1.39 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 169.2, 143.8, 142.0, 139.5, 138.1 (2C), 131.4, 123.0, 121.6 (2C), 119.1, 114.4, 83.7, 61.1, 22.4, 14.2. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>16</sub>INO<sub>2</sub>: C, 50.41; H, 4.23; N, 3.67. Found: C, 50.70; H, 4.36; N, 3.72.



**Ethyl-3-iodo-6-(4-iodophenylamino)-2-methylbenzoate** (**1r**): White solid (17 mg, 17%), m.p. = 104 °C; IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3366, 2979, 2931, 1716, 1683, 1519, 1506, 1494, 1465, 1297, 1251, 1228, 1174, 1112, 1078, 1002, 813, 775, 701, 549; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.68 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (m, 2H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (m, 2H), 4.39 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.38 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 168.5, 142.4, 141.5, 141.3, 140.4, 138.2(2C), 122.5, 121.4 (2C), 116.4, 91.4, 84.2, 61.7, 27.4, 14.1. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>I<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 37.90; H, 2.98; N, 2.76. Found: C, 38.08; H, 2.95; N, 2.94.

### General Experimental procedure for the synthesis of *N*-phenylanilines:

In a screw capped vessel, a solution of 2-cyclohexenones (0.33 mmol), amines (0.25 mmol), iodine (32 mg, 50 mol%) and *p*-TsOH (4.7 mg, 10 mol%) in 0.50 ml of DMSO was heated at 90  $^{\circ}$ C for the required time to complete the reaction (TLC). After cooling, 30 ml of dichloromethane was added. The solution was washed with 10 ml of 20% sodium thiosulfate followed by 10 ml of brine. The organic extract was dried over sodium sulfate. Evaporation of organic layer and purification through short silica gel column chromatography (eluted with hexanes/ethylacetate) afforded the titled products.



**2-Bromo-4-fluoro-***N***-phenylaniline** (2)<sup>4</sup>: (61 mg, 91%); <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  7.35 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 7.21 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (dd, J = 7.7, 0.8 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (td, J = 7.4, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (m, 1H), 5.85 (broad s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  156.5 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 241.6 Hz), 142.2, 137.9 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.8 Hz), 129.5 (2C), 122.3, 119.9 (J<sub>C-F</sub> = 25.3 Hz), 119.3 (2C), 117.6 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 7.8 Hz), 115.0 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 21.9 Hz), 112.7 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.7 Hz).

**2-Chloro-N-phenyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)aniline** (**2a**)<sup>5</sup>: (59 mg, 87%); <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  7.47 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.24 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  141.2, 140.2, 130.0 (q, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 32.5 Hz), 130.1, 129.8 (2C), 124.0, 123.8 (q, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 271.1 Hz), 121.4 (2C), 116.2 (q, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 110.9 (q, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz).



**2-Bromo-N-phenylaniline** (**2b**)<sup>6</sup>: (56 mg, 91%); <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.52 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (dd, J = 7.5, 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.11 (m, 3H), 7.03 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (ddd, J = 8.6, 8.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (broad s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 141.6, 141.4, 132.9, 129.4 (2C), 128.1, 122.7, 120.9, 120.3 (2C), 115.8, 112.2.



**5-Chloro-2-iodo-***N***-phenylaniline (2c):** Yellow viscous liquid (72 mg, 88%); IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3401, 3062, 3027, 1587, 1502, 1484, 1459, 1440, 1315, 1220, 1051, 1035, 1002, 809, 746, 688; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.62 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.04 (m, 4H), 6.57 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (broad s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 145.4, 140.8, 139.9, 135.3, 129.7 (2C), 123.7, 121.3, 121.2 (2C), 114.5, 84.6. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClIN: C, 43.73; H, 2.75; N, 4.25. Found: C, 43.52; H, 2.78; N, 4.20.



