Supporting Information

K₂CO₃/TFAA-Activated Diarylation of α-Sulfonyl o-Hydroxyacetophenones with o-Nitroaryl Disulfides to Construct Sulfonyl Bis-o-nitroaryl Acetophenones

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Experimental Section

General. All reagents and solvents were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. Reactions were routinely carried out under an atmosphere of dry air with magnetic stirring. Products in organic solvents were dried with anhydrous magnesium sulfate before concentration in vacuo. Melting points were determined with a SMP3 melting apparatus. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian INOVA-400 spectrometer operating at 400 and at 100 MHz, respectively. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in parts per million (ppm) and the coupling constants (*J*) are given in Hertz. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were measured with a mass spectrometer Finnigan/Thermo Quest MAT 95XL. X-ray crystal structures were obtained with an Enraf-Nonius FR-590 diffractometer (CAD4, Kappa CCD).

A representative synthetic procedure of skeleton 4 is as follows: CuBr₂ (470 mg, 2.1 mmol) was added to commercially available substituted o-hydroxyacetophenones (1.0 mmol) in EtOAc (20 mL) at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at reflux for 15 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to 25 °C and the solvent was filtered and washed with saturated NaHCO₃ (10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried, filtered and evaporated to afford crude product under reduced pressure. Without further purification, sulfinic sodium salts (RSO₂Na, 1.2 mmol) was added to the resulting bromo o-hydroxyacetophenones in EtOH (10 mL) at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at reflux for 4 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to 25 °C and the solvent was concentrated. The residue was diluted with water (10 mL) and the mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried, filtered and evaporated to afford crude product under reduced pressure. Purification on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc = $8/1 \sim 4/1$) afforded **4**. For the starting substrates **4**, these materials were known compounds and the analytical data (e.g., HRMS, ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR) were consistent with those in the references ((a) M.-Y. Chang, Y.-L. Tsai and Y.-L. Chang, J. Org. Chem., 2020, 85, 1033-1043; b) N.-C. Hsueh, M.-C. Tsai, M.-Y. Chang and H.-Y. Chen, J. Org. Chem., 2019, 84, 15915-15925; c) M.-Y. Chang, H.-Y. Chen and Y.-L. Tsai, J. Org. Chem., 2019, 84, 326-337).

A representative synthetic procedure of skeleton 5 is as follows: H_2O_2 (30% in H_2O , 1 mL) was added to a solution of commercially available *o*-nitrothiophenol (1.0 mmol) in hexafluoroisopropanol (HFIP, 10 mL) at 25 °C. Then, the reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 3 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with brine (5 mL) and the solvent was concentrated. The residue was diluted with water (10 mL) and the mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried,

filtered and evaporated to afford crude 3-arylacroliens under reduced pressure. Purification on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc = $25/1 \sim 10/1$) afforded **5**. For the starting substrates **5**, these materials were known compounds and the analytical data (e.g., HRMS, ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR) were consistent with those in the references (V. Kesavan, D. Bonnet-Delpon and J.-P. Bégué, *Synthesis*, 2000, 223-225).

A representative synthetic procedure of skeleton 6 is as follows: Trifluoroacetic anhydride (TFAA, 210 mg, 1.0 mmol) was added to a solution of 5 (0.5 mmol) in MeCN (10 mL) at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 10 min. K₂CO₃ (140 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 4 (0.5 mmol) were added to the reaction mixture at 25 °C in onestep. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 20 h. Then, the solvent was concentrated to afford the crude products. The residue was diluted with water (10 mL) and the mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried, filtered and evaporated to afford crude product under reduced pressure. Purification on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc = 8/1~4/1) afforded 6.



1-(2-(2-Nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-one (6a). Yield = 92% (245 mg); White solid; mp = 170-172 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₇H₂₁N₂O₈S 533.1019, found 533.1021; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.02 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.62-7.47 (m, 5H), 7.38 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (dd, *J* = 0.4, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.9, 155.5, 149.6, 147.9, 145.3, 141.5, 134.8, 134.7, 134.5, 132.9, 132.6, 131.2, 130.1, 129.4 (2x), 129.4 (2x), 128.5, 126.1, 125.4, 125.2, 123.8, 123.2, 122.3, 116.7, 71.2, 21.5. Single-crystal X-Ray diagram: crystal of compound **6a** was grown by slow diffusion of EtOAc into a solution of compound **6a** in CH₂Cl₂ to yield colorless prisms. The compound crystallizes in the triclinic crystal system, space group P-1, *a* = 8.08950(10) Å, *b* = 10.48040(10) Å, *c* = 14.8834(2) Å, *V* = 1185.61(3) Å³, *Z* = 2, *d*_{calcd} = 1.492 g/cm³, *F*(000) = 552.0, 2 θ range 4.042~49.996°, R indices (all data) R1 = 0.0372, wR2 = 0.0871.



1-(5-Fluoro-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-one (6b). Yield = 86% (237 mg); White solid; mp = 169-171 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₂₀FN₂O₈S 551.0924, found 551.0929; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.03 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.53-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.35 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (ddd, J = 3.6, 7.2, 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd, J = 0.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (dd, J = 4.0, 9.2 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 188.8, 158.2 (d, J = 244.1 Hz), 151.6 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 149.6, 148.0, 145.6, 141.5, 135.0, 134.3, 133.0, 132.6, 130.2, 129.6 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 129.5 (2x), 129.4 (2x), 126.2, 125.6, 125.3, 123.0, 122.1, 121.5 (d, J = 23.5 Hz), 118.5 (d, J = 7.6 Hz), 117.4 (d, J = 25.0 Hz), 71.1, 21.6; ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -117.57~-117.62 (m, 1F).



