Supporting Information

Synthesis of 3-CF₃-4-acyl-substituted quinoline derivatives via a cascade reaction of nitrosoarenes and β -CF₃-1,3-enynes

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1. General information

Unless otherwise indicated, all reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification. And deuterated solvents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. Substrates such as nitrosoarenes¹ and 2-CF₃-1,3-enynes² were synthesized according to the corresponding literature procedures. Unless otherwise stated, all reactions were accomplished in the reaction tubes under air atmosphere. All reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). Column chromatography was carried out using 200-300 mesh silica gel. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance III 400 or 600 MHz NMR spectrometer and chemical shifts (in ppm) were referred to $CDCl_3$ ($\delta = 7.26$ ppm), as an internal standard. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet; d = doublet; q = quartet; m = multiplet; br = broad), coupling constant (Hz), and integral. Proton-decoupled ¹³C NMR spectra were obtained by using the same NMR spectrometer, running at 150 or 100 MHz, respectively and were calibrated with CDCl₃ (δ = 77.16 ppm). The ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded at 564 or 376 MHz. High-resolution mass spectra were performed on a micrOTOF-Q II instrument with an ESI source. Melting points were measured with an RD-II melting point apparatus and are uncorrected.

2. Optimization of reaction conditions

Next, some other reaction conditions including catalyst loading, amount of base, solvent dosage and temperature were also examined, respectively (Table 2). 30 mol% $Cu(OTf)_2$ and 0.5 equiv of DMAP were suitable for this transformation. Increasing or decreasing their amounts led to the lower yields (Table 2, entry 1 vs 2–7 and entry 1 vs 8–11). The solvent dosage had little effect on the reaction yield (Table 2, entries 12–14). It was more appropriate to use 0.8 mL EA (Table 2, entry 13). Variation of reaction temperature could not further improve the yield (Table 2, entries 13 and 15–17). The investigation of material ratio showed that the better yield (83%) was obtained when the ratio of nitrosobenzene **1a** and [3-(trifluoromethyl)but-3-en-1-yn-1-yl]benzene **2a** was 2.3:1.0 (Table 2, entry 22 vs 13, 18–21 and 23–25). After systematic optimization of the reaction conditions, the optimal condition was

determined. In the presence of $Cu(OTf)_2$ (22.0 mg, 0.06 mmol, 30 mol%) and DMAP (12.5 mg, 0.10 mmol, 0.5 equiv), the reaction of nitrosobenzene **1a** (50.8 mg, 0.46 mmol, 2.3 equiv.) and (3-(trifluoromethyl)but-3-en-1-yn-1-yl)benzene **2a** (40.5 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was conducted in ethyl acetate (EA, 0.8 mL) at 30 °C for 12 h, affording the desired product **3aa** in 83% yield (Table 2, entry 22).

	N _v O ₊	CF ₃	Cu(OTf) ₂ , DMAP Solvent, T		O CF ₃	
	1a	2a		3aa		
entry	catalyst (mol%)	base (equiv)	solvent (mL)	T/ºC	1a:2a	yield ^b (%)
1	Cu(OTf) ₂ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	55
2	Cu(OTf) ₂ (10)	DMAP (0.5)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	38
3	Cu(OTf) ₂ (20)	DMAP (0.5)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	43
4	Cu(OTf) ₂ (25)	DMAP (0.5)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	50
5	Cu(OTf) ₂ (28)	DMAP (0.5)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	50
6	Cu(OTf) ₂ (32)	DMAP (0.5)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	53
7	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (35)	DMAP (0.5)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	50
8	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (30)	DMAP (0.4)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	49
9	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (30)	DMAP (0.45)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	50
10	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (30)	DMAP (0.6)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	52
11	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (30)	DMAP (0.7)	DCE (1.0)	30	1.0:1.0	50
12	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.5)	30	1.0:1.0	67
13	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	30	1.0:1.0	70
14	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (1.2)	30	1.0:1.0	63
15	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	<mark>20</mark>	1.0:1.0	47
16	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	<mark>40</mark>	1.0:1.0	70
17	Cu(OTf) ₂ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	<mark>50</mark>	1.0:1.0	62
18	Cu(OTf) ₂ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	30	1.3:1.0	78
19	$Cu(OTf)_2$ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	30	1.5:1.0	77
20	Cu(OTf) ₂ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	30	1.7:1.0	75
21	Cu(OTf) ₂ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	30	2.0:1.0	76
22	Cu(OTf) ₂ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	30	2.3:1.0	83
23	Cu(OTf) ₂ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	30	1.0:1.3	77
24	Cu(OTf) ₂ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	30	1.0:1.5	78
25	Cu(OTf) ₂ (30)	DMAP (0.5)	EA (0.8)	30	1.0:2.0	75

Table 2. Optimization of Other Reaction Conditions^a

^{*a*} Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed with nitrosobenzene **1a** (22.1 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), [3-(trifluoromethyl)-3-buten-1-ynyl]benzene **2a** (40.5 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), a catalyst (0.06 mmol, 30 mol%) and a base (0.1 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) in a solvent (1.0 mL) at 30 °C (water bath) under air atmosphere for 12 h. ^{*b*} Isolated yield after column chromatography.

