

# Introducing CF<sub>3</sub> Groups on Nitrogen Atoms

**Literature Seminar**

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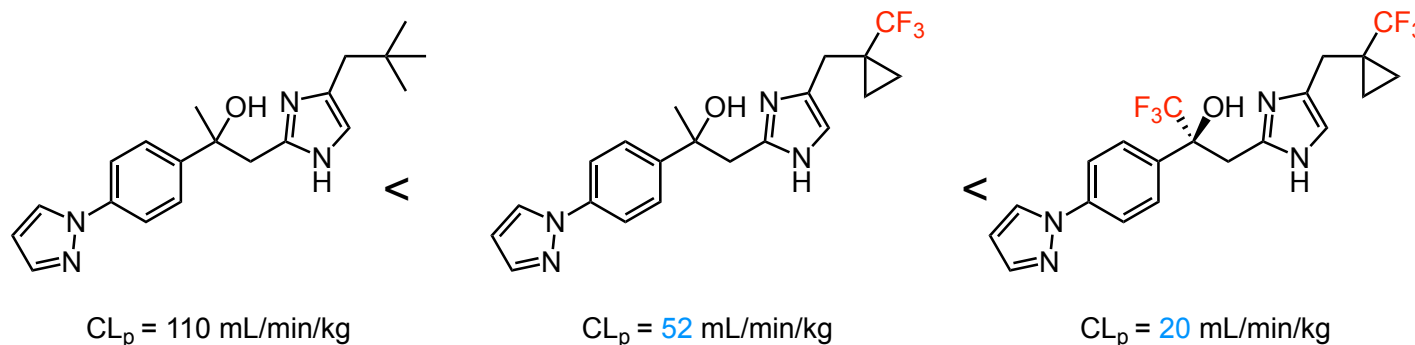
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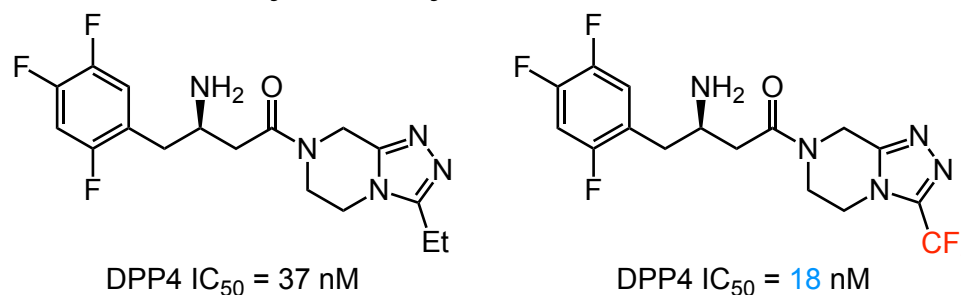
# Importance of F atom in medicinal chemistry

- Improvement of metabolic stability



Lin, S. L., *et al.*, *ACS Med. Chem. Lett.* **2011**, 2, 43–47

- Improvement of inhibitory activity



Weber, A. E., *et al.*, *Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.* **2007**, 17, 3373– 3377

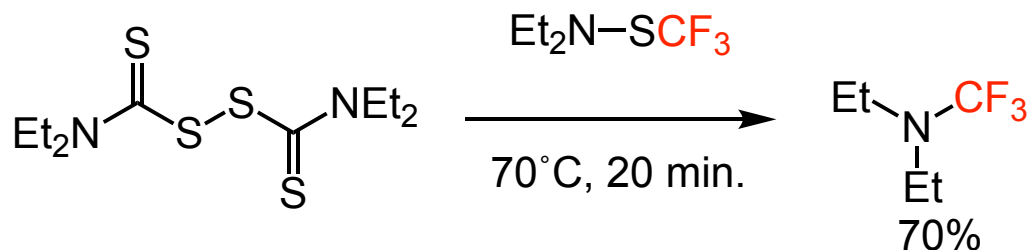
Meanwell, N. A., *J. Med. Chem.* **2018**, 61, 5822–5880

Introducing F atom improves affinity, lipophilicity, metabolic stability, and other properties of drug molecules.

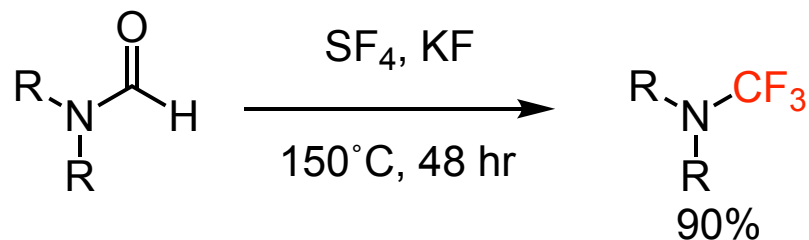


Demand for synthetic methodology is growing.

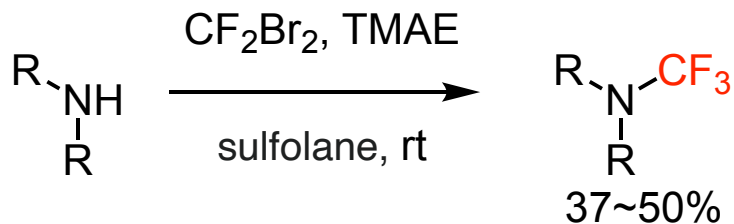
# Conventional *N*-trifluoromethylation



Kirsanov, A. V., *et al.*, *Synthesis* **1973**, 12, 787-789



Dmowski, W., & Kamiński, M., *J. Fluor. Chem.* **1983**, 23, 207-218

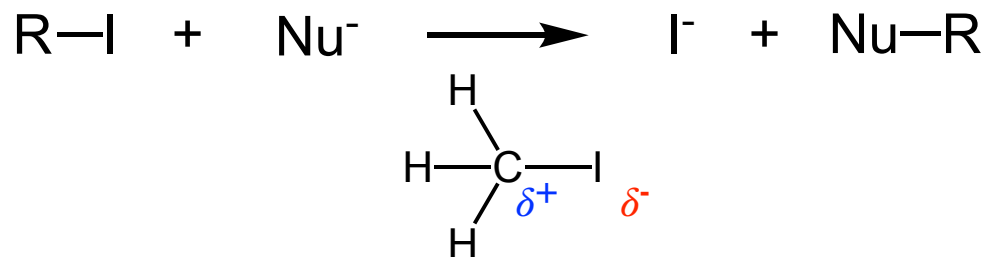


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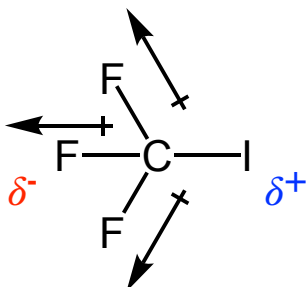
- Lacking safe, general and high yielding methodology

# Electrophilic *N*-trifluoromethylation

- Typical alkylation



- Perfluoroalkylation

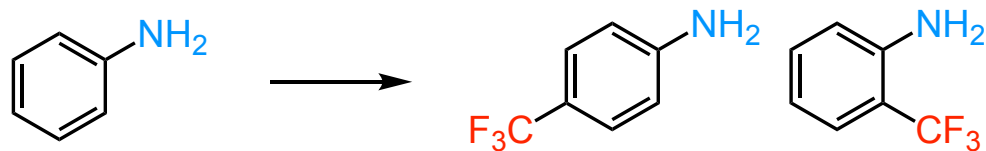
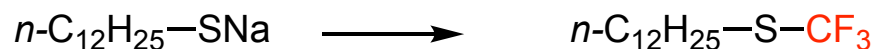
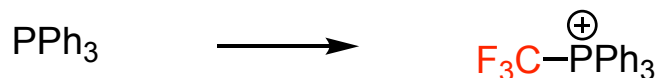
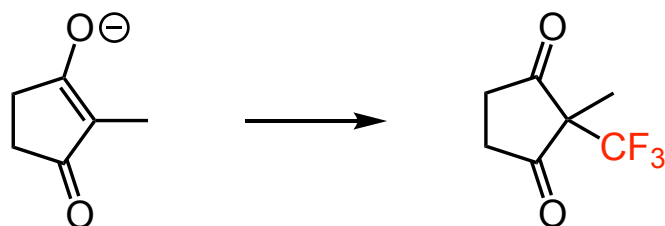
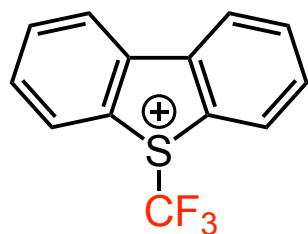


Umamoto, T. *Chem. Rev.* **1996**, 96, 1757–1778

- Trimethylation(perfluoroalkylation) does not proceed like non-fluorinated alkylation.

# Electrophilic *N*-trifluoromethylation: Umemoto's reagent

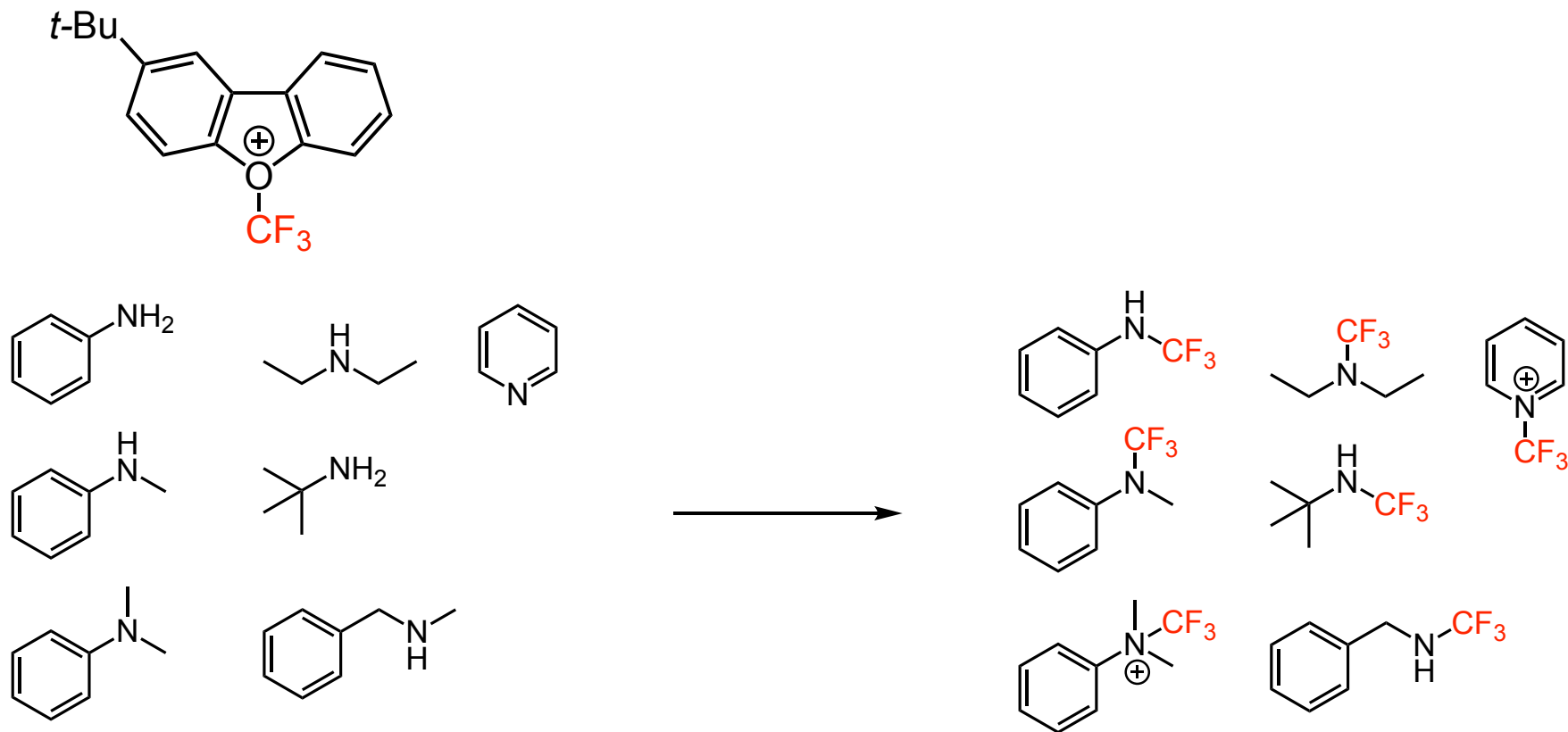
- S-CF<sub>3</sub> dibenzothiophene



- *N*-CF<sub>3</sub> bond formation was not reported

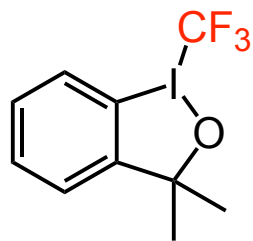
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- Thermally unstable CF<sub>3</sub>-oxonium salt



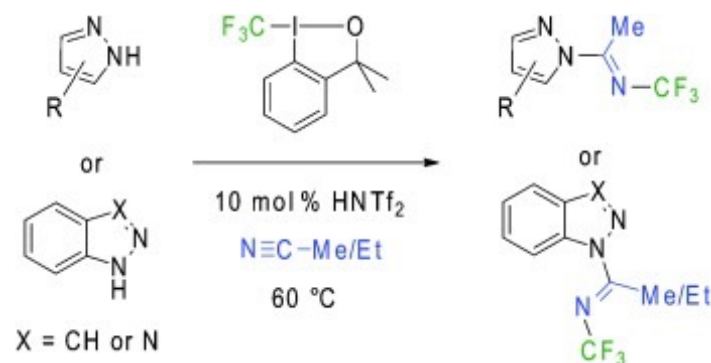
➤ Unstable above room temperature

# Electrophilic *N*-trifluoromethylation: Togni's reagent



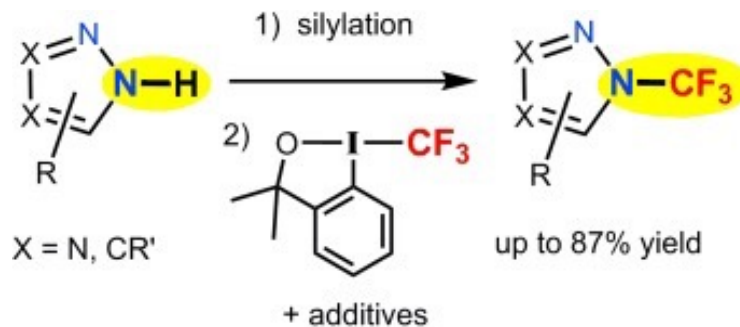
Togni's reagent

- Ritter-type trifluoromethylation



Togni, A., *et al.*, *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2011**, *50*, 1059-1063

