

Photoredox-catalyzed sulfonylation of difluoroenoxysilanes with the insertion of sulfur dioxide

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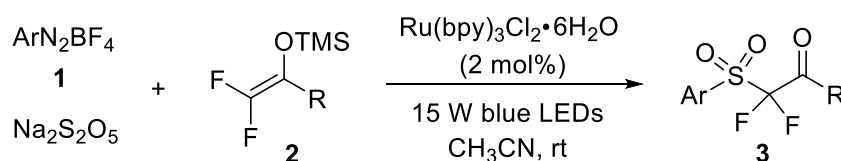
General experimental methods:

Unless otherwise stated, all commercial reagents were used as received. All solvents were dried and distilled according to standard procedures. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel (60-Å pore size, 32-63 μm , standard grade). Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed using glass plates pre-coated with 0.25 mm 230-400 mesh silica gel impregnated with a fluorescent indicator (254 nm). Thin layer chromatography plates were visualized by exposure to ultraviolet light. Organic solutions were concentrated on rotary evaporators at ~20 Torr at 25-35 °C. Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra are recorded in parts per million from internal tetramethylsilane on the δ scale. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 on a Bruker DRX-400 spectrometer operating at 400 MHz and 100 MHz, respectively. All chemical shift values are quoted in ppm and coupling constants quoted in Hz. High resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) spectra were obtained on a micrOTOF II Instrument.

*General experimental procedure for the synthesis of difluoroenoxyasilanes.*¹

To a mixture of TMSCl (4 equiv) and Mg (4 equiv) in dry THF (0.25 M) was cooled down to 0 °C under N_2 atmosphere, then trifluoroacetophenone (1 equiv) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred for additional 30 min. After evaporation of solvent, hexane was added to the residue, and the resulting salt was filtered. The filtrate was concentrated to give crude difluoroenoxyasilane, which could be used directly without further purification.

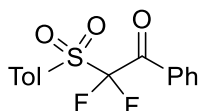
*General experimental procedure for the reaction of aryldiazonium tetrafluoroborates **1**, $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_5$, and difluoroenoxyasilanes **2**.*



Difluoroenoxyasilanes **2** (0.2 mmol) was added to a mixture of $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_5$ (0.4 mmol), aryldiazonium tetrafluoroborate **1** (0.3 mmol), $\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3\text{Cl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (2 mol%) in CH_3CN

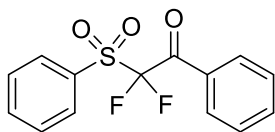
(2.0 mL) under N₂ atmosphere. The mixture was stirred under blue LED irradiation (15 W) for 12 hours. After completion of reaction as indicated by TLC, the solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified directly by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 8:1) to give the corresponding product **3**.

Photoredox set-up:



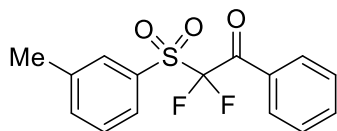
2,2-Difluoro-1-phenyl-2-tosylethan-1-one (**3a**)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 184.0 (t, *J* = 23.1 Hz), 147.7, 135.3, 132.1, 130.9, 130.8 (t, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 130.2, 129.4, 128.8, 116.5 (t, *J* = 300.7 Hz), 21.9; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -101.7 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₁₂F₂O₃SNa [M+Na]⁺: 333.0373, found: 333.0373.



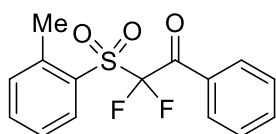
2,2-Difluoro-1-phenyl-2-(phenylsulfonyl)ethan-1-one (**3b**)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.73 – 7.62 (m, 3H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 183.7 (t, *J* = 23.2 Hz), 136.0, 135.4, 132.6, 132.0, 130.9, 130.8 (t, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 129.5, 128.9, 116.5 (t, *J* = 301.2 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -101.5 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₄H₁₀F₂O₃SNa [M+Na]⁺: 319.0216, found: 319.0219.



