Ligand-controlled Regioselective Cu-Catalyzed Trifluoromethylation to Generate Trifluoromethylallenes

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General Considerations

Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed using oven-dried glassware under an atmosphere of dry N₂. Trifluoromethylation reactions were performed in resealable 15 mL screw-top vial sealed with PTFE septa. All other reactions were performed in round-bottom flasks, which were sealed with rubber septa. Stainless steel syringes were used to transfer air- or moisture-sensitive liquid reagents. Reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) on UNIPLATETM Silica Gel HLF 250 micron glass plates precoated with 230–400 mesh silica impregnated with a fluorescent indicator (250 nm), visualizing by quenching of fluorescence, KMnO₄ solution, or *p*-anisaldehyde solution. A CombiFlash[®] RF–4x purification system was used for chromatographic purifications. Silica gel was purchased from Sorbent Technologies (cat. #30930M-25, 60 Å, 40–63 μ m).

Unless otherwise noted, reagents were purchased from commercial sources, and used as received. Anhydrous potassium fluoride (KF) was dried in a vacuum-oven at 200 °C for at least 24 h prior to use. Anhydrous *N*,*N*'-dimethylformamide (DMF), acetonitrile (CH₃CN), methanol (MeOH), dichloromethane (DCM), tetrahydrofuran (THF), and triethylamine (NEt₃) were dispensed from a solvent purification system, in which the solvent was dried by passage through two columns of activated alumina under argon.

Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H NMR) spectra, and carbon nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker 500 AVANCE spectrometer (500 and 126 MHz, respectively) or a Bruker 400 AVANCE spectrometer (400 and 101 MHz, respectively). Fluorine nuclear magnetic resonance (¹⁹F NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker 400 AVANCE spectrometer (376 MHz). Chemical shifts (δ) for protons are reported in parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane, and are referenced to the proton resonance of residual CHCl₃ in the NMR solvent (δ = 7.27 ppm). Chemical shifts (δ) for carbon are reported in ppm downfield from tetramethylsilane, and are referenced to the carbon resonances of the solvent peak (δ = 77.16 ppm). Chemical shifts (δ) for fluorine are reported in ppm, and are referenced to PhCF₃ (δ = -63.72 ppm). NMR data are represented as follows: chemical shift (ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, sept = septet, m = multiplet), coupling constant in Hertz (Hz), and integration.

Exact mass determinations were obtained by the following methods; electron impact ionization (EI) on a ZG analytical ZAB mass spectrometer, electrospray ionization (ESI) on a

Waters LCT PremierTM mass spectrometer, or atmospheric-pressure chemical ionization (APCIhexane/PhMe) on a Waters Q-Tof PremierTM, for which sample plus near mass internal exact mass standard were dissolved in hexane, and hexane or PhMe/hexane were used as ionization solvent. Low-resolution mass data (CI) were recorded on a Shimadzu GCMS-QP2010 SE mass spectrometer. Infrared spectra were measured using a Shimadzu FTIR-8400S Fourier Transform Infrared Spectrometer. Uncorrected melting points were measured on a Thomas Hoover Capillary Melting Point Apparatus.

Synthesis of Propargyl Alcohols

General Procedure A:

An oven-dried Schlenk flask was charged with iodoarene (1.0 equiv), CuI (0.040 equiv), $Pd(PPh_3)_2Cl_2$ (0.020 equiv), and a magnetic stir bar. The flask was evacuated and backfilled with N₂ three times. MeCN (1 M) was injected, and the suspension was cooled to -10 °C. NEt₃ (4.5 equiv) was injected dropwise, and the mixture was stirred at -10 °C for 10 min. Propargyl alcohol (1.1 equiv) was injected dropwise, and the mixture was allowed to warm to rt. The reaction was monitored by TLC, and upon consumption of starting iodoarene (typically < 4 h), the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was dissolved in EtOAc, and filtered through a pad of silica (eluted with additional EtOAc). The solvent was removed *in vacuo*, and the crude material was purified by flash chromatography to afford the 3-arylpropargyl alcohol.

General Procedure B:

An oven-dried Schlenk flask was charged with benzaldehyde (1.0 equiv), and a magnetic stir bar. The flask was evacuated and backfilled with N₂ three times. THF was injected, and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. Ethynylmagnesium bromide (0.5 M in THF, 1.2–1.5 equiv) was injected dropwise, and the reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h. The mixture was allowed to warm to rt, and monitored by TLC. After consumption of the aldehyde, the reaction was quenched with NH₄Cl_(aq.), and diluted with EtOAc. The organic phase was washed with H₂O and brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and filtered. The solvent was removed *in vacuo*, and chromatographic purification of the resulting residue afforded the 1-arylpropargyl alcohol.



1-(4-(3-Hydroxyprop-1-yn-1-yl)phenyl)ethanone¹

General procedure A was followed using 4-iodoacetophenone (2.46 g, 10.0 mmol), CuI (76 mg, 0.40 mmol), Pd(PPh_3)_2Cl_2 (0.14 g, 0.20 mmol), NEt₃ (6.3 mL, 45 mmol), propargyl alcohol (0.64 mL, 11 mmol) and MeCN (0.010 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc $1:0 \rightarrow 4:1$) afforded the title product as a yellow solid (1.23 g, 71%). m.p. 74–76 °C (lit.¹ 76–77). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 – 7.88 (m, 2 H), 7.56 – 7.49 (m, 2 H), 4.54 (s, 2 H), 2.61 (s, 3 H), 1.60 (s, 1 H).



Ethyl 3-(3-hydroxyprop-1-yn-1-yl)benzoate²

General procedure A was followed using ethyl 3-iodobenzoate (2.76 g, 10.0 mmol), CuI (76 mg, 0.40 mmol), Pd(PPh_3)_2Cl_2 (0.14 g, 0.20 mmol), NEt_3 (6.3 mL, 45 mmol), propargyl alcohol (0.64 mL, 11 mmol) and MeCN (0.010 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc $1:0 \rightarrow 4:1$) afforded the title product as a yellow solid (1.99 g, 98%). m.p. 47–49 °C (lit.² 48–50 °C). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.13 (t, J = 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 8.01 (dt, J = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.61 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.52 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 2 H), 4.39 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 1.72 (ddd, J = 7.4, 6.0, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.41 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H).