3. General procedures

3.1 Operational procedure for the synthesis of compound 2n-3^{3,4}



To a 100 mL of round-bottom flask equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added (*R*)-2-(4-isopropylphenyl)propanoic acid **2n-1** (2.5 g, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv.), 3ethynylphenol **2n-2** (1.1 mL, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (DCC, 3.1 g, 15.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 122.2 mg, 1.0 mmol, 10 mol%) and CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL). The mixture was then stirred at room temperature for 24 h. Finally, after the reaction mixture was evaporated, the residue was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/EtOAc) to give the 3-ethynylphenyl (*R*)-2-(4-isopropylphenyl)propanoate **2n-3**.

Subsequently, substrate **2n** was synthesized using the compound **2n-3** as a starting material via the method in the reference 2.

3.2 General procedure for the synthesis of products 3



To a reaction system of nitrosobenzene **1a** (0.46 mmol, 2.3 equiv), $Cu(OTf)_2$ (0.06 mmol, 30 mol%) and DMAP (1.0 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) in ethyl acetate (EA) as a solvent (0.8 mL) was added (3-(trifluoromethyl)but-3-en-1-yn-1-yl)benzene **2a** (0.2 mmol). Then, the resultant solution was stirred under air atmosphere at 30 °C (water bath) for 12 h. Finally, the reaction mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (PE:EA = 15:1) to provide the corresponding product **3aa** (83% yield).

3.3 Operational procedure for 5.0 mmol-scale preparation of product 3aa

The reaction system of Cu(OTf)₂ (1.5 mmol, 30 mol%), DMAP (2.5 mmol, 0.5

equiv.), nitrosobenzene **1a** (11.5 mmol, 2.3 equiv.) and (3-(trifluoromethyl)but-3-en-1-yn-1-yl)benzene **2a** (5 mmol) in ethyl acetate as a solvent (20.0 mL) was stirred at 30 °C (water bath) for 15 h. At last, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuum and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the desired product **3aa** (0.998 g, 67% isolated yield).

3.4 Operational procedure for the synthesis of compounds 4 and 5



To a solution of the phenyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone 3aa (30.7 mg, 0.1 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL) was added *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (*m*-CPBA, 28.0 mg, 0.13 mmol, 1.3 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was then allowed to stir at room temperature (water bath) for 24 h. Next, the reaction mixture was washed with saturated aq. NaHCO₃ solution (2.0 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (5.0 mL X 3). The organic extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to obtain the pure 4-benzoyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinoline 1-oxide 4 (94% yield). To a 10 mL round bottom flask equipped with a magnetic stir bar were consecutively added 4-benzoyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinoline 1-oxide 4 (96.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), H₂O (3.0 mL) and MsCl (51.6 µL, 0.6 mmol). Subsequently, the reaction system was stirred at room temperature (water bath) for 5 h and the mixture was then extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (10.0 mL X 3). The organic extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to obtain the pure 4-benzoyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-2(1*H*)-one **5** (94 % yield).

4. Crystal data of products 3aa, 3va and 4

Crystallographic data for compounds **3aa** (2212193), **3va** (2255170) and **4** (2255167) have been deposited with the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, Copies of the data can be obtained, free of charge, on application to CCDC (Email:

deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk).



CCDC number	2212193
Identification code	3aa
Empirical formula	C ₁₇ H ₁₀ F ₃ NO
Formula weight	301.26
Temperature/K	293(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	C2/c
a/Å	23.0671(4)
b/Å	7.9648(2)
c/Å	15.0332(3)
α/°	90
β/°	94.736(2)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	2752.54(10)
Ζ	8
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.454
μ/mm^{-1}	1.019
F(000)	1232.0

Crystal size/mm ³	0.29 imes 0.25 imes 0.2
Radiation	$Cu K\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184)$
2Θ range for data collection/°	7.692 to 143.066
Index ranges	$-24 \le h \le 28, -9 \le k \le 9, -18 \le l \le 15$
Reflections collected	5836
Independent reflections	2617 [$R_{int} = 0.0192, R_{sigma} = 0.0247$]
Data/restraints/parameters	2617/0/199
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.128
Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0838, wR_2 = 0.2317$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0962, wR_2 = 0.2380$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.80/-0.46



CCDC number	2255170
Identification code	3va
Empirical formula	$C_{19}H_{14}F_3NO$
Formula weight	329.31
Temperature/K	298
Space group	P -1
a/Å	8.201(3)
b/Å	9.496(3)

c/Å	11.840(4)
α/°	100.468 (8)
β/°	96.571 (7)
γ/°	9115.027 (8)
Volume/Å ³	802.4 (5)
Ζ	2
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.363
μ/mm^{-1}	0.108
F(000)	340.0
Nref	4030
Tmin, Tmax	0.974, 0.984
h, k, lmax	10, 12, 15
Data completeness	0.967
Theta(max)	28.427
R(reflections)	0.0896 (2876)
wR2(reflections)	0.2929 (3895)
S	1.079
Npar	219