- Synthesizing *N*-CF<sub>3</sub> azoles



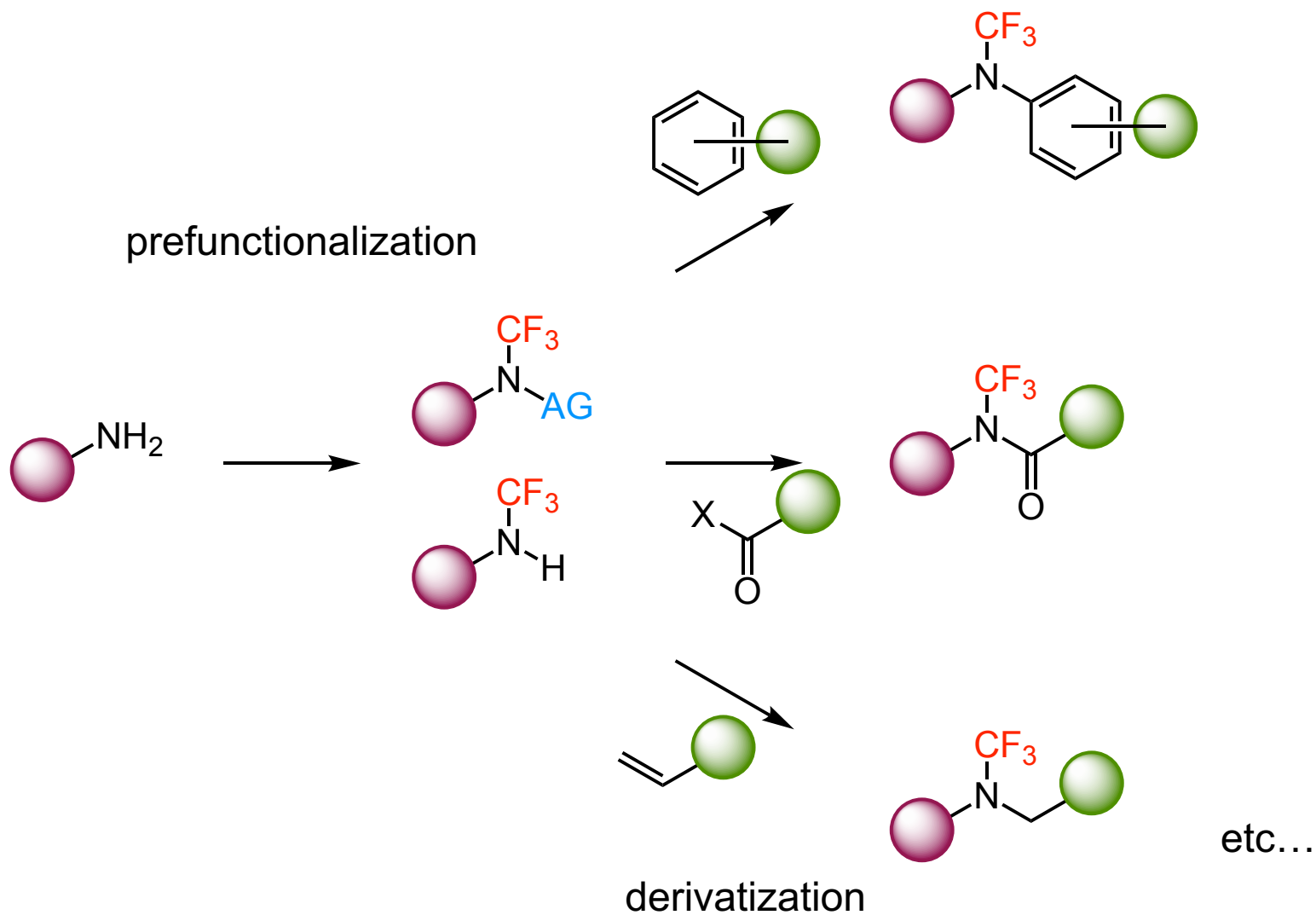
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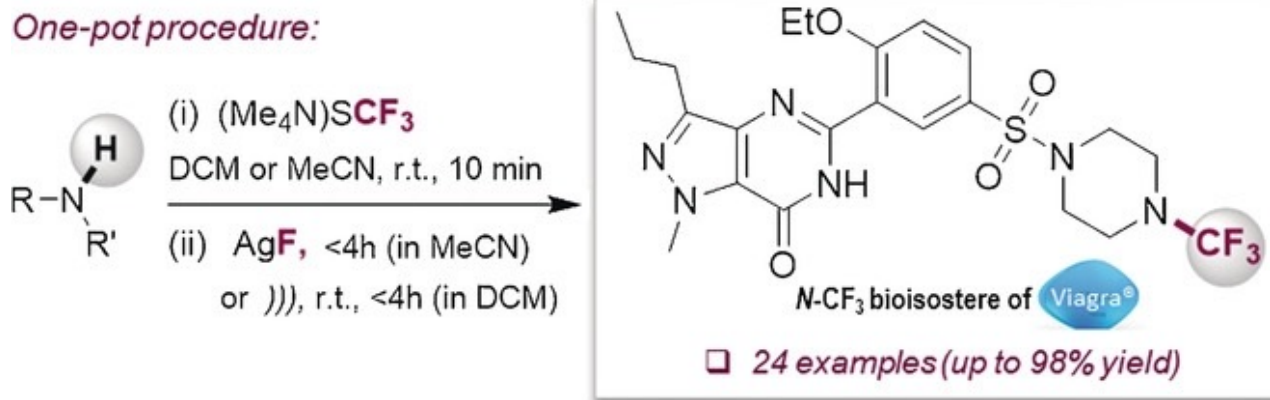
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# N-trifluoromethylation via prefunctionalization



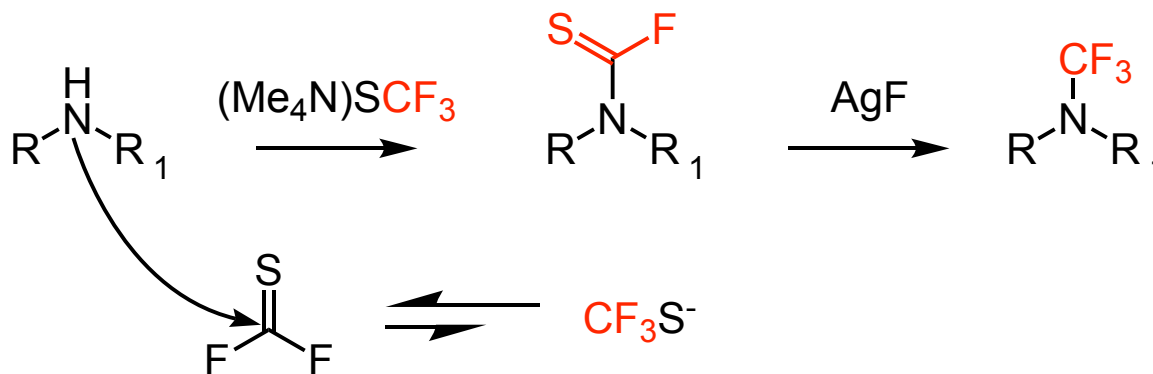
# N-trifluoromethylation via prefunctionalization

- Functionalization of amine under mild conditions (Schohenebeck's work)

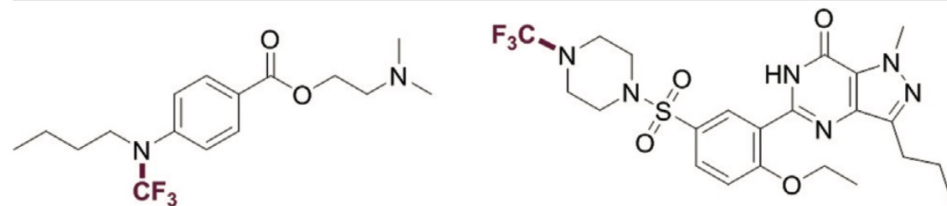
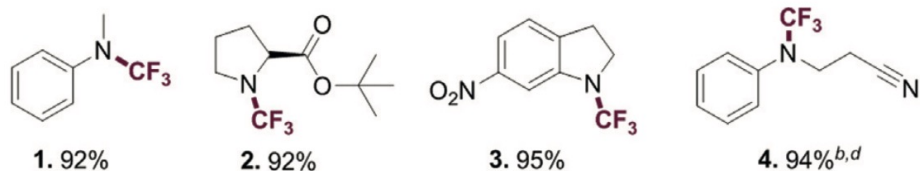
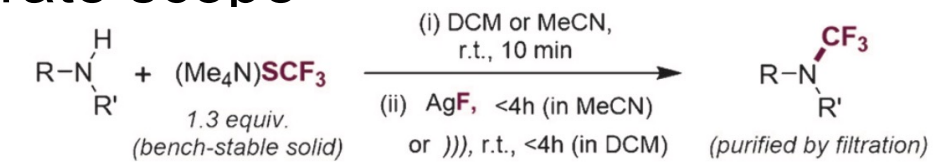
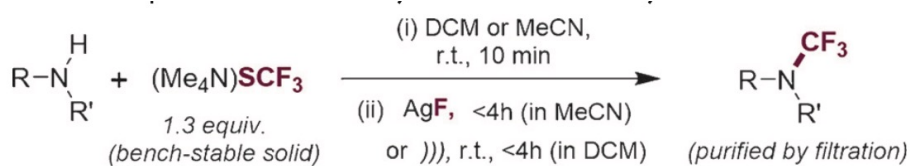


Schohenebeck, F., *et al.*, *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2017**, 56, 221-224

## ➤ Proposed mechanism

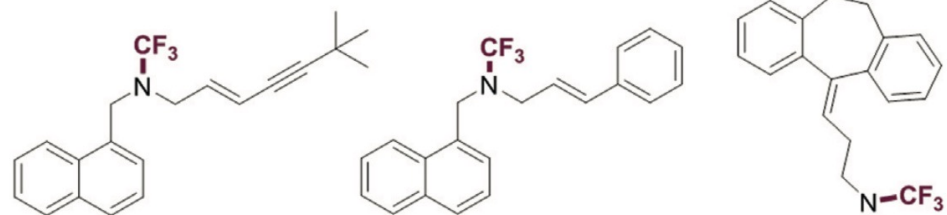
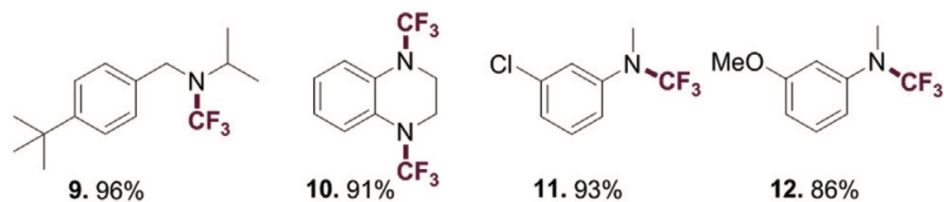
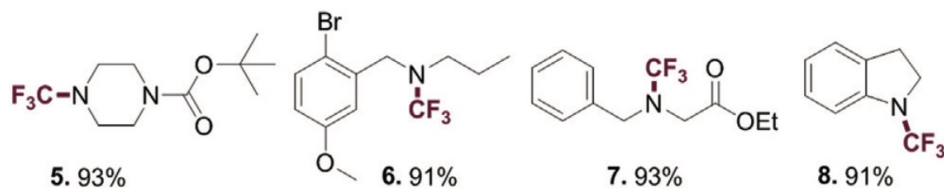


# Schoenebeck's work: Substrate scope



Tetracaine analogue

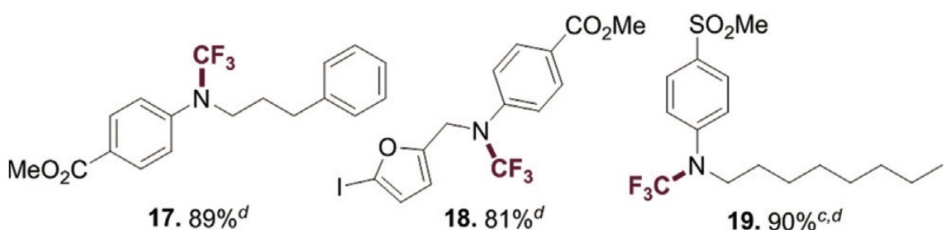
Sildenafil (Viagra<sup>®</sup>) analogue



Terbinafine (Lamisil<sup>®</sup>) analogue

Naftifine (Naftin<sup>®</sup>) analogue

Amitriptyline (Elavil<sup>®</sup>) analogue



- Tolerant to various functional group

## LETTER

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### **Straightforward access to *N*-trifluoromethyl amides, carbamates, thiocarbamates and ureas**

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Amides and related carbonyl derivatives are of central importance across the physical and life sciences<sup>1,2</sup>. As a key biological building block, the stability and conformation of amides affect the structures

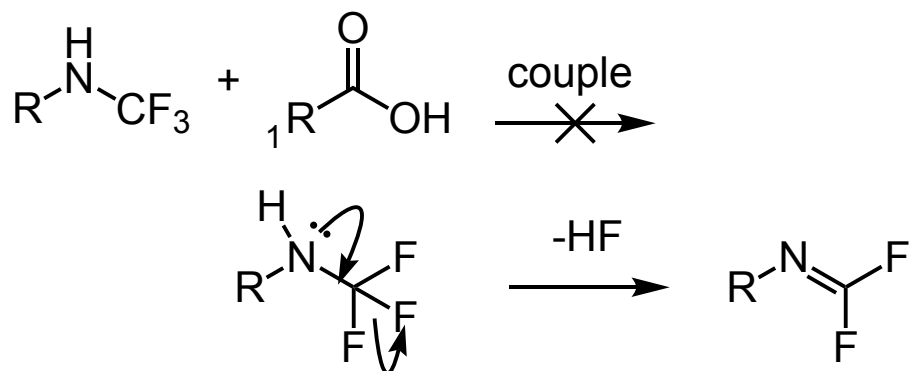
a lack of efficient methodology to synthesize it. Here we report a straightforward method to access *N*-trifluoromethyl analogues of amides and related carbonyl compounds. The strategy relies on

- Safer, more robust and versatile methodology.