3-(4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-ol¹

General procedure A was followed using 4-iodobenzotrifluoride (2.72 g, 10.0 mmol), CuI (76 mg, 0.40 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (0.14 g, 0.20 mmol), NEt₃ (6.3 mL, 45 mmol), propargyl alcohol (0.64 mL, 11 mmol) and MeCN (0.010 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 5:1) afforded the title product as yellow crystals (1.84 g, 92%). m.p. 35–37 °C (lit.¹ 35–36 °C). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60–7.54 (m, 4 H), 4.53 (s, 2 H), 1.68 (s, 1 H). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –62.95 (s, 3 F).



<u>3-(3-Nitrophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-ol³</u>

General procedure A was followed using 1-iodo-3-nitrobenzene (2.49 g, 10.0 mmol), CuI (76 mg, 0.40 mmol), Pd(PPh_3)₂Cl₂ (0.14 g, 0.20 mmol), NEt₃ (6.3 mL, 45 mmol), propargyl alcohol (0.64 mL, 11 mmol) and MeCN (0.010 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 4:1) afforded the title product as a viscous amber oil (1.55 g, 88%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.30 (t, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.19 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 2.3, 1.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.75 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.54 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2 H), 1.73 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1 H).



3-(2-methoxy-5-nitrophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-ol

General procedure A was followed using 2-iodo-4-nitroanisole (2.8 g, 0.010 mol), CuI (76 mg, 0.40 mmol), Pd(PPh_3)_2Cl_2 (0.14 g, 0.20 mmol), NEt_3 (6.3 mL, 45 mmol), propargyl alcohol (0.64 mL, 11 mmol) and MeCN (15 mL) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 9:1 \rightarrow 3:1) afforded the title product as a pale yellow solid (1.1 g, 53%). m.p. 117–118 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.31 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.22 (dd, J = 9.2, 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.96 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.57 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2 H), 4.00 (s, 3 H), 1.77 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 164.7, 141.2, 129.5, 126.0, 113.0, 110.4, 93.5, 79.8, 56.8, 51.8. IR (film) 3381,

3090, 2978, 2945, 1605, 1576, 1510, 1493, 1439, 1352, 1279, 1238, 1188, 1144, 1095, 1015, 974, 899, 879, 820, 746, 723, 638 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for $[M+H]^+$ (C₁₀H₁₀NO₄) requires *m/z* 208.0610, found *m/z* 208.0610 (0.0 ppm).



2-(3-Hydroxyprop-1-yn-1-yl)benzonitrile⁴

General procedure A was followed using 2-iodobenzonitrile (2.3 g, 0.010 mol), CuI (76 mg, 0.40 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (0.14 mg, 0.20 mmol), NEt₃ (6.3 mL, 45 mmol), propargyl alcohol (0.64 mL, 11 mmol) and MeCN (15 mL) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 4:1 \rightarrow 3:2) afforded the title product as a tan solid (1.41 g, 90%). m.p. 60–61 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 – 7.60 (m, 1 H), 7.59 – 7.50 (m, 2 H), 7.47 – 7.37 (m, 1 H), 4.58 (s, 2 H), 2.39 – 1.97 (m, 1 H).



3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-ol⁵

General procedure A was followed using 1,2-dichloro-4-iodobenzene (2.72 g, 10.0 mmol), CuI (76 mg, 0.40 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (0.14 g, 0.20 mmol), NEt₃ (6.3 mL, 45 mmol), propargyl alcohol (0.64 mL, 11 mmol) and MeCN (0.010 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 5:1) afforded the title product as a pale brown solid (1.70 g, 85%). m.p. 64–65 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.28 – 7.25 (m, 1 H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2 H), 1.65 (td, *J* = 6.3, 2.0 Hz, 1 H).



2,2,2-Trifluoro-N-(4-(3-hydroxyprop-1-yn-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide

4-Bromoaniline (2.6 g, 15 mmol) was added to an oven-dried 250 mL Schlenk flask. THF (0.050 L) and pyridine (1.8 mL, 23 mmol) were injected, and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. A solution of trifluoroacetic anhydride (2.5 mL, 18 mmol) in THF (0.010 L) was slowly injected over a 5 min period, and the reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1.5 h. The solution was allowed to warm to rt, stirred for an additional 1.5 h, and then quenched with brine (50 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (100 mL, 2 x 50 mL), and the combined organic solution was washed with 1 N HCl (2 x 75 mL), NaHCO_{3 (aq.)} (50 mL), and brine (50 mL). The solution was dried over MgSO₄, and filtered through a pad of silica gel (eluted with 100 mL EtOAc). The solvent was removed *in vacuo* to provide N-(4-bromophenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroacetamide as a brown solid (3.7 g, 92 %). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (s, 1 H), 7.56 – 7.51 (m, 2 H), 7.51 – 7.46 (m, 2 H). N-(4-bromophenyl)-2,2,2-trifluoroacetamide (1.7 g, 6.4 mmol), CuI (0.12 g, 0.32 mmol), and NaI (1.9 g, 13 mmol) were added to a 50 mL Schlenk flask. The flask was evacuated and backfilled with dry N₂ (3x), and trans-N,N'-dimethyl-1,2-cyclohexanediamine (0.050 mL, 0.64 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (6.4 mL) were injected. The flask was sealed with a screw-top PTFE stopper, and immersed in a 110 °C oil bath. After 16 h, the mixture was allowed to cool to rt, and poured onto 1 N HCl (25 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 25 mL), and the combined organic layers were washed with H₂O (50 mL) and brine (50 mL). The organic solution was dried over MgSO₄, filtered through a pad of silica gel, and the solvent was removed in vacuo. Analysis of the material by GC revealed a 3:1 mixture of ArI / ArBr, and the material was used without further purification. General procedure A was followed using the haloarene mixture, CuI (34 mg, 0.18 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (62 mg, 0.090 mmol), NEt₃ (2.8 mL, 0.020 mol), propargyl alcohol (0.28 mL, 4.9 mmol) and MeCN (0.010 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (DCM / acetone 1:0 \rightarrow 9:1) afforded the title product as a tan solid (0.51 g, 33%) over 2 steps). m.p. 148–149 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (s, 1 H), 7.58 – 7.52 (m, 2 H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 2 H), 4.51 (s, 2 H), 1.64 (s, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.8 (q, J = 37.7 Hz), 135.2, 132.9, 120.7, 120.3, 115.7 (q, J = 288.8 Hz), 88.1, 84.9, 51.8. ¹⁹F NMR (376