1-(5-Chloro-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-one (6c). Yield = 87% (246 mg); White solid; mp = 165-167 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₇H₂₀ClN₂O₈S 567.0629, found 567.0633; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.04 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.64-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.54-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.38 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 2.8, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 188.9, 154.3, 149.6, 147.2, 145.6 (2x), 141.6, 135.1, 134.4, 132.9, 132.6, 130.8, 130.2, 129.43 (2x), 129.40 (2x), 129.3, 129.1, 126.3, 126.1, 125.3, 123.6, 122.0, 117.6, 71.2, 21.7.



1-(5-Bromo-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-one (6d). Yield = 83% (253 mg); White solid; mp = 176-178 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₂₀BrN₂O₈S 611.0124, found 611.0122; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.07 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.45 (dt, J = 2.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 188.9, 154.9, 149.7, 147.2, 145.6, 141.7, 137.2, 135.1, 134.5, 133.9, 133.0, 132.7, 130.2, 129.8, 129.5 (4x), 126.4, 126.2, 125.3, 123.8, 122.1, 117.8, 116.4, 71.2, 21.7.



1-(5-Methyl-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-one (6e). Yield = 86% (235 mg); White solid; mp = 196-198 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₈H₂₃N₂O₈S 547.1175, found 547.1177; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCI₃): δ 8.03 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64-7.48 (m, 7H), 7.32 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dt, *J* = 2.4, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCI₃): δ 190.1, 153.3, 149.7, 148.6, 145.3, 135.3, 134.7, 134.6, 133.9, 132.9, 132.8, 131.4, 130.0, 129.6 (2x), 129.4 (2x), 128.7, 126.1, 125.2, 125.0, 124.8, 122.9, 122.5, 117.1, 71.2, 21.6, 20.5.



1-(5-Methoxy-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-one (6f). Yield = 83% (233 mg); White solid; mp = 162-164 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₈H₂₃N₂O₉S 563.1124, found 563.1127; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.00 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.54-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.98-6.93 (m, 2H), 6.55 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.5, 155.9, 149.7, 149.5, 148.7, 145.4, 141.3, 134.6, 134.4, 132.9, 132.7, 130.1, 129.6, 129.5 (2x), 129.4 (2x), 126.1, 125.3, 124.4, 122.4, 121.9, 121.6, 119.6, 114.1, 71.2, 55.9, 21.6.



1-(4-Methoxy-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-one (6g). Yield = 85% (239 mg); White solid; mp = 143-145 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₈H₂₃N₂O₉S 563.1124, found 563.1130; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.01 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.59-7.45 (m, 5H), 7.33 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (dd, *J* = 0.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (dd, *J* = 4.0, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.7, 165.1, 157.8, 149.6, 147.4, 145.1, 141.5, 134.9, 134.6, 133.7, 132.8, 132.4, 129.9, 129.4 (2x), 129.2 (2x), 126.1, 125.6, 125.2, 123.4, 122.7, 120.8, 108.9, 102.7, 71.0, 55.6, 21.5.



1-(4-*n***-Butoxy-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-one (6h).** Yield = 83% (251 mg); Viscous oil; HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₃₁H₂₉N₂O₉S 605.1594, found 605.1596; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.04 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.61-7.46 (m, 5H), 7.35 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 0.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (dd, *J* = 2.4, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.68-1.61 (m, 2H), 1.42-1.33 (m, 2H), 0.89 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 187.7, 164.8, 157.9, 149.7, 147.6, 145.1, 141.6, 134.9, 134.7, 133.7, 132.8, 132.6, 129.9, 129.5 (2x), 129.3 (2x), 126.2, 125.6, 125.2, 123.5, 122.8, 120.7, 109.4, 103.2, 71.0, 68.3, 30.8, 21.6, 18.9, 13.6.



2-(Methylsulfonyl)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)ethan-1-one (6i). Yield = 80% (182 mg); White solid; mp = 185-187 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₁₇N₂O₈S 457.0706, found 457.0710; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.05 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.57 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.44 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (dt, *J* = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (dd, *J* = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 190.4, 156.0, 149.9, 147.5, 141.7, 135.3, 135.1, 133.3, 131.8, 131.7, 130.5, 127.7, 126.4, 125.9, 125.8, 124.0, 123.7, 122.3, 116.2, 70.9, 40.7. Single-crystal X-Ray diagram: crystal of compound **6i** was grown by slow diffusion of EtOAc into a solution of compound **6i** in CH₂Cl₂ to yield colorless prisms. The compound crystallizes in the triclinic crystal system, space group P-1, *a* = 8.6503(4) Å, *b* = 9.5028(4) Å, *c* = 13.7219(5) Å, *V* = 73.673(3) Å³, *Z* = 4, *d*_{calcd} = 1.538 g/cm³, *F*(000) = 472.0, 2*θ* range 3.116~50°, R indices (all data) R1 = 0.0499, wR2 = 0.1149.



2-(*n***-ButyIsulfonyI)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyI)-2-(2-nitrophenyI)ethan-1-one (6j).** Yield = 80% (199 mg); White solid; mp = 130-132 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₄H₂₃N₂O₈S 499.1175, found 499.1178; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCI₃): δ 8.05 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.93-7.88 (m, 3H), 7.66-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.53 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.42 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dt, *J* = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (dd, *J* = 0.4, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.34-3.27 (m, 1H), 3.17-3.09 (m, 1H), 1.81-1.73 (m, 2H), 1.43-1.34 (m, 2H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCI₃): δ 190.5, 155.7, 149.8, 147.4, 141.6, 135.1, 135.0, 133.1, 132.3, 131.5, 130.3, 127.8, 126.3, 125.8, 125.6, 123.9, 123.6, 122.0, 116.1, 69.8, 53.1, 23.0, 21.5, 13.4.



