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Visible-light-induced C – H Alkylation of Pyridine Derivatives *via* 1,2-Hydrogen Atom Transfer

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1. General Information

Unless otherwise noted, all reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. All reactions were carried out in a sealed tube with a magnetic stir bar under an argon atmosphere. Except for the specially mentioned dry solvent, all the solvents were treated according to general methods. All the reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) and were visualized using UV light. Product purification was done using silica gel column chromatography. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) characterization was performed with precoated silica gel GF254 (0.2 mm), while column chromatography characterization was performed with silica gel (100-200 mesh). ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded with tetramethylsilane (TMS, $\delta = 0.00$ ppm) as the internal standard. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 or 600 MHz (Varian) and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 100 or 150 MHz (Varian). ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded at at 376 MHz (Varian). Chemical shifts are reported in ppm downfield from $CDCl_3$ (δ =7.26 ppm) or DMSO- d_6 ($\delta = 2.50$ ppm; H₂O signal was found at $\delta = 3.34$ ppm) for ¹H NMR and chemical shifts for ¹³C NMR spectra are reported in ppm relative to the central CDCl₃ $(\delta = 77.0 \text{ ppm})$ or DMSO- d_6 ($\delta = 39.6 \text{ ppm}$). Coupling constants were given in Hz. The following notations were used: br-broad, s-singlet, d-doublet, t-triplet, q-quartet, m-multiplet, dd-doublet of doublet, dt-doublet of triplet, td-triplet of doublet. HRMS spectra were recorded a MicrOTOF-QIII (Bruker.Daltonics). Melting points were measured with YRT-3 melting point apparatus (Shantou Keyi Instrument & Equipment Co., Ltd., Shantou, China). The blue light source was provided by shanghai 3S Technology Co., Ltd SSSTECH-LAL1CV 1.0 parallel reactor. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Bruker TOF Premier by the ESI method. The volume of the reaction tube is 10 ml. Photochemical reaction was carried out under visible light irradiation by a blue LED at SSSTECH-LAL1CV 1.0 parallel reactor manufactured by Shanghai 3S Technology Co., Ltd was used in this system. The blue LED's energy peak wavelength is 451 nm, peak width at half-height is 21 nm, irradiance@12 W is 49.2 mW/cm². The reaction vessel is a borosilicate glass test tube and the distance between it and the lamp is 0.5 cm, no filter applied. (Figure S1 and S2).



Figure S1. blue LED reactors



Figure S2. The spectrum of Blue LED

2. Preparation of substrates

2.1 Starting materials







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2.2 Preparation of methyl phenyl-substituted pyridin-2-ylmethanamine derivative.^{1,2}



Pyridin-2-ylmethan-amine derivatives (**1a - 1t**) are known compounds and prepared according to the literature procedure:

A mixture of an aromatic amine (15 mmol, 1.5 equiv), 2-clormethyl-pridine hydrochlorid (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), potassium carbonate (20 mmol, 2 equiv) and sodium iodide (6 mmol, 0.6 equiv) in MeCN (60 mL) was reflux for 12h (an oil bath). The mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered by Celite. The combined organic layer was concentrated in vacuo. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel afforded the title compounds.

2.3 Preparation of hydroxamic acid derivatives^{3,4}



Hydroxamic acid derivatives (2a - 2n) are known compounds and prepared according to the literature procedure:

Step 1: To a stirring suspension of N-substituted hydroxylamine hydrochloride (11 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) and NaHCO₃ (20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) in 20 mL THF/H₂O (10:1, 0.5 M) was added acyl chloride or anhydride (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) dropwise over 20 min. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 2 h and was then diluted with H₂O. The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined, washed with saturated brine solution (100 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated in *vacuo*. The resultant solid was submitted to the next step without further purification.

Step 2: To a solution of S1 (5.5 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) in 20 mL anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (0.25 M) at 0 °C, Et_3N (7.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) was added dropwise.

4-Trifluoromethyl-benzoyl chloride (5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was then added dropwise over 5 minutes. The reaction was vigorously stirred at room temperature for 2 h. The mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO₃ and CH₂Cl₂ and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted twice with CH₂Cl₂, and the combined organic layers were washed with 1 M HCl, saturated NaHCO₃ and brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and then evaporated. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 10:1) afforded the title compounds.



Hydroxamic acid derivatives (20 - 2r) are unknown compounds and prepared according to the literature procedure with slight modifications:

Step 1: The ketone (5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and hydroxylamine hydrochloride (5.5 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) were placed in a 100 mL flask equipped with stirrer. The pH of the solution was held at 7 – 8 by adding saturated aq. sodium carbonate (10 mL). The resulting solution was stirred at 40 $^{\circ}$ C (an oil bath). After extraction with ether, the solution was dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated to provide crude products which were used in the next step without further purification.

Step 2: To a stirring solution of oxime **S2** (1.0 equiv) in MeOH (1 M) containing an altered pH strip were added solid NaBH₃CN (3.0 equiv) and aqueous HCl (2.0 M) over 15 min in such a way that the pH of the solution stayed within 2 – 3 during the duration of the addition. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir or an additional 6 h, and then was quenched with the addition of aqueous 10% NaOH (until pH = 10). MeOH was removed in vacuo. The remaining aqueous solution was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The organic layers were combined, washed with brine , dried over Na₂SO₄,

and filtered. Th filtrate was concentrated in *vacuo*. The crude residue was submitted to the next step without further purification.

Step 3: To a stirring solution of **S3** (1.1 equiv.) and NaHCO₃ (2.0 equiv.) in THF/H₂O (10:1, 0.5 M) was added acyl chloride or anhydride (1.0 equiv.) dropwise over 20 min. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 2 h and was then diluted with H₂O. The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layers were combined, washed with saturated brine solution, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated in *vacuo*. The resultant solid was submitted to the next step without further purification.

Step 4: To a solution of **S4** (1.1 equiv.) in anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (0.25 M) at 0 °C, Et₃N (1.5 equiv.) was added dropwise. 4-Trifluoromethyl-benzoyl chloride (1.0 equiv.) was then added dropwise over 5 minutes. The reaction was vigorously stirred at room temperature for 2 h. The mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO₃ and CH₂Cl₂ and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted twice with CH₂Cl₂, and the combined organic layers were washed with 1 M HCl, saturated NaHCO₃ and brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and then evaporated. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 10:1) afforded the title compounds.

3. General procedure for C–H alkylation of pyridine derivatives

via 1,2-hydrogen atom transfer



To an oven-dried 10 mL sealed tube equipped with a stir bar, was charged with N-(pyridin-2-methyl) aniline **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), hydroxamic acid derivative **2a** (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5.0 mol%), DABCO (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and DMSO (1.0 mL). The solution was then stirred at room temperature under the

irradiation of 12 W 450nm blue LEDs for 24 h using electronic fan to cool the tube. After completion of the reaction, the resulting mixture was quenched with H₂O (10 mL) and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (20 mL) and then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel afforded the desired products.