MHz, CDCl₃) δ –76.68 (s, 3 F). IR (film) 3421, 3308, 3200, 3074, 3065, 1720, 1609, 1549, 1510, 1412, 1358, 1281, 1244, 1215, 1182, 1153, 1014, 953, 903, 837, 741, 685 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI-hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₁H₉NO₂F₃) requires *m/z* 244.0585, found *m/z* 244.0585 (0.0 ppm).



3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-ol⁶

General procedure A was followed using 4-iodoanisole (2.34 g, 10.0 mmol), CuI (76 mg, 0.40 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (0.14 g, 0.20 mmol), NEt₃ (6.3 mL, 45 mmol), propargyl alcohol (0.64 mL, 11 mmol) and MeCN (0.010 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 4:1) afforded the title product as a pale yellow solid (1.56 g, 96%). m.p. 67–68 °C (lit.⁶ 62.5–64.5 °C). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 2 H), 6.89 – 6.81 (m, 2 H), 4.49 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2 H), 3.82 (s, 3 H), 1.64 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1 H).



Tert-butyl 3-(3-hydroxyprop-1-yn-1-yl)-1H-indole-1-carboxylate

NaOH (1.7 g, 43 mmol) was added to a solution of indole (2.0 g, 17 mmol) in DMF (0.030 L). The mixture was stirred for 15 min, after which I₂ (4.4 g, 17 mmol) was added to the reaction. After 4 h of stirring at 22 °C, the mixture was poured over ice H₂O (400 mL), and the resulting precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with ice H₂O (3 x 20 mL), and dried *via* azeotropic distillation with toluene. The crude material was dissolved in DCM (0.050 L). 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (210 mg, 1.7 mmol) and NEt₃ (3.6 mL, 26 mmol) were added. The solution was cooled to 0 °C, and di*-tert*-butyl dicarbonate (4.1 g, 19 mmol) was added. The reaction was allowed to warm to rt, and stirred for 12 h. DCM (150 mL) was added, and the mixture was washed with NH₄Cl (aq.) (2 x 100 mL), H₂O (100 mL), and brine (100 mL). The

organic solution was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The material was filtered through a pad of silica (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1), and then the solvent was removed in vacuo. The crude material was transferred to a 50 mL Schlenk flask, and then CuI (130 mg, 0.68 mmol) and Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (240 mg, 0.34 mmol) were added to the flask. The system was sealed with a rubber septum, and the flask was evacuated and backfilled with N₂ three times. MeCN (25 mL) and NEt₃ (11 mL, 77 mmol) were injected into the flask, and then the solution was cooled to -10 °C. Next, propargyl alcohol (1.1 mL, 19 mmol) was added to the reaction. After 1 h, the mixture was allowed to warm to 22 °C, and stirred for 12 h. The reaction mixture was poured over NH₄Cl (aq.) (50 mL), and diluted with EtOAc (200 mL). The phases were separated, and the organic layer was washed with NH₄Cl (aq.) (100 mL), H₂O (100 mL), and brine (100 mL). The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed in vacuo. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 7:3) afforded the title compound as a brown solid (3.2 g, 69%). m.p. 73–75 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.14 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.78 (s, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, J = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.37 (ddd, J = 8.4, 7.2, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.30 (td, J = 7.5, 1.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.58 (s, 2 H), 1.87 (s, 1 H) 1.68 (s, 9 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.2, 134.7, 130.5, 129.4, 125.3, 123.4, 120.1, 115.4, 102.8, 90.8, 84.6, 77.9, 52.0, 28.3. IR (film) 3396, 3153, 3053, 2978, 2932, 2866, 1734, 1609, 1558, 1474, 1450, 1373, 1308, 1275, 1232, 1155, 1099, 1049, 1034, 1013, 912, 852, 746 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) exact mass calculated for $[M]^+$ (C₁₆H₁₇NO₃) requires *m/z* 271.1208, found *m/z* 271.1217 (3.3 ppm).



3-(Naphthalen-2-yl)prop-2-yn-1-ol⁷

CBr₄ (33.2 g, 0.100 mol) was added to an oven-dried 500 mL round bottom flask. DCM (75 mL) was injected, and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. A solution of PPh₃ (52.5 g, 0.200 mol) in DCM (75 mL) was added over 15 min, resulting in a brown mixture. The reaction was stirred for 10 additional minutes, after which a solution of 2-naphthaldehyde (7.81 g, 50.0 mmol) in DCM (50 mL) was slowly added. After stirring for 1 h at 0 °C, the reaction was quenched with H₂O (100 mL), and the organic phase was further washed with NaHCO_{3 (aq)} (100 mL), NH₄Cl _(aq), and

brine (100 mL). The solution was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. Chromatographic purification (hexanes) provided 2-(2,2-dibromovinyl)naphthalene as a pale tan solid (12.9 g, 41.3 mmol, 83%). The material was added to an oven-dried 1 L Schlenk flask, which was sealed with a rubber septum and evacuated and backfilled with N₂ three times. THF (0.300 L) was added as solvent, and the solution was cooled to -78 °C. A solution of "BuLi (2.15 M in hexanes, 40.4 mL, 86.8 mmol) was injected over a 10 min period, and the dark brown solution was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h. The flask was placed under a positive pressure of N₂, the rubber septum was removed, and paraformaldehyde (3.72 g, 124 mmol) was added. The flask was resealed, the mixture was allowed to warm to rt and stir for an additional 12 h. The reaction was cooled to 0 °C and quenched with NH₄Cl _(aq.) (150 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted with Et₂O (2 x 150 mL), and the organic extracts were washed with H₂O (2 x 300 mL) and brine (300 mL). The solution was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 9:1 \rightarrow 3:1) afforded the title compound as a pale tan solid (6.48 g, 86%). m.p. 61–63 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 – 7.96 (m, 1 H), 7.85 – 7.75 (m, 3 H), 7.53 – 7.46 (m, 3 H), 4.57 (s, 2 H), 1.99 (s, 1 H).