1-(2-(2-Nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-(phenylsulfonyl)ethan-1-one (6k). Yield = 81% (210 mg); White solid; mp = 151-153 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₁₉N₂O₈S 519.0862, found 519.0865; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCI₃): δ 8.05 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.70-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.49 (m, 4H), 7.41-7.33 (m, 4H), 7.15 (dd, J = 0.8, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (dd, J = 0.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.8, 155.7, 149.7, 147.9, 141.7, 137.6, 134.9, 134.8, 134.2, 133.0, 132.8, 131.4, 130.2, 129.5 (2x), 128.8 (2x), 128.6, 126.2, 125.5, 125.3, 124.0, 123.4, 122.3, 116.7, 71.3.



1-(2-(2-Nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-(*m***-tolylsulfonyl)ethan-1-one** (6I). Yield = 84% (223 mg); White solid; mp = 163-165 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₇H₂₁N₂O₈S 533.1019, found 533.1024; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.05-8.02 (m, 2H), 7.80 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.45 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.8, 155.5, 149.7, 147.9, 141.5, 139.1, 137.4, 134.9, 134.8, 134.7, 132.9, 132.8, 131.3, 130.1, 129.6, 128.60, 128.55, 126.4, 126.2, 125.7, 125.2, 123.8, 123.2, 122.2, 116.6, 71.2, 21.0.



2-((4-Ethylphenyl)sulfonyl)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)ethan-1-o ne (6m). Yield = 83% (227 mg); Viscous oil; HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₈H₂₃N₂O₈S 547.1175, found 547.1181; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.02 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.62-7.55 (m, 4H), 7.49 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (dd, *J* = 0.4, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.19 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.9, 155.4, 151.4, 149.7, 148.0, 141.6, 134.8, 134.7, 134.6, 132.9, 132.7, 131.2, 130.1, 129.5 (2x), 128.6, 128.2 (2x), 126.1, 125.4, 125.2, 123.9, 123.1, 122.4, 116.8, 71.3, 28.8, 14.9.



2-((4-*n***-Butylphenyl)sulfonyl)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)ethan-1one (6n).** Yield = 86% (247 mg); Viscous oil; HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for $C_{30}H_{27}N_2O_8S$ 575.1488, found 575.1492; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.04 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.55 (m, 4H), 7.49 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (dd, *J* = 0.4, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.57-1.53 (m, 2H), 1.33-1.25 (m, 2H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.9, 155.5, 150.2, 149.7, 148.1, 141.7, 134.8, 134.7, 134.6, 132.9, 132.8, 131.3, 130.0, 129.5 (3x), 128.8 (2x), 126.2, 125.4, 125.2, 124.0, 123.2, 122.5, 116.8, 71.3, 35.5, 33.0, 22.1, 13.8.



2-((4-Fluorophenyl)sulfonyl)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)ethan-1one (6o). Yield = 80% (214 mg); White solid; mp = 174-176 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₆H₁₈FN₂O₈S 537.0768, found 537.0771; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.05 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.86-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.73-7.70 (m, 2H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.52 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.16 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.03 (m, 3H), 6.61 (dd, *J* = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.8, 166.1 (d, *J* = 256.2 Hz), 155.6, 149.7, 147.7, 141.6, 135.0, 134.9, 133.5 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 133.0, 132.60, 132.57 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2x), 131.4, 130.3, 128.2, 126.3, 125.7, 125.4, 124.0, 123.4, 122.1, 116.6, 116.1 (d, *J* = 22.8 Hz, 2x), 71.5; ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -102.13~-102.20 (m, 1F).



2-((4-Chlorophenyl)sulfonyl)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)ethan-1one (6p). Yield = 83% (229 mg); White solid; mp = 155-157 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₁₈ClN₂O₈S 553.0472, found 553.0475; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.06 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92 dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.66-7.58 (m, 4H), 7.53 (dt, J = 1.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.16 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.7, 155.7, 149.7, 147.7, 141.6, 141.0, 136.1, 135.0, 134.9, 133.1, 132.6, 131.5, 131.1 (2x), 130.4, 129.1 (2x), 128.2, 126.3, 125.7, 125.5, 124.0, 123.4, 122.0, 116.5, 71.5.



2-((4-Bromophenyl)sulfonyl)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)ethan-1one (6q). Yield = 82% (244 mg); White solid; mp = 135-137 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrN₂O₈S 596.9967, found 596.9974; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.06 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.65-7.51 (m, 7H), 7.42-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.17 (dt, J = 0.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.7, 155.7, 149.7, 147.7, 141.6, 136.6, 135.0, 134.9, 133.1, 132.6, 132.1 (2x), 131.5, 131.1 (2x), 130.4, 129.8, 128.2, 126.3, 125.7, 125.5, 124.0, 123.4, 122.0, 116.5, 71.5.



2-((4-Methoxyphenyl)sulfonyl)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)ethan-1-one (6r). Yield = 86% (236 mg); White solid; mp = 197-199 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₇H₂₁N₂O₉S 549.0968, found 549.0975; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.02 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (s, 1H), 7.60-7.56 (m, 4H), 7.49 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dt, J = 1.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dt, J = 0.4, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 190.0, 164.0, 155.4, 149.6, 148.0, 141.5, 134.8, 134.7, 132.8, 132.5, 131.7 (2x), 131.2, 130.0, 128.7, 128.6, 126.1, 125.4, 125.2, 123.9, 123.1, 122.5, 116.8, 113.9 (2x), 71.3, 55.6.



1-(2-(2-Nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-((4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)sulfony I)ethan-1-one (6s). Yield = 81% (237 mg); White solid; mp = 154-156 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₁₈F₃N₂O₈S 587.0736, found 587.0741; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.06 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92-7.87 (m, 4H), 7.82 (dt, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.68-7.53 (m, 5H), 7.42-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.16 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.6, 155.7, 149.7, 147.6, 141.7, 141.3, 135.8, 135.6 (q, J = 32.8 Hz), 135.1, 135.0, 133.1, 132.7, 131.5, 130.5, 130.3 (2x), 127.9, 126.4, 125.9 (q, J = 3.8 Hz, 2x), 125.8, 124.0, 123.5, 123.0 (q, J = 263.0 Hz), 121.7,116.4, 71.7; ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -63.15 (s, 3F).