- Schoenebeck, F., *et al.*, *Nature* **2019**, 573, 102–107.

# Drawbacks in constructing $N\text{-CF}_3$ amide

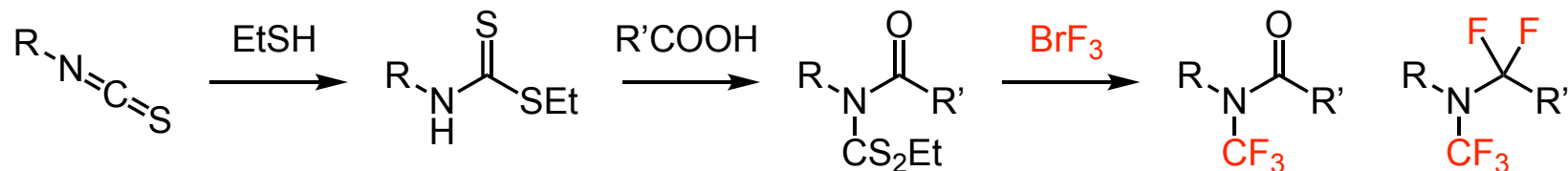
- Coupling is not applicable due to instability of secondary  $N\text{-CF}_3$  amine.



Kloeter, G. & Seppelt, K. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1979**, *101*, 347–349

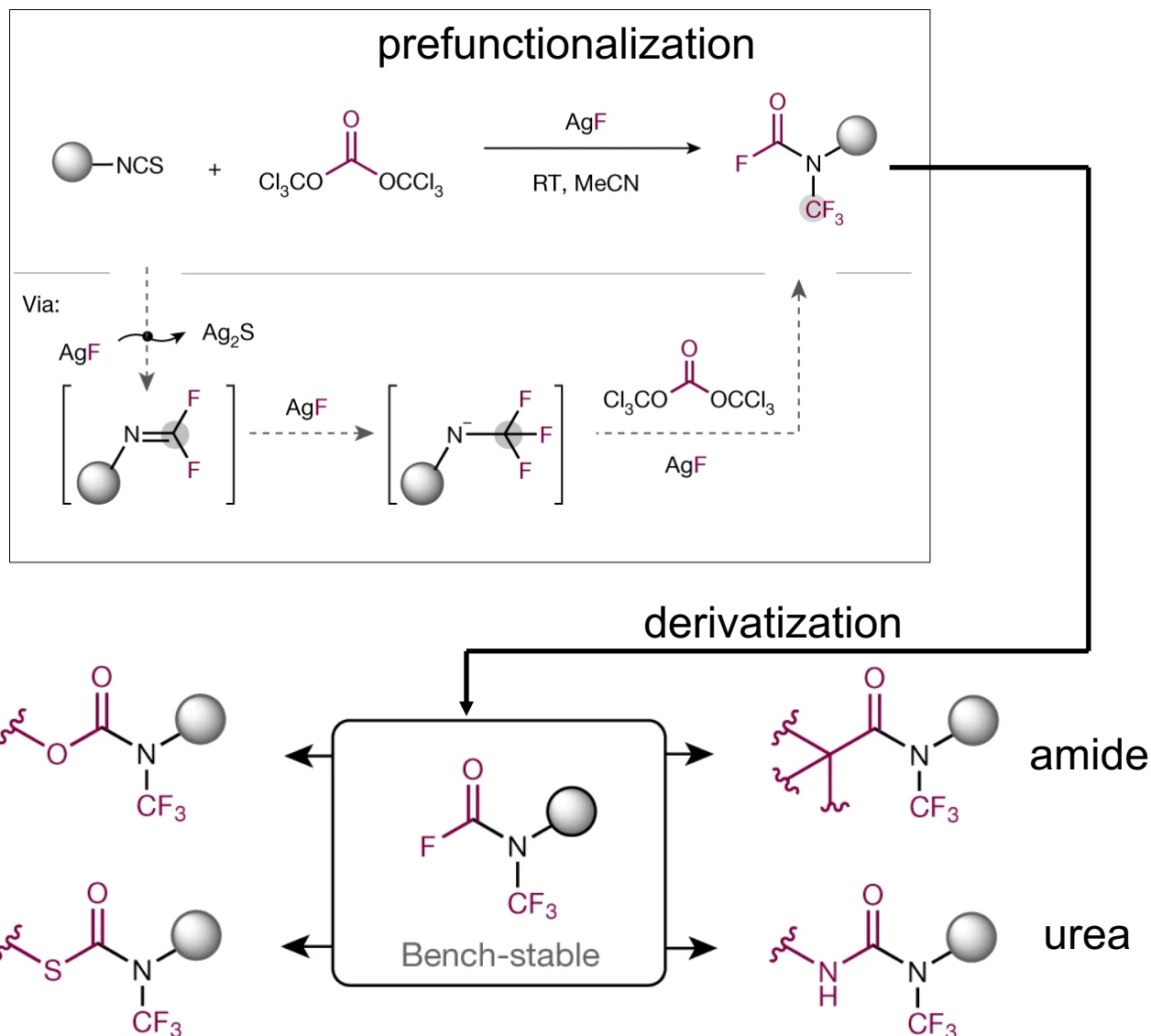
Burger, H. & Pawelke, G., *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1988**, 105–106

- Conventional methods need hazardous reagent.



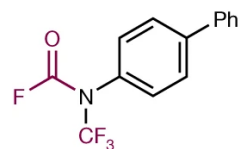
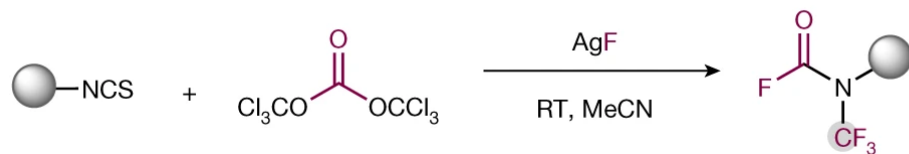
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# Strategy

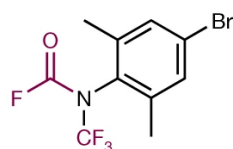


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# Substrate Scope: Carbamoyl fluoride



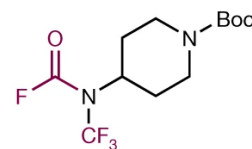
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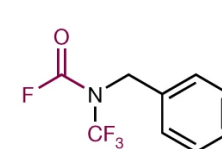
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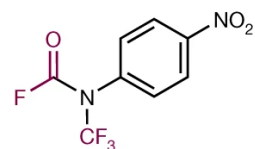
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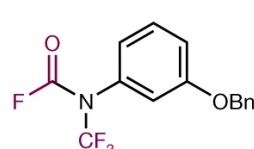
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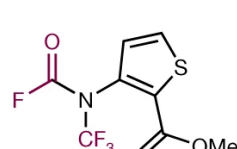
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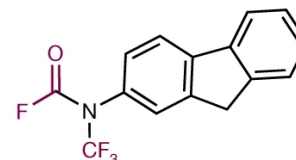
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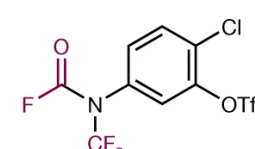
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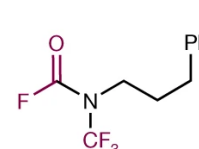
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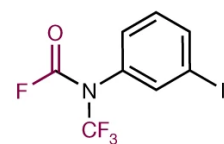
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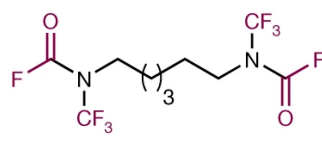
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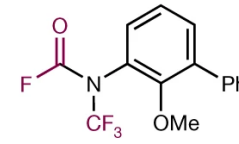
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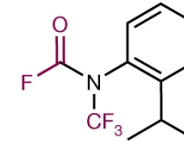
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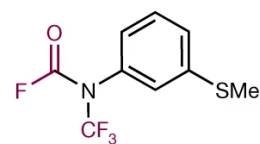
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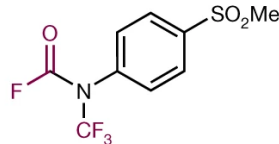
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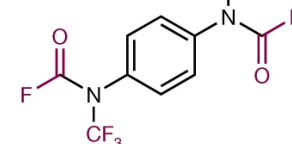
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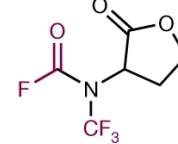
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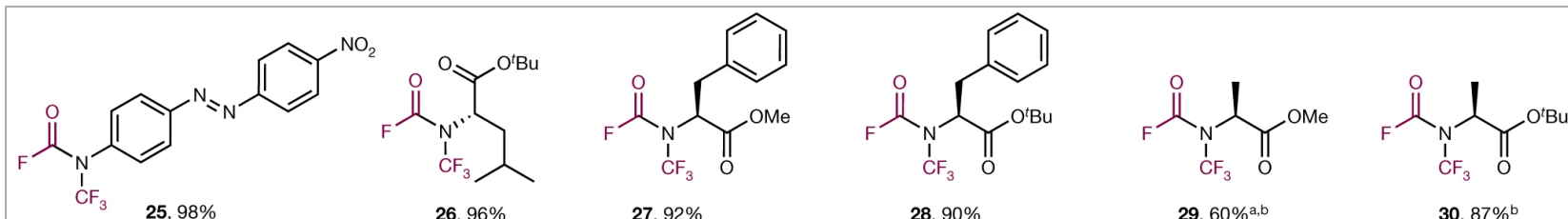
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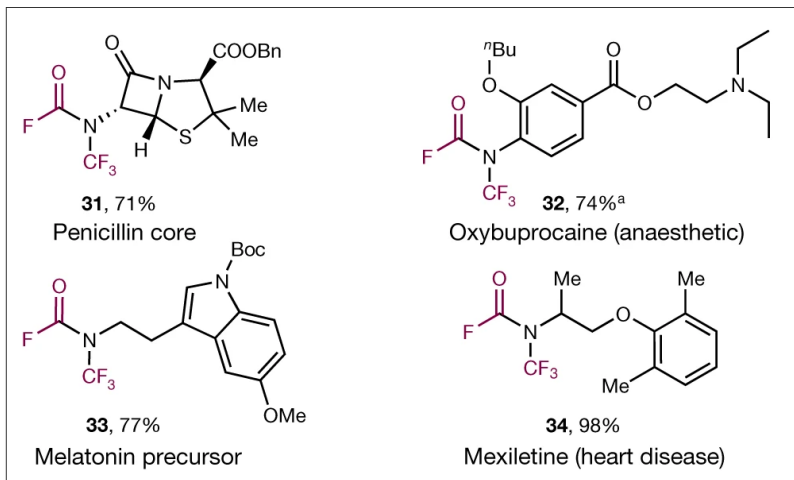


# Substrate Scope: Carbamoyl fluoride

## chiral amino acids

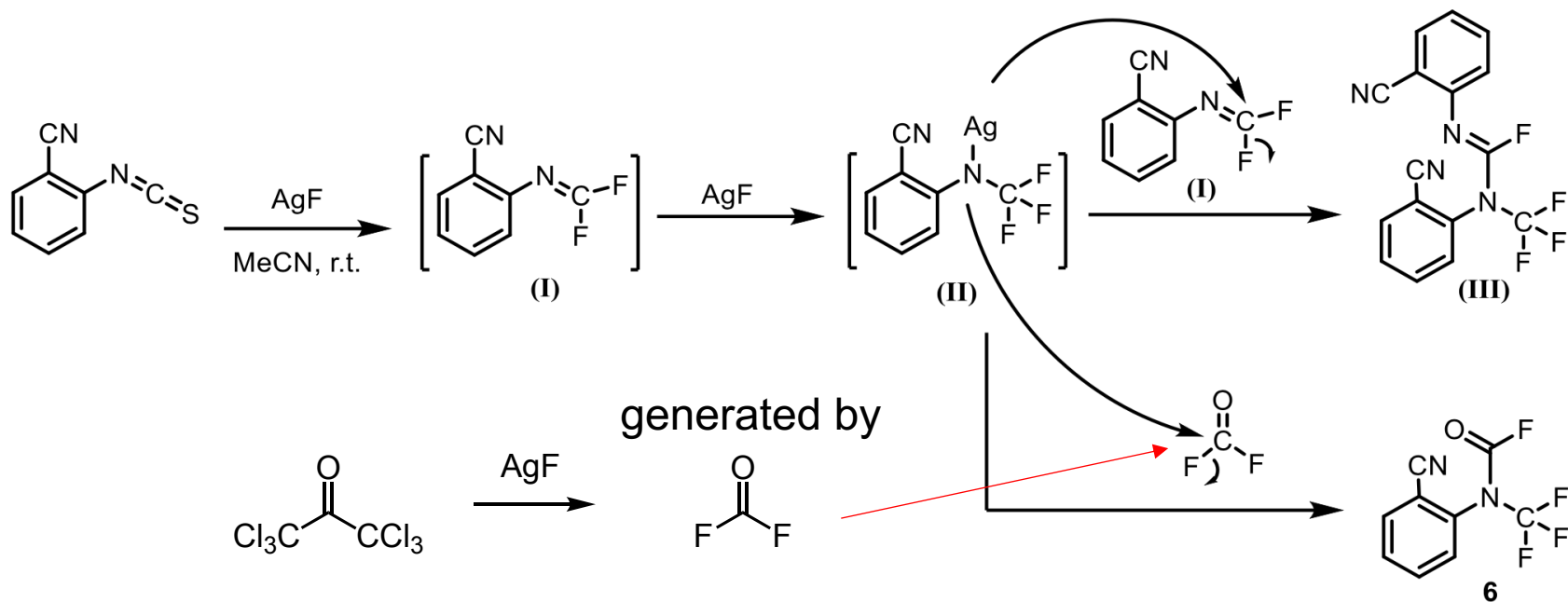


## drug molecules



- High functional group tolerance was shown.
- Stereochemistry was also retained.