1-(3-Methoxyphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-ol⁸

General procedure B was followed using *m*-anisaldehyde (0.61 mL, 5.0 mmol), a solution of ethynylmagnesium bromide (12 mL, 0.5 M in THF, 6.0 mmol), and THF (0.010 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc $1:0 \rightarrow 9:1$) afforded the title product as a yellow oil (0.67 g, 83%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.17 – 7.10 (m, 2 H), 6.93 – 6.86 (m, 1 H), 5.46 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.84 (s, 3 H), 2.68 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.18 (s, 1 H).



1-(3-Bromophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-ol⁹

General procedure B was followed using 3-bromobenzaldehyde (0.58 mL, 5.0 mmol), a solution of ethynylmagnesium bromide (12 mL, 0.5 M in THF, 6.0 mmol), and THF (0.010 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc $1:0 \rightarrow 9:1$) afforded the title product as a yellow oil (0.80 g, 76%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 (t, J = 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.45 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.71 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.31 (s, 1 H).



1-(5-Bromo-2-((4-methoxybenzyl)oxy)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-ol

General procedure B was followed using 5-bromo-2-((4-methoxybenzyl)oxy)benzaldehyde¹⁰ (1.61 g, 5.0 mmol), a solution of ethynylmagnesium bromide (12 mL, 0.5 M in THF, 6.0 mmol), and THF (0.010 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1 \rightarrow 4:1) afforded the title product as a colorless solid (0.67 g, 83%). m.p. 89–91 °C ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.40 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.38 – 7.33 (m, 2 H), 6.96 – 6.90 (m, 2 H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1 H), 5.67 (dd, J = 6.3, 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.07 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 2 H), 3.83 (s, 3 H), 2.92 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.65 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.8, 155.1, 132.5, 130.9, 130.8, 129.3, 128.1, 114.3, 114.2, 113.5, 82.6, 74.8, 70.7, 60.7, 55.5. IR (film) 3427, 3290, 3070, 3001, 2934, 2835, 2118, 1612, 1589, 1514, 1485, 1464, 1441, 1406, 1381, 1304, 1277, 1244, 1175, 1122, 1032, 951, 849, 822, 810, 654 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M–OH]⁺ (C₁₇H₁₄O₂Br) requires *m/z* 329.0177, found *m/z* 329.0176 (0.3 ppm).



1-(5-(Furan-2-yl)-1-methyl-1H-pyrazol-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-ol

General procedure B was followed using 5-(furan-2-yl)-1-methyl-1H-pyrazole-3-carbaldehyde¹¹ (0.35 mL, 2.0 mmol), a solution of ethynylmagnesium bromide (5.0 mL, 0.5 M in THF, 2.5 mmol), and THF (7.0 mL) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1 \rightarrow 14:1) afforded the title product as a yellow oil (0.37 g, 91%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.51 (dd, J = 1.9, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.61 (s, 1 H), 6.57 (dd, J = 3.4, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.51 (dd, J = 3.4, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.56 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.03 (s, 3 H), 3.23 (s, 1 H), 2.63 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.9, 144.5, 143.0, 135.4, 111.6, 109.0, 103.0, 83.0, 73.8, 58.9, 38.8. IR (film) 3290, 3130, 2951, 2881, 2118, 1529, 1483, 1433, 1381, 1366, 1288, 1232, 1221, 1161, 1067, 1009, 935, 901, 885, 783, 743, 665, 592 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI⁺) mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₁H₁₀N₂O₂Na) requires *m/z* 225.0640, found *m/z* 225.0636 (1.8 ppm).



1-(3-Bromophenyl)but-2-yn-1-ol

General procedure B was followed using 3-bromobenzaldehyde (0.82 mL, 7.0 mmol), a solution of propynylmagnesium bromide (21 mL, 0.5 M in THF, 11 mmol), and THF (0.020 L) as solvent. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 4:1) afforded the title product as a yellow oil (1.5 g, 95%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 2 H), 7.28 – 7.21 (m, 1 H), 5.43 – 5.37 (m, 1 H), 2.22 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.92 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.4, 131.2, 130.1, 129.7, 125.2, 122.6, 83.8, 78.6, 64.1, 3.7. IR (film) 3346, 3061, 2959, 2918, 2853, 2226, 1593, 1572, 1472, 1427, 1377, 1313, 1298, 1275, 1258, 1188, 1138, 1092, 1070, 997, 889, 862, 766, 700, 671, 635 cm⁻¹. MS (CI) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₀H₉BrO) requires *m/z* 224.0, found *m/z* 224.0.



3-(3-Hydroxybut-1-yn-1-yl)benzaldehyde

An oven-dried Schlenk flask was charged with CuI (9.5 mg, 0.050 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (0.070 g, 0.10 mmol), and a magnetic stir bar. The flask was evacuated and backfilled with N₂ three times. MeCN (0.010 mL), 3-bromobenzaldehyde (0.58 mL, 5.0 mmol), NEt₃ (0.010 mL), and but-3-yn-2-ol (0.47 mL, 6.0 mmol) were sequentially injected. The flask was placed in a 60 °C oil bath for 14 h. The reaction was allowed to cool, and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in Et₂O (50 mL), and washed with 1 N HCl (50 mL), H₂O (50 mL), and brine (50 mL). The organic solution was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 3:1) afforded the title product as a yellow oil (0.72 g, 82%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.99 (s, 1 H), 7.94 – 7.90 (m, 1 H), 7.83 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.67 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.78 (q, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.13 (s, 1 H), 1.58 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.7, 137.3, 136.5, 133.2, 129.3, 129.2, 124.0, 92.7, 82.7, 58.9, 24.4. IR (film) 3385, 2982, 2932, 2868, 2833, 2729, 1699, 1597, 1576, 1477, 1435, 1389, 1329, 1279, 1161, 1103, 1078, 1038, 957, 903, 822, 797, 725, 685, 648 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₁H₁₁O₂) requires *m/z* 175.0759, found *m/z* 175.0730 (2.9 mmu).