4. Optimization of reaction conditions

Table S1.	Photocatalysts	screening ^a
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H H H H H H H H H H	CF ₃ <i>Photocatalysts</i> (5 mol%) DABCO (1.5 eq) DMSO (1 mL) 12W 450nm blue LEDs rt, 24h	
Entry	Photocatalyst (5%)	Yield ^b (%)
1	Ph-PTZ	0
2	4CzTPN	32
3	4CzIPN	48
4	4DPAIPN	Trace
5	3CzCIIPN	14
6	Ru(bpy) ₃ Cl ₂	17
7	[Ir(dF(CF ₃)ppy) ₂ (dtbpy)]PF ₆	25
8	[Ir(dtbbpy)(ppy)2]PF6	Trace
9	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	Trace

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), **2a** (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), Photocatalyst (5 mol%), DABCO (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), DMSO (1 mL), RT, 12 W 450nm blue LEDs, argon, and 24 h. ^b Isolated yield.



 Table S2. Base screening^a

H H H 1a	CF ₃ 4CZIPN (5 mol%) Base (1.5 eq) DMSO (1 mL) 12W 450nm blue LEI rt, 24h 2a	$\rightarrow \qquad \qquad$
Entry	Base	Yield ^b (%)
1	DABCO	48
2	DIPEA	Trace
3	Na ₂ CO ₃	Trace
4	K_2CO_3	0
5	Cs_2CO_3	0
6	Et ₃ N	27
7	DBU	12
7	DMAP	6
8	NaOAc	0
9	K ₃ PO ₄	0

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), **2a** (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5 mol%), base (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), DMSO (1 mL), RT, 12 W 450nm blue LEDs, argon, and 24 h. ^b Isolated yield.

Table S3	. Solvents	screening ^a
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H H H H	CF ₃ CF ₃ CF ₃ CF ₃ CCF ₃ CCF ₃ CCF ₃ CCF ₃ CCF ₃ CO CDABCO Solvent: 12W 450nm rt, 2	$(5 \text{ mol}\%)$ (1.5 eq) \mathbf{s} (1 mL) h blue LEDs 24h O H N N N N N O N O
1a	2a	3a 🦷
Entry	Solvents	Yield ^b (%)
1	DMSO	48
2	DMF	Trace
3	DMAc	0
4	DCE	Trace
5	DCM	0
6	EA	0
7	MeCN	0

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), **2a** (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5 mol%), DABCO (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), Solvent (1 mL), RT, 12 W 450nm blue LEDs, argon, and 24 h. ^b Isolated yield.

Table S4. screening the amount of base^a

H H H H	CF ₃ 4CZIPN (5 mol%) Base (x eq) DMSO (1 mL) 12W 450nm blue LEI rt, 24h	Ds H NH
1a	2a	3a 🦷
Entry	Base (x equiv.)	Yield ^b (%)
1	1.5 equiv. DABCO	48
2	2 equiv. DABCO	80
3	2.5 equiv. DABCO	Trace
4	2 equiv. Et ₃ N	52
5	2 equiv. DBU	47
6	2 equiv. DMAP	14

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), **2a** (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5 mol%), base (x equiv.), DMSO (1 mL), RT, 12 W 450nm blue LEDs, argon, and 24 h. ^b Isolated yield.

H H H H H H H H H H	CF ₃ CF ₃ 4CZIPN (5 mol%) DABCO (2.0 eq) DMSO (1 mL) Light sources rt, 24h 2a	→ H NH O 3a
Entry	Light sources	Yield ^b (%)
1	6w 7500 k white LEDs	0
2	6w 390 nm purple LEDs	<10
3	6w 425 nm purple LEDs	31
4	6w 450 nm blue LEDs	45
5	6w 525 nm green LEDs	0
6	12w 7500 k white LEDs	0
7	12w 390 nm purple LEDs	12
8	12w 425 nm purple LEDs	58
9	12w 450 nm blue LEDs	80
10	12w 525 nm green LEDs	0
11	40w 390nm purple Kessil Lamps	<10
12	40w 425nm purple Kessil Lamps	40
13	40w 450nm blue Kessil Lamps	57
14	40w 525nm blue Kessil Lamps	0

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), **2a** (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5 mol%), DABCO (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), Solvent (1 mL), RT, light source, argon, and 24 h. ^b Isolated yield.

H H H H H	O N O O O O O CF ₃ 4CZIPN (DABCO DMSO 12W 450nm rt, 2	(5 mol%) $(2.0 eq)$ $(1 mL)$ $h blue LEDs$ $(24h)$
1a	2a, <i>x</i> equiv.	3a
Entry	2a (x equiv.)	Yield ^b (%)
1	1	50
2	1.5	80
3	2	Trace

Table S6. screening the loading of 2a^a

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), **2a** (x equiv.), 4CzIPN (5 mol%), DABCO (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), DMSO (1 mL), RT, 12 W 450nm blue LEDs, argon, and 24 h. ^b Isolated yield.

Table S7. Solvents scree	ning ^a
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H H H H H H H H H H	CF ₃ 4CZIPN (5 mol%) DABCO (2.0 eq) Solvents (1 mL) 12W 450nm blue LEDs rt, 24h	
Entry	Solvents	Yield ^b (%)
1	DMSO	80
2	DMF	65
3	DMAc	0
4	THF	54
5	NMP	0
6	MeCN	0
7	EA	0
8	DCE	15
9	DCM	0
10	CHCl ₃	0

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), **2a** (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5 mol%), DABCO (0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), Solvent (1 mL), RT, 12 W 450nm blue LEDs, argon, and 24 h. ^b Isolated yield.

H H H H	CF3	4CZIPN (5 mol%) DABCO (2.0 eq) DMSO (<i>x</i> mL) 12W 450nm blue LEDs rt, 24h	
1a	2a		3a 💙
Entry	DMSO (x mL)		Yield ^b (%)
1	0.5		41
2	1.0		80
3	1.5		68

Table S8. Reaction concentration screening^a

Table S9. Control experiments under the standard conditions^a

H H H H	CF ₃	4CzIPN (5 mol%) DABCO (2.0 eq) DMSO (1 mL) 12W 450nm blue LEDs rt, 24h			
1a	2a		3a 🥄		
Entry	Changes from the standard		Yield ^b (%)		
conditions					
1	standard conditions		80		
2	in the dark		0		
3	without photocatalyst		40		
4	without base		0		

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), **2a** (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5 mol%), DABCO (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), DMSO (1 mL), RT, 12 W 450nm blue LEDs, argon, and 24 h. ^b Isolated yield.

5. Application Potential of this Protocol

5.1 2 mmol-scale reaction



A 25 mL Schlenk tube with a magnetic stirring bar was charged with N-(pyridin-2-methyl) aniline **1a** (2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), hydroxamic acid derivative **2a** (3 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5.0 mol%), DABCO (4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and DMSO (15 mL). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon (three times). The solution was then stirred at room temperature under the irradiation of 12 W 450nm blue LEDs for 48 h using electronic fan to cool the tube. After completion of reaction, the resulting mixture was quenched with H₂O (40 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 40 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (40 mL) and then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel afforded the *desired product* (431.6 mg, 68%).

5.2 Gram-scale reaction



A 100 mL Schlenk tube with a magnetic stirring bar was charged with N-(pyridin-2-methyl) aniline **1a** (5.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), hydroxamic acid derivative **2a** (8.2 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5.0 mol%), DABCO (10.8 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and DMSO (25 mL). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon (three times). The solution was then stirred at room temperature under the irradiation of 12 W 450nm blue LEDs for 48 h using electronic fan to cool the tube. After completion of reaction, the resulting mixture was quenched with H₂O (150 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 150 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (150 mL) and then

dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel afforded the *desired product* 982.4 mg, 57%).

