Protolytic defluorination of trifluoromethyl-substituted arenes.

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Known compounds

Gao, H.; Knochel, P. *Synlett.* **2009,** *8*, 1321-1325. ¹H NMR:



Low Resolution, EI MS: 250 (M+), 173, 145, 105, 77



Olah, George A.; Arvanaghi, Massoud; Krishnamurthy, V. V. J. Org. Chem. 1983, 48, 3359.

¹H NMR:



Low Resolution, EI MS: 198 (M+), 121, 105, 77



Weng, Fei; Wang, Chengming; Xu, Bin Tetrahedron Lett. 2010, 51, 2593.



Low Resolution, EI MS: 198 (M+), 121, 105, 77



Benkeser, R. A.; Schroeder, W. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1958, 80, 3314-22.

¹H NMR:



Low Resolution, EI MS: 328 (M+), 312, 251, 173, 105, 77



Porwisiak, Jacek.; Schlosser, Manfred. Chem. Ber. 1996, 129, 2, 233-235

¹H NMR



Low Resolution, EI MS: 396 (M+), 377, 319, 241, 213, 183, 105, 77.



Koltunov, K. Yu.; Prakash, G. K. S.; Rasul, G.; Olah, G. A. Eur. J. Org. Chem., 2006, 4861-4866.

¹H NMR



Low Resolution, EI MS: 285 (M+), 208, 130, 102, 77.



Low Resolution, EI MS: 242 (M+), 241, 165, 119.



Guram, Anil S.; Bei, Xiaohong; Turner, Howard W. Org. Lett. 2003, 5, 2485.

¹H NMR



Low Resolution, EI MS: 208 (M+), 180, 179, 178, 152, 89.



Norrsell, F.; Handoo, K. L.; Parker, V. D. J. Org. Chem. 1993, 58, 4929

¹H NMR



Low Resolution, EI MS: 272 (M+), 271, 270, 252, 135.



Soloski, Edward J.; Tamborski, Christ Journal of Organometallic Chemstry 1978, 157, 373.

¹H NMR



Leazer, Johnnie L., Jr.; Cvetovich, Raymond; Tsay, Fuh-Rong; Dolling, Ulf; Vickery, Thomas; Bachert, Donald J. Org. Chem. 2003, 68, 3695.

¹H NMR



Low Resolution, EI MS: 258 (M+), 241, 213, 163, 143, 75.

Method for calculating relative yields: A sample of biphenyl (0.1g) was mixed with genuine benzophenone (0.1 g) and dissolved in CHCl₃ (5 mL). This mixture was injected onto the GC-FID and a relative response factor was calculated for the standard biphenyl and benzophenone. A similar analysis was done with biphenyl and triphenylmethanol. Both benzophenone and triphenylmethanol had similar FID response factors to the standard (1.0±0.05), so calculations of relative yields assumed relative response factors of 1.0 for the diaryl ketone products (**11-13**) and the triarylmethanol products (**20-22**). Follow the superacid catalyzed reactions, a sample of biphenyl (0.1g) was added to each crude product mixture. The mixtures were then analyzed by GC-FID and relative yields were calculated from peak integrations, including the peak area for the biphenyl standard.

Data on inseparable mixture from compound 1:



Crude mixture, GC-MS trace:

Peaks: 9.4 min, compound **11**; 12.2 min, compound **20**. Identities confirmed by NIST mass spectral database.



Compound **11**, low resolution EI MS: 182 (M+), 105, 77, 51. Compound **20**, low resolution EI MS: 260 (M+), 183, 154, 105, 77, 51.

Data on inseparable mixture from compound 4:



Metzger, A.; Bernhardt, S.; Manolikakes, G.; Knochel, P. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2010, 49, 4665.

McNaughton-Smith, G. A.; Burns, J. F.; Stocker, J. W.; Rigdon, G. C.; Creech, C.; Arrington, S.; Shelton, T.; de Franceschi, L. *J. Med. Chem.*, 51, **2008**, 976-982

Crude mixture, GC-MS trace:

Peaks: 10.2 min, compound **13**; 13.0 min, compound **22**. Identities confirmed by NIST mass spectral database.



Compound **13**, low resolution EI MS: 218/216 (M+), 181, 141/139, 105, 77. Compound **22**, low resolution EI MS: 296/294 (M+), 239, 219/217, 183. 141/139, 105, 77.

Crude mixture, GC-FID trace with added standard (biphenyl, at 16.42 min):



Data on inseparable mixture from compound 3:

Cai, Mingzhong; Zheng, Guomin; Zha, Lingfang; Peng, Jian Eur, J. Org. Chem. 2009, 1585-1591.

Theodorou, Vassiliki; Skobridis, Konstantinos; Karkatsoulis, Aris Tetrahedron 2007, 63, 4284-4289.

Crude mixture, GC-MS trace:

Peaks: 10.9 min, compound **12**; 14.5 min, compound **21**. Identities confirmed by NIST mass spectral database.



Compound **12**, low resolution EI MS: 262/260 (M+), 185/183, 157/155, 105, 77. Compound **21**, low resolution EI MS: 340/338 (M+), 263/261, 183, 105, 77.

Crude mixture, GC-FID trace with added standard (biphenyl, at 16.35 min):



New Compounds:



¹H NMR:



¹³C NMR:







¹H NMR



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¹³C NMR: mdd Ö .CF₃ 0 CI CI 38 - 8 69.65 -----40 09 28.97 72.07 72.07 80 100 120 28 140 160 180 200

¹H NMR





¹³C NMR



