Supporting Information for

Copper-Catalyzed Intermolecular C_{sp2}-H Amidation of Unactivated

Arenes by N-Tosyloxycarbamates

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Experimental Section

General Procedures. Manipulations were carried out using either Schlenk tube techniques under an inert atmosphere or in an Ace Glass glass pressure reactors. Copper salts, ligands and other additives were obtained commercially. ¹H and ¹³C $\{^{1}H\}$ NMR spectra were recorded either on a Varian 300 MHz or 500 MHz NMR spectrometer. ¹H NMR peaks are labeled as singlet (s), doublet (d), triplet (t) and multiplet (m). Mass spectra were acquired in the ESI (+) mode. The N-reagents namely, N-Tosyloxytroccarbamate,¹ *N*-Mesitylsulfonyloxytroccarbamate,¹ N-(4nitrophenyl)sulfonyloxytroccarbamate¹ and *N*-Tosyl-*tert*-butyloxycarbamate² were synthesized using literature procedures. Similarly, the aryl carbmate isomers namely, 2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N*-phenylcarbamate (1),³ 2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N*-*p*-tolylcarbamate (p-2),⁴ 2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N*-*m*-ethylphenylcarbamate (*m*-3),⁵ 2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N*-*o*methoxyphenylcarbamate (o-5),⁶ 2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N-p*-methoxyphenylcarbamate (p-5),⁶ 2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N-p* 5),⁶ 2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N*-*m*-chlorophenylcarbamate (*m*-6),⁶ 2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N*-*p*chlorophenylcarbamate (**p-6**),⁵ 2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N-m*-trifluoromethylphenylcarbamate (m-7),⁷ were identified in the mixture based on literature NMR data.

General procedure for screening reactions

To a stirred mixture of catalyst (0.026 mmol), ligand (0.024 mmol) in benzene (*ca.* 0.5 mL) was added *N*-tosyloxycarbamate (0.050 g, 0.138 mmol) and the entire mixture was allowed to stir at 140 °C for the stipulated amount of time. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, filtered through a pad of silica and the filtrate concentrated under vacuum. The residue was re-dissolved in CDCl₃ and analyzed by ¹H NMR using a known amount of 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard.

Table S1. Screening of other transition-metal catalysts for amination of benzene.^a

entry	catalyst	conversion (%)	yield (%)
1	Co(BF ₄) ₂ •6H ₂ O (20)	12	0
2	$Fe(acac)_2$ (20)	100	23
3	FeCl ₂ /Neocuproine (20)	-	8
4	Fe(OAc) ₂ (20)	-	3
5	Fe(OTf) ₂ •2CH ₃ CN	87	trace
6	Fe(OTf) ₂ •2CH ₃ CN/Neocuproine	95	23

^{*a*}Reaction conditions: oxycarbamate (0.054 g, 0.138 mmol), catalyst and ligand in benzene (*ca.* 0.5 mL) at 140 $^{\circ}$ C in sealed tube for 16 h.

entry	ligand/loading	conversion (%)	yield (%)
1	PPh ₃ (40 %)	88	22
2	dppm (20 %)	100	25
3	dppf (20 %)	100	57
4	dppp (20 %)	87	33
5	[(Neo)Cu(PPh ₃) ₂]PF ₆ (20 %)	100	35
6	PMDETA (20 %)	100	20
7	PhCN (0.1 mL)	74	31
8	DMSO (0.05 mL)	89	trace
9	NMP (1 equiv.)	-	24
10	pivalic acid (40 %)	57	32
11	picolinic acid (20 %)	27	trace
12	pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid (20 %)	54	24
13.	^{3,5Me2} TPz (20 %)	nd	25
14	bisoxazolyl (20 %)	nd	38
15 ^b	pyridine (40 %)	nd	12
16	bipyridine (20 %)	78	32
17	4,4'-dimethylbipyridine (20 %)	20	6
18^{b}	phenanthroline (20 %)	64	25
19	4,7-dimethylphenanthroline (20 %)	87	24
20	Neocuproine (20 %)	100	48
21 ^c	Neocuproine (20 %)	100	75