5.3 Benzocaine as starting materials



To an oven-dried 10 mL sealed tube equipped with a stir bar, was charged with **1u** (25.6 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), hydroxamic acid derivative **2a** (48.5 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (2.4 mg, 5.0 mol%), DABCO (22.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon (three times), then sealed with rubber stopper and parafilm. Then, anhydrous DMSO (1 mL, 0.1 M) was added using a syringe. The solution was then stirred at room temperature under the irradiation of 12 W 450nm blue LEDs for 24 h using electronic fan to cool the tube. After completion of the reaction, the resulting mixture was quenched with H₂O (10 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (20 mL) and then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel afforded the desired product **3al** in 72% yield.

5.4 Suzuki coupling of 3h



To an oven-dried 15 ml pressure tube equipped with a stir bar, was charged with **3h** (0.05 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), phenylboronic acid (0.09 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), Na₂CO₃ (3.0 equiv.) and Pd (PPh₃)Cl₂ (3 mol %) were added. The tube was evacuated and filled with nitrogen (three times), then 5:1:5 solution of Toluene: EtOH: H₂O (1 ml) were added. The tube was put into a heating jacket and stirred at 110°C for 12h. The

reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a celite. The celite was washed with EtOAc, the combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel afforded the desired product **3an** in 31% yield.

5.5 Reduction of 3a



A mixture of 3a (0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), LiAlH₄ (1.0M in THF, 0.45mmol, 3.0 equiv), in THF (1mL) was reflux for 12h (an oil bath). The mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered by Celite. The combined organic layer was concentrated in vacuo. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel afforded the desired product 4a in 86% yield.

6. Mechanistic Experiments

6.1 Radical trapping experiments



To an oven-dried 10 mL sealed tube equipped with a stir bar, was charged with N-(pyridin-2-methyl) aniline **1a** (18.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), hydroxamic acid derivative **2a** (48.5 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (2.4 mg, 5.0 mol%), DABCO (22.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and TEMPO (46.9 mg, 0.3 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon (three times), then sealed with rubber stopper and parafilm. Then, anhydrous DMSO (1 mL, 0.1 M) was added using a syringe. The solution was then stirred at room temperature under the irradiation of 12 W 450nm blue LEDs for 24 h using electronic fan to cool the tube. After 24 h, no

desired product **3a** was formed by TLC analysis. And the radical adducts with TEMPO **4a** and **4b** were indentified by HRMS analysis.



5a HRMS m/z (ESI) calcd for $C_{17}H_{26}N_2O_2$ [M + H]⁺ 291.2067, found 291.2047.



5b HRMS m/z (ESI) calcd for $C_{21}H_{29}N_3O_2$ [M + H]⁺ 340.2384, found 340.2382.



To an oven-dried 10 mL sealed tube equipped with a stir bar, was charged with N-(pyridin-2-methyl) aniline **1a** (18.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), hydroxamic acid derivative **2a** (48.5 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (2.4 mg, 5.0 mol%), DABCO (22.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and BHT (66.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 3.0 equiv.). The tube was evacuated and back-filled with argon (three times), then sealed with rubber stopper and parafilm. Then, anhydrous DMSO (1 mL, 0.1 M) was added using a syringe. The solution was then stirred at room temperature under the irradiation of 12 W 450nm blue LEDs for 24 h using electronic fan to cool the tube. After 24 h, the reaction was inhibited as judged by TLC analysis. And the radical adducts with BHT **5a** and **5b** were indentified by HRMS analysis.



6a HRMS m/z (ESI) calcd for C₂₃H₃₁NO₂ [M + H]⁺ 354.2428, found 354.2425.



6b HRMS m/z (ESI) calcd for $C_{27}H_{34}N_2O [M + H]^+ 403.2744$, found 403.2745.

6.2 Stern-Volmer quenching experiments

All fluorescence measurements were recorded by a SHIMADZU RF-5301PC spectrophotometer. First, the emission intensity of 4CzIPN solutions was observed at 552 nm. The solutions were irradiated at 369 nm (Maximum absorption wavelength of 4CzIPN) and fluorescence was measured from 400 nm to 750 nm. Stern-Volmer fluorescence quenching experiments were run with freshly prepared solutions of 10^{-5} M 4CzIPN and varying concentrations of quencher **1a** or **2a** in DMSO at room temperature. In a typical experiment, appropriate amount of quencher was added to the measured solution in a quartz cuvette and the emission spectrum of the sample was collected. I₀ and I represent the intensities of the emission in the absence and presence of the quencher at 369 nm.

Stern-Volmer quenching with 1a



Figure S3. The emission quenching spectrum of 4CzIPN by various concentrations of

quencher 1a



Figure S4. The emission quenching spectrum of 4CzIPN by various concentrations of

quencher 2a



Figure S5. Stern-Volmer plots of 4CzIPN with two quenchers

The results indicated a faster quenching rate of 4CzIPN* by 1a than by 2a.

6.3 Cyclic voltammetry measurements

Cyclic voltammograms were taken on a CHI660E electrochemical workstation in MeCN at room temperaturee ($25\pm2^{\circ}$ C) using a glass carbon working electrode, saturated calomel electrode (SCE) as reference electrode, Pt wire as the auxiliary electrode, and 10 mM ⁿBu₄PF₆ as supporting electrolyte.



Figure S6. Cyclic voltammogram of 1a in MeCN Scan direction: from -2.0 V to 2.0

V, then back to -2.0 V



Figure S7. Cyclic voltammogram of 2a in MeCN Scan direction: from -2.0 V to 2.0

V, then back to -2.0 V

6.4 Light On-Off experiment

A 25 mL Schlenk tube with a magnetic stirring bar was charged with N-(pyridin-2-methyl) aniline **1a** (2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), hydroxamic acid derivative **2a** (3 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5.0 mol%), DABCO (4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and DMSO

(15 mL). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon (three times). The solution was then stirred at room temperature under the irradiation of 12 W 450nm blue LEDs. After being irradiated for 4 h, a sample (300 μ L) of the reaction mixture was pipetted into a nuclear magnetic tube that already contained of CDCl₃ (300 μ L) of 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (0.0083 M). The yield of desired product **3a** was determined by ¹H NMR. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h with light off. All of the following yields were analyzed using the same procedure after a 4-hour light on or off.



Figure S8. Time profile of the transformation with the light On-Off over time

6.5 UV-vis absorption spectra

The UV-vis absorption spectra of *N*-(pyridin-2-methyl) aniline **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), hydroxamic acid derivative **2a** (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv), DABCO (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in DMSO were recored in 1 cm path quartz cuvettes by using a GENESYS UV-Visible spectrophotometer (thermo scientific).