1-(2-(2-Nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-((3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)sulfony I)ethan-1-one (6t). Yield = 82% (240 mg); White solid; mp = 163-165 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₁₈F₃N₂O₈S 587.0736, found 587.0741; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.06 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87-7.84 (m, 2H), 7.82-7.79 (m, 2H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.65-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.54 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.17 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H);¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.5, 156.8, 149.7, 147.6, 141.6, 138.7, 135.1, 135.0, 133.11, 133.06, 132.6, 131.6, 131.4, 131.1, 130.7 (q, J = 3.4 Hz), 129.7, 127.9, 126.8 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 126.4, 125.8, 125.5, 124.0, 123.9 (g, J = 271.1 Hz), 123.6, 121.9, 116.3, 71.7; ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -62.78 (s, 3F). Single-crystal X-Ray diagram: crystal of compound 6t was grown by slow diffusion of EtOAc into a solution of compound 6t in CH₂Cl₂ to yield colorless prisms. The compound crystallizes in the triclinic crystal system, space group P-1, a = 8.30070(10) Å, b = 9.92720(10) Å, c = 16.4260(2) Å, V = 1245.10(3)Å³, Z = 5, d_{calcd} = 1.564 g/cm³, F(000) = 600.0, 2 θ range 4.46~54.254°, R indices (all data) R1 = 0.0564, wR2 = 0.1309.



2-([1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-ylsulfonyl)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)ethan-1-one (6u). Yield = 84% (250 mg); White solid; mp = 210-212 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₃₂H₂₃N₂O₈S 595.1175, found 595.1178; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.00 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.86-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.65-7.31 (m, 12H), 7.16 (dt, *J* = 0.8, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.8, 155.5, 149.7, 148.0, 147.0, 141.6, 138.9, 136.0, 134.82, 134.76, 133.0, 132.8, 131.4, 130.2, 130.0 (2x), 129.0 (2x), 128.64, 128.62, 127.4 (2x), 127.3 (2x), 126.2, 125.4, 125.3, 124.0, 123.2, 122.3, 116.8, 71.5.



2-(BenzyIsulfonyI)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyI)-2-(2-nitrophenyI)ethan-1-one (6v). Yield = 80% (213 mg); White solid; mp = 166-168 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₇H₂₁N₂O₈S 533.1019, found 533.1023; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCI₃): δ 8.02 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.42-7.29 (m, 7H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 7.17 (dt, *J* = 0.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (dd, *J* = 0.4, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCI₃): δ 190.8, 155.5, 149.6, 147.6, 141.8, 135.0, 134.8, 133.2, 132.9, 131.3, 130.9 (2x), 130.4, 129.2, 128.9 (2x), 127.5, 126.6, 126.2, 125.8, 125.6, 123.9, 123.2, 121.6, 116.4, 68.9, 60.4.



2-((3,4-Dichlorophenyl)sulfonyl)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)etha n-1-one (6w). Yield = 82% (240 mg); White solid; mp = 185-187 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₁₇Cl₂N₂O₈S 587.0083, found 587.0089; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.06 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dt, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.84 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.66-7.54 (m, 4H), 7.49 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.16 (dt, J = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (dd, J = 0.4, 8.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.5, 155.7, 149.7, 147.4, 141.5, 139.3, 137.3, 135.2, 135.0, 133.3, 133.1, 132.5, 131.53, 131.47, 130.8, 130.6, 128.7, 127.7, 126.4, 125.9, 125.6, 123.9, 123.5, 121.7, 116.2, 71.8.



1-(2-(2-Nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-(thiophen-2-ylsulfonyl)ethan-1-one (6x). Yield = 84% (220 mg); White solid; mp = 175-177 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₁₇N₂O₈S₂ 525.0426, found 525.0432; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.05 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.54-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.42 (ddt, *J* = 1.6, 3.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (ddt, *J* = 1.6, 3.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, *J* = 3.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.7, 155.7, 149.7, 148.0, 141.7, 137.9, 136.5, 135.7, 134.93, 134.90, 133.0, 132.6, 131.5, 130.3, 128.4, 127.7, 126.2, 125.5, 125.4, 124.0, 123.4, 122.4, 116.8, 72.2. Single-crystal X-Ray diagram: crystal of compound **6x** was grown by slow diffusion of EtOAc into a solution of compound **6x** in CH₂Cl₂ to yield colorless prisms. The compound crystallizes in the triclinic crystal system, space group P-1, *a* = 8.3670(2) Å, *b* = 9.8898(2) Å, *c* = 14.7637(2) Å, *V* = 1115.17(4) Å³, *Z* = 2, *d*_{calcd} = 1.562 g/cm³, *F*(000) = 540.0, 2*θ* range 4.482~49.998°, R indices (all data) R1 = 0.0387, wR2 = 0.0937.



2-(Naphthalen-2-ylsulfonyl)-1-(2-(2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)ethan-1-o ne (6y). Yield = 80% (227 mg); White solid; mp = 211-213 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₃₀H₂₁N₂O₈S 569.1019, found 569.1014; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.26 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.04-8.01 (m, 2H), 7.86-7.78 (m, 5H), 7.76 (s, 1H), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.65-7.49 (m, 5H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.10 (dt, *J* = 0.8, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (dd, *J* = 0.4, 8.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.9, 155.5, 149.8, 147.9, 141.6, 135.4, 134.8, 134.7, 134.6, 133.0, 132.8, 131.9, 131.8, 131.4, 130.2, 129.5, 129.4, 128.9, 128.6, 127.8, 127.5, 126.2, 125.4, 125.3, 123.9, 123.7, 123.3, 122.3, 116.6, 71.5.