4-Phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol

General procedure A was followed using iodobenzene (1.1 g, 0.010 mol), CuI (19 mg, 0.10 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (0.14 g, 0.20 mmol), 3-butyn-2-ol (0.86 mL, 11 mmol) NEt₃ (0.010 L) and MeCN (0.010 L). Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 4:1) afforded the title

product as a brown oil (1.3 g, 91%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 – 7.41 (m, 2 H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.9 Hz, 3 H), 4.77 (q, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.01 (s, 1 H), 1.57 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H).

Synthesis of Propargyl Bromodifluoroacetates

General Procedure C:

Bromodifluoroacetic acid (BDFA, 1.4 equiv) was added to an oven-dried round bottom flask sealed with a rubber septum. DCM was injected as solvent, and an oil bubbler was attached to the flask. DMF (0.30 equiv) and oxalyl chloride (1.3 equiv) were sequentially injected (caution: rapid evolution of noxious gases), and the solution was allowed to react for 2 h. In a separate oven-dried round bottom flask sealed with a rubber septum, substituted propargyl alcohol (1.0 equiv) was added to a solution of DCM (0.1–0.4 M), NEt₃ (2.0 equiv), and DMAP (for 2° alcohol substrates, 0.2 equiv). The solution was cooled to 0 °C, and an oil bubbler was attached to the flask. The solution of acid chloride was transferred to the solution of alcohol *via* syringe. The mixture was allowed to warm to rt, and stirred for 2–14 h. The reaction was quenched with 1 N HCl, diluted with DCM, and the organic phase was washed with H₂O and brine. The organic solution was dried over Na₂SO₄ and filtered, and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. Chromatographic purification using a minimum amount of silica gel afforded the desired propargyl bromodifluoroacetate. [Note: some propargyl bromodifluoroacetates are prone to hydrolysis on silica gel].



3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using 3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-ol (1.2 mL, 0.010 mol), BDFA (2.5 g, 14 mmol), oxalyl chloride (1.1 mL, 13 mmol), DMF (0.23 mL, 3.0 mmol), NEt₃ (2.8 mL, 0.020 mol), with DCM (25 mL) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 49:1) afforded the title compound as a yellow oil (2.1 g, 76%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 – 7.47 (m, 2 H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 3 H), 5.19 (s, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃)

δ 159.0 (t, J = 32.0 Hz), 132.0, 129.3, 128.4, 121.4, 108.4 (t, J = 314.3 Hz), 88.7, 80.2, 56.4.¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.74 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3054, 2996, 2941, 1778, 1596, 1482, 1438, 1401, 1357, 1292, 1148, 1130, 1081, 1073, 942, 906, 850, 756, 714, 601 cm⁻¹. MS (CI) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₁H₇BrF₂O₂) requires *m/z* 288.0, found 288.0.



3-(4-Acetylphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-4a** (0.52 g, 3.00 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 49:1) afforded the title compound as a yellow oil (0.74 g, 74%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 – 7.89 (m, 2 H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 5.19 (s, 2 H), 2.62 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.3, 159.1 (t, *J* = 32.1 Hz), 137.2, 132.2, 128.3, 126.2, 108.4 (t, *J* = 314.3 Hz), 87.8, 83.3, 56.2, 26.8. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –62.16 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3060, 2956, 1782, 1685, 1602, 1359, 1290, 1261, 1166, 1120, 1016, 948, 833, 707, 634 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₃H₉BrF₂O₃) requires *m/z* 329.9703, found *m/z* 329.9712 (2.7 ppm).



Ethyl 3-(3-(2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetoxy)prop-1-yn-1-yl)benzoate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-4b** (612 mg, 3.00 mmol), BDFA (735 mg, 4.20 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 19:1) afforded the title compound as a pale green oil (650 mg, 60%). ¹H NMR

(400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.16 (t, J = 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 8.05 (dt, J = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.65 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.18 (s, 2 H), 4.40 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 1.41 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.7, 159.1, 136.1, 133.2, 131.0, 130.3, 128.6, 121.9, 108.4, 87.7, 81.1, 61.4, 56.3, 14.4. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.35 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3070, 2983, 1782, 1720, 1433, 1369, 1294, 1232, 1168, 1120, 1027, 952, 754, 682 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₄H₁₁BrF₂O₄) requires *m/z* 359.9809, found *m/z* 359.9792 (4.7 ppm).



3-(4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-4c** (0.60 g, 3.0 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (0.58 g, 54%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 – 7.57 (m, 4 H), 5.18 (s, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.1 (t, *J* = 32.1 Hz), 132.4, 131.2 (q, *J* = 32.8 Hz), 125.5 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 125.3 (q, *J* = 1.4 Hz), 123.9 (q, *J* = 272.3 Hz), 108.5 (t, *J* = 314.3 Hz), 87.3, 82.7, 56.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.19 (s, 2 F), -63.46 (s, 3 F). IR (film) 3062, 2952, 1782, 1616, 1569, 1438, 1406, 1375, 1325, 1124, 1068, 1018, 950, 842, 717, 702, 597 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₂H₆BrF₅O₂) requires *m/z* 355.9471, found *m/z* 355.9465 (1.7 ppm).



3-(3-Nitrophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-4d** (0.53 g, 3.0 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 49:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (0.53 g, 53%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.34 (t, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.24 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 2.3, 1.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.79 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.19 (s, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.0 (t, *J* = 32.2 Hz), 148.2, 137.7, 129.7, 126.9, 124.1, 123.3, 108.3 (t, *J* = 314.3 Hz), 86.1, 82.9, 55.9. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.40 (s, 2 H). IR (film) 3085, 2925, 1782, 1531, 1352, 1292, 1166, 1124, 1024, 952, 808, 736, 673 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₁H₆NBrF₂O₄) requires *m/z* 332.9448, found *m/z* 332.9438 (3.0 ppm).