Figure S9. UV-vis absorption spectra

6.6 Electron Paramagnetic Resonance (EPR) Experiment

(1) Settings: EPR spectra were recorded on a Bruker EMXplus X-band spectrometer.
 EPR spectra was recorded at room temperature on EPR spectrometer operated at 9.86
 GHz. Typical spectrometer parameters are shown as follows, Center field set: 3510.00
 G; Sweep width: 100.0G; Modulation frequency: 100.00 kHz; Modulation Amplitude:
 0.50 G; Conver Time :7.50 ms; Sweep Time: 15.00 s; microwave power: 2.00 mW.
 (2) Reaction procedure: To an oven-dried 10 mL sealed tube equipped with a stir bar, was charged with *N*-(pyridin-2-methyl) aniline **1a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), hydroxamic acid derivative **2a** (0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (5.0 mol%), DABCO (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and DMSO (1.0 mL). The solution was then stirred at room temperature under the irradiation of 12 W 450nm blue LEDs for 10 min using electronic fan to cool the tube.



Figure S10. EPR spectrum of the PBN-trapped carbon-centered radical

6.7 Site-selectivity Experiment



To an oven-dried 10 mL sealed tube equipped with a stir bar, was charged with *N*-(pyridin-2-methyl) aniline **1a** (18.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), hydroxamic acid derivative **2r** (58.1 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (2.4 mg, 5.0 mol%), DABCO (22.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and TEMPO (46.9 mg, 0.3 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon (three times), then sealed with rubber stopper and parafilm. Then, anhydrous DMSO (1 mL, 0.1 M) was added using a syringe. The solution was then stirred at room temperature under the irradiation of 12 W 450nm blue LEDs for 24 h using electronic fan to cool the tube. After completion of reaction, the resulting mixture was quenched with H₂O (10 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (10 mL) and then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel afforded the *desired product* **3am** (21.7 mg, 56%). No **3am'** or **3am'** was detected.

6.8 Using (E)-*N*-phenyl-1-(pyridin-2-yl)methanimine and hydroxamic acid derivative 2a reaction under the standard conditions



(E)-*N*-phenyl-1-(pyridin-2-yl)methanimine was prepared according to the literature procedure.⁵

To an oven-dried 10 mL sealed tube equipped with a stir bar, was charged with (E)-*N*-phenyl-1-(pyridin-2-yl)methanimine **1a'** (18.2 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), hydroxamic acid derivative **2a** (48.5 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), 4CzIPN (2.4 mg, 5.0 mol%), DABCO (22.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and TEMPO (46.9 mg, 0.3 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon (three times), then sealed with rubber stopper and parafilm. Then, anhydrous DMSO (1 mL, 0.1 M) was added using a syringe. The solution was then stirred at room temperature under the irradiation of 12 W 450nm blue LEDs for 24 h using electronic fan to cool the tube. After 24 h, no *desired product* **3a** was formed by TLC analysis.

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8. Characterization of all products



N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1a)

Rf = 0.28 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.59 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.22 - 7.16 (m, 3H), 6.72 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 4.47 (s, 2H).



4-methyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1b)

Rf = 0.33 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.59 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (dt, *J* = 7.9, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (dd, *J* = 11.6, 3.7 Hz, 2H), 4.46 (s, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H).



4-methoxy-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1c)

Rf = 0.35 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.58 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.67 – 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 6.80 – 6.76 (m, 2H), 6.66 – 6.62 (m, 2H), 4.42 (s, 2H), 4.36 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H).



4-isopropyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1d)

Rf = 0.31 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). **1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d)** δ 8.53 (s, 1H), 8.42 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd, J = 7.8, 4.9

Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.49 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.24 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 1H), 2.72 (p, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.11 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H).



4-(*tert*-butyl)-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1e)

Rf = 0.38 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.55 (s, 1H), 8.44 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.51 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 4.26 (s, 2H), 3.74 (s, 1H), 1.19 (s, 9H).



4-fluoro-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1f)

Rf = 0.21 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.53 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 8.44 (dd, J = 4.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (dt, J = 7.8, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, J = 8.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 6.83 – 6.76 (m, 2H), 6.50 – 6.43 (m, 2H), 4.23 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 1H).



4-chloro-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1g)

Rf = 0.25 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.58 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, J = 6.4, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.61 – 6.57 (m, 2H), 4.64 (s, 1H), 4.43 (s, 2H).



4-bromo-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1h)

Rf = 0.25 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.59 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 - 7.19 (m, 3H), 6.57 - 6.52 (m, 2H), 4.65 (s, 1H), 4.43 (s, 2H).



N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)aniline (1i)

Rf = 0.16 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.59 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (dd, J = 8.1, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 5.25 (s, 1H), 4.48 (s, 2H).



3-methyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1j)

Rf = 0.31 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.54 (s, 1H), 8.44 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (dt, *J* = 7.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (dd, *J* = 11.5, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 4.27 (s, 2H), 3.65 (d, *J* = 63.8 Hz, 1H), 2.19 (s, 3H).



3-chloro-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1k)

Rf = 0.23 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.58 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H),

7.22 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.69 – 6.64 (m, 2H), 6.54 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 4.42 (s, 2H).



2-methyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (11)

Rf = 0.37 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.62 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.22 - 7.18 (m, 1H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 6.71 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (s, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H).



2-chloro-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1m)

Rf = 0.21 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.51 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.10 (dd, J = 7.2, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.03 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.58 – 6.48 (m, 2H), 5.26 (s, 1H), 4.44 (s, 2H).



N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)naphthalen-1-amine (1n)

Rf = 0.32 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.63 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 8.01 – 7.97 (m, 1H), 7.82 – 7.77 (m, 1H), 7.64 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (s, 2H).



N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)naphthalen-2-amine (10)

Rf = 0.30 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.61 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.34 (td, *J* = 8.3, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.21 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.00 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (s, 1H), 4.56 (s, 2H).



N-(pyridin-3-ylmethyl)aniline (1p)

Rf = 0.28 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.63 (s, 1H), 8.52 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.36 (s, 2H), 4.09 (s, 1H).



N-(pyridin-4-ylmethyl)aniline (1q)

Rf = 0.25 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.57 – 8.53 (m, 2H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 7.20 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 6.77 – 6.71 (m, 1H), 6.61 – 6.55 (m, 2H), 4.38 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 2H), 4.23 (s, 1H).



N-(pyrazin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1r)

Rf = 0.42 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.65 (s, 1H), 8.56 – 8.54 (m, 1H), 8.48 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 6.78 – 6.73 (m, 1H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.73 (s, 1H), 4.51 (s, 2H).



N-(pyrimidin-2-ylmethyl)aniline (1s)

Rf = 0.35 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.74 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 3H), 5.09 (s, 1H), 4.58 (s, 2H).



ethyl 4-((pyridin-2-ylmethyl)amino)benzoate (1t)

Yellow oil, Rf = 0.45 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:2). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.61 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 8.53 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.89 – 7.84 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 6.59 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.70 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 4.30 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).



N-isopropyl-*N*-((4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl)oxy)benzamide (2o) Yellow oil, Rf = 0.40 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.66 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 4.66 (p, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 1.32 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 6H). ¹³C{¹H}NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.8, 163.4, 135.3 (q, *J* = 98 Hz), 134.1, 131.0, 130.3, 129.1 (q, *J* = 271 Hz), 128.5, 127.5, 125.7 (q, *J* = 11 Hz), 123.0 (q, *J* = 727 Hz), 53.0, 19.7. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -63.34. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₆F₃NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 352.1155, found 352.1156.