1-(4-(2-Nitrophenoxy)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-yl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-one (6ab). Yield = 83% (252 mg); White solid; mp = 140-142 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₃₃H₂₅N₂O₈S 609.1332, found 609.1335; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.07 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 7.66-7.34 (m, 12H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.9, 154.8, 149.7, 148.0, 145.4, 141.6, 138.7, 137.1, 134.9, 134.6, 133.03, 132.98, 132.7, 130.1, 129.7, 129.5 (2x), 129.4 (2x), 128.9 (2x), 128.8, 127.8, 126.8 (2x), 126.2, 125.5, 125.3, 123.3, 122.3, 117.2, 71.3, 21.6.



1-(4'-Fluoro-4-(2-nitrophenoxy)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-yl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1one (6ac). Yield = 90% (282 mg); Viscous oil; HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₃H₂₄FN₂O₈S 627.1238, found 627.1241; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.06 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 7.65-7.47 (m, 8H), 7.37 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.10 (m, 5H), 6.69 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.9, 162.7 (d, J = 245.6 Hz), 154.9, 149.7, 147.9, 145.4 (2x), 141.7, 136.1, 134.92, 134.86 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 134.5, 132.9 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2x), 132.7, 130.1, 129.5 (2x), 129.4 (2x), 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 126.2, 125.6, 125.3, 123.4, 122.4, 117.2, 115.9 (d, J = 21.3 Hz, 2x), 71.3, 21.6; ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -114.39~-114.46 (m, 1F).



1-(4'-Methoxy-4-(2-nitrophenoxy)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-yl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan -1-one (6ad). Yield = 90% (287 mg); Viscous oil; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for $C_{34}H_{27}N_2O_9S$ 639.1437, found 639.1445; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.04 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (dd, J = 0.8, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.44 (m, 8H), 7.34 (dt, J = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.9, 159.4, 154.2, 149.7, 148.1, 145.4, 141.5, 136.7, 134.8, 134.5, 132.9, 132.6, 132.5, 131.0, 130.1, 129.5 (2x), 129.4 (2x), 129.0, 128.7, 127.8 (2x), 126.1, 125.32, 125.27, 123.0, 122.3, 117.4, 114.3 (2x), 71.2, 55.3, 21.5.



1-(2-(5-Methoxy-2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(5-methoxy-2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1 -one (6ae). Yield = 78% (231 mg); White solid; mp = 206-208 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₉H₂₅N₂O₁₀S 593.1230, found 593.1233; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.11 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.80 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dt, *J* = 2.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (dd, *J* = 2.8, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (dd, *J* = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 190.2, 164.8, 162.7, 155.5, 150.1, 145.3, 142.4, 134.8, 134.6, 131.4, 129.5 (2x), 129.4 (2x), 128.6, 128.4, 127.9, 125.2, 123.8, 117.1, 116.4, 115.5, 114.0, 111.2, 108.3, 70.9, 56.2, 56.1, 21.6.



1-(2-(4-Bromo-2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(4-bromo-2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-on e (6af). Yield = 78% (268 mg); White solid; mp = 215-217 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₁₉Br₂N₂O₈S 688.9229, found 688.9234; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.20 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (dd, J = 2.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, J = 2.0, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, J = 2.4, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.46-7.42 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.18 (m, 3H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (dd, J = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.3, 155.0, 150.0, 147.4, 145.7, 141.9, 137.8, 136.0, 134.9, 134.23, 134.16, 131.5, 129.6 (2x), 129.4 (2x), 129.1, 128.4, 128.1, 124.54, 124.51, 124.0, 121.5, 117.7, 117.0, 70.6, 21.7.



1-(2-(2-Chloro-6-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(2-chloro-6-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-one (**6ag**). Rotamer; Yield = 70% (210 mg); White solid; mp = 178-180 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₁₉Cl₂N₂O₈S 601.0239, found 601.0245; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.99-7.67 (m, 5H), 7.57 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (br t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.14-7.09 (m, 1H), 6.25 (br d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 189.3, 162.0, 154.1, 144.9, 136.8, 136.0, 135.3, 134.4, 134.1, 133.3, 132.9, 130.7, 129.5 (4x), 127.7, 126.7, 126.8, 125.2, 125.1, 124.0, 123.7, 122.4, 114.3, 73.9, 21.7. Single-crystal X-Ray diagram: crystal of compound **6ag** was grown by slow diffusion of EtOAc into a solution of compound **6ag** in CH₂Cl₂ to yield colorless prisms. The compound crystallizes in the triclinic crystal system, space group P-1, *a* = 9.5100(2) Å, *b* = 10.9393(3) Å, *c* = 14.4361(2) Å, *V* = 1466.83(6) Å³, *Z* = 6, *d*_{calcd} = 1.362 g/cm³, *F*(000) = 616.0, 2 θ range 4.33~49.998°, R indices (all data) R1 = 0.0443, wR2 = 0.1076.



1-(2-(5-Methyl-2-nitrophenoxy)phenyl)-2-(5-methyl-2-nitrophenyl)-2-tosylethan-1-on e (6ah). Yield = 73% (204 mg); White solid; mp = 197-199 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₉H₂₅N₂O₈S 561.1332, found 561.1337; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.39-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (dt, *J* = 0.8, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (br d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 190.1, 155.6, 147.9, 147.4, 146.8, 145.2, 144.5, 139.2, 134.8, 134.6, 133.1, 131.2, 130.5, 129.5 (2x), 129.3 (2x), 128.5, 126.1 (2x), 125.5, 123.7, 123.6, 122.3, 116.6, 71.2, 21.6, 21.5 (2x).