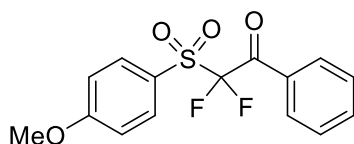
2,2-Difluoro-1-phenyl-2-(*m*-tolylsulfonyl)ethan-1-one (**3c**)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.18 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.86 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.70 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.49 (m, 4H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 183.8 (t, J = 22.9 Hz), 140.0, 136.8, 135.3, 132.4, 132.0, 131.1, 130.8 (t, J = 3.2 Hz), 129.3, 128.8, 128.1, 116.5 (t, J = 301.0 Hz), 21.2; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -101.5 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_2\text{O}_3\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 333.0373, found: 333.0371.



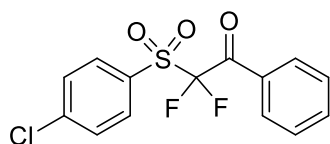
2,2-Difluoro-1-phenyl-2-(*o*-tolylsulfonyl)ethan-1-one (**3d**)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.19 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 8.01 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.77 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 183.8 (t, J = 23.0 Hz), 142.0, 135.8, 135.3, 133.3, 133.2, 130.7 (t, J = 3.1 Hz), 128.8, 128.6, 128.0, 126.9, 120.2, 117.2, 114.2, 20.9; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -101.0 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_2\text{O}_3\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 333.0373, found: 333.0372.



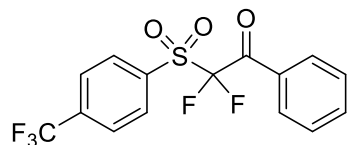
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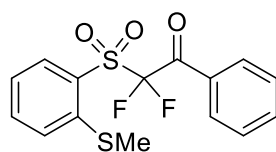
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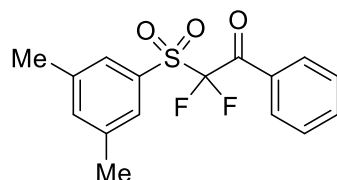
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^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.17 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 4H), 7.93 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 183.3 (t, J = 22.9 Hz), 137.4 (q, J = 33.5 Hz), 136.3, 135.6, 131.8, 131.6, 130.7 (t, J = 3.1 Hz), 129.0, 126.6 (q, J = 3.6 Hz), 122.8 (q, J = 273.6 Hz), 116.4 (t, J = 302.4 Hz); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -63.5 (s), -101.0 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_9\text{F}_5\text{O}_3\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 387.0090, found: 387.0094.



2,2-Difluoro-2-((2-(methylthio)phenyl)sulfonyl)-1-phenylethan-1-one (**3h**)

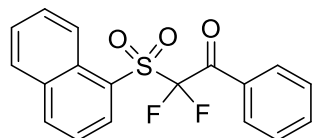
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2-((3,5-Dimethylphenyl)sulfonyl)-2,2-difluoro-1-phenylethan-1-one (**3i**)

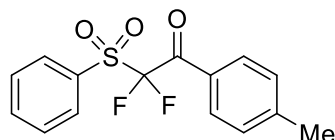
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.18 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (s, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 2.43 (s, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 183.8 (t,

$J = 23.0$ Hz), 139.7, 137.8, 135.3, 132.2, 132.1, 130.8 (t, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 128.8, 128.3, 116.6 (t, $J = 301.0$ Hz), 21.1; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -101.5 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_2\text{O}_3\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 347.0529, found: 347.0531.



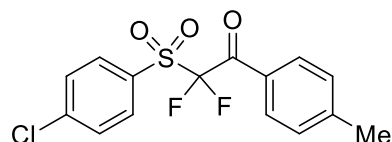
2,2-Difluoro-2-(naphthalen-1-ylsulfonyl)-1-phenylethan-1-one (3j)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.89 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 8.38 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.26 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.99 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.73 – 7.62 (m, 3H), 7.55 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 183.7 (t, $J = 23.0$ Hz), 137.8, 135.3, 134.8, 134.2, 132.1, 130.8 (t, $J = 3.1$ Hz), 130.5, 129.4, 129.0, 128.9, 128.6, 127.5, 124.9, 124.3, 117.3 (t, $J = 302.2$ Hz); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -100.8 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_2\text{O}_3\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 369.0373, found: 369.0377.