N-ethyl-*N*-((4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl)oxy)benzamide (2p)

Yellow oil, Rf = 0.44 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.63 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 3.92 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C{¹H}NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.3, 162.3, 134.4 (q, *J* = 98 Hz), 132.6, 130.1, 129.4 (q, *J* = 4 Hz), 129.3, 127.4, 126.6, 124.7 (q, *J* = 8 Hz), 122.4 (q, *J* = 814 Hz), 44.7, 11.4. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -63.35. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₁₇H₁₄F₃NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 338.0999, found 338.0993.



N-isobutyl-N-((4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl)oxy)benzamide (2q) Yellow oil, Rf = 0.41 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.63 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 3.71 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.10 (dt, *J* = 13.7, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.02 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 6H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 170.5, 163.2, 135.5 (q, *J* = 98 Hz), 133.7, 130.9, 130.3 (q, *J* = 3 Hz), 130.3, 129.4 (q, *J* = 253 Hz), 128.3, 127.8, 125.7 (q, *J* = 11 Hz), 123.3 (q, *J* = 814 Hz), 57.4, 27.0, 20.0. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -63.34. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₁₇H₁₄F₃NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 366.1312, found 366.1314.



N-hexyl-N-((4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl)oxy)benzamide (2r)

Yellow oil, Rf =0.62 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.08 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, J = 6.6

Hz, 2H), 7.39 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 7.3 Hz, 3H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.73 (p, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.39 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.29 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 4H), 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 170.3, 163.3, 134.8 (q, *J* = 230 Hz), 133.7, 131.0, 130.9 (q, *J* = 477 Hz),130.3, 128.5, 128.3, 127.7, 125.7 (q, *J* = 11 Hz), 123.4 (q, *J* = 813 Hz), 50.6, 31.4, 27.2, 26.3, 22.5, 14.0.¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -63.35. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₂F₃NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 394.1625, found 394.1623



N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3a)

Yellow solid (80%, 25.4mg), Rf = 0.35 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 159 - 160 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.57 (s, 1H), 8.42 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.78 – 7.72 (m, 3H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.09 – 7.04 (m, 2H), 6.65 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 4.62 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.5, 148.8, 148.5, 146.9, 137.1, 134.8, 133.9, 132.0, 129.3, 128.7, 127.2, 124.0, 117.8, 113.4, 57.8, 46.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O₂ [M + H]⁺: 318.1601, found 318.1610.



N-(2-(pyridin-2-yl)-2-(p-tolylamino)ethyl)benzamide (3b)

Yellow oil (66%, 21.8mg), Rf = 0.37 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.22 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.76 – 4.72 (m, 1H), 3.97 – 3.86 (m, 2H), 2.19 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.5, 160.3, 149.1, 144.8, 137.4, 134.2, 131.6, 129.8, 128.7, 128.6, 127.0, 122.8, 122.1, 113.8, 60.2, 45.1, 20.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O [M + H]⁺: 332.1758, found 332.1759.


N-(2-((4-methoxyphenyl)amino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3c)

Yellow oil (60%, 20.8mg), Rf = 0.33 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.61 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 6.89 (t, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 6.73 – 6.69 (m, 2H), 6.62 – 6.58 (m, 2H), 4.70 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.4, 160.2, 152.5, 149.1, 141.1, 137.3, 134.2, 131.6, 128.6, 127.0, 122.8, 122.2, 115.1, 114.9, 60.7, 55.7, 45.1. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O₂ [M + H]⁺: 348.1707, found 348.1706.



N-(2-((4-isopropylphenyl)amino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3d)

Yellow solid (61%, 21.6mg), Rf = 0.37 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 143 - 144 °C. ¹**H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-***d***)** δ 8.52 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.20 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.66 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (dq, *J* = 14.3, 8.5, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.68 (p, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.09 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 6H). ¹³C{¹H} **NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-***d***)** δ 168.6, 160.5, 149.3, 145.3, 138.5, 137.3, 134.3, 131.7, 128.7, 127.2, 127.09, 122.8, 122.1, 113.7, 60.3, 45.3, 33.2, 24.3. **HRMS (ESI-TOF)** m/z: calculated for C₂₃H₂₅N₃O [M + H]⁺: 360.2071, found 360.2075.



N-(2-((4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)amino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3e)

Yellow solid (47%, 17.6mg), Rf = 0.38 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 115 - 116 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.53 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.67 – 7.58 (m, 3H), 7.41 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 4.9 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 4.69 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.99 – 3.85 (m, 2H), 1.16 (s, 9H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.6, 160.5, 149.2, 144.9, 140.8, 137.5, 134.3, 131.8, 128.7, 127.1, 126.2, 122.8, 122.2, 113.4, 60.3, 45.3, 34.0, 31.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₄H₂₇N₃O [M + H]⁺: 374.2227, found 374.2233.



N-(2-((4-fluorophenyl)amino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3f) Brown solid (84%, 28.2mg), Rf = 0.18 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 121 - 122 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.59 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td, J = 6.1, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.21 (dd, J = 6.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.58 – 6.51 (m, 2H), 4.70 (dd, J = 7.1, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.98 – 3.84 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.8, 160.2, 156.1 (d, J = 234 Hz), 149.4, 143.61 (d, J = 2 Hz), 137.5, 134.2, 131.9, 128.8, 127.1, 123.0, 122.2, 115.8 (d, J = 23 Hz), 114.5 (d, J = 7 Hz), 60.7, 45.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -127.58 (dt, J = 8.7, 4.3 Hz). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈FN₃O [M + H]⁺: 336.1507, found 336.1501.



N-(2-((4-chlorophenyl)amino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3g)

Yellow solid (70%, 24.6mg), Rf = 0.22 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 156 - 157 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (dd, J = 4.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.23 (dd, J = 7.6, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.09 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 6.80 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.59 – 6.48 (m, 2H), 4.72 (dd, J = 7.2, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.00 – 3.83 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.9, 159.9, 149.5, 145.9, 137.4, 134.1, 131.9, 129.2, 128.8, 127.1, 123.0, 122.4, 122.0, 114.7, 60.4, 45.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈ClN₃O [M + H]⁺: 352.1211, found 352.1208.



N-(2-((4-bromophenyl)amino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3h)

Yellow solid (67%, 26.6mg), Rf = 0.19 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 142 - 143 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.73 - 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.67 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 - 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.44 - 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.25 - 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.19 - 7.14 (m, 2H), 6.80 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.51 - 6.46 (m, 2H), 4.73 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.00 - 3.83 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.0, 159.8, 149.5, 146.3, 137.5, 134.1, 132.1, 131.9, 128.8, 127.1, 123.0, 122.0, 115.2, 109.5, 60.3, 45.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈BrN₃O [M + H]⁺: 396.0706, found 396.0704.



N-(2-(pyridin-2-yl)-2-((4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)amino)ethyl)benzamide (3i) Yellow solid (44%, 16.9mg), Rf = 0.15 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 173 - 174 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.61 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.73 – 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.66 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.32 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (dd, J = 7.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.96 (s, 1H), 4.81 (dd, J = 7.3, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (dt, J = 13.8, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.90 – 3.83 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.2, 159.5, 149.8, 149.6, 137.5, 134.0, 132.0, 128.8, 127.1, 126.7 (q, J = 11 Hz), 124.7 (q, J = 270 Hz), 123.1, 121.9, 119.2 (q, J = 97 Hz), 112.7, 60.1, 45.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -61.04. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₁₈F₃N₃O [M + H]⁺: 386.1475, found 386.1466.