CCDC number	2255167
Identification code	4

Empirical formula	$C_{17}H_{10}F_{3}NO_{2}$
Formula weight	317.26
Temperature/K	298
Space group	C2/c
a/Å	25.164(3)
b/Å	8.0110(8)
c/Å	14.6926(14)
α/°	90
β/°	109.992 (2)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	2783.4(5)
Z	8
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.514
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.127
F(000)	1296.0
Nref	3490
Tmin, Tmax	0.966, 0.972
h, k, lmax	33, 10, 19
Data completeness	0.993
Theta(max)	28.363
R(reflections)	0.1088(2791)
wR2(reflections)	0.4121(3464)
S	1.872
Npar	208

5. Characterization data for substrate 2n



White oil, Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.50$ (PE); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35–7.30 (m, 4H), 7.17–7.16 (m, 3H), 7.04–7.03 (m, 1H), 6.13 (s, 1H), 5.95 (s, 1H), 3.95 (q, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 2H), 1.91–1.86 (m, 1H), 1.63–1.62 (m, 3H), 0.94–0.92 (m, 6H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.1, 150.8, 141.1, 137.1, 129.7, 129.5, 129.4, 127.3, 124.9, 123.0, 122.9, 122.7 (q, J = 35.3 Hz), 121.4 (q, J = 272.0 Hz), 92.3, 82.2, 45.4, 45.3, 45.2, 30.3, 22.5, 18.6 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -67.9 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₂₃F₃NaO₂⁺, 423.1542; found, 423.1548.

6. Characterization data for all products 3

Phenyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (3aa)



Yellow solid, 50.0 mg, 83% yield. Mp: 118–120 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 15:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.21 (s, 1H), 8.26–8.25 (m, 1H), 7.88–7.85 (m, 1H), 7.78–7.77 (m, 2H), 7.66–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.58–7.55 (m, 1H), 7.49–7.46 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.2, 149.4, 146.5 (q, J = 4.2 Hz), 144.9 (q, J = 2.4 Hz), 136.2, 134.9, 132.3, 130.3, 129.8, 129.2, 128.9, 126.3, 124.0, 123.5 (q, J = 273.0 Hz), 119.7 (q, J = 32.3 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₁F₃NO⁺, 302.0787; found, 302.0794.

(8-Methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ba)



Yellow oil, 35.3 mg, 56% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (pure PE); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.23–9.21 (m, 1H), 7.77–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.71–7.70 (m, 1H), 7.66–7.61 (m, 1H), 7.49–7.44 (m, 4H), 2.89–2.86 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.5, 148.5, 145.2 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 145.0 (q, J = 2.3 Hz), 136.4, 134.8, 132.3, 129.8, 129.1, 128.6, 124.2, 124.0, 123.6 (q, J = 272.9 Hz), 119.5 (q, J = 31.8 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃F₃NO⁺, 316.0944; found, 316.0943.

(5-Methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**3ca**) (7-Methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**3c'a**)



Yellow solid, 49.2 mg, 78% yield. Mp: 137–140 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 20:1); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.17 (s, 0.14H), 9.15 (s, 1H), 8.15–8.13 (m,

0.07H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.77–7.72 (m, 2.28H), 7.65–7.60 (m, 1.16H), 7.50–7.44 (m, 3.46H), 7.41 (s, 0.15H), 7.39–7.37 (m, 1H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 0.45H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.1, 194.3, 150.8, 149.7, 146.4 (q, J = 4.2 Hz), 145.9 (q, J = 4.8 Hz), 144.5, 143.2, 136.2, 136.0, 134.8, 134.5, 131.9, 131.1, 129.8, 129.4, 129.2, 129.1, 125.8, 123.6 (q, J = 272.7 Hz), 123.5, 122.0, 118.9 (q, J = 31.9 Hz), 23.9, 22.1 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -55.2 (s, 3F), -57.0 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃F₃NO⁺, 316.0944; found, 316.0946.

(6-Methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3da)



Yellow solid, 47.9 mg, 76% yield. Mp: 100–102 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 15:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.13 (s, 1H), 8.14–8.12 (m, 1H), 7.78–7.77 (m, 1H), 7.70–7.62 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.5, 148.1, 145.4 (q, J = 5.0 Hz), 144.0 (q, J = 3.5 Hz), 139.3, 136.2, 134.9, 134.6, 129.9, 129.8, 129.1, 124.9, 124.8, 123.1 (q, J = 277.2 Hz), 119.6 (q, J = 30.3 Hz), 21.9 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.0 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃F₃NO⁺, 316.0944; found, 316.0945.

(6-Methoxy-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ea)



Yellow solid, 19.9 mg, 30% yield. Mp: 111–113 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.05 (s, 1H), 8.14–8.13 (m, 1H), 7.78–7.77 (m, 2H), 7.66–7.63 (m, 1H), 7.51–7.46 (m, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.6, 159.3, 145.8, 143.8 (q, J = 4.4 Hz), 143.1 (q, J = 2.4 Hz), 136.2, 134.9, 131.6, 129.8, 129.2, 125.2, 123.6 (q, J = 273.0 Hz), 120.1 (q, J = 31.8 Hz), 103.5, 55.7 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.0 (s, 3F) ppm; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃F₃NO₂⁺, 332.0893; found, 332.0890.