# Mechanistic studies: Proposed mechanism



**Fig. S55.** Proposed mechanism for desulfurization and formation of  $R-N(CF_3)COF$ .

# Mechanistic studies: IR spectra

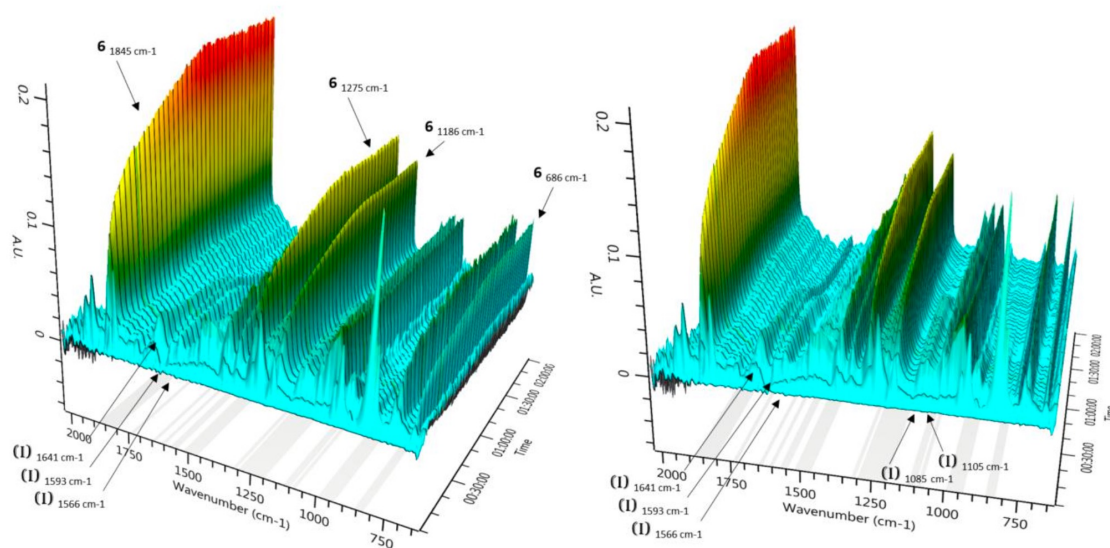
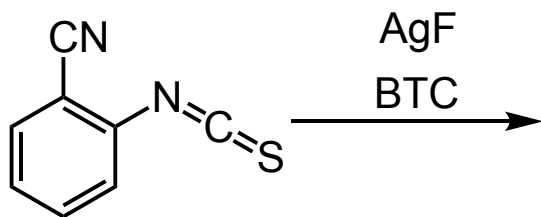
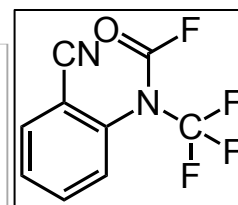
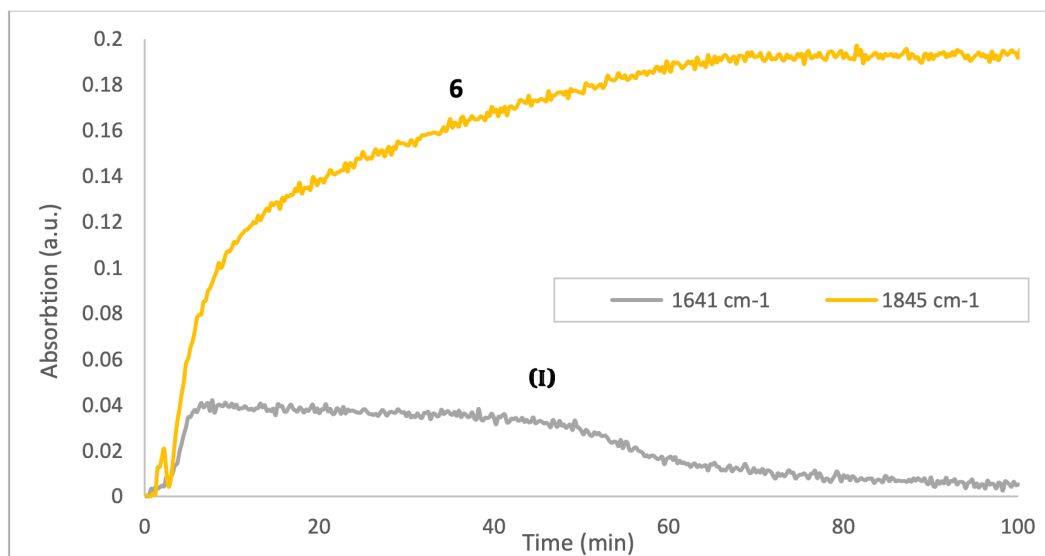
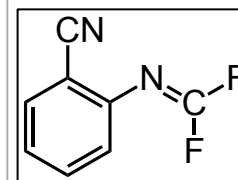


Fig. S56. 3D surface (two perspectives) of ReactIR during synthesis of R-N(CF<sub>3</sub>)COF **6**.

Fig. S57. Main IR bands observed during R-N(CF<sub>3</sub>)COF synthesis.

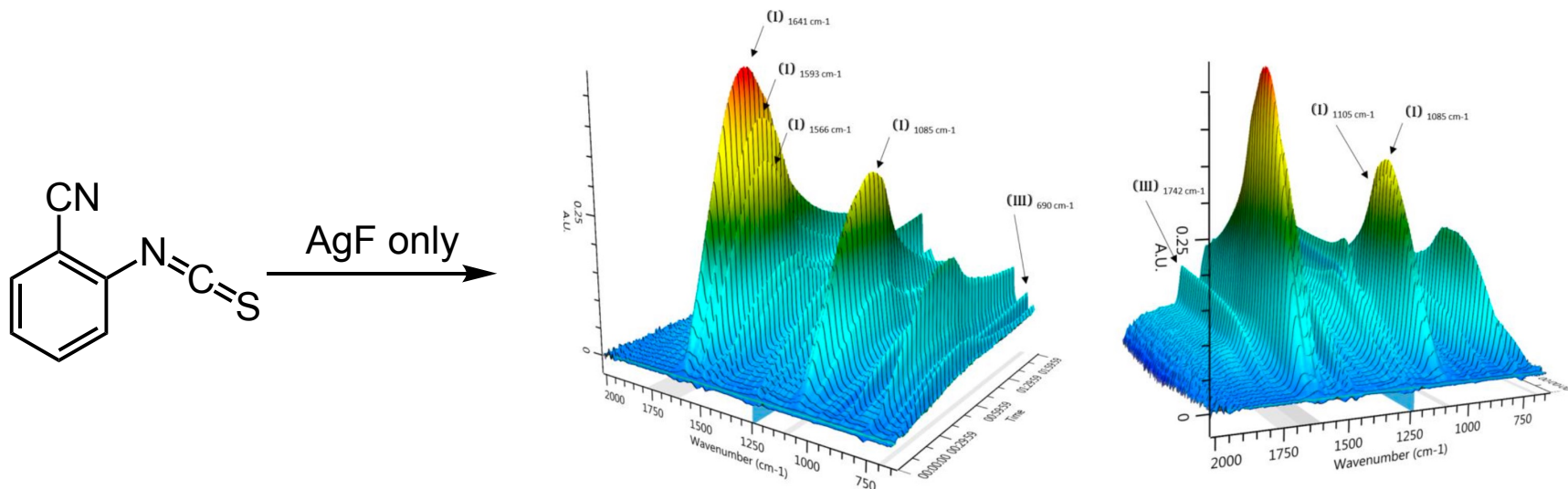


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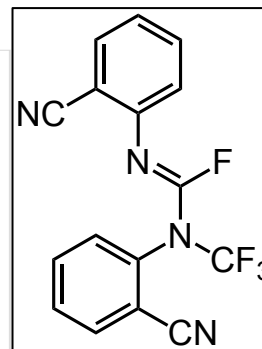
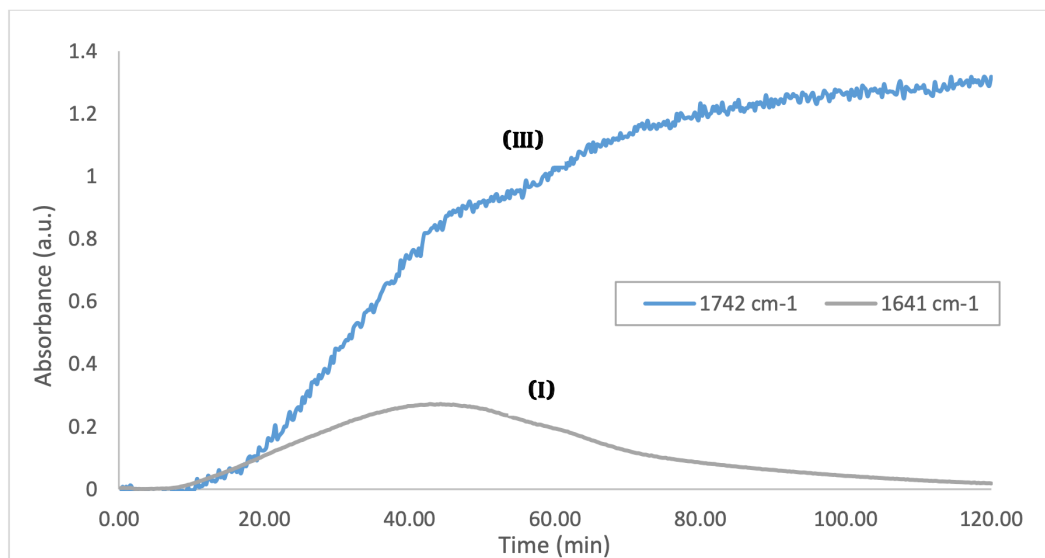
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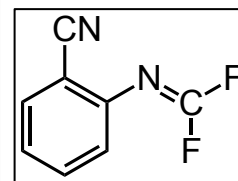
**Fig. S58.** IR bands of (I) & (III) on 3D surface (two perspectives), reaction of R-NCS with AgF.

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**Fig. S59.** Main IR bands during reaction of R-NCS with AgF only.