3-(2-Methoxy-5-nitrophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure B was followed using **SI-4e** (520 mg, 2.5 mmol), BDFA (610 mg, 3.5 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.28 mL, 3.3 mmol), DMF (58 μ L, 0.30 mmol), NEt₃ (0.70 mL, 5.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (DCM) afforded the title compound as a pale yellow solid (0.64 g, 70%). m.p. 120–121 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.34 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.26 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.21 (s, 2 H), 4.01 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.0, 159.1 (t, *J* = 32.2 Hz), 141.1, 129.7, 126.8, 111.9, 110.6, 108.5 (t, *J* = 314.3 Hz), 86.3, 82.8, 56.8, 56.3. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ – 61.77 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3090, 2997, 2957, 1786, 1607, 1580, 1518, 1491, 1462, 1441, 1371, 1348, 1283, 1167, 1148, 1119, 1099, 1018, 1007, 947, 910, 885, 833, 804, 748, 727, 708, 636 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₂H₉NO₅F₂Br) requires *m*/*z* 363.9632, found *m*/*z* 363.9624 (2.2 ppm).



3-(2-Cyanophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure B was followed using **SI-4f** (470 mg, 3.0 mmol), BDFA (740 mg, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (10 μ L, 0.9 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 4:1) afforded the title compound as an orange oil (0.67 g, 72%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 – 7.66 (m, 1 H), 7.63 – 7.56 (m, 2 H), 7.49 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 6.9, 2.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.23 (s, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.0 (t, *J* = 32.3 Hz), 133.0, 132.9, 132.6, 129.6, 125.3, 117.2, 115.7, 108.4 (t, *J* = 314.3 Hz), 86.6, 84.6, 55.9. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –63.16 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3070, 3001, 2955, 2231, 1782, 1593, 1566, 1483, 1447, 1437, 1373, 1290, 1169, 1122, 1040, 1014, 993, 951, 901, 835, 806, 764, 712, 683, 617 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₂H₇NO₂F₂Br) requires *m/z* 313.9628, found *m/z* 313.9631 (1.0 ppm).



3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-4g** (0.60 g, 3.0 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes) afforded the title compound as a pale yellow oil (0.91 g, 84%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.46 – 7.39 (m, 1 H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.15 (s, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.0 (t, *J* = 32.2 Hz), 134.0, 133.7, 132.9, 131.2, 130.6, 121.4, 108.4 (t, *J* = 314.3 Hz), 86.3, 82.2, 56.1. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –62.42 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3093, 2948,

1782, 1463, 1375, 1292, 1170, 1120, 950, 819, 802, 682 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) mass calculated for $[M]^+$ (C₁₁H₅BrCl₂F₂O₂) requires *m/z* 355.8818, found *m/z* 355.8817 (0.3 ppm).



3-(4-(2,2,2-Trifluoroacetamido)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-4h** (0.35 g, 1.4 mmol), BDFA (0.35 g, 2.0 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.16 mL, 1.9 mmol), DMF (0.033 mL, 0.43 mmol), NEt₃ (0.40 mL, 2.9 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (DCM : acetone 99:1) afforded the title compound as a tan solid (0.33 g, 58%). m.p. 116–117 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86 (s, 1 H), 7.61 – 7.56 (m, 2 H), 7.55 – 7.49 (m, 2 H), 5.17 (s, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.2 (t, *J* = 31.9 Hz), 154.8 (q, *J* = 37.7 Hz), 135.9, 133.3, 120.2, 119.3 (d, *J* = 53.8 Hz), 115.7 (d, *J* = 288.7 Hz), 108.5 (t, *J* = 314.4 Hz), 87.8, 81.1, 56.4. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –60.86 (s, 2 F), –75.67 (s, 3 F). IR (film) 3296, 3198, 3134, 2957, 1776, 1703, 1674, 1607, 1543, 1512, 1437, 1410, 1377, 1283, 1265, 1244, 1227, 1202, 1155, 1113, 1018, 945, 906, 837, 806, 741, 719, 689, 619 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₃H₇NO₃F₅Br) requires *m/z* 398.9529, found *m/z* 398.9529 (0.0 ppm).



3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-4i** (486 mg, 3.00 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (540 mg, 56%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 – 7.38 (m, 2 H), 6.91 – 6.79 (m, 2 H), 5.16 (s, 2 H), 3.83 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ 160.4, 159.2 (t, *J* = 31.9 Hz), 133.7, 114.1, 113.5, 108.6 (t, *J* = 314.4 Hz), 88.9, 79.1, 56.8, 55.4. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –62.30 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3010, 2839, 1780, 1606, 1510, 1290, 1249, 1172, 1120, 1031, 946, 833, 709, 603 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) exact mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₂H₉BrF₂O₃) requires *m/z* 317.9703, found *m/z* 317.9700 (0.9 ppm).



Tert-butyl 3-(3-(2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetoxy)prop-1-yn-1-yl)-1H-indole-1-carboxylate

General Procedure B was followed using **SI-4j** (1.1 g, 4.2 mmol), BDFA (1.0 g, 5.8 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.46 mL, 5.41 mmol), DMF (0.10 mL, 1.3 mmol), NEt₃ (1.2 mL, 8.3 mmol), with DCM (0.040 L) as solvent. Workup (H₂O was used in place of 1 N HCl to quench reaction) and chromatographic purification (hexanes / DCM 7:3) afforded the title compound as a tan solid (1.3 g, 73%). m.p. 49–50 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.85 (s, 1 H), 7.67 (ddd, *J* = 7.7, 1.4, 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.38 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 7.2, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.32 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 7.3, 1.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.24 (s, 2 H), 1.68 (s, 9 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.2 (t, *J* = 32.0 Hz), 149.0, 134.7, 130.5, 130.3, 125.5, 123.6, 120.1, 115.5, 108.6 (t, *J* = 314.6 Hz), 101.8, 84.8, 83.9, 81.4, 56.8, 28.3. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.86 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3153, 3055, 2982, 2935, 1782, 1742, 15558, 1475, 1452, 1371, 1277, 1234, 1155, 1121, 1101, 1051, 1032, 1014, 957, 935, 854, 746 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₈H₁₇NO₄F₂Br) requires *m/z* 428.0309, found *m/z* 428.0280 (2.9 mmu).