(7-(tert-Butyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ga)



Yellow solid, 46.5 mg, 65% yield. Mp: 115–116 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA

= 30:1); ¹**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.17–9.16 (m, 1H), 8.20–8.19 (m, 1H), 7.79–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.65–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.55–7.52 (m, 1H), 7.48–7.45 (m, 2H), 1.42–1.41 (m, 9H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} **NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.3, 156.1, 149.7, 146.3 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 144.4 (q, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 136.3, 134.8, 129.8, 129.1, 127.9, 125.7, 125.5, 123.6 (q, *J* = 272.9 Hz), 121.9, 119.1 (q, *J* = 30.9 Hz), 35.5, 31.0 ppm; ¹⁹F **NMR** (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.0 (s, 3F) ppm; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₁₉F₃NO⁺, 358.1413; found, 358.1418.

(8-Fluoro-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ha)



Yellow solid, 33.2 mg, 52% yield. Mp: 120–122 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.25 (s, 1H), 7.76–7.75 (m, 2H), 7.66–7.64 (m, 1H), 7.58–7.51 (m, 2H), 7.48 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41–7.40 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.4, 158.1 (d, J = 258.5 Hz), 146.7 (q, J = 2.4 Hz), 144.8 (q, J = 2.4 Hz), 139.8 (d, J = 11.9 Hz), 136.0 (d, J = 0.9 Hz), 135.1, 129.8, 129.3, 129.2, 129.0, 128.9, 125.6 (d, J = 1.5 Hz), 123.2 (q, J = 273.3 Hz), 122.0 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 120.8 (q, J = 32.3 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.3 (s, 3F), -122.7 (s, 1F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀F₄NO⁺, 320.0693; found, 320.0707.

(7-Fluoro-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ia)



Yellow oil, 47.9 mg, 75% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.20 (s, 1H), 7.89–7.87 (m, 1H), 7.76–7.75 (m, 2H), 7.67–7.62 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.47 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.34 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.7, 164.5 (d, J = 254.3 Hz), 150.9 (d, J = 13.2 Hz), 147.6 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 136.0, 135.1, 129.8, 129.3, 128.6 (d, J = 10.1 Hz), 123.4 (q, J = 272.9 Hz), 121.0, 119.7, 119.5, 119.3 (q, J = 29.3 Hz), 114.2, 114.1 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F), -104.2 (s, 1F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀F₄NO⁺, 320.0693; found, 320.0700.

(6-Fluoro-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ja)



Yellow oil, 49.8 mg, 78% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 15:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.17 (s, 1H), 8.28–8.25 (m, 1H), 7.77–7.75 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.47 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.20 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.6, 161.5 (d, J = 376.8 Hz), 146.6, 145.8 (dt, J = 10.5 Hz, J = 4.7 Hz), 144.3 (dt, J = 5.3 Hz, J = 3.8 Hz), 135.8, 135.2, 132.9 (d, J = 14.0 Hz), 129.8, 129.3, 124.8 (d, J = 15.2 Hz), 123.3 (q, J = 273.1 Hz), 122.9, 122.7, 120.5 (q, J = 48.2 Hz), 109.8 (d, J = 35.1 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.2 (s, 3F), -108.6 (s, 1F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀F₄NO⁺, 320.0693; found, 320.0690.

(8-Chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ka)



Yellow oil, 30.2 mg, 45% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 70:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.32 (s, 1H), 8.00–7.98 (m, 1H), 7.76–7.74 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.64 (m, 1H), 7.58–7.54 (m, 1H), 7.51–7.46 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.5, 147.0 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 145.7, 145.5 (q, J = 2.3 Hz), 136.0, 135.2, 134.7, 132.4, 129.8, 129.3, 128.8, 128.7, 125.5, 125.3, 123.2 (q, J = 273.2 Hz), 120.7 (q, J = 32.2 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.3 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀ClF₃NO⁺, 336.0398; found, 336.0405.

(7-Chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3la)



Yellow oil, 36.3 mg, 54% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 50:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.20 (s, 1H), 8.25 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76–7.74 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.64 (m, 1H), 7.56–7.46 (m, 4H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.5, 149.8, 147.0 (q, J = 4.0 Hz), 144.9 (q, J = 2.3 Hz), 138.6, 136.0, 135.2, 130.0, 129.8, 129.3, 128.6, 127.5, 123.3 (q, J = 273.0 Hz), 122.4, 119.9 (q, J = 32.2 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.2 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀ClF₃NO⁺, 336.0398; found, 336.0408.

(6-Chloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ma)



Yellow solid, 50.4 mg, 75% yield. Mp: 115–117 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.17 (s, 1H), 8.18–8.16 (m, 1H), 7.77–7.75 (m, 3H), 7.65–7.62 (m, 1H), 7.58–7.57 (m, 1H), 7.48–7.46 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.4, 147.8, 146.6 (q, J = 2.7 Hz), 144.0 (q, J = 2.6 Hz), 135.9, 135.2, 135.1, 133.3, 131.8, 129.8, 129.3, 124.9, 124.6, 123.2 (q, J = 273.3 Hz), 120.5 (q, J = 31.2 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.2 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀ClF₃NO⁺, 336.0398; found, 336.0404.

