

Supplementary information

Aryl triflates: Useful coupling partners for the direct arylation of heteroaryl derivatives *via* Pd-catalyzed C-H activation/functionalization.

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2-*n*-Butyl-5-phenylfuran (1)

¹H (300 MHz) NMR spectra: δ = 0.97 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3 H), 1.32 (sext., J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 1.63 (quint., J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.71 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 6.09 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.58 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.19-7.67 (m, 5 H).

1-(5-Phenylfuran-2-yl)propan-2-one (2)

¹H (200 MHz) NMR spectra: δ = 2.24 (s, 3 H), 3.79 (s, 2 H), 6.32 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.63 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.28-7.43 (m, 3 H), 7.64-7.73 (m, 2 H).

5-Phenylthiophene-2-carbonitrile (4)

¹H (200 MHz) NMR spectra: δ = 7.23 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.38-7.42 (m, 3 H), 7.54 (m, 3 H).

2-Phenylbenzoxazole (7)

¹H (200 MHz) NMR spectra: δ = 7.32-7.70 (m, 6 H), 7.83 (m, 1 H), 8.30 (m, 2 H).

2-Naphthalen-2-yl-benzoxazole (10)

^1H (200 MHz) NMR spectra: $\delta = 7.30\text{-}7.40$ (m, 2 H), $7.45\text{-}7.70$ (m, 3 H), $7.70\text{-}8.00$ (m, 4 H), 8.32 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1 H), 8.80 (s, 1 H).

2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-benzoxazole (11)

^1H (200 MHz) NMR spectra: $\delta = 4.08$ (s, 3 H), 7.39 (m, 2 H), 7.50 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2 H), 7.59 (m, 1 H), 7.80 (m, 1 H), 8.18 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2 H).