**Ethyl 2-(phenylamino)benzoate (2d):** Colourless liquid (54 mg, 89%); IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3337, 2981, 2911, 1703, 1678, 1590, 1529, 1339, 1279, 1174, 758, 695; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 9.50 (broad s, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.41 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 168.5, 147.9, 140.8, 133.9, 131.6, 129.3 (2C), 123.5, 122.4 (2C), 117.1, 114.1, 112.3, 60.6, 14.3. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 74.67; H, 6.27; N, 5.81. Found: C, 74.65; H, 6.20; N, 5.72.



*N*-(2-Chloro-4-methylphenyl)biphenyl-4-amine (2e): Pale yellow solid (107 mg, 73%), mp = 81 °C; IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3407, 3056, 2919, 2856, 1606, 1523, 1409, 840, 740; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.56 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.01 (br s, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 141.8, 140.8, 137.2, 134.7, 131.1, 130.2, 128.8 (2C), 128.1, 128.0 (2C), 126.8, 126.6 (2C), 122.4, 119.0 (2C), 117.1, 20.4. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClN: C, 77.68; H, 5.49; N, 4.77. Found: C, 77.50; H, 5.48; N, 4.69.



**2-Iodo**-*N*-*p*-tolylaniline (2f): Yellow liquid (59 mg, 76%); IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3380, 3023, 291, 2861, 1587, 1513, 1450, 1309, 1008, 808, 744, 534; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.74 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.20 – 7.01 (m, 6H), 6.57 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 144.6, 139.4, 139.2, 129.9 (2C), 129.0, 121.2, 121.2 (2C), 114.9, 87.8, 20.8. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>IN: C, 50.51; H, 3.91; N, 4.53. Found: C, 50.41; H, 3.90; N, 4.43.



**2,4-Dichloro-***N***-p-tolylaniline (2g):** Colourless Liquid (47 mg, 75%); IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3405, 3048, 1592, 1504, 1467, 1390, 1315, 1099, 1049, 808, 773, 740, 694, 549; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.33 (s, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.06 – 7.01 (m, 4H), 5.96 (broad s, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 140.0, 138.2, 133.2, 130.1 (2C), 129.1, 127.5, 123.4, 121.6 (2C), 121.0,

115.2, 20.8. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>C<sub>12</sub>N: C, 61.93; H, 4.40; N, 5.56. Found: C, 61.78; H, 4.41; N, 5.45.



**2-Bromo-***N***-**(**4-tert-butylphenyl**)**-4-fluoroaniline** (**2h**)**:** White solid (60 mg, 75%), m.p. = 95 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  7.32 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (dd, J = 7.9, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (m, 1H), 1.31 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  156.1 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 241.0 Hz), 145.6, 139.4, 138.4 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.4 Hz), 126.3 (2C), 119.7 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 25.5 Hz), 119.6 (2C), 116.7 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.0 Hz), 114.9 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 11.8 Hz), 111.8 (d, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.9Hz), 34.3, 31.4 (2C). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>17</sub>BrFN: C, 59.64; H, 5.32; N, 4.35. Found: C, 59.52; H, 5.35; N, 4.41.



*N*-(4-Tert-butylphenyl)-2,4-dichloroaniline (2i): Colourless liquid (58 mg, 79%); IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3405, 3048, 1597, 1508, 1466, 1390, 1325, 1097, 1049, 818, 777, 741, 694; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.14 – 7.02 (m, 4H), 5.96 (broad, 1H), 1.32 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 146.4, 139.7, 138.2, 129.2, 127.5, 126.4 (2C), 123.5, 121.1, 120.8 (2C), 115.5, 34.3, 31.4 (3C). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>17</sub>C<sub>12</sub>N: C, 65.32; H, 5.82; N, 4.76. Found: C, 65.43; H, 5.96; N, 4.80.



*N*-(2,4-Dichlorophenyl)biphenyl-4-amine (2j): White solid (58 mg, 74%), m.p. = 80  $^{\circ}$ C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.61 – 7.54 (m, 4H), 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.37 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (m, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.11 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (broad s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 140.5, 140.4, 139.0, 135.9, 129.3, 128.8 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 127.6, 126.9, 126.7 (2C), 124.4, 121.9, 120.4 (2C), 116.3. HRMS (ESI-FIA-TOF) Calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>14</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires m/z = 314.0503; Found: m/z = 314.0503.