N-(2-(2-(3-Tosyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)phenoxy)phenyl)acetamide (8a). Pd/C (10%, 10 mg) was added to a solution of **6a** (160 mg, 0.3 mmol) in acetic acid (10 mL) at 25 °C Hydrogen gas was installed to the reaction mixture at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 20 h. The reaction mixture was filtrated and the solvent was concentrated to afford the crude product under reduced pressure. Purification on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc = 10/1-2/1) afforded **8a**. Yield = 90% (134 mg); Viscous oil; HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₅N₂O₄S 497.1535, found 497.1538; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 11.00 (br s, 1H), 8.95 (s, 1H), 8.18-8.16 (m, 1H), 7.92 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 3H), 7.19 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.90 (s, 3H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.3, 156.1, 143.1, 142.4, 140.6, 136.7, 133.2, 132.8, 131.4, 130.5, 129.3 (2x), 126.2 (2x), 125.2, 124.2, 123.6, 122.6, 121.6, 121.4, 120.9, 120.7, 119.6, 116.9, 113.1, 109.4, 108.2, 23.9, 21.4.

A representative synthetic procedure of skeleton 9 is as follows: Trifluoroacetic anhydride (TFAA, 210 mg, 1.0 mmol) was added to a solution of **5a** (155 mg, 0.5 mmol) in MeCN (10 mL) at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 10 min. K₂CO₃ (140 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 1,3-propanedithiol (55 mg, 0.5 mmol, for **9a**), *cis*-2-butene-1,4-diol (45 mg, 0.5 mmol, for **9b**) or water (9 mg, 0.5 mmol, for **9c**) was added to the reaction mixture at 25 °C in onestep. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 20 h. Then, the solvent was concentrated to afford the crude products. The residue was diluted with water (10 mL) and the mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried, filtered and evaporated to afford crude product under reduced pressure. Purification on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc = $8/1 \sim 4/1$) afforded **9**.



1,3-Bis((2-nitrophenyl)thio)propane (9a). Yield = 80% (140 mg); Yellowish solid; mp = 140-142 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₁₅N₂O₄S₂ 351.0473, found 351.0478; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.20 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (dt, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (dd, J = 0.8, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 2.21-2.13 (m, 2H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz,

CDCl₃): δ 146.3 (2x), 136.7 (2x), 133.6 (2x), 126.6 (2x), 126.2 (2x), 124.8 (2x), 31.0 (2x), 26.0.



(*Z*)-1,4-Bis(2-nitrophenoxy)but-2-ene (9b). Yield = 83% (137 mg); White solid; mp = 132-134 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₆H₁₅N₂O₆ 331.0930, found 331.0933; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.82 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (dt, J = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (dt, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.98 (dt, J = 2.8, 3.6 Hz, 2H), 4.85 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 4H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.5 (2x), 140.0 (2x), 134.2 (2x), 127.9 (2x), 125.6 (2x), 120.7 (2x), 114.7 (2x), 65.9 (2x).



(*Z*)-4-(2-Nitrophenoxy)but-2-en-1-ol (9b'). Yield = 10% (11 mg); Viscous oil; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₀H₁₂NO₄ 210.0766, found 210.0769; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.82 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (dt, J = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (dd, J = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dt, J = 0.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.93-5.87 (m, 1H), 5.85-5.79 (m, 1H), 4.78 (dd, J = 0.8, 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.28 (dd, J = 1.2, 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.08 (br s, 1H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.7, 134.1, 133.6, 127.8, 125.7, 125.5, 120.6, 114.8, 65.3, 58.9.



2,2'-Oxybis(nitrobenzene) (9c). Yield = 85% (111 mg); White solid; mp = 113-115 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₁₂H₉N₂O₅ 261.0512, found 261.0516; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.03 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (dt, *J* = 0.8, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.1 (2x), 141.1 (2x), 134.7 (2x), 126.1 (2x), 124.7 (2x), 120.9 (2x). Single-crystal X-Ray diagram: crystal of compound **9c** was grown by slow diffusion of EtOAc into a solution of compound **9c** in CH₂Cl₂ to yield colorless prisms. The compound crystallizes in the monoclinic crystal system, space group Cc, *a* = 7.16580(10) Å, *b* = 20.4831(4) Å, *c* = 7.7993(2) Å, *V* = 1143.55(4) Å³, *Z* = 4, *d*_{calcd} = 1.511 g/cm³, *F*(000) = 536.0, 2*θ* range 3.976~49.968°, R indices (all data) R1 = 0.0412, wR2 = 0.1130.



2-((2-Nitrobenzyl)sulfonyl)naphthalene (11). Trifluoroacetic anhydride (TFAA, 210 mg, 1.0 mmol) was added to a solution of **5a** (155 mg, 0.5 mmol) in MeCN (10 mL) at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 10 min. K₂CO₃ (140 mg, 1.0 mmol) and compound **10** (264 mg, 1.0 mmol) was added to the reaction mixture at 25 °C in onestep. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 20 h. Then, the solvent was concentrated to afford the crude products. The residue was diluted with water (10 mL) and the mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried, filtered and evaporated to afford crude product under reduced pressure. Purification on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc = 8/1~4/1) afforded **11**. Yield = 43% (140 mg); White solid; mp = 138-140 °C (recrystallized from hexanes and EtOAc); HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₄NO₄S 328.0644, found 328.0648; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.25 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.95-7.89 (m, 4H), 7.71-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.64-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.53 (dt, *J* = 1.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (s, 2H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.4, 135.4, 134.8, 134.3, 133.3, 132.0, 130.5, 130.1, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 128.0, 127.8, 125.5, 123.0, 122.7, 58.6.

Gram-scale synthesis of compound 6a. Trifluoroacetic anhydride (TFAA, 1.26 g, 6.0 mmol) was added to a solution of **5a** (920 mg, 3.0 mmol) in MeCN (60 mL) at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 10 min. K_2CO_3 (830 mg, 6.0 mmol) and **4a** (870 mg, 3.0 mmol) were added to the reaction mixture at 25 °C in onestep. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 20 h. Then, the solvent was concentrated to afford the crude products. The residue was diluted with water (10 mL) and the mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried, filtered and evaporated to afford crude product under reduced pressure. Purification on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc = $8/1 \sim 4/1$) afforded **6a** (1.2 g, 75%).