 Table S2.
 Ligand variation.^a

^aReaction conditions: Tosyloxycarbamate (0.050 g, 0.138 mmol) and [Cu(CH₃CN)₄]PF₆ (0.010 g, 0.027 mmol) and ligand in benzene (ca. 0.5 mL) at 140 °C in sealed tube for 16 h. ^bAfter 48 h. ^cReaction carried out in 1 mL benzene. Conversion and yield with 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal respect to standard. dppm = diphenylphosphinoferrocene, diphenylphosphinomethane, dppf = dppp = diphenylphosphinopropane, PMDETA = N,N,N',N'', N''-pentamethyldiethylenetriamine, TPz = tris(pyrazolyl)hydroborate, nd = not determined.

entry	additive/loading	conversion (%)	yield (%)
1	-	95	10
2	Neocuproine (20)	-	39
3	Neocuproine (40)	-	20

 Table S3.
 Amination of benzene using N-Mesitylsulfonyloxycarbamate.

^{*a*}Reaction conditions: Mesitylsulfonyloxycarbamate (0.054 g, 0.138 mmol) and $[Cu(CH_3CN)_4]PF_6$ (0.010 g, 0.027 mmol) and ligand in benzene (*ca.* 0.5 mL) at 140 °C in sealed tube for 16 h.

Table S4. Catalyst variation using Neocuproine.

	copper	conversion	yield ^b
entry	precursor		
1	Cu ₂ O (20 %)	100	57 (40)
2	$\{Cu(OTf)\}_2 \bullet toluene$	100	40 (20)
3	CuI	100	20
4	Cu(I)TC	100	48 (16)

^{*a*}Reaction conditions: Tosyloxycarbamate (0.050 g, 0.138 mmol) and [Cu] (0.027 mmol) and Neocuproine (0.0056 g, 0.027 mmol) in benzene (*ca.* 1 mL) at 140 °C in sealed tube for 16 h. Conversion and yield with respect to 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene NMR internal standard. ^{*b*}Yields in paranthesis for reactions in absence of ligand.

General procedure for amination of arenes. To a stirred mixture of $[Cu(CH_3CN)_4]PF_6$ (0.010 g, 0.026 mmol) and neocuproine (0.005 g, 0.024 mmol) in the respective arene (*ca.* 1 mL) was added *N*-tosyloxy-2,2,2-trichloroethylcarbamate (0.050 g, 0.138 mmol) and the mixture was allowed to stir at 140 °C for 8 hours. The reaction mixture was subsequently cooled to room temperature, filtered through a pad of silica to remove copper containing species, and the filtrate concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica chromatography using 5-15 % Et₂O in hexanes to obtain the regioisomeric mixture of aminated arene. The regioisomers were identified either based on literature NMR data or by carrying out chemical syntheses of the authentic Troccarbamates starting from the commercially available anilines. The isomeric ratio was determined by NMR integrations on the methylene (-OC<u>H₂CCl₃) protons of the Troc</u> group using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard.

General procedure for the syntheses of Troc carbamates. To a stirred mixture of the aniline (2.31 mmol) and pyridine (0.2 mL, 2.49 mmol), CH_2Cl_2 (*ca.* 10 mL) at room temperature was added drop wise Troccarbonyl chloride (0.34 mL, 2.47 mmol) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir overnight. It was then diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (*ca.* 10 mL) and washed successively with H_2O , 5 % NaOH solution and 5 % HCl. The organic layer was collected, dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and then concentrated under vacuum to yield the product carbamate.



Equation S1.