5-Phenylpent-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using 5-phenylpent-2-yn-1-ol¹² (481 mg, 3.00 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃

(0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 49:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (752 mg, 79%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 2 H), 7.26 – 7.20 (m, 3 H), 4.91 (t, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 2 H), 2.85 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.55 (tt, *J* = 7.5, 2.2 Hz, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.1 (t, *J* = 31.8 Hz), 140.3, 128.6, 128.6, 126.6, 108.6 (t, *J* = 314.3 Hz), 89.5, 72.6, 56.5, 34.6, 21.1. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.83 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3086, 3063, 3028, 2947, 3932, 2864, 1780, 1603, 1497, 1454, 1375, 1294, 1169, 1121, 1018, 953, 839, 806, 746, 698 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₃H₁₁O₂F₂Br) requires *m/z* 315.9910, found *m/z* 315.9897 (4.1 ppm).



3-(Naphthalen-2-yl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-4I** (3.00 g, 16.5 mmol), BDFA (4.03 g, 23.0 mmol), oxalyl chloride (1.82 mL, 21.5 mmol), DMF (0.39 mL, 5.0 mmol), NEt₃ (4.60 mL, 33.0 mmol), with DCM (75 mL) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 49:1) afforded the title compound as a light yellow oil (4.70 g, 84%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.87 – 7.80 (m, 3 H), 7.57 – 7.50 (m, 3 H), 5.23 (s, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.2 (t, *J* = 32.0 Hz), 133.4, 132.9, 132.6, 128.3, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 127.3, 126.9, 118.8, 108.6 (t, *J* = 314.4 Hz), 89.2, 80.6, 56.7. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.76 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3059, 2949, 2237, 1780, 1597, 1501, 1437, 1375, 1290, 1169, 1121, 1014, 1005, 955, 939, 895, 860, 818, 746, 710 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₅H₉O₂F₂Br) requires *m/z* 337.9754, found *m/z* 337.9734 (2.0 mmu).



1-(3-Methoxyphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-6a** (0.49 g, 3.0 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (pentane / Et₂O 19:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (0.90 g, 94%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38 – 7.33 (m, 1 H), 7.15 (ddt, *J* = 7.6, 1.5, 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 2.5, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.97 (ddd, *J* = 8.3, 2.6, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.85 (s, 3 H), 2.83 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.0, 158.5 (t, *J* = 32.0 Hz), 135.7, 130.2, 120.2, 115.7, 113.4, 108.6 (t, *J* = 314.6 Hz), 78.0, 77.8, 69.6, 55.5. ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.06 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3296, 3007, 2962, 2943, 2839, 2131, 1778, 1605, 1589, 1491, 1466, 1456, 1437, 1323, 1271, 1167, 1126, 1051, 1018, 957, 908, 868, 835, 785, 752, 694, 656 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₂H₉O₃F₂Br) requires *m/z* 317.9703, found *m/z* 317.9685 (1.8 mmu).



1-(3-Bromophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-6b** (0.63 g, 3.0 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (1.0 g, 91%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (t, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.58 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0, 1.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.52 – 7.47 (m, 1 H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.86 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.4 (t, *J* = 32.2 Hz), 136.3, 133.3, 131.0, 130.7, 126.6, 123.0, 108.4 (t, *J* = 314.7 Hz), 78.6, 77.2, 68.7. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –62.16 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 2 F). IR (film) 3300, 3065, 2926, 2854, 2131, 1780, 1597, 1574, 1475, 1431, 1333, 1281, 1252, 1173, 1124, 1074, 1001, 957, 920, 899, 874, 812, 785, 712, 692, 673 cm⁻¹. MS (CI) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₁H₆Br₂F₂O₂) requires *m/z* 365.9, found 365.9.



1-(5-Bromo-2-((4-methoxybenzyl)oxy)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate General Procedure C was followed using **SI-6c** (1.04 g, 3.0 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1) afforded the title compound as a tan solid (1.07 g, 71%). m.p. 65–68 °C ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 2 H), 6.93 – 6.89 (m, 2 H), 6.88 – 6.85 (m, 2 H), 5.04 (s, 2 H), 3.82 (s, 3 H), 2.82 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.8, 158.2 (t, J = 31.8 Hz), 155.3, 134.2, 132.3, 129.1, 127.8, 124.7, 114.2, 114.1, 113.2, 108.6 (t, J = 314.7 Hz), 78.2, 77.1, 70.6, 64.1, 55.4. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.88 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3294, 3011, 2959, 2935, 1776, 1612, 1516, 1487, 1466, 1331, 1288, 1246, 1175, 1124, 1034, 999, 959, 905, 874, 812 cm⁻¹. MS (CI) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₉H₁₄Br₂F₂O₄) requires *m/z* 501.9, found *m/z* 501.9.



1-(5-(Furan-2-yl)-1-methyl-1H-pyrazol-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate General Procedure C was followed using **SI-6d** (1.04 g, 3.0 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1) afforded the title compound as a light yellow oil (1.07 g, 71%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 (dd, J = 1.8, 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.71 (s, 1 H), 6.61 (dd, J = 3.4, 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.58 (d, J= 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.53 (dd, J = 3.4, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.07 (s, 3 H), 2.80 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR

(126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3 (t, J = 32.1 Hz), 145.0, 144.0, 143.1, 135.6, 111.6, 109.2, 108.5 (t, J = 314.7 Hz), 104.5, 77.0, 63.9, 39.0. ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃) δ [-61.88] – [-61.96] (m, 2 F). IR (film) 3298, 3132, 2953, 2131, 1778, 1531, 1474, 1431, 1381, 1366, 1331, 1283, 1234, 1221, 1165, 1124, 1011, 984, 953, 903, 887, 856, 800, 775, 743, 719, 689, 654, 592 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI⁺) mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₃H₁₀BrF₂N₂O₃) requires *m/z* 358.9843, found *m/z* 358.9839 (1.1 ppm).