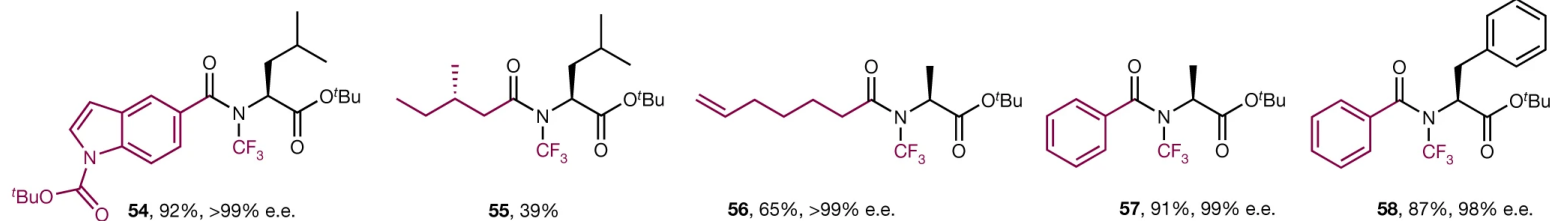
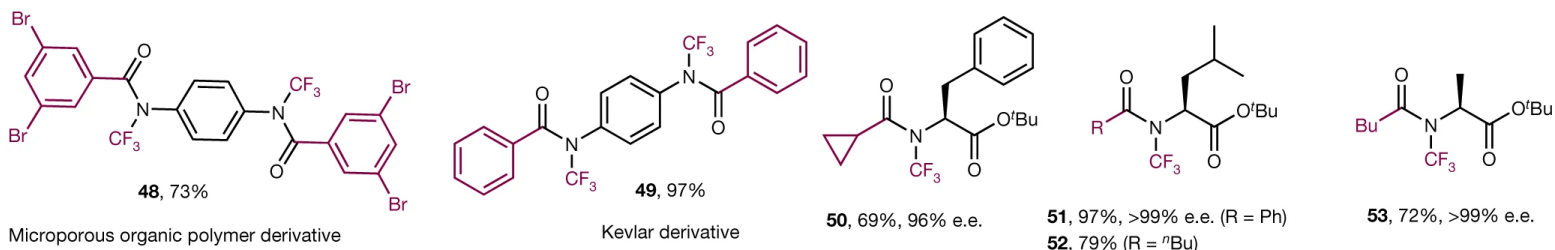
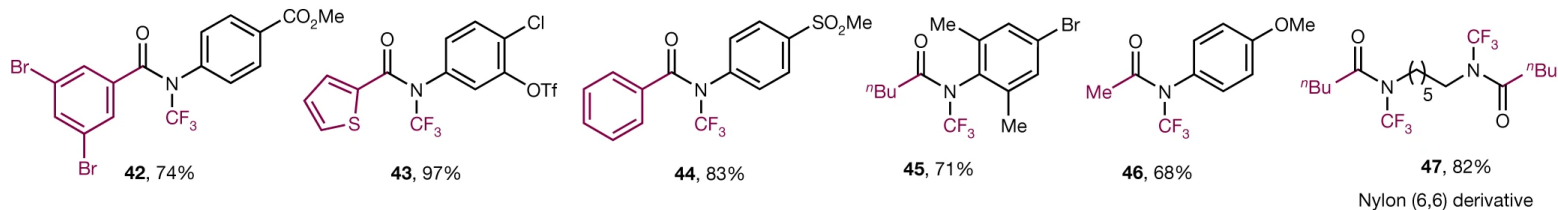
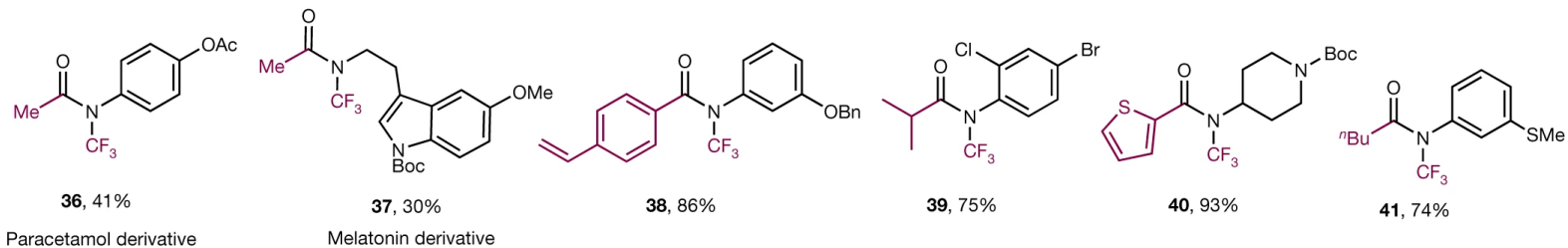
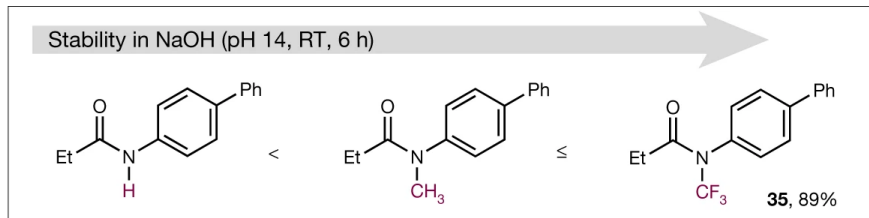
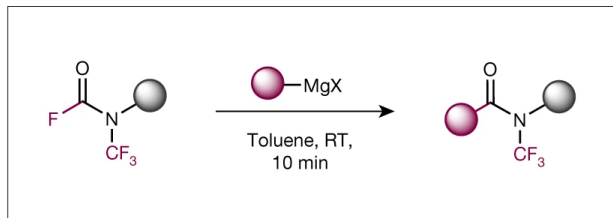


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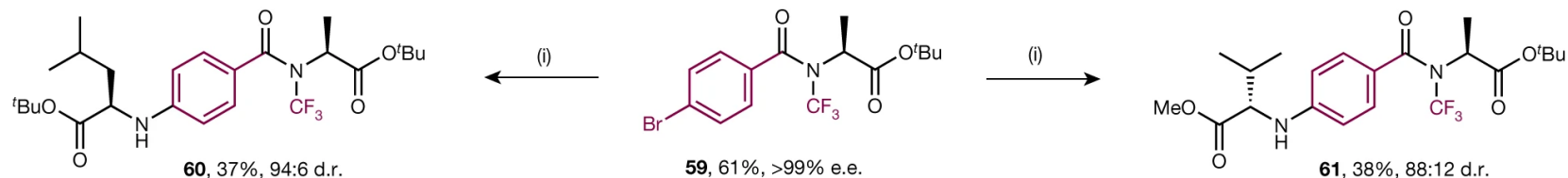
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# Substrate Scope: Constructing amide

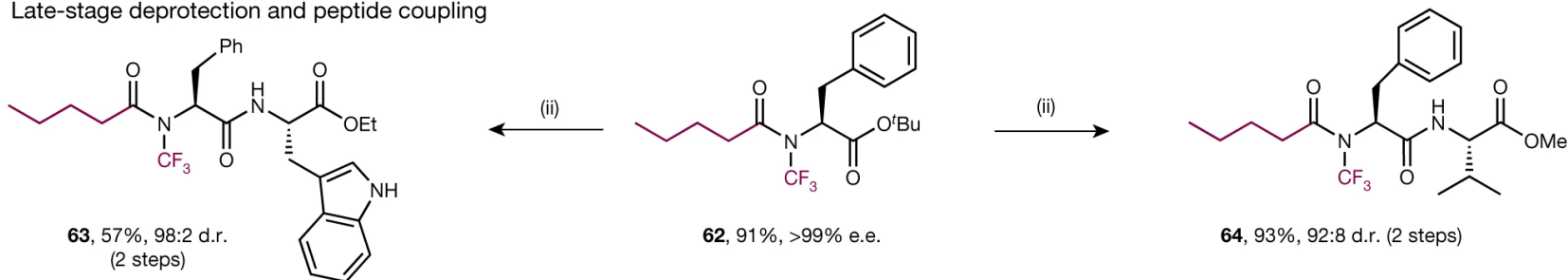


# Substrate Scope: Constructing amides

Pd-catalysed late-stage amination



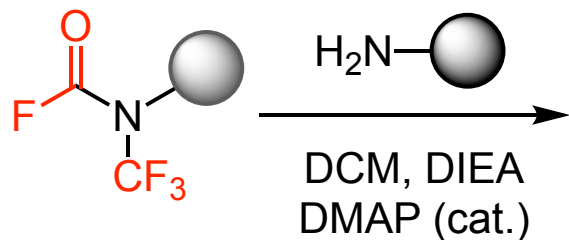
Late-stage deprotection and peptide coupling



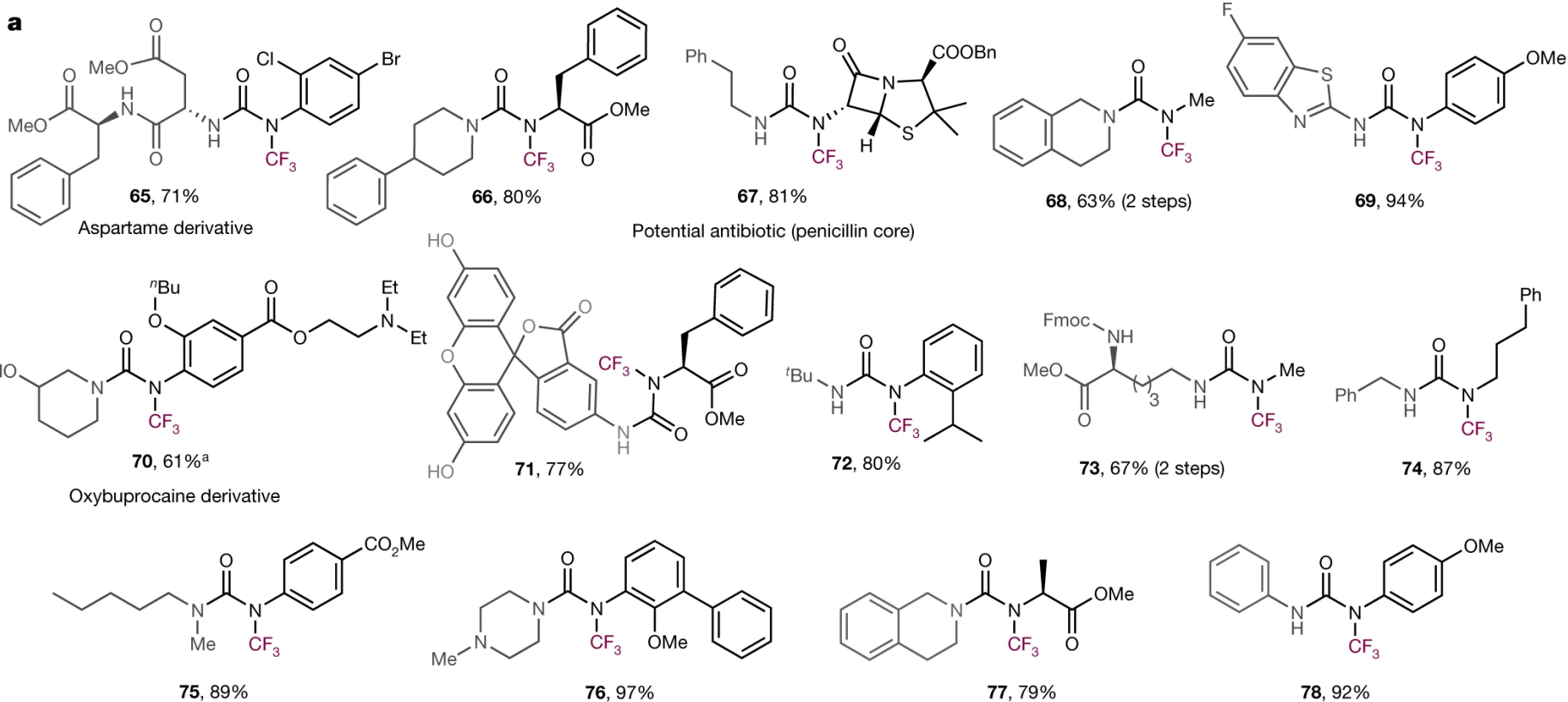
i) Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (10 mol%)/ BINAP (15 mol%), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, toluene, 110 °C, 3 h; (ii) step 1: trifluoroacetic acid, dichloromethane, RT, 2 h; step 2: HBTU, DIPEA, amino acid, RT, 16 h.

- Stereochemistry was retained.
- Compatible with further derivatization

# Substrate Scope: Constructing urea

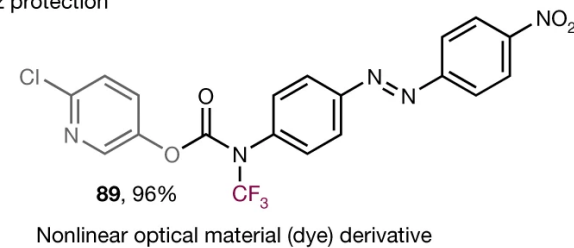
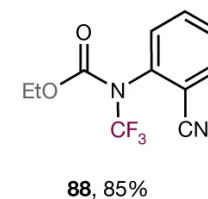
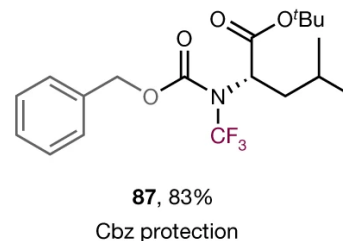
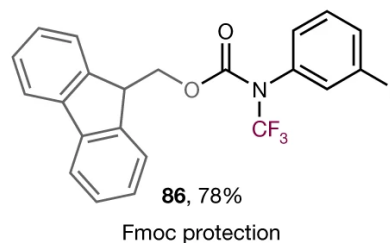
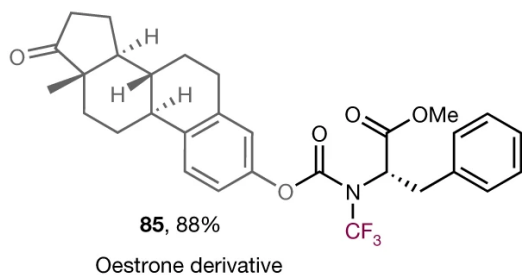
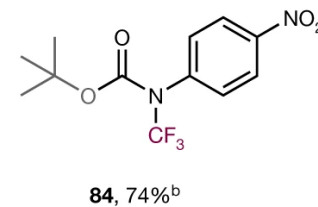
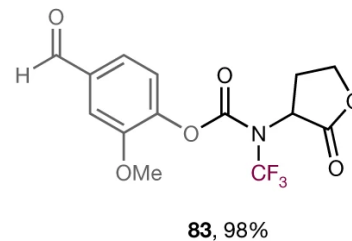
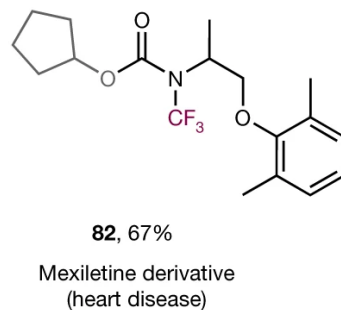
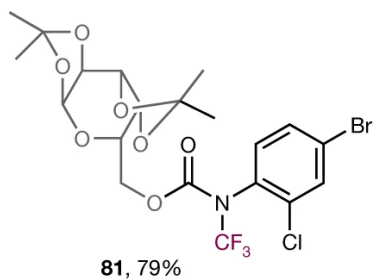
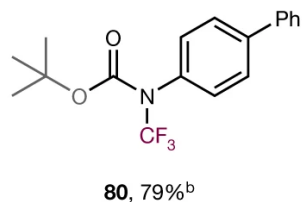
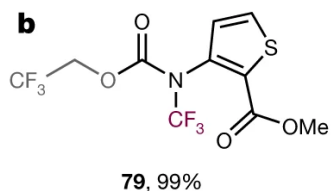
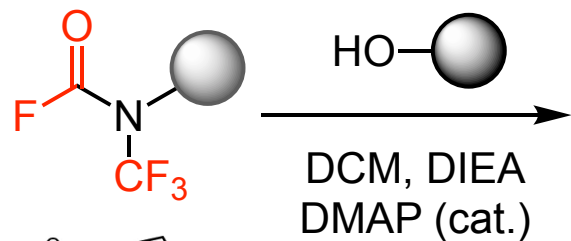