Ethyl-5-(2-chloro-4-methylphenylamino)-3-methylbiphenyl-2-carboxylate (2k): White solid (81 mg, 86%), m.p. = 95 °C; IR ( $\nu_{max}$ ): 3359, 2981, 2901, 1721, 1589, 1510, 1376, 1355, 1085, 1014, 833, 746, 547; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.39 – 7.31 (m, 5H), 7.29 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (two d, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 3.99 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 0.90 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 169.6, 143.6, 142.5, 141.4, 137.9, 136.1, 132.2, 130.3, 128.1 (3C), 128.1 (2C), 127.3, 125.9, 123.6, 118.8, 117.7, 115.9, 60.7, 20.5, 20.2, 13.6. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>ClNO<sub>2</sub>: C, 72.72; H, 5.84; N, 3.69. Found: C, 72.54; H,5.88; N,3.52.



**Ethyl-5-{2-chloro-4-(trifluoromethyl)phenylamino}-3-methylbiphenyl-2-carboxylate** (**2l):** Yellow viscous liquid (86 mg, 79%); IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3407, 3357, 3060, 2983, 2933, 1714, 1594, 1523, 1436, 1332, 1268, 1170, 1128, 1081, 863, 771, 738, 701, 647; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.60 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.31 (m, 5H), 7.07 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 4.04 (q, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 0.94 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  169.3, 142.6, 141.3, 140.7, 140.1, 138.1, 130.3, 130.1 (q, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 32.7 Hz), 128.3 (2C), 128.2, 128.1 (2C), 127.6, 125.1 (broad), 124.0 (q, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 270.5 Hz), 120.2, 118.6, 117.2 (q, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.9 Hz), 112.6 (q, J<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.9 Hz), 60.9, 20.0, 13.6. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 63.67; H, 4.41; N, 3.23. Found: C, 63.78; H, 4.44; N, 3.05.



**Ethyl-3-methyl-5-(phenylamino)biphenyl-2-carboxylate** (**2m**): White solid (54 mg, 65%), m.p. = 125 °C; IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3360, 2977, 2931, 2902, 1716, 1581, 1506, 1465, 1299, 1251, 1228, 1112, 1078, 813, 775; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.40 – 7.26 (m, 7H), 7.16 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (s, 2H), 3.99 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 0.89 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 169.6, 144.1, 142.5, 141.6, 141.5, 137.9, 129.5 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.2, 125.5, 122.4, 119.5 (2C), 117.0, 115.3, 60.7, 20.2, 13.6. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 79.73; H, 6.39; N, 4.23. Found: C, 79.59; H, 6.18; N, 4.30.



Ethyl-5-(2-bromo-4-methylphenylamino)-4'-chloro-3-methylbiphenyl-2-carboxylate (2n): Yellow viscous liquid (99 mg, 87%); IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3359, 2981, 2821, 1720, 1579, 1509, 1376, 1353, 1085, 1014, 831, 736, 547; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.39 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.04 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 0.97 (t, J =

7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  169.3, 143.9, 141.2, 139.8, 138.1, 137.1, 133.5, 133.4, 133.0, 129.5 (2C), 128.9, 128.3 (2C), 125.7, 119.3, 117.8, 115.6, 114.7, 60.8, 20.4, 20.2, 13.7. HRMS (ESI-FIA-TOF) Calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>BrClNO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires m/z = 458.0522; Found: m/z = 458.0516.