(6-Nitro-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3pa)



Yellow oil, 35.3 mg, 51% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 20:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.36 (s, 1H), 8.64–8.61 (m, 1H), 8.54 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.44–8.42 (m, 1H), 7.78–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.72–7.68 (m, 1H), 7.54–7.50 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.5, 151.1, 149.9 (q, J = 3.9 Hz), 146.9 (q, J = 2.9 Hz), 135.7, 132.4, 130.0, 129.5, 128.9, 124.3 (q, J = 272.9 Hz), 123.3, 121.5 (q, J = 32.5 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.4 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀F₃N₂O₃⁺, 347.0638; found, 347.0635.

4-Benzoyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinoline-6-carbonitrile (3qa)



Yellow solid, 52.9 mg, 81% yield. Mp: 168–170 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 10:1); ¹**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.32 (s, 1H), 8.37–8.36 (m, 1H), 8.01–7.99 (m, 2H), 7.80–7.75 (m, 2H), 7.72–7.69 (m, 1H), 7.54–7.51 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} **NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.7, 150.1, 149.3 (q, J = 2.9 Hz), 145.4 (q, J = 2.6 Hz), 135.6, 133.2, 133.0, 132.8, 132.4, 131.9, 129.9, 129.5, 126.2, 123.6, 122.9 (q, J = 273.6 Hz), 121.4 (q, J = 35.7 Hz), 117.6, 112.9 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.4 (s, 3F) ppm; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₀F₃N₂O⁺, 327.0740; found, 327.0737.

(6,7-Dimethyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ra)

(5,6-Dimethyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**3r'a**)



Yellow solid, 50.1 mg, 76% yield. Mp: 98–100 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 15:1); ¹**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.11–9.09 (m, 1.15H), 8.03 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 0.15H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 0.28H), 7.64–7.59 (m, 1.16H), 7.31 (s, 1.12H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 0.45H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 0.45H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.6, 194.6, 149.7, 148.7, 145.4 (q, J = 3.9 Hz), 144.9 (q, J = 4.8 Hz), 143.7, 143.3, 139.4, 138.2, 136.3, 135.5, 134.8, 134.4, 133.0, 129.8, 129.4, 129.1, 128.5, 125.1, 123.7 (q, J = 272.7 Hz), 122.5, 118.8 (q, J = 32.0 Hz), 21.9, 20.6, 20.4, 19.0 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -54.9 (s, 3F), 56.9 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₁₅F₃NO⁺, 330.1100; found, 330.1094.

(6,8-Dichloro-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3sa)



Yellow solid, 30.4 mg, 41% yield. Mp: 102–104 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.29 (s, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.75–7.72 (m, 2H), 7.70–7.68 (m, 1H), 7.52–7.50 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 147.1 (q, J = 3.6 Hz), 144.7 (d, J = 2.3 Hz), 144.4, 136.0, 135.7, 135.5, 134.6, 133.1, 129.9, 129.4, 125.8, 124.0, 121.6 (q, J = 32.3 Hz), 123.0 (q, J = 276.6 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.4 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₉Cl₂F₃NO⁺, 370.0008; found, 370.0010.

(5,7-Difluoro-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**3ua**)



Yellow solid, 38.4 mg, 57% yield. Mp: 106–107 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.22 (s, 1H), 7.77–7.73 (m, 3H), 7.65–7.62 (m, 1H), 7.49–7.47 (m, 2H), 7.12–7.08 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.6, 164.0 (dd, J = 254.6 Hz, J = 14.0 Hz), 158.7 (dd, J = 261.5 Hz, J = 14.0 Hz), 150.8 (d, J = 12.6 Hz), 148.8 (q, J = 2.6 Hz), 142.6, 135.9, 134.6, 129.3, 129.1, 123.2 (q, J = 273.6 Hz), 120.5 (q, J = 31.4 Hz), 110.9 (d, J = 4.8 Hz), 110.8 (q, J = 4.4 Hz), 105.6, 105.4 (d, J = 4.5 Hz), 105.2 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.9(s, 1F), -64.1(s, 1F), -70.1 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₉F₅NO⁺, 338.0599; found, 338.0600.

(5,7-Dimethyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3va)



Yellow solid, 52.1 mg, 79% yield. Mp: 110–112 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.04 (s, 1H), 7.83 (s, 1H), 7.54–7.51 (m, 1H), 7.37 (s, 4H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.2, 151.2, 145.9 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 144.5 (q, J = 3.2 Hz), 142.6, 137.6, 135.4, 134.5, 134.2, 129.1, 128.3, 123.7 (q, J = 273.8 Hz), 121.5, 119.9 (q, J = 30.9 Hz), 23.7, 21.7 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -55.2 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₁₅F₃NO⁺, 330.1100; found, 330.1107.

o-Tolyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (**3ab**)