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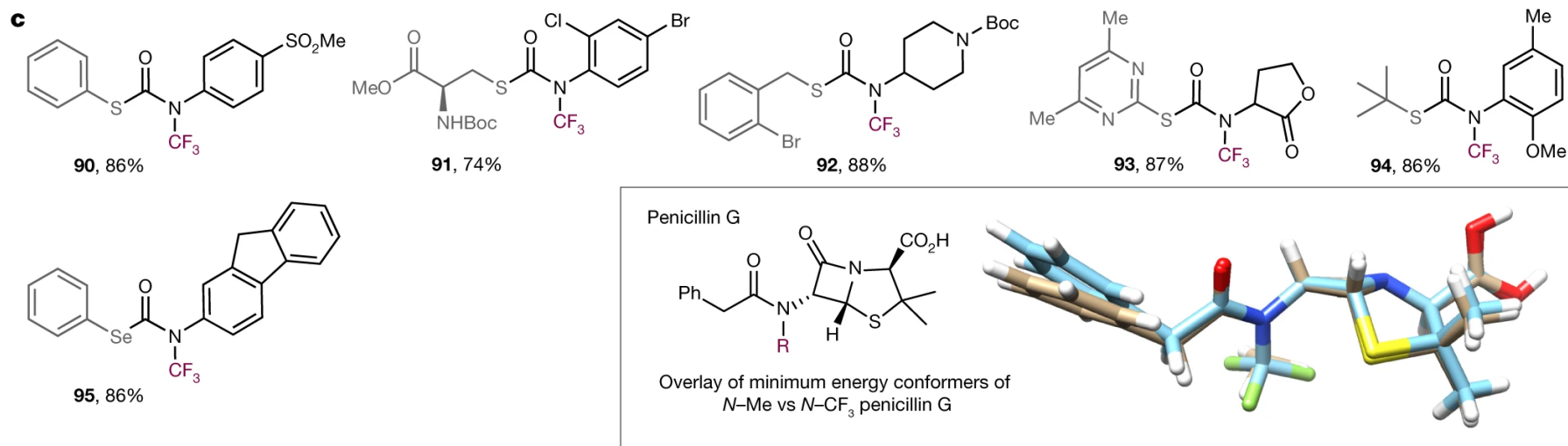
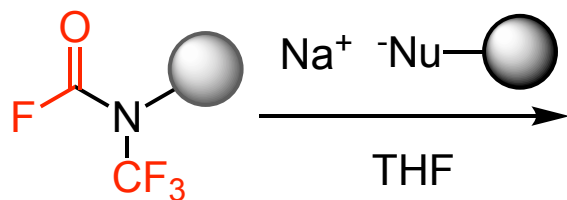
# Substrate Scope: Constructing carbamate



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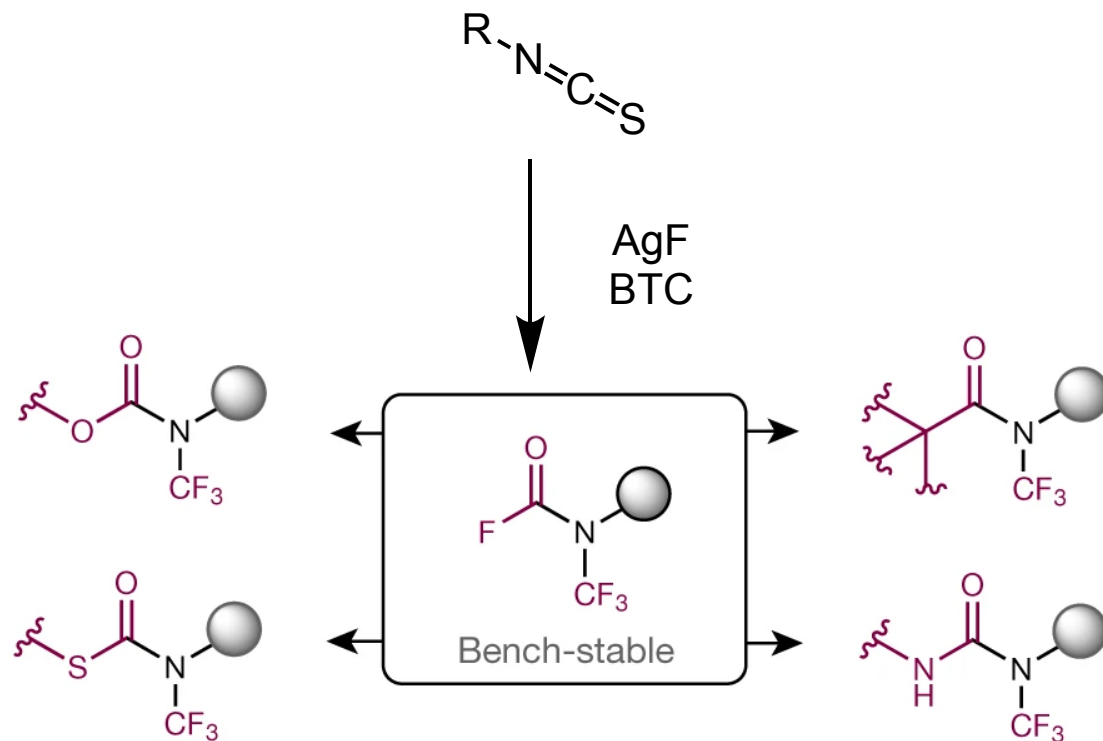


# Substrate Scope: Constructing thio- and selenocarbamate



- Carbamoyl fluoride could be transformed to urea, carbamate, and thio(seleno-)carbamate

# Short summary

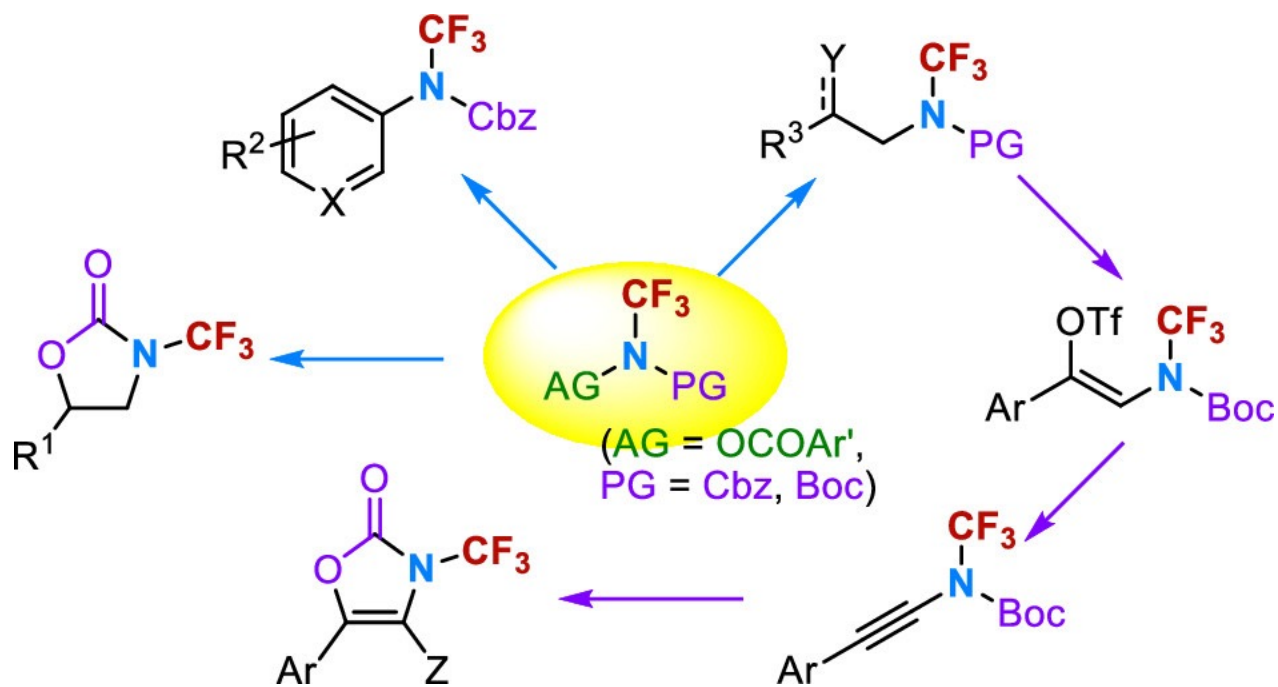


- Safe and simple methodology to construct *N*-CF<sub>3</sub> amide
- Accessible to urea, carbamate and thiocarbamate

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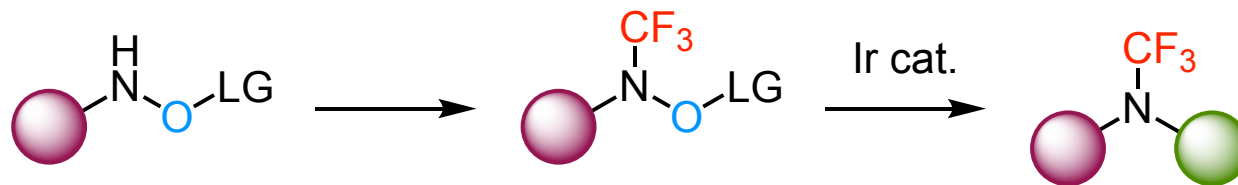
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# Constructing *N*-CF<sub>3</sub> by Prefunctionalizing hydroxylamine derivatives



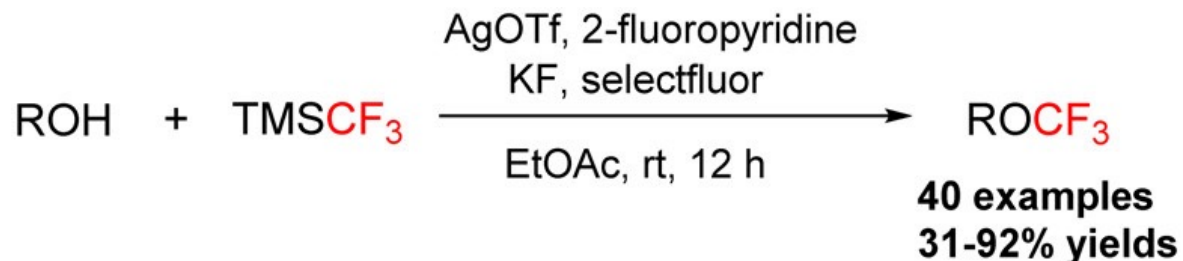
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- Strategy



# Constructing *N*-CF<sub>3</sub> hydroxylamine

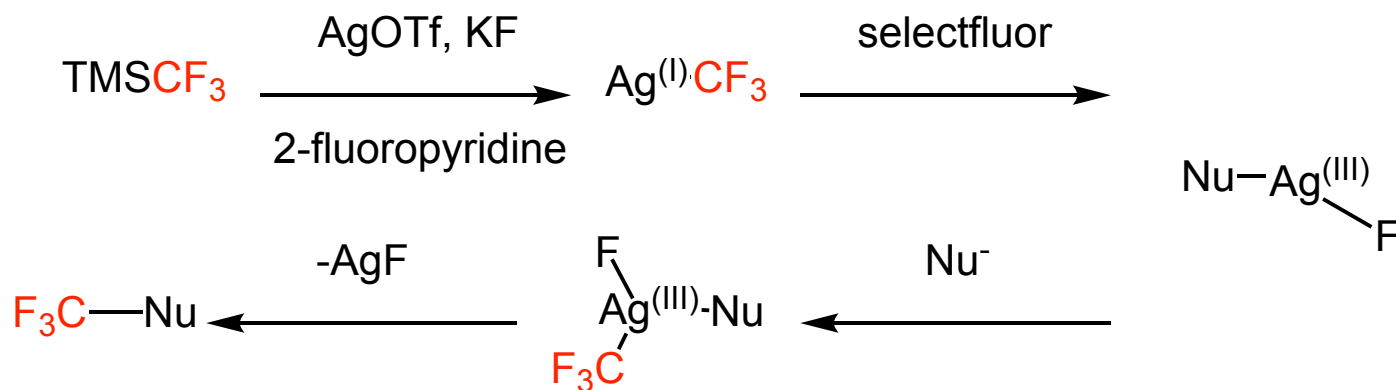
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➤ Applied to *N*-trifluoromethylation of hydroxylamine