Ethyl-4'-chloro-5-(2,4-dichlorophenylamino)-3-methylbiphenyl-2-carboxylate (20): Yellow viscous liquid (90 mg, 83%); IR ( $\nu_{max}$ ): 3407, 3357, 3060, 2983, 2933, 1716, 1590, 1523, 1437, 1332, 1269, 1176, 1128, 1043, 867, 773, 738, 694, 647; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.38 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 7.13 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 0.99 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 169.2, 142.5, 141.2, 139.4, 138.2, 137.8, 133.6, 129.6, 129.5 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.7, 126.9, 125.8, 123.4, 119.1, 118.0, 116.9, 60.9, 20.1, 13.7. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>C<sub>13</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 60.78; H, 4.17; N, 3.22. Found: C, 60.62; H,4.18; N,3.30.



**Ethyl-2-amino-3,5-diiodobenzoate (3):** Yellow solid (72 mg, 69%), m.p. = 102 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 8.15 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (broad s, 1H), 4.34 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.39 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 166.2, 150.5, 149.2, 139.9, 112.9, 87.1, 75.7, 61.2, 14.3. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>9</sub>I<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 25.92; H, 2.18; N, 3.36. Found: C, 25.95; H, 2.07; N, 3.44.

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**Ethyl-5-iodo-2-(phenylamino)benzoate** (**4**): Yellow gummy solid (14 mg, 15%); IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3364, 2980, 2930, 1714, 1684, 1519, 1501, 1498, 1465, 1292, 1250, 1228, 1176, 1111, 1075, 1008, 813, 775, 701, 551; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 9.48 (s, 1H), 8.23 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (dd, J = 8.8, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.41 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 167.3, 147.6, 142.2, 140.1, 139.8, 129.5 (2C), 124.2, 122.9 (2C), 116.2, 114.2, 76.9, 61.0, 14.3. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>INO<sub>2</sub>: C, 49.07; H, 3.84; N, 3.81. Found: C, 49.05; H, 3.67; N, 3.76.



**2-Chloro-N-phenylpyridin-3-amine** (**7**)<sup>7</sup>. White solid (84 mg, 82%): mp = 71-75 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 7.87 (dd, J = 4.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.14 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.14 (br s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 140.0, 139.1, 138.5, 137.7, 129.7 (2C), 123.9, 123.1, 121.2, 121.1 (2C).



**2-(4-Bromophenylthio)pyridin-3-amine (8):** Brownish white solid - crude; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 8.02 (dd, J = 4.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.14 –

7.06 (m, 2H), 4.11 (broad s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 144.1, 140.4, 138.3, 133.2, 132.2 (2C), 131.0 (2C), 124.5, 122.3, 120.7.



**2-(4-Bromophenylthio)**-*N*-**phenylpyridin-3-amine (9):** Yellowish white solid (59 mg, 67%), m.p. = 77-80 °C; IR (υ<sub>max</sub>): 3359, 3248, 3060, 1567, 1493, 1313, 1070, 1006, 809, 734; <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ 8.07 (dd, J = 4.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.03 (m, 4H), 6.35 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR: δ 142.2, 141.3, 141.2, 140.6, 132.3 (2C), 132.1 (2C), 129.6 (2C), 123.6, 123.4, 121.8, 121.4, 120.6 (2C). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>13</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>S: C, 57.15; H, 3.67; N, 7.84. Found: C, 57.38; H, 3.71; N, 7.96.



**2-(4-Bromophenylthio)**-*N*-(**4-iodophenyl**)**pyridin-3-amine (10):** Yellow gummy solid (67 mg, 56%); IR ( $v_{max}$ ): 3359, 3248, 3060, 1567, 1493, 1313, 1070, 1006, 809, 734; <sup>1</sup>H NMR:  $\delta$  8.07 (dd, J = 4.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.7, 2H), 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.49 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (dd, J = 8.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, J = 8.7, 2H), 6.26 (broad s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$  143.3, 141.7, 140.6, 140.1, 138.5 (2C), 132.7 (2C), 132.4 (2C), 131.5, 123.5, 122.9, 121.9, 121.8 (2C), 85.6.

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>12</sub>BrIN<sub>2</sub>S: C, 42.26; H, 2.50; N, 5.80. Found: C,42.22; H,2.44; N, 5.68.

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