Yellow solid, 47.9 mg, 76% yield. Mp: 120–122 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 15:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.18 (s, 1H), 8.26–8.23 (m, 1H), 7.88–7.84 (m, 1H), 7.68–7.66 (m, 1H), 7.60–7.56 (m, 1H), 7.50–7.45 (m, 1H), 7.41–7.39 (m, 1H), 7.17–7.10 (m, 2H), 2.83 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.5, 149.5, 146.6 (q, J = 4.2 Hz), 146.2 (q, J = 3.6 Hz), 141.4, 134.7, 133.7, 132.8, 132.2, 130.2, 128.8, 126.4, 126.1, 124.1, 123.6 (q, J = 273.1 Hz), 119.2 (q, J = 31.9 Hz), 22.4 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.2 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃F₃NO⁺, 316.0944; found, 316.0947.

m-Tolyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (**3ac**)



Yellow solid, 51.7 mg, 82% yield. Mp: 102–103°C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 15:1); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.20 (s, 1H), 8.26–8.24 (m, 1H), 7.89–7.84 (m, 1H), 7.65–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.57–7.53 (m, 1H), 7.50–7.44 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.31 (m, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.3, 149.4, 146.5 (q, J = 6.0 Hz), 145.1 (q, J = 3.6 Hz), 139.2, 136.2, 135.8, 132.2, 130.2, 129.9, 129.0, 128.8, 127.4, 126.3, 124.0, 123.5 (q, J = 272.9 Hz), 119.7 (q, J = 32.0 Hz), 21.4 ppm;

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F) ppm; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃F₃NO⁺, 316.0944; found, 316.0943.

p-Tolyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (**3ad**)



Yellow oil, 53.6 mg, 85% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 50:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.21 (s, 1H), 8.27–8.24 (m, 1H), 7.88–7.84 (m, 1H), 7.68–7.62 (m, 3H), 7.58–7.54 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.27 (m, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.7, 149.3, 146.4 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 146.3, 145.2 (q, J = 2.4 Hz), 133.9, 132.2, 130.2, 130.0, 129.9, 128.8, 126.4, 124.0, 123.5 (q, J = 272.9 Hz), 119.7 (q, J = 31.7 Hz), 22.0 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃F₃NO⁺, 316.0944; found, 316.0951.

(4-Methoxyphenyl)(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (3ae)



White solid, 46.4 mg, 70% yield. Mp: 111–113 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 100:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.19 (s, 1H), 8.24–8.23 (m, 1H), 7.86–7.84 (m, 1H), 7.73 (s, 2H), 7.65–7.64 (m, 1H), 7.57–7.54 (m, 1H), 6.93–6.92 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.4, 165.0, 149.4, 146.5 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 145.3 (q, J = 2.4 Hz), 132.3, 132.2, 130.2, 129.5, 128.7, 126.4, 124.1, 123.5 (q, J = 269.6 Hz), 119.6 (q, J = 32.0 Hz), 114.5, 55.8 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.2 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃F₃NO₂⁺, 332.0893; found, 332.0896.

(4-Propylphenyl)(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (3af)



Yellow oil, 57.0 mg, 83% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 50:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.21 (s, 1H), 8.26–8.24 (m, 1H), 7.88–7.84 (m, 1H), 7.70–7.63

(m, 3H), 7.58–7.54 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.27 (m, 2H), 2.65 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.71–1.62 (m, 2H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.7, 150.8, 149.4, 146.4 (q, J = 3.7 Hz), 145.2 (q, J = 2.3 Hz), 134.1, 132.2, 130.2, 129.9, 129.2, 128.7, 127.6, 126.4, 124.0, 123.5 (q, J = 273.0 Hz), 119.6 (q, J = 32.1 Hz), 38.3, 24.1, 13.9 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₇F₃NO⁺, 344.1257; found, 344.1255.

(2-Fluorophenyl)(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (3ag)



Yellow solid, 34.5 mg, 54% yield. Mp: 45–46 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.18 (s, 1H), 8.25–8.23 (m, 1H), 8.08–8.05 (m, 1H), 7.86–7.84 (m, 1H), 7.65–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.58–7.55 (m, 1H), 7.35–7.32 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.3, 162.5 (d, J = 259.1 Hz), 149.4, 146.4 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 136.5 (d, J = 9.2 Hz), 132.0, 131.0, 130.2, 128.6, 125.3, 124.9 (d, J = 3.8 Hz), 123.1 (d, J = 2.0 Hz), 123.4 (q, J = 272.7 Hz), 118.4 (q, J = 29.7 Hz), 117.3, 117.1 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.2 (s, 3F), -108.3 (s, 1F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀F₄NO⁺, 320.0693; found, 320.0701.

(3-Fluorophenyl)(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (**3ah**)



Yellow oil, 53.0 mg, 83% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.22 (s, 1H), 8.28–8.26 (m, 1H), 7.91–7.87 (m, 1H), 7.59–7.58 (m, 2H), 7.56–7.54 (m, 1H), 7.45–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.32 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.0, 163.1 (d, J = 372.5 Hz), 149.4, 146.4 (q, J = 4.3 Hz), 144.1 (q, J = 2.1 Hz), 138.1, 132.4, 131.0 (d, J = 7.6 Hz), 130.4, 129.1, 126.0, 125.9 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 123.8, 123.4 (q, J = 274.2 Hz), 122.2, 122.0, 119.8 (q, J = 29.7 Hz), 116.0,115.8 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.0 (s, 3F), -110.6 (s, 1F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀F₄NO⁺, 320.0693; found, 320.0703.