N-(2-(pyridin-2-yl)-2-(m-tolylamino)ethyl)benzamidec (3j)

Yellow solid (78%, 25.9mg), Rf = 0.36 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 120 - 121 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.74 - 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.65 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51 - 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (ddd, *J* = 7.6, 4.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.52 - 6.47 (m, 2H), 6.42 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.96 - 3.87 (m, 2H), 2.21 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.7, 160.4, 149.4, 147.3, 139.2, 137.2, 134.3, 131.7, 129.2, 128.7, 127.1, 122.8, 122.0, 118.8, 114.5, 110.6, 60.0, 45.3, 21.7. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O [M + H]⁺: 332.1758, found 332.1750.



N-(2-((3-chlorophenyl)amino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3k)

Yellow solid (89%, 31.3mg), Rf = 0.21 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 138 - 139 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.59 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.22 (ddd, *J* = 7.6, 4.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (t, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.99 – 3.85 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.0, 159.7, 149.5, 148.5, 137.5, 135.1, 134.1, 131.9, 130.3, 128.8, 127.1, 123.0, 122.0, 117.6, 113.3, 111.7, 60.1, 45.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈ClN₃O [M + H]⁺: 352.1211, found 352.1213.



N-(2-(pyridin-2-yl)-2-(o-tolylamino)ethyl)benzamide (31)

Yellow solid (67%, 22.2mg), Rf = 0.41 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 131 - 132 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.61 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 7.75 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.64 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.42 (q, *J* = 7.8, 7.1 Hz, 3H), 7.20 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 4.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.00 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.82 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (s, 1H), 4.79 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 4.11 – 4.03 (m, 1H), 3.90 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.1, 160.6, 149.5, 145.4, 137.2, 134.2, 131.8, 130.3, 128.7, 127.1, 127.0, 122.8, 122.7, 121.7, 117.3, 110.6, 60.8, 45.3, 17.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O [M + H]⁺: 332.1758, found 332.1767.



N-(2-((2-chlorophenyl)amino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3m)

Yellow solid (84%, 29.6mg), Rf = 0.17 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 112 - 113 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.63 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 7.02 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 5.6 Hz, 2H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 4.85 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (dt, *J* = 13.5, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.93 – 3.86 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.6, 159.7, 149.6, 143.1, 137.4, 134.3, 131.7, 129.4, 128.7, 127.8, 127.1, 123.0, 121.9, 119.8, 117.9, 112.3, 59.2, 44.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈ClN₃O [M + H]⁺: 352.1211, found 352.1207.



N-(2-(naphthalen-1-ylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3n)

Yellow solid (46%, 16.9mg), Rf = 0.15 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1), m.p. 88 - 89 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.63 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.78 – 7.72 (m, 3H), 7.60 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.22 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 6.89 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 6.31 (dd, *J* = 5.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 4.23 – 4.14 (m, 1H), 4.04 – 3.98 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.6, 160.2, 149.4, 142.6, 137.2, 134.3, 134.0, 131.8, 128.6, 128.5, 127.1, 126.4, 125.8, 125.0, 123.5, 122.7, 121.6, 120.8, 117.3, 105.0, 61.0, 45.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₄H₂₁N₃O [M + H]⁺: 368.1758, found 368.1755.



N-(2-(naphthalen-2-ylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (30)

Brown solid (55%, 20.2mg), Rf = 0.17 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1), m.p. 123 - 124 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.64 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.07 – 3.97 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.9, 160.0, 149.2, 144.8, 137.7, 135.0, 134.2, 131.9, 129.2, 128.8, 127.7, 127.7, 127.1, 126.4, 126.1, 123.0, 122.3, 122.2, 118.4, 105.6, 60.09, 45.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈ClN₃O [M + H]⁺: 368.1758, found 368.1751.



N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-3-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3p)

Brown solid (56%, 17.8mg), Rf = 0.21 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 146 - 147 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.59 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.38 (m, 4H), 7.23 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.78 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.00 – 3.86 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.8, 160.3, 149.4, 147.3, 137.3, 134.2, 131.8, 129.4, 128.7, 127.1, 122.8, 122.1, 117.8, 113.6, 60.1, 45.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₉N₃O [M + H]⁺: 318.1601, found 318.1602.



N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-4-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3q)

Yellow solid (48%, 15.2mg), Rf = 0.28 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 100 - 101 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.47 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 7.78 – 7.73 (m, 2H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 7.10 – 7.04 (m, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 4.58 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.95 – 3.88 (m, 1H), 3.80 – 3.72 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.5, 151.2, 145.0, 146.8, 133.8, 132.1, 129.3, 128.8, 127.2, 122.2, 118.0, 113.4, 59.4, 46.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₉N₃O [M + H]⁺: 318.1601, found 318.1598.



N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyrazin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3r)

Yellow solid (42%, 13.4mg), Rf = 0.11 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1), m.p. 173 - 174 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.71 (s, 1H), 8.55 (s, 1H), 8.50 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (q, *J* = 7.3, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.85 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.00 – 3.86 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.9, 155.7, 146.8, 144.3, 144.2, 144.1, 134.0, 132.0, 129.5, 128.8, 127.1, 118.5, 113.8, 58.3, 44.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₁₉H₁₈N₄O [M + H]⁺: 319.1554, found 319.1559.



N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyrimidin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3s)

White solid (52%, 16.6mg), Rf = 0.12 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1), m.p. 113 - 114 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.72 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.22 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.73 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.96 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.11 – 4.04 (m, 1H), 3.93 – 3.87 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.0, 167.9, 157.3, 146.9, 134.5, 131.6, 129.5, 128.6, 127.1, 120.0, 118.4, 114,0, 59.1, 43.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₁₉H₁₈N₄O [M + H]⁺: 319.1554, found 319.1553.



N-(2-(isoquinolin-3-yl)-2-(phenylamino)ethyl)benzamide (3t)

White solid (51%, 17.3mg), Rf=0.22 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1), m.p. 131 - 132 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.16 – 8.09 (m, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (ddd, *J* = 14.2, 7.0, 1.5 Hz, 3H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 5.4 Hz, 3H), 4.97 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (dt, *J* = 13.4, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.03 – 3.95 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 167.6, 160.0, 146.5, 146.2, 136.4, 133.1, 130.6, 128.9, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 126.8, 126.6, 125.9, 125.5, 118.6, 116.8, 112.5, 59.3, 43.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₄H₂₁N₃O [M + H]⁺: 368.1758, found 368.1755.



4-Methyl-*N*-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3u)

Yellow solid (75%, 24.8mg), Rf = 0.33 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 136 - 137 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (m, 3H), 7.45 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (m, 3H), 4.77 (dd, J = 7.3, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.99 – 3.84 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.7, 160.4, 149.4, 147.3, 142.3, 137.3, 131.4, 129.4, 129.4, 127.1, 122.8, 122.1, 117.8, 113.6, 60.2, 45.2, 21.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O [M + H]⁺: 332.1758, found 332.1753.