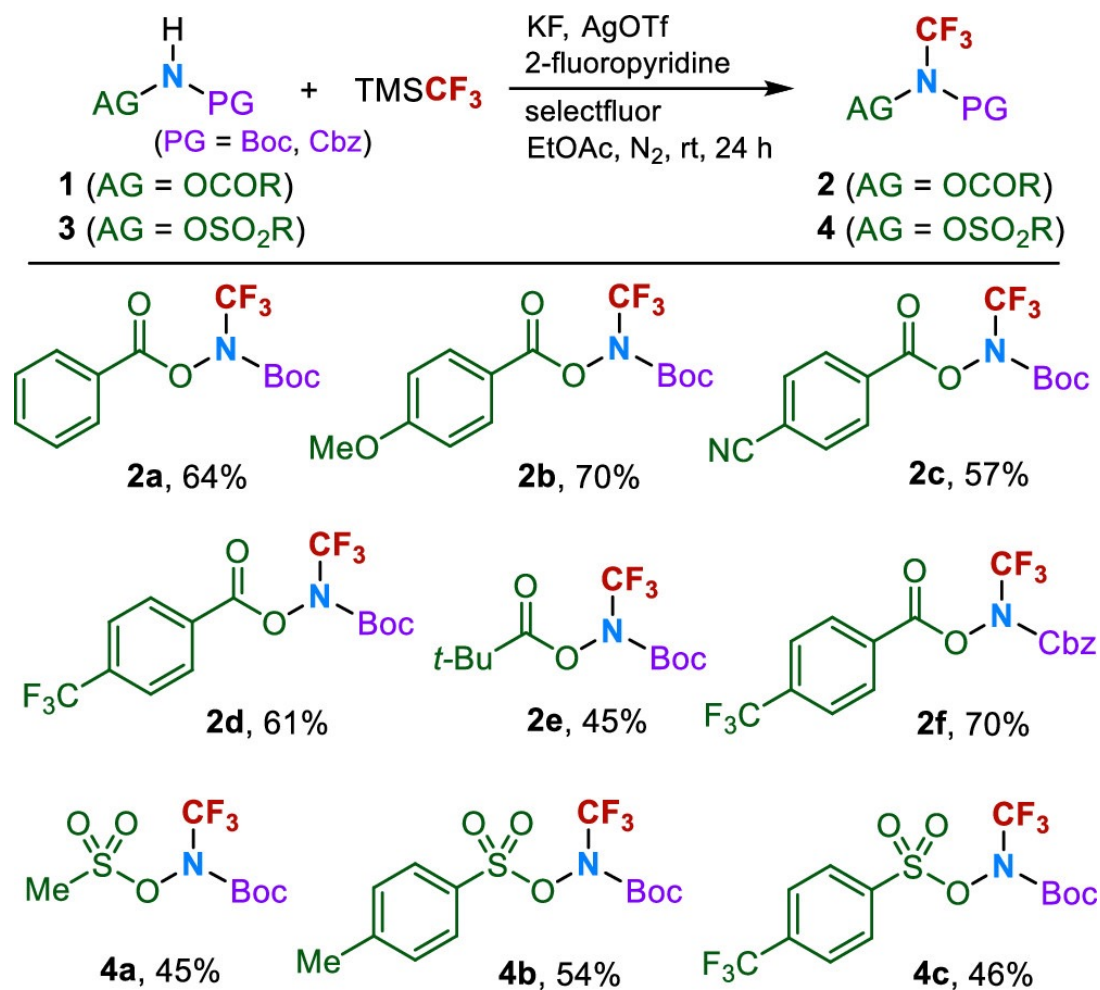
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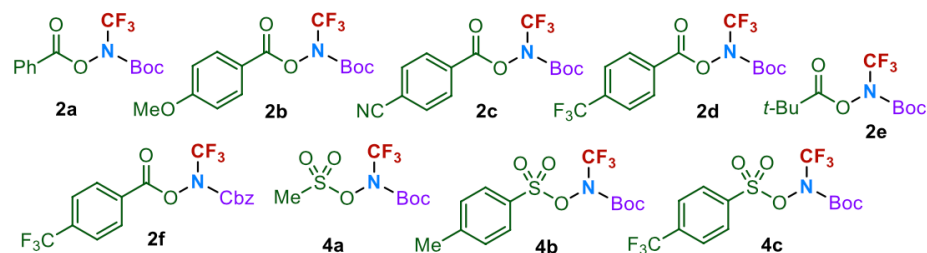
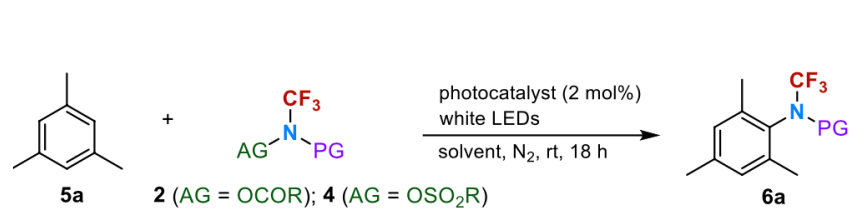
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# Constructing *N*-CF<sub>3</sub> hydroxylamine



- Conversion proceeded in moderate ~ good yield.

# Inserting $N\text{-CF}_3$ to C-H: Optimization

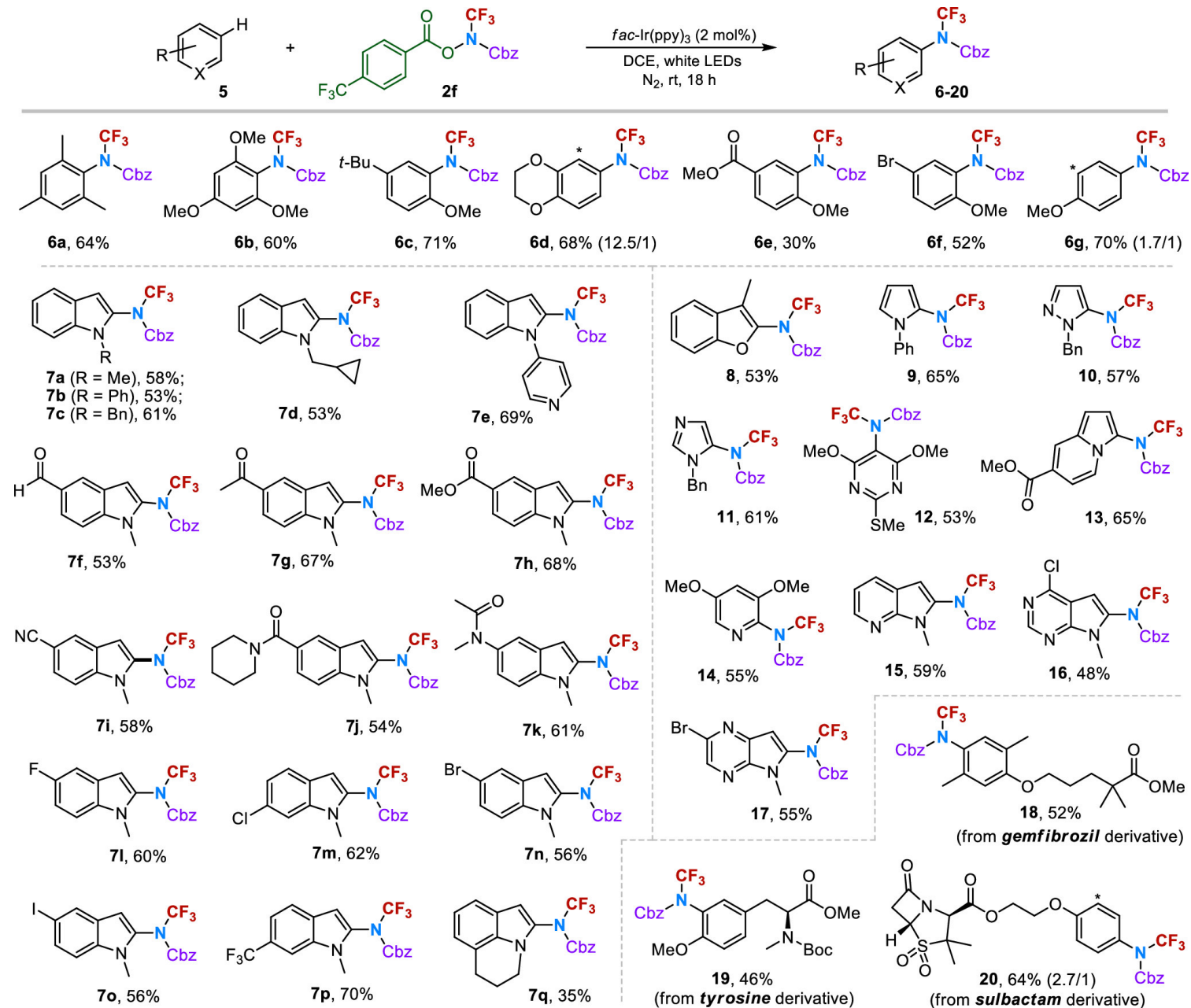


entry	reagent	photocatalyst	solvent	product	<sup>19</sup> F NMR (%) <sup>b</sup>
1	<b>2a</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	62
2	<b>2b</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	0
3	<b>2c</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	53
4	<b>2d</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	67
5	<b>2e</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	0
6	<b>2f</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Cbz)	55
7	<b>4a</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	26
8	<b>4b</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	23
9	<b>4c</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	13
10	<b>2d</b>	Ru(bpy) <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	0
11	<b>2d</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	MeCN	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	14
12 <sup>c</sup>	<b>2d</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Boc)	89
13 <sup>c,d</sup>	<b>2f</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Cbz)	85
14 <sup>c,e</sup>	<b>2f</b>	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) <sub>3</sub>	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Cbz)	0
15 <sup>c</sup>	<b>2f</b>	—	DCE	<b>6a</b> (PG = Cbz)	0

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: **5a** (0.1 mmol), reagent **2** or **4** (0.15 mmol), photocatalyst (0.002 mmol), solvent (1.0 mL), white LEDs, under N<sub>2</sub>, rt, 18 h. <sup>b</sup> Yields were determined by <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectroscopy using trifluoromethylbenzene as an internal standard. <sup>c</sup> **5a** (0.15 mmol), reagent **2** (0.1 mmol). <sup>d</sup> Note: reagent **2f** was selected because the Cbz is easily deprotected under mild conditions. <sup>e</sup> No light.

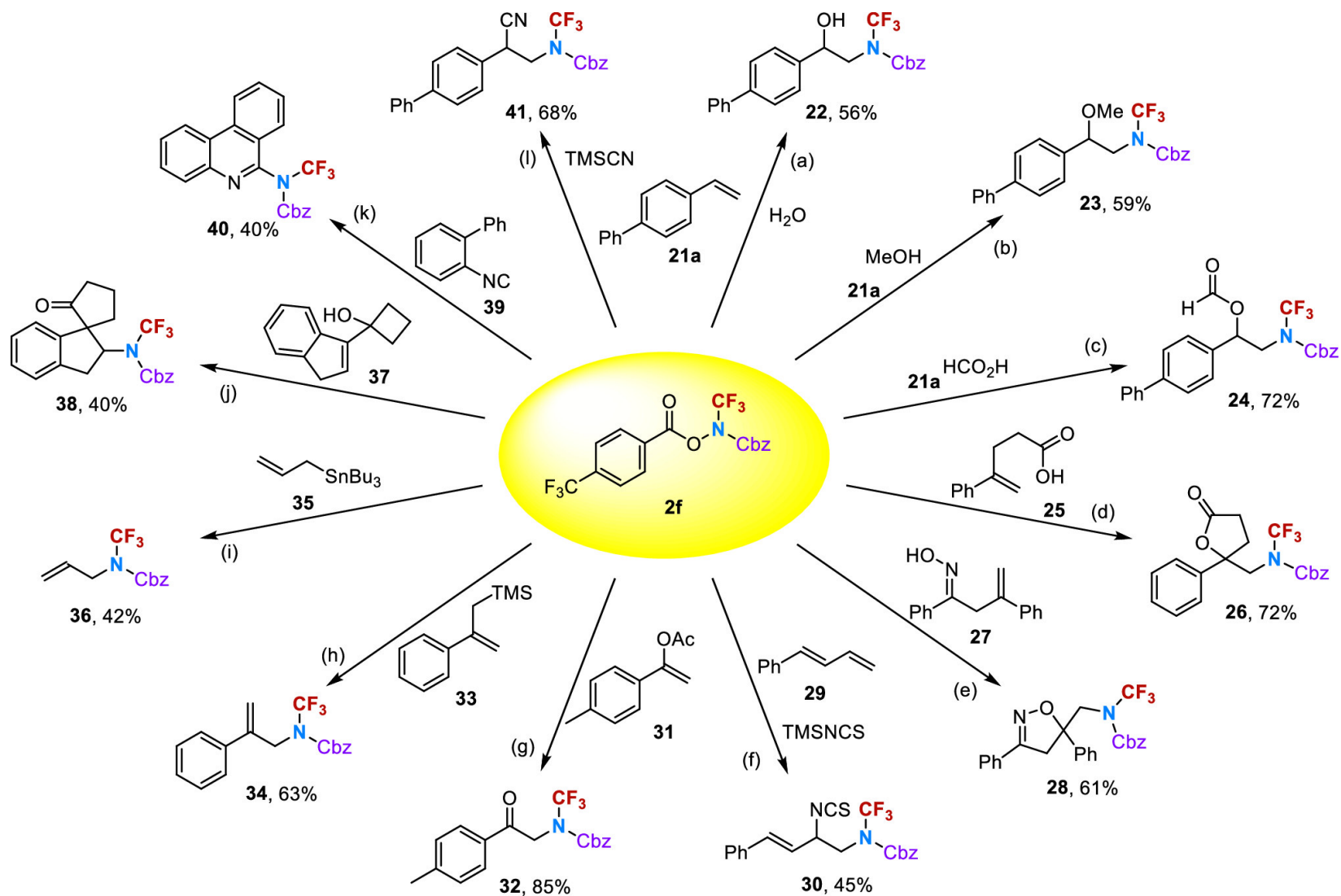
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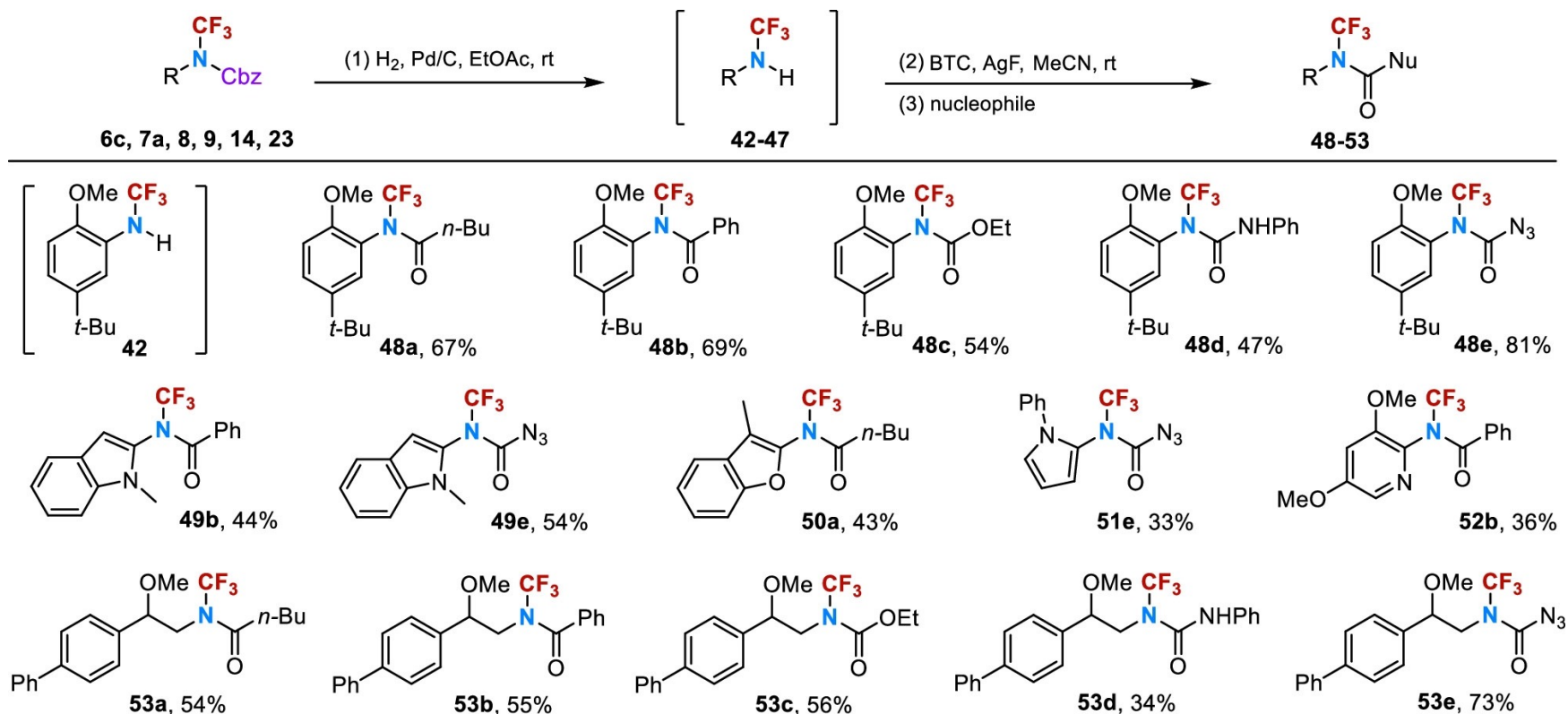