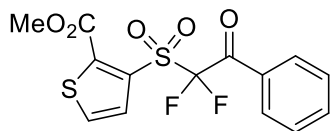
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^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 8.02 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.80 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 183.0 (t, $J = 22.8$ Hz), 146.9, 135.8, 132.5, 130.9, 130.8, 129.5, 129.4, 116.5 (t, $J = 301.1$ Hz), 21.8; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -101.4 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 311.0553, found: 311.0555.



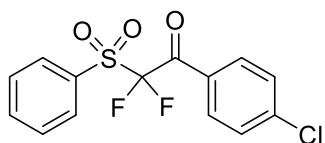
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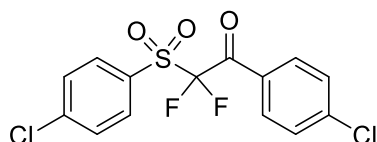
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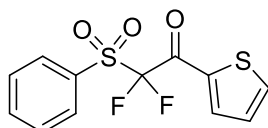
1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2,2-difluoro-2-(phenylsulfonyl)ethan-1-one (**3n**)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.13 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 8.02 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 182.6 (t, J = 23.5 Hz), 142.3, 136.1, 132.2, 132.1, 130.8, 130.2, 129.5, 129.2, 116.4 (t, J = 300.8 Hz); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -101.8 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_9\text{ClF}_2\text{O}_3\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 352.9827, found: 352.9830.



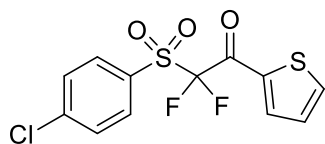
1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-((4-chlorophenyl)sulfonyl)-2,2-difluoroethan-1-one (**3o**)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.12 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.96 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 182.5 (t, J = 23.3 Hz), 143.5, 142.5, 132.3, 132.1 (t, J = 3.2 Hz), 131.6 (t, J = 3.1 Hz), 130.0, 129.4, 129.2, 127.2 (t, J = 6.0 Hz), 116.3 (t, J = 301.2 Hz); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -101.6 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_8\text{Cl}_2\text{F}_2\text{O}_3\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 386.9437, found: 386.9435.



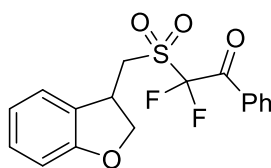
2,2-Difluoro-2-(phenylsulfonyl)-1-(thiophen-2-yl)ethan-1-one (**3p**)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.15 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.91 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.81 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.25 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.6 (t, $J = 24.3$ Hz), 138.4, 138.1 (t, $J = 4.8$ Hz), 136.0, 132.2, 130.8, 129.5, 129.2, 116.0 (t, $J = 300.2$ Hz); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -103.9 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_9\text{F}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 302.9961, found: 302.9964.



2-((4-Chlorophenyl)sulfonyl)-2,2-difluoro-1-(thiophen-2-yl)ethan-1-one (**3q**)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.20 – 8.12 (m, 1H), 8.00 – 7.91 (m, 3H), 7.63 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.22 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.5 (t, $J = 24.4$ Hz), 143.4, 138.7, 138.1 (t, $J = 5.1$ Hz), 137.8, 132.3, 130.0, 129.4, 129.1, 115.9 (t, $J = 300.5$ Hz); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -103.8 (s); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{F}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 358.9391, found: 358.9394.



2-(((2,3-Dihydrobenzofuran-3-yl)methyl)sulfonyl)-2,2-difluoro-1-phenylethan-1-one (**6**)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.12 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.72 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.76 (t, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.58 (dd, $J = 9.7, 5.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.25 – 4.15 (m, 1H), 3.73 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.60 – 3.49 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 184.4 (t, $J = 22.8$ Hz), 159.7, 130.6 (t, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 129.8, 129.0, 126.1, 124.4, 121.2, 116.2 (t, $J = 302.5$ Hz), 110.3, 75.5, 54.2, 35.7; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -103.6 (d, $J = 17.2$ Hz); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_2\text{O}_4\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 375.0479, found: 375.0482.

Reference

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