(4-Fluorophenyl)(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (3ai)



Yellow solid, 55.0 mg, 86% yield. Mp: 119–121 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.20 (s, 1H), 8.26–8.24 (m, 1H), 7.88–7.85 (m, 1H), 7.81–7.79 (m, 2H), 7.60–7.56 (m, 2H), 7.15–7.13 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.5, (d, J = 256.8 Hz), 149.4, 146.4 (q, J = 4.2 Hz), 144.4 (q, J = 2.4 Hz), 132.8, 132.6 (d, J = 9.8 Hz), 132.3, 130.3, 129.0, 126.1, 123.8, 123.4 (q, J = 272.9 Hz), 119.7 (q, J = 32.0 Hz), 116.6, 116.5 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F), -101.4 (s, 1F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀ClF₃NO⁺, 320.0693; found, 320.0698.

(2-Chlorophenyl)(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (3aj)



Yellow solid, 43.0 mg, 64% yield. Mp: 142–143 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.18 (s, 1H), 8.25–8.24 (m, 1H), 7.89–7.86 (m, 1H), 7.70–7.67 (m, 2H), 7.61–7.59 (m, 1H), 7.54–7.49 (m, 2H), 7.36–7.34 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.3, 149.6, 146.5 (q, J = 4.4 Hz), 134.9, 134.8, 134.4, 133.2, 132.2 (d, J = 5.6 Hz), 130.3, 129.0, 127.3, 125.8, 123.8, 123.5 (q, J = 272.9 Hz), 119.1 (q, J = 32.0 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀ClF₃NO⁺, 336.0398; found, 336.0411.

(4-Chlorophenyl)(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (3ak)



Yellow oil, 47.0 mg, 70% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 50:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.21 (s, 1H), 8.27–8.25 (m, 1H), 7.91–7.84 (m, 1H), 7.72–7.70 (m, 2H), 7.58–7.57 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.44 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 149.5, 146.4 (q, J = 1.8 Hz), 146.4 (q, J = 2.3 Hz), 141.7, 134.6, 132.4, 131.1, 130.4, 129.6, 129.0, 126.0, 123.8, 123.4 (q, J = 272.9 Hz), 122.0, 119.7 (q, J = 32.2 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI)

m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀ClF₃NO⁺, 336.0398; found, 336.0400.

(4-Nitrophenyl)(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (3al)



Yellow oil, 40.2 mg, 58% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.25 (s, 1H), 8.34–8.30 (m, 3H), 7.96–7.90 (m, 3H), 7.63–7.60 (m, 1H), 7.55–7.53 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.7, 151.3, 149.5, 146.4 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 143.4 (q, J = 2.3 Hz), 140.1, 132.7, 130.7, 130.5, 129.4, 125.6, 125.3, 124.5, 124.0, 123.5, 123.3 (q, J = 272.9 Hz), 119.8 (q, J = 32.1 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -56.9 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀F₃N₂O₃⁺, 347.0638; found, 347.0640.

(4-Bromophenyl)(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (3am)



Yellow solid, 57.8 mg, 76% yield. Mp: 137–140 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 40:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.20 (s, 1H), 8.26 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.89–7.86 (m, 1H), 7.62 (s, 4H), 7.58–7.57 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.1, 149.4, 146.4 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 144.2 (q, J = 2.4 Hz), 135.0, 132.6, 132.4, 130.4, 129.0, 126.0, 123.8, 123.4 (q, J = 272.9 Hz), 119.7 (q, J = 32.0 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₀BrF₃NO⁺, 379.9892; found, 379.9896.

4-(3-(Trifluoromethyl)quinoline-4-carbonyl)phenyl(*R*)-2-(4-isopropylphenyl)propanoate (**3an**)



Yellow oil, 72.8 mg, 72% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 30:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.23 (s, 1H), 8.29–8.28 (m, 1H), 7.91–7.88 (m, 1H), 7.62–7.58 (m, 3H), 7.43–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.28 (m, 3H), 7.17–7.15 (m, 2H), 3.97–3.94 (m,

1H), 2.50–2.49 (m, 2H), 1.92–1.86 (m, 1H), 1.63–1.61 (m, 3H), 0.94–0.93 (m, 6H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.2, 172.9, 151.6, 149.4, 146.4 (q, J = 2.1 Hz), 144.3 (q, J = 2.3 Hz), 141.2, 137.4, 136.9, 132.3, 130.1, 129.7, 129.0, 128.3, 127.7, 127.3, 126.2, 123.4 (q, J = 273.0 Hz), 121.9, 45.3, 45.2, 30.3, 22.5, 18.6, 18.5 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.0 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₅F₃NO₃⁺, 506.1938; found, 506.1937.