4-Methoxy-*N*-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3v)

White solid (84%, 29.2mg), Rf = 0.35 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 183 - 184 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 4.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.77 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.76 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.99 – 3.85 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.3, 162.4, 160.4, 149.3, 147.3, 137.3, 129.3, 128.9, 126.5, 122.8, 122.1, 117.8, 113.9, 113.6, 60.3, 55.5, 45.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O₂ [M + H]⁺: 348.1707, found 348.1704.



4-Fluoro-*N*-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3w)

Yellow oil (64%, 21.5mg), Rf = 0.21 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.68 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 4.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.16 – 7.04 (m, 4H), 6.85 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 4.79 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.98 – 3.87 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 167.6, 165.0 (d, *J* = 281 Hz) 160.2, 149.2, 147.2, 137.6, 130.4 (d, *J* = 3 Hz), 129.5 (d, *J* = 9 Hz), 123.0, 122.2, 118.1, 115.8 (d, *J* = 21 Hz), 113.7, 59.8, 45.3. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -107.92. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈FN₃O [M + H]⁺: 336.1507, found 336.1515.



4-Chloro-*N*-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3x)

Yellow oil (70%, 24.6mg), Rf = 0.24 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.59 (dd, J = 4.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (t, J = 9.1 Hz, 3H), 7.45 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 7.15 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 6.93 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.79 (dd, J = 7.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.95 – 3.87 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 167.6, 160.1, 149.2, 147.2, 138.0, 137.6, 132.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.6, 123.0, 122.2, 118.1, 113.7, 59.7, 45.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈ClN₃O [M + H]⁺: 352.1211, found 352.1216.



4-Bromo-N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3y)

Yellow solid (65%, 25.8mg), Rf = 0.32 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 107 - 108 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.59 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 7.3 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 4.78 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.96 – 3.86 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 167.6, 160.1, 149.3, 147.1, 137.6, 133.1, 132.0, 129.5, 128.7, 126.5, 123.0, 122.2, 118.1, 113.7, 59.6, 45.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈BrN₃O [M + H]⁺: 396.0706, found 396.0705.



N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (3z) Yellow oil (52%, 20.0mg), Rf = 0.18 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.71 - 7.64 (m, 3H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.16 - 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.80 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (td, *J* = 6.0, 3.3 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 167.3, 160.0, 149.5, 147.1, 137.6, 137.4, 133.5 (d, *J* = 77 Hz) 129.5, 128.0, 127.6, 125.8 (q, *J* = 11 Hz), 123.8 (q, *J* = 272 Hz), 123.0, 122.2, 118.2, 113.7, 59.5, 45.3. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -62.97. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₁₈F₃N₃O [M + H]⁺: 386.1475, found 386.1476.



3-Methoxy-N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3aa)

Yellow oil (80%, 27.8mg), Rf = 0.39 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.52 (dd, J = 5.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (td, J = 7.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 7.06 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 6.94 (dd, J = 8.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.71 (dd, J = 7.1, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.91 – 3.78 (m, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.6, 160.2, 159.9, 149.3, 147.2, 137.4, 135.7, 129.7, 129.4, 122.9, 122.2, 118.9, 118.0, 117.9, 113.6, 112.4, 59.9, 55.6, 45.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O₂ [M + H]⁺: 348.1707, found 348.1708.



3-Fluoro-*N*-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3ab)

White solid (58%, 19.5mg), Rf = 0.25 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 142 -143 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.37 (td, *J* = 8.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.79 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.98 – 3.87 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 167.3 (d, *J* = 2 Hz), 164.1, 160.9 (d, *J* = 246 Hz), 149.4, 147.2, 137.4, 136.6 (d, *J* = 7 Hz), 130.3 (d, *J* = 8 Hz), 129.4, 122.9, 122.5 (d, *J* = 3 Hz), 122.1, 118.7 (d, *J* = 21 Hz), 118.0, 114.6 (d, *J* = 23 Hz), 113.7, 59.6, 45.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -111.71. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈FN₃O [M + H]⁺: 336.1507, found 336.1499.



2-Methyl-N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3ac)

Yellow solid (67%, 22.2mg), Rf = 0.42 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 129 - 130 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.56 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 19.5, 8.1 Hz, 3H), 7.17 – 7.09 (m, 3H), 6.68 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.37 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.03 – 3.84 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 171.5, 160.1, 149.2, 147.2, 137.5, 136.3, 136.0, 131.2, 130.2, 129.4, 126.8, 125.9, 122.8, 122.1, 117.8, 113.5, 60.3, 44.9, 19.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O [M + H]⁺: 332.1758, found 332.1753.



4-Methyl-*N*-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3ad)

Yellow oil (73%, 25.4mg), Rf = 0.37 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.63 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (td, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.20 (dd, J = 8.7, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.11 – 7.05 (m, 3H), 6.92 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 4.74 (dd, J = 8.1, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (ddd, J = 14.3, 8.2, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (ddd, J = 13.8, 6.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.9, 160.8, 157.6, 149.4, 147.5, 137.1, 133.1, 132.3, 129.2, 122.5, 121.8, 121.3, 121.1, 117.4, 113.4, 111.4, 61.3, 55.8, 45.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O₂ [M + H]⁺: 348.1707, found 348.1702.



2-Fluoro-N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3ae)

Yellow solid (57%, 19.1mg), Rf = 0.19 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 140 - 141 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.62 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (td, *J* = 7.9, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 - 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.27 - 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.14 - 7.05 (m, 3H), 6.67 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 5.24 (s, 1H), 4.78 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (dt, *J* = 12.1, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.91 - 3.85 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 164.7 (d, *J* = 4 Hz), 160.7 (d, *J* = 246 Hz), 159.5, 149.5, 147.2, 137.3, 133.6 (d, *J* = 10 Hz), 132.1 (d, *J* = 2 Hz), 129.3, 124.9 (d, *J* = 4 Hz), 122.0, 120.8 (d, *J* = 11 Hz), 117.8, 116.2 (d, *J* = 24 Hz), 113.6, 60.3, 45.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -113.29. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈FN₃O [M + H]⁺: 336.1507, found 336.1513.



N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)furan-2-carboxamide (3af)

Yellow solid (54%, 17.5mg), Rf = 0.17 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 131 - 132 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.61 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 - 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.14 - 7.08 (m, 3H), 6.89 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.48 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.99 - 3.96 (m, 1H), 3.88 - 3.80 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.2, 159.7, 149.5, 147.7, 147.2, 144.3, 137.3, 129.3, 122.8, 122.01 117.8, 114.7, 113.6, 112.3, 60.3, 44.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₇N₃O₂ [M + H]⁺: 308.1394, found 308.1393.



N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)cyclohexanecarboxamide (3ag)

White solid (77%, 24.9mg), Rf = 0.22 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1), m.p. 178 - 179 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.58 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 4.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 7.3 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 5.98 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.80 – 3.73 (m, 1H), 3.69 – 3.62 (m, 1H), 2.04 (tt, *J* = 11.8, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.83 – 1.73 (m, 4H), 1.65 (s, 1H), 1.44 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 1.26 – 1.19 (m, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 177.7, 160.4, 149.3, 147.4, 137.2, 129.3, 122.7, 122.0, 117.7, 113.5, 60.5, 45.5, 44.6, 29.7, 25.8, 25.8, 25.7. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₂₅N₃O [M + H]⁺: 324.2071, found 324.2083.