Compound 6a (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6a (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6b (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6b (¹³C-NMR spectral data)





-110 -40 -45 -50 -55 -60 -65 -70 -75 -80 -85 -90 f1 (ppm) -95 -100 -105 -115 -120 -125 -130 -135

Compound 6b (¹⁹F-NMR spectral data-2)



16.95 -117.05 -117.15 -117.25 -117.35 -117.45 -117.55 -117.65 -117.75 -117.85 -117.95 -118.05 -118.15 -118.25 fl (ppm) Compound 6c (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6c (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6d (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6d (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6e (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6e (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6f (¹H-NMR spectral data)



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Compound 6f (¹³C-NMR spectral data)

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Compound 6g (¹H-NMR spectral data)

Compound 6g (¹³C-NMR spectral data)

Compound 6h (¹H-NMR spectral data)

Compound 6h (¹³C-NMR spectral data)





Compound 6i (¹³C-NMR spectral data)





Compound 6j (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6k (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6k (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6I (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Pulse Sequence: s2pul UNITYplus-400 "unity400" Date: Aug 3 2022 Solvent: CDC13 Ambient temperature Total 32 repetitions





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Compound 6I (¹³C-NMR spectral data)







Compound 6m (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6m (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6n (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6n (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6o (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 60 (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 60 (¹⁹F-NMR spectral data-1)



0 -20 -10 -30 -50 -90 -100 f1 (ppm) -110 -120 -130 -140 -170 -180 -20 -40 -60 -70 -80 -150 -160 -190

Compound 6o (¹⁹F-NMR spectral data-2)



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Compound 6p (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6q (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6q (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6r (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6r (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6s (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6s (¹³C-NMR spectral data)





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Compound 6t (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6t (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6t (¹⁹F-NMR spectral data)



-20(-140 -10 -20 -30 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 f1 (ppm) -110 -120 -130 -150 -160 -170 -180 D -40 -190

Compound 6u (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6u (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6v (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6v (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6w (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6w (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6x (¹H-NMR spectral data)

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Compound 6y (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6y (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



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Compound 6ab (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6ab (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6ac (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6ac (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6ac (¹⁹F-NMR spectral data-1)



-10 -20 -30 -50 -60 -70 -90 -100 f1 (ppm) -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -190 -40 -80 -180)

Compound 6ac (¹⁹F-NMR spectral data-2)



-113.8 -113.9 -114.0 -114.1 -114.2 -114.3 -114.4 -114.5 -114.7 f1 (ppm) -114.8 -114.9 -115.0 -115.1 -115.2 -115.3 -115.4 -115.5 -114.6 -115. Compound 6ad (¹H-NMR spectral data)



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Compound 6ad (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



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Compound 6ae (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6ae (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6af (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6af (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6ag (¹H-NMR spectral data)





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Compound 6ah (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 6ah (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 8a (¹H-NMR spectral data)



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Compound 8a (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



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Compound 9a (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 9a (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



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Compound 9b (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 9b (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



Compound 9b' (¹H-NMR spectral data)





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Compound 9c (¹H-NMR spectral data)



Compound 9c (¹³C-NMR spectral data)





Compound 11 (¹³C-NMR spectral data)



X-ray crystal data of compound 6a



Sample preparation : A solution of compound **6a** (30 mg) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was placed in a tube (10 mL). EtOAc (2 mL) was added slowly to the vial with a dropper. The vial was closed with little cotton and kept at room temperature for 2 days. Then, colorless prisms were observed.

Crystal measurement : X-ray crystal structures were determined with a Bruker Enraf-Nonius single-crystal diffractometer (CAD4, Kappa CCD). Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level.



Empirical formula	$C_{27}H_{20}N_2O_8S$
Formula weight	532.51
Temperature/K	113(2)
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	8.08950(10)
b/Å	10.48040(10)
c/Å	14.8834(2)
α/°	74.0530(10)
β/°	77.7610(10)
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	86.0010(10)
Volume/Å ³	1185.61(3)
Z	2
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.492
μ/mm^{-1}	0.195
F(000)	552.0
Crystal size/mm ³	$0.25\times0.2\times0.2$
Radiation	Mo K α ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2Θ range for data collection/°	4.042 to 49.996
Index ranges	$-9 \le h \le 9, \text{-}12 \le k \le 12, \text{-}17 \le l \le 17$
Reflections collected	39857
Independent reflections	4183 [$R_{int} = 0.0348$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0208$]
Data/restraints/parameters	4183/138/344
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.077
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0318, wR_2 = 0.0838$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0372, wR_2 = 0.0871$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å $^{-3}$	0.30/-0.37

X-ray crystal data of compound 6i



Sample preparation : A solution of compound **6i** (30 mg) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was placed in a tube (10 mL). EtOAc (2 mL) was added slowly to the vial with a dropper. The vial was closed with little cotton and kept at room temperature for 2 days. Then, colorless prisms were observed.

Crystal measurement : X-ray crystal structures were determined with a Bruker Enraf-Nonius single-crystal diffractometer (CAD4, Kappa CCD). Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level.



Empirical formula	$C_{10.5}H_8NO_4S_{0.5}$
Formula weight	228.21
Temperature/K	130(2)
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	8.6503(4)
b/Å	9.5028(4)
c/Å	13.7219(5)
α/°	73.673(3)
β/°	77.253(3)
γ/°	66.575(4)
Volume/Å ³	985.64(8)
Z	4
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.538
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.220
F(000)	472.0
Crystal size/mm ³	$0.5\times0.3\times0.3$
Radiation	Mo Ka ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2Θ range for data collection/°	3.116 to 50
Index ranges	$-10 \le h \le 10, -11 \le k \le 11, -16 \le l \le 16$
Reflections collected	22256
Independent reflections	3455 [$R_{int} = 0.0700$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0386$]
Data/restraints/parameters	3455/0/290
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.065
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0427, wR_2 = 0.1112$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0499, wR_2 = 0.1149$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å $^{-3}$	0.50/-0.42

X-ray crystal data of compound 6t



Sample preparation : A solution of compound **6t** (30 mg) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was placed in a tube (10 mL). EtOAc (2 mL) was added slowly to the vial with a dropper. The vial was closed with little cotton and kept at room temperature for 2 days. Then, colorless prisms were observed.