A *scaled up* reaction using TrocNHOTs (0.50 g, 1.4 mmol), $[Cu(CH_3CN)_4]PF_6$ (0.10 g, 0.28 mmol), and neocuproine (0.057 g, 0.27 mmol) in 10 mL of benzene was heated at 140 °C for 8 hr. Workup of the reaction mixture as described above (SI p. 7) gave a 55% yield of 2,2,2-trichloroethyl-*N*-phenylcarbamate (1).



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Characterization data for 2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-N-arylcarbamates.

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N***-phenylcarbamate** (1): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.42 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (t, ³J_{HH} = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (t, ³J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (br, 1H), 4.83 (s, 2H).

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N-o***-tolylcarbamate** (*o***-2**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.74 (br, 1H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 2H), 7.09 (t, ³J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (br, 1H), 4.84 (s, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, 25 °C) δ 150.1, 135.1, 130.8, 127.1, 125.2, 121.9, 95.5, 74.8, 17.9. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₀H₁₀Cl₃NO₂ (M+H)⁺ requires *m/z* = 281.9855, found *m/z* = 281.9850.

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N***-***m***-tolylcarbamate** (*m***-2**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.26 (d, ³J_{HH} = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 2H), 6.93 (d, ³J_{HH} = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (br, 1H), 4.83 (s, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, 25 °C) δ 151.6, 139.2, 136.9, 129.0, 125.0, 119.5, 116.0, 95.3, 74.5, 21.5. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₀H₁₀Cl₃NO₂ (M+H)⁺ requires *m/z* = 281.9855, found *m/z* = 281.9850.

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N-o***-ethylphenylcarbamate** (*o*-**3**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.72 (br, 1H), 7.27-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.15 (t, ³J_{HH} = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (br, 1H), 4.84 (s, 2H), 2.64 (q, ³J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.26 (t, ³J_{HH} = 7.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, 25 °C) δ 152.4, 134.8, 134.2, 128.7, 126.8, 125.5, 122.6, 95.4, 74.6, 24.2, 13.9. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₁H₁₃Cl₃NO₂ (M+H)⁺ requires *m/z* = 296.0012, found *m/z* = 296.0006.

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N***-***p***-ethylphenylcarbamate** (*p***-3**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 ^oC) δ 7.33 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (br, 1H), 4.82 (s, 2H), 2.62 (q, ³J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.22 (t, ³J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, 25 ^oC) δ 151.8, 140.4, 134.7, 128.6, 119.3, 95.5, 74.6, 28.3, 15.8. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₁H₁₃Cl₃NO₂ (M+Na)⁺ requires *m/z* = 317.9831, found *m/z* = 317.9822.

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N-m-tert***-butylphenylcarbamate** (*m*-4): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.39 (br, 1H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 1H), 6.87 (br, 1H), 4.83 (s, 2H), 1.32 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, 25 °C) δ 152.5, 151.6, 136.7, 128.9, 121.3, 116.1, 95.3, 74.4, 34.8, 31.3. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₃H₁₆Cl₃NO₂(M+H)⁺ requires *m/z* = 324.0325, found *m/z* = 324.0316.

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N-p-tert***-butylphenylcarbamate** (*p*-4): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.35 (br s, 4H), 6.84 (br, 1H), 4.83 (s, 2H), 1.31 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, 25 °C) δ 151.7, 147.2, 134.4, 126.0, 118.8, 95.4, 74.5, 34.3, 31.4. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₃H₁₆Cl₃NO₂(M+H)⁺ requires *m/z* = 324.0325, found *m/z* = 324.0316.

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N***-***m***-methoxyphenylcarbamate** (*m***-5**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.23 (t, ³J_{HH} = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (br s, 1H), 6.94-6.90 (m, 2H), 6.67 (dd, ³J_{HH} = 9.0 Hz and ⁴J_{HH} = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75

MHz, 25 °C) δ 160.3, 151.4, 138.3, 129.9, 111.1, 109.8, 104.6, 95.2, 74.5, 55.3. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₀H₁₀Cl₃NO₃(M+Na)⁺ requires m/z = 319.9624, found m/z = 319.9624.