Naphthalen-1-yl(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (**3ao**)



Yellow oil, 51.3 mg, 73% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 20:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.47 (d, 1H, J = 8.4Hz), 9.25 (s, 1H), 8.29–8.27 (m, 1H), 8.12–8.10 (m, 1H), 7.99–7.97 (m, 1H), 7.89–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.76–7.74 (m, 1H), 7.70–7.66 (m, 1H), 7.57–7.53 (m, 1H), 7.49–7.47 (m, 1H), 7.37–7.33 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.7, 149.6 (q, J = 3.4 Hz), 146.6 (q, J = 6.3 Hz), 146.1, 136.1, 135.4, 134.2, 132.2, 132.0, 130.8, 129.9, 129.0, 128.9, 127.4, 126.5, 126.3, 125.0, 124.4, 123.6 (q, J = 273.2 Hz), 119.4 (q, J = 34.5 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.0 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₁₃F₃NO⁺, 352.0944; found, 352.0941.

Thiophen-2-yl(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)methanone (3ap)



Yellow oil, 43.0 mg, 70% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 20:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.20 (s, 1H), 8.26–8.24 (m, 1H), 7.90–7.84 (m, 2H), 7.77–7.75 (m, 1H), 7.63–7.59 (m, 1H), 7.21–7.20 (m, 1H), 7.10–7.08 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 185.7, 149.5, 146.4 (q, J = 4.0 Hz), 144.1 (q, J = 2.4 Hz), 143.6, 136.9, 136.5, 132.3, 130.1, 128.9, 127.5, 126.3, 123.8, 123.4 (q, J = 273.0 Hz), 119.5 (q, J = 31.9 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₉F₃NOS⁺, 308.0351; found, 308.0358.

(3-(Trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)(triisopropylsilyl)methanone (3aq)



Yellow oil, 32.0 mg, 42% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 40:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.01 (s, 1H), 8.21–8.20 (m, 1H), 7.86–7.84 (m, 1H), 7.68–7.66 (m, 1H), 7.62–7.60 (m, 1H), 1.04 (s, 21H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.6, 152.1, 149.5, 146.9 (q, J = 3.9 Hz), 132.1, 130.6, 128.1, 125.7, 123.8 (q, J = 273.2 Hz), 122.4, 117.0 (q, J = 32.0 Hz), 18.5, 17.8, 12.4, 11.4 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -54.8 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₇F₃NOSi⁺, 382.1809; found, 382.1819.

4-Chloro-1-(3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-4-yl)butan-1-one (**3ar**)



Yellow oil, 16.9 mg, 28% yield. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.30$ (PE:EA = 20:1); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.12 (s, 1H), 8.23–8.22 (m, 1H), 7.91–7.88 (m, 1H), 7.71–7.67 (m, 2H), 3.74–3.71 (m, 2H), 3.14–3.12 (m, 2H), 3.34–2.32 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.0, 149.6, 146.3 (q, J = 3.9 Hz), 146.1 (q, J = 2.3 Hz), 132.4, 130.5, 129.1, 125.0, 123.6 (q, J = 272.7 Hz), 122.4, 117.9 (q, J = 32.0 Hz), 43.9, 42.0, 26.0 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.1 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₁₂ClF₃NO⁺, 302.0544; found, 302.0548.

7. Characterization data for compound 4

4-Benzoyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinoline 1-oxide 4



White solid, 29.8 mg, 94% yield. Mp: 172–174 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 1:1); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.83 (d, 1H, J = 8.80 Hz), 8.78 (s, 1H), 7.91–7.87 (m, 1H), 7.81–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.64 (m, 3H), 7.52–7.48 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.0, 142.7 (q, J = 2.5 Hz), 136.3 (q, J = 1.4 Hz), 135.2, 135.0, 133.3, 132.9, 131.8, 130.7, 129.9, 129.3, 127.4, 127.2, 122.1 (q, J = 273.5 Hz), 122.0 (q, J = 34.1 Hz), 120.4 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376MHz, CDCl₃) δ -58.1 (s,

3F) ppm; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{17}H_{11}F_3NO_2^+$, 318.0736; found, 318.0741.

8. Characterization data for compound 5

4-Benzoyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)quinolin-2(1H)-one 5



White solid, 29.8 mg, 94% yield. Mp: 270–271 °C. Silica gel TLC $R_f = 0.20$ (PE:EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.77 (s, 1H), 7.91–7.89 (m, 2H), 7.67–7.66 (m, 2H), 7.56–7.51 (m, 3H), 7.32–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.20–7.17 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.0, 160.1 (q, J = 5.2 Hz), 151.1 (q, J = 4.0 Hz), 139.4, 135.5, 135.1, 133.9, 129.4, 129.3, 127.5, 124.1, 122.4 (q, J = 272.7 Hz), 117.0, 116.3 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376MHz, CDCl₃) δ -59.0 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₁F₃NO₂⁺, 318.0736; found, 318.0746.

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11. ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and ¹⁹F NMR spectra for all products 3











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3ca + 3c'a







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S30



S31



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3ra + 3r'a





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3ao


3ap





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3aq

















12. ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and ¹⁹F NMR spectra for compound 4



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13. ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and ¹⁹F NMR spectra for compound 5





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