N-(2-(phenylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)cyclopentanecarboxamide (3ah) White solid (82%, 25.4mg), Rf = 0.14 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1), m.p. 158 - 159 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.58 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 6.66 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.97 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.81 – 3.73 (m, 1H), 3.69 – 3.63 (m, 1H), 2.52 – 2.43 (m, 1H), 1.76 (d, *J* = 35.1 Hz, 6H), 1.54 (t, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 177.9, 160.3, 149.3, 147.4, 137.3, 129.3, 122.7, 122.0, 117.6, 113.4, 60.5, 45.9, 44.8, 30.6, 30.6, 26.0, 26.0. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₁₉H₂₃N₃O [M + H]⁺: 310.1914, found 310.1915.



N-(2-methyl-1-(phenylamino)-1-(pyridin-2-yl)propan-2-yl)benzamide (3ai)

Yellow solid (74%, 25.6mg), Rf = 0.36 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 167 - 168 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.61 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.33 (m, 5H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, 2H), 6.66 (dd, *J* = 17.4, 7.7 Hz, 3H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 167.8, 159.8, 148.8, 147.7, 136.8, 135.7, 131.4, 129.4, 128.7, 127.0, 124.2, 122.8, 117.8, 113.8, 65.5, 58.1, 25.1, 24.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₂H₂₃N₃O [M + H]⁺: 346.1914, found 346.1916.



N-(1-(phenylamino)-1-(pyridin-2-yl)propan-2-yl)benzamide (3aj)

Yellow solid (86%, 28.5mg), Rf = 0.35 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 143 - 144 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.60 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 - 7.41 (m, 4H), 7.26 - 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.13 (t, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.72 - 6.65 (m, 3H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.70 - 4.65 (m, 1H), 1.20 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 167.7, 159.9, 148.5, 147.2, 137.5, 134.5, 131.7, 129.4, 128.7, 127.1, 122.9, 122.7, 117.8, 113.6, 62.8, 49.9, 17.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O [M + H]⁺: 332.1758, found 332.1752.



(3-methyl-1-(phenylamino)-1-(pyridin-2-yl)butan-2-yl)benzamide (3ak)

Yellow solid (71%, 25.5mg), Rf = 0.26 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1), m.p. 174 - 175 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.55 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (t, 2H), 6.65 – 6.58 (m, 3H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.41 – 4.32 (m, 1H), 1.92 (td, 1H), 1.03 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 3.6 Hz, 6H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.0, 161.3, 148.9, 147.6, 137.2, 134.7, 131.7, 129.3, 128.8, 127.0, 122.6, 121.9, 117.5, 113.4, 62.3, 60.2, 28.5, 20.9, 17.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₃H₂₅N₃O [M + H]⁺: 360.2071, found 360.2073.



Ethyl 4-((2-benzamido-1-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)amino)benzoate (3al)

Yellow oil (72%, 28.0mg), Rf = 0.23 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:2). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.43 (s, 1H), 8.31 (s, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 6.31 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.22 (s, 1H), 4.58 (s, 1H), 4.16 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 1.21 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.9, 167.1, 150.8, 148.9, 148.3, 136.2, 134.7, 133.6, 132.1, 131.4, 128.7, 127.2, 124.1, 118.9, 112.3, 60.4, 57.7, 46.5, 14.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₃H₂₃N₃O₃ [M + H]⁺: 390.1812, found 390.1813.



N-(2-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-ylamino)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3an)

Yellow oil (31%, 6.1mg), Rf = 0.17 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.73 (s, 1H), 8.55 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.55 – 7.41 (m, 6H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 5H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.65 – 6.55 (m, 3H), 4.71 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.93 – 3.82 (m, 2H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 169.4, 149.1, 148.5, 146.2, 141.0, 136.7, 134.7, 133.7, 132.0, 130.8, 128.7, 128.6, 127.9, 127.0, 126.3, 126.2, 124.0, 113.6, 58.0, 46.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₆H₂₃N₃O [M + H]⁺: 394.1914, found 394.1911.



(E)-N-phenyl-1-(pyridin-2-yl)methanimine (1a')

Yellow oil, Rf = 0.22 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.68 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 8.60 (s, 1H), 8.18 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.24 (m, 4H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.6, 154.6, 151.0, 149.7, 136.7, 129.3, 126.8, 125.2, 121.9, 121.1. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₁₂H₁₀N₂ [M + H]⁺: 183.0917, found 183.0908.



*N*²-benzyl-*N*¹-phenyl-1-(pyridin-2-yl)ethane-1,2-diamine (4a)

White solid (86%, 39.1mg), Rf = 0.32 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1), m.p. 120 - 121 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.50 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 4H), 7.18 – 7.15 (m, 1H), 7.08 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.05 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 6.59 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 4.52 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 2H), 3.08 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.92 (s, 1H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.5, 149.4, 147.6, 139.7, 136.9, 129.2, 128.5, 128.2, 127.2, 122.3, 121.4, 117.7, 113.8, 58.8, 54.0, 53.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₂₁N₃ [M + H]⁺: 304.1808, found 304.1879.



N-1-(phenylamino)-1-(pyridin-2-yl)heptan-2-yl)benzamide (3am)

Colerless oil (56%, 21.7mg), Rf = 0.57 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.58 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (td, J = 7.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, 1H), 7.47 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 7.21 – 7.09 (m, 3H), 6.76 – 6.65 (m, 3H), 5.43 (s, 1H), 4.71 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.61 – 4.52 (m, 1H), 1.74 – 1.62 (m, 1H), 1.43 – 1.17 (m, 7H), 0.82 (q, J = 6.1, 5.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.1, 160.2, 148.8, 147.5, 136.9, 134.6, 131.5, 129.3, 128.6, 127.0, 122.5, 122.2, 117.5, 113.4, 62.7, 54.5, 31.6, 31.2, 26.0, 22.5, 14.0. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: calculated for C₂₅H₂₉N₃O [M + H]⁺: 388.2384, found 388.2389.

9. NMR spectra









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¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) spectra of compound **11**





¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) spectra of compound **1n**







¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) spectra of compound **1r**



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) spectra of compound 1s









¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) spectra of compound **2p**





 ^{19}F NMR (CDCl₃, 376 MHz) spectra of compound 2p





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¹⁹F NMR (CDCl3, 376 MHz) spectra of compound **2r**






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 $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) spectra of compound $\boldsymbol{3b}$











^{19}F NMR (CDCl₃, 376 MHz) spectra of compound 3f

-127.56 -127.57 -127.58 -127.60 -127.60





¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) spectra of compound **3g**





 ^1H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) spectra of compound 3h











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 $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR (CDCl_3, 100 MHz) spectra of compound $\boldsymbol{3l}$





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¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) spectra of compound **3r**

















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¹⁹F NMR (CDCl3, 376 MHz) spectra of compound **3w**









¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) spectra of compound **3**z





 ^{19}F NMR (CDC13, 376 MHz) spectra of compound 3z



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¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) spectra of compound **3ag**


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