Crystal measurement : X-ray crystal structures were determined with a Bruker Enraf-Nonius single-crystal diffractometer (CAD4, Kappa CCD). Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level.


Formula weight	234.59
Temperature/K	135(2)
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	8.30070(10)
b/Å	9.92720(10)
c/Å	16.4260(2)
α/°	104.0290(10)
β/°	91.0020(10)
$\gamma/^{o}$	107.6750(10)
Volume/Å ³	1245.10(3)
Z	5
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.564
μ/mm^{-1}	0.210
F(000)	600.0
Crystal size/mm ³	$0.03\times0.02\times0.02$
Radiation	Mo Ka ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2Θ range for data collection/°	4.46 to 54.254
Index ranges	$\text{-10} \le h \le 10, \text{-12} \le k \le 12, \text{-20} \le l \le 20$
Reflections collected	54640
Independent reflections	5289 [$R_{int} = 0.0621$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0274$]
Data/restraints/parameters	5289/0/370
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.055
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1=0.0493,wR_2=0.1263$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0564, wR_2 = 0.1309$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å $^{-3}$	0.95/-0.65

X-ray crystal data of compound 6x



Sample preparation : A solution of compound **6x** (30 mg) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was placed in a tube (10 mL). EtOAc (2 mL) was added slowly to the vial with a dropper. The vial was closed with little cotton and kept at room temperature for 2 days. Then, colorless prisms were observed.

Crystal measurement : X-ray crystal structures were determined with a Bruker Enraf-Nonius single-crystal diffractometer (CAD4, Kappa CCD). Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level.



Empirical formula	$C_{24}H_{16}N_2O_8S_2$
Formula weight	524.51
Temperature/K	113(2)
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	8.3670(2)
b/Å	9.8898(2)
c/Å	14.7637(2)
α/°	82.0990(10)
β/°	83.390(2)
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	67.477(2)
Volume/Å ³	1115.17(4)
Z	2
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.562
μ/mm^{-1}	0.296
F(000)	540.0
Crystal size/mm ³	$0.38\times0.35\times0.2$
Radiation	Mo Ka ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2Θ range for data collection/°	4.482 to 49.998
Index ranges	$-9 \le h \le 9, -11 \le k \le 11, -17 \le l \le 13$
Reflections collected	27573
Independent reflections	3913 [$R_{int} = 0.0458$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0297$]
Data/restraints/parameters	3913/1359/362
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.085
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0348, wR_2 = 0.0910$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0387, wR_2 = 0.0937$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.33/-0.39

X-ray crystal data of compound 6ag



Sample preparation : A solution of compound **6ag** (30 mg) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was placed in a tube (10 mL). EtOAc (2 mL) was added slowly to the vial with a dropper. The vial was closed with little cotton and kept at room temperature for 2 days. Then, colorless prisms were observed.

Crystal measurement : X-ray crystal structures were determined with a Bruker Enraf-Nonius single-crystal diffractometer (CAD4, Kappa CCD). Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level.



Formula weight	200.46
Temperature/K	130(2)
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	9.5100(2)
b/Å	10.9393(3)
c/Å	14.4361(2)
$\alpha/^{\circ}$	80.891(2)
β/°	88.429(2)
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	81.563(2)
Volume/Å ³	1466.83(6)
Z	6
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.362
μ/mm^{-1}	0.342
F(000)	616.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.5 imes 0.4 imes 0.4
Radiation	Mo K α ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2Θ range for data collection/°	4.33 to 49.998
Index ranges	$-8 \le h \le 11, -12 \le k \le 13, -17 \le l \le 17$
Reflections collected	30871
Independent reflections	5122 [$R_{int} = 0.0281, R_{sigma} = 0.0215$]
Data/restraints/parameters	5122/215/448
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.055
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0402, wR_2 = 0.1051$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1=0.0443,wR_2=0.1076$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.51/-0.33

X-ray crystal data of compound 9c



Sample preparation : A solution of compound **9c** (30 mg) in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) was placed in a tube (10 mL). EtOAc (2 mL) was added slowly to the vial with a dropper. The vial was closed with little cotton and kept at room temperature for 2 days. Then, colorless prisms were observed.

Crystal measurement : X-ray crystal structures were determined with a Bruker Enraf-Nonius single-crystal diffractometer (CAD4, Kappa CCD). Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level.



Empirical formula	$C_{12}H_8N_2O_5$
Formula weight	260.20
Temperature/K	130(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	Cc
a/Å	7.16580(10)
b/Å	20.4831(4)
c/Å	7.7993(2)
α/°	90
β/°	92.643(2)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	1143.55(4)
Z	4
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.511
μ/mm^{-1}	0.121
F(000)	536.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.3 imes 0.2 imes 0.2
Radiation	Mo Ka ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2Θ range for data collection/°	3.976 to 49.968
Index ranges	$\textbf{-8} \leq h \leq \textbf{8}, \textbf{-24} \leq k \leq \textbf{24}, \textbf{-9} \leq \textbf{l} \leq \textbf{9}$
Reflections collected	13291
Independent reflections	1944 [$R_{int} = 0.0996$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0399$]
Data/restraints/parameters	1944/2/172
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.906
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0388, wR_2 = 0.1097$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0412, wR_2 = 0.1130$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å $^{\text{-}3}$	0.15/-0.21
Flack parameter	-1.6(9)