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N***-***p***-methoxyphenylcarbamate** (*p***-5**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.33 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, ³J_{HH} = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (br, 1H), 4.81 (s, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H).

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N-o***-chlorophenylcarbamate** (*o***-6**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 8.14 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (br, 1H), 7.30 (t, ³J_{HH} = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, ³J_{HH} = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, 25 °C) δ 151.3, 133.9, 129.2, 127.9, 124.5, 120.2, 95.0, 74.6. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₉H₇Cl₄NO₂ (M+Na)⁺ requires *m/z* = 323.9129, found *m/z* = 323.9189.

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N***-***m***-chlorophenylcarbamate** (*m***-6**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.55 (br, 1H), 7.27-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.08 (m, 1H), 6.87 (br, 1H), 4.83 (s, 2H).

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N***-***p***-chlorophenylcarbamate** (*p*-6): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.38 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, ³J_{HH} = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (br, 1H), 4.82 (s, 2H).

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N-o***-trifluoromethylphenylcarbamate** (*o***-7**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 8.05 (d, ³J_{HH} = 9.0 Hz, 8.1 Hz), 7.64-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.26 (t, ³J_{HH} = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (br, 1H), 4.84 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, 25 °C) δ 151.8, 134.6,

133.0, 126.2 (q, $J_{C-F} = 24$ Hz), 124.6, 123.9 (q, $J_{C-F} = 1080$ Hz), 123.5, 95.0, 74.7. ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃, 282 MHz, 25 °C): δ -115.4. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₀H₇Cl₃F₃NO₂ (M+Na)⁺ requires m/z = 357.9392, found m/z = 357.9392.

2,2,2-Trichloroethyl-*N***-***p***-trifluoromethylphenylcarbamate** (*p***-7**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, 25 °C) δ 7.62-7.53 (m, 4H), 7.07 (br, 1H), 4.84 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, 25 °C) δ 151.4, 140.2, 126.4 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 13 Hz), 126.2, 124.0 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 1080 Hz), 118.5, 94.9, 74.6. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₁₀H₇Cl₃F₃NO₂ (M+Na)⁺ requires *m/z* = 357.9392, found *m/z* = 357.9389.

















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Procedure for the KIE experiment. A mixture of $[Cu(CH_3CN)_4]PF_6$ (0.010 g, 0.026 mmol), neocuproine (0.005 g, 0.024 mmol) and *N*-tosyloxy-2,2,2-trichloroethylcarbamate (0.050 g, 0.138 mmol) in an equimolar solution of benzene (0.5 mL) and benzene- d_6 (0.5 mL) was stirred at 140 °C for 8 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a plug of silica. The filtrate was subsequently analyzed by NMR spectroscopy and GC-MS analysis.

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Procedure for the Competition experiment. A mixture of $[Cu(CH_3CN)_4]PF_6$ (0.010 g, 0.026 mmol), neocuproine (0.005 g, 0.024 mmol) and *N*-tosyloxy-2,2,2-trichloroethylcarbamate (0.050 g, 0.138 mmol) in an equimolar solution of benzene (0.5 mL) and Ar-Z (0.5 mL) was stirred at 140 °C for 8 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a plug of silica. The filtrate was concentrated under vacuum to dryness and then subsequently analyzed by NMR on a Varian 500 MHz spectrometer. The product ratio was determined by NMR integrations on the methylene (-OC*H*₂CCl₃) protons of the Troc group using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard.

 Table S5. Competition experiment between various arenes and benzene.

entry	Z-Ar	Z-Ar-NHTroc/PhNHTroc
1.	toluene	3.19
2.	tert-butylbenzene	0.58
3.	anisole	7.19
4.	chlorobenzene	8.76



Figure. Hammett plot of relative reactivity of the *meta*- and *para*- isomers vs σ .



















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