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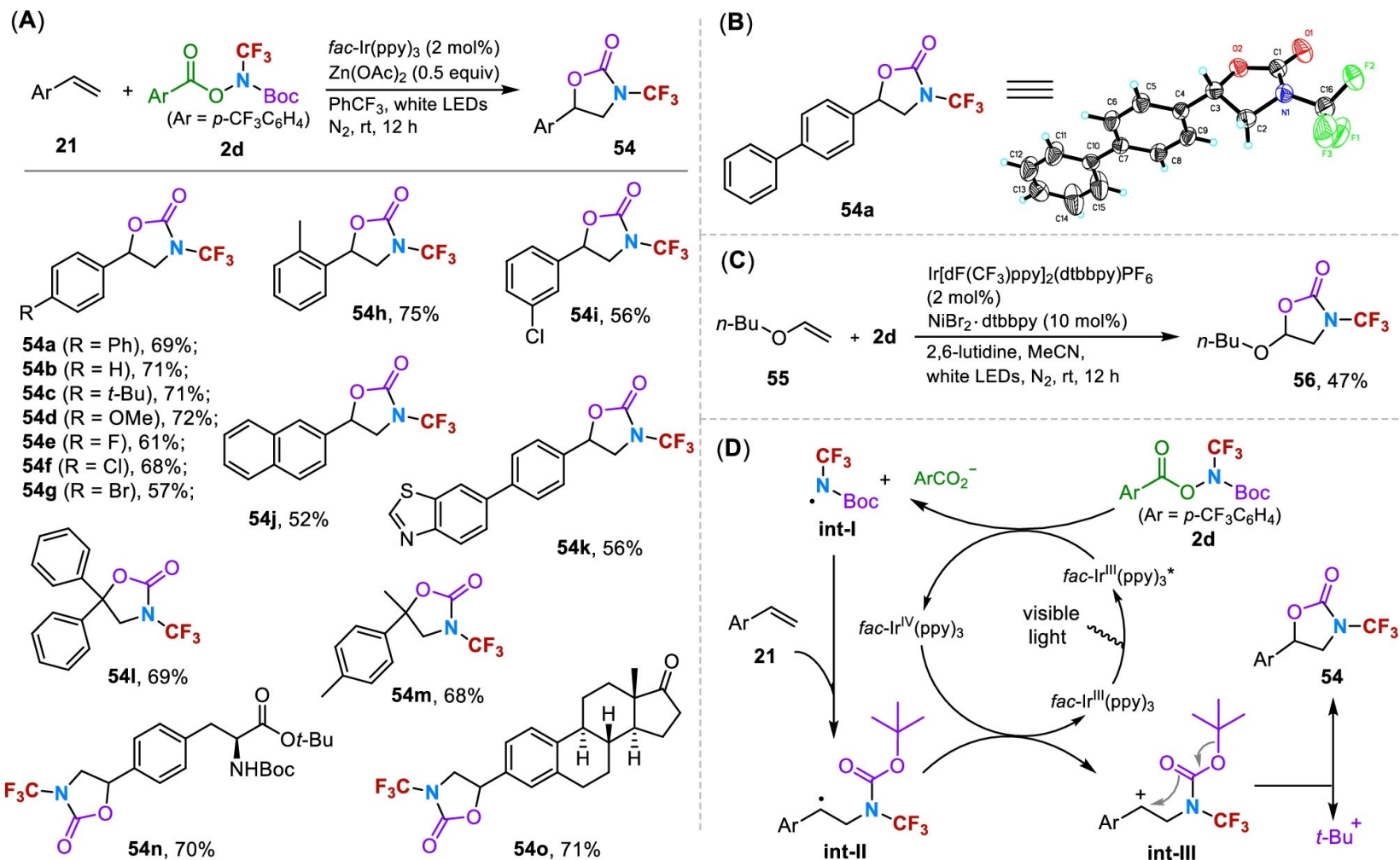


- Deprotection and further functionalization with Schoenebeck's system\*.

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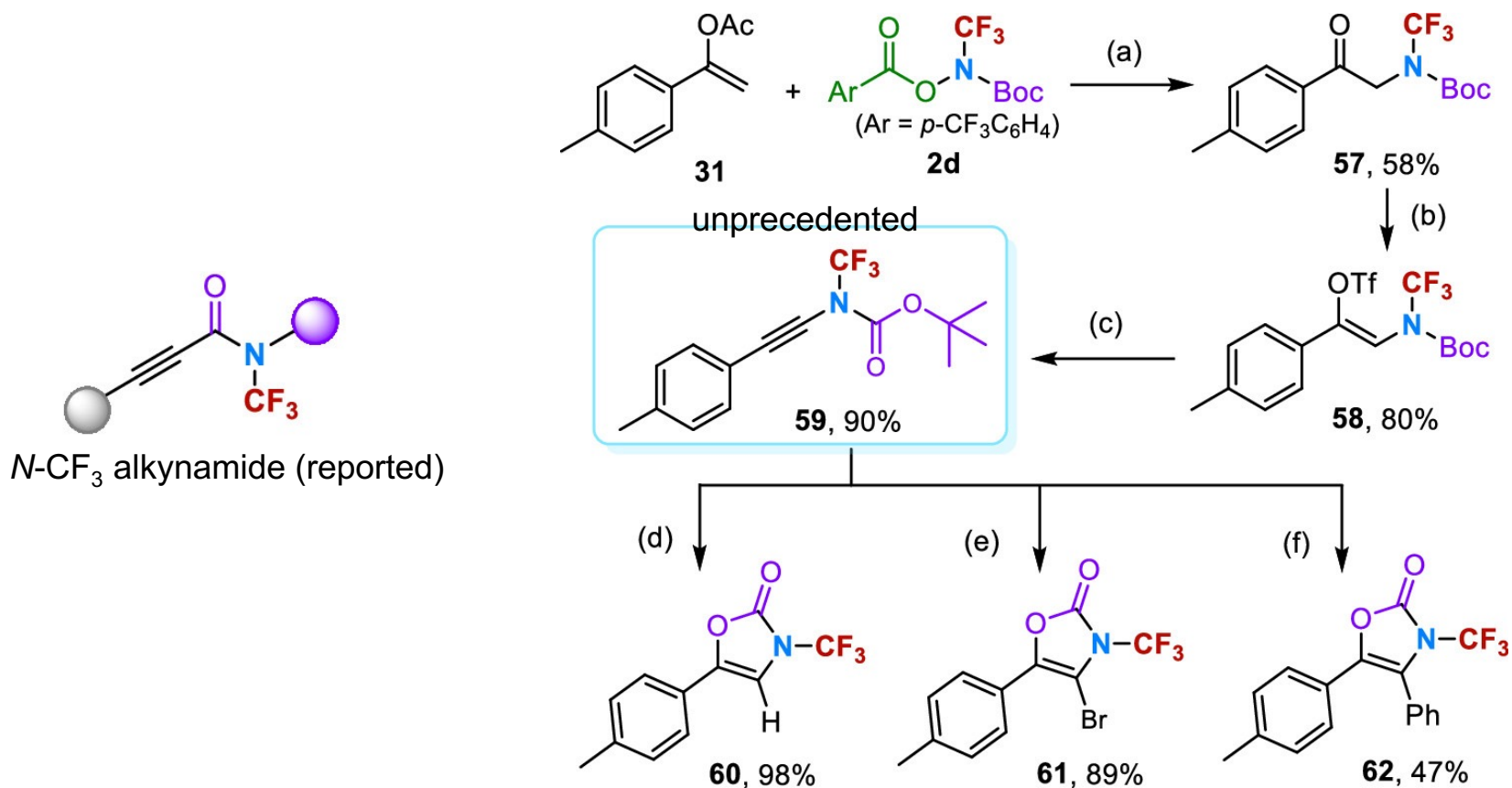
# Constructing $N$ -CF<sub>3</sub> amide



- Boc-protected amine afforded cyclized compound

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# Constructing unprecedented ynamide



- Succeeded in synthesizing unprecedented ynamide

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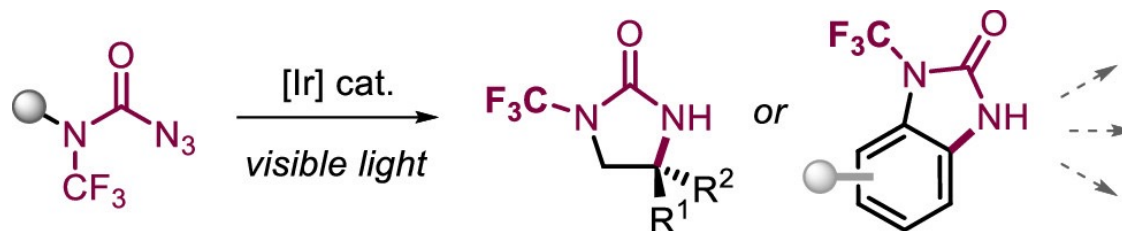
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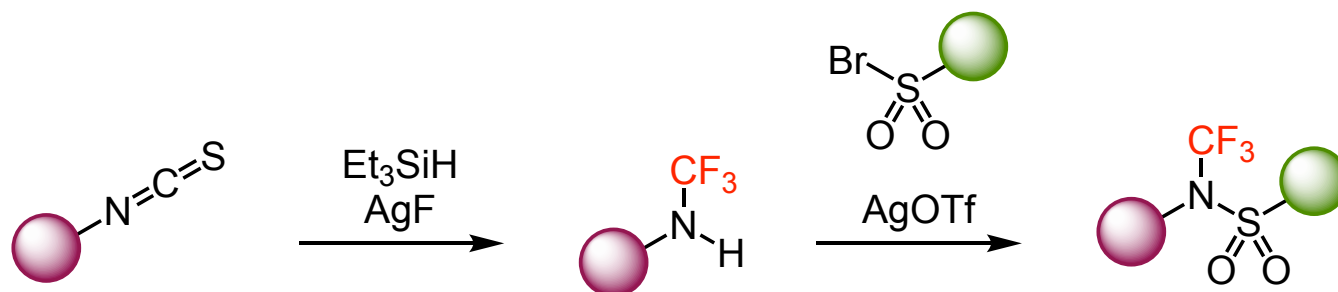
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# Perspective

- Recent reports on *N*-CF<sub>3</sub> compound



*stereospecific* *derivatization*  
Schohenebeck, F., et al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2022**, 144, 6100–6106



Yi. W., et al., *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2022**, accepted

Synthetic methodologies for various *N*-CF<sub>3</sub> compounds are now developed.



Lead to elucidating unique bioactivity

# Summary

- Electrophilic direct *N*-trifluoromethylation is still difficult.
- $\text{CF}_3$  incorporation and derivatization is major strategy to construct *N*- $\text{CF}_3$  moiety.
- More simple and versatile methodology for *N*- $\text{CF}_3$  is emerging.
- Biological activity of *N*- $\text{CF}_3$  molecule will be elucidated in the future.