1-(3-Bromophenyl)but-2-yn-1-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-6e** (0.68 g, 3.0 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (0.57 g, 50%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (t, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.55 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.47 (dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.45 (q, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.96 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.5 (t, *J* = 31.9 Hz), 137.6, 132.9, 131.0, 130.5, 126.6, 122.9, 108.7 (t, *J* = 314.8 Hz), 87.5, 73.2, 69.8, 4.0. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -61.99 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 2 F). IR (film) 3063, 2961, 2922, 2243, 1776, 1595, 1574, 1474, 1431, 1335, 1317, 1281, 1254, 1171, 1124, 1072, 959, 918, 897, 874, 781, 708, 692 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₂H₈O₂F₂Br₂) requires *m/z* 379.8859, found *m/z* 379.8853 (1.6 ppm).



4-(3-Formylphenyl)but-3-yn-2-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-6f** (0.70 g, 4.0 mmol), BDFA (0.98 g, 5.6 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.44 mL, 5.2 mmol), DMF (0.093 mL, 1.2 mmol), NEt₃ (1.1 mL, 8.0 mmol), DMAP (98 mg, 0.80 mmol) with DCM (15 mL) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1 \rightarrow 9:1) afforded the title compound as a yellow oil (1.2 g, 88%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.01 (s, 1H), 7.97 (td, *J* = 1.7, 0.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.88 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.71 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 5.82 (q, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.75 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.4, 158.7 (t, *J* = 31.8 Hz), 137.6, 136.6, 133.4, 130.0, 129.3, 122.9, 108.7 (t, *J* = 314.7 Hz), 86.3, 85.4, 65.5, 21.1. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ [-61.60] – [-62.04] (m, 1 F), [-62.05] – [-62.48] (m, 1 F). IR (film) 3069, 2995, 2837, 2241, 1778, 1705, 1601, 1578, 1481, 1447, 1379, 1346, 1323, 1286, 1171, 1136, 1121, 1088, 1024, 955, 847, 797, 756, 714, 683, 604 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₃H₉F₂BrO₃) requires *m/z* 329.9703, found *m/z* 329.9702 (0.3 ppm).



4-Ethynyl-1-tosylpiperidin-4-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

4-Ethynyl-1-tosylpiperidin-4-ol was prepared using a previously reported procedure.¹³ General Procedure C was followed using 4-ethynyl-1-tosylpiperidin-4-ol (0.58 g, 2.1 mmol), BDFA (0.54 g, 3.1 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.23 mL, 2.7 mmol), DMF (0.048 mL, 0.63 mmol), NEt₃ (0.58 mL, 4.2 mmol), DMAP (26 mg, 0.21 mmol) with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (DCM) afforded the title compound as a colorless solid (0.71 g, 78%). m.p. 129–131 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 – 7.64 (m, 2 H), 7.36 – 7.33 (m, 2 H), 3.27 – 3.20 (m, 2 H), 3.17 – 3.08 (m, 2 H), 2.72 (s, 1 H), 2.44 (s, 3 H), 2.38 – 2.26 (m, 4 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9 (t, *J* = 31.8 Hz), 144.1, 132.8, 129.9, 127.9, 108.3 (t, *J* = 315.6 Hz), 79.3, 77.7, 76.6, 42.3, 35.4, 21.7. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –62.21 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3279, 3032, 2978, 2939, 2862, 2120, 1782, 1597, 1495, 1468, 1456, 1356, 1346, 1327, 1304, 1259, 1215, 1167, 1124, 1094, 1051, 1030, 951, 928, 872, 829, 818, 723, 650, 598, 548

cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI⁺) mass calculated for $[M+K]^+$ (C₁₆H₁₆BrF₂NO₄SK) requires *m/z* 473.9589, found *m/z* 473.9574 (3.2 ppm).



4-(Hex-1-yn-1-yl)-1-tosylpiperidin-4-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

1-Tosylpiperidin-4-ol was prepared using a previously reported procedure.¹⁴ A 500 mL Schlenk flask was oven-dried was capped with a rubber septum, evacuated and backfilled with dry N₂ (3x), and attached to an oil bubbler. Oxalyl chloride (1.5 mL, 18 mmol) and DCM (0.10 L) were injected, and the solution was cooled to -78 °C. A solution of DMSO (1.9 mL, 26 mmol) in DCM (0.010 L) was injected dropwise over a 5 min period (rapid evolution of noxious gas). After 1 h, a solution of 1-tosylpiperidin-4-ol (2.3 g, 8.8 mmol) in DCM (0.020 mL) was added over a 2 min period. After an additional 1 h, NEt₃ (6.1 mL, 44 mmol) was injected, and the mixture was vigorously stirred. After 15 min, the reaction was allowed to warm to 0 °C and stirred for an additional 1 h. The reaction mixture was washed with H₂O (100 mL) and brine (100 mL). The organic solution was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed in *vacuo*. Chromatographic purification (DCM / MeOH 1:0 \rightarrow 99:1) afforded 1-tosylpiperidin-4one¹⁵ as a colorless solid (1.9 g, 85%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.39 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 4 H), 2.55 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 4 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H). An oven-dried 100 mL Schlenk flask was sealed with a rubber septum, and evacuated and backfilled with dry N₂ (3x). 1-Hexyne (0.45 mL, 3.9 mmol) and THF (0.010 L) were injected, and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. A solution of "BuLi (2.5 M in hexane, 1.3 mL, 3.3 mmol) was injected dropwise over a 2 min period. The solution was stirred for 30 min, and a solution of 1tosylpiperidin-4-one (0.76 g, 3.0 mmol) in THF (0.020 L) was injected over a 5 min period. The solution was allowed to warm to rt, and after 6 h, the reaction was quenched with NH₄Cl (aq) (30 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted with DCM (3 x 20 mL), and the organic extracts were combined. The solution was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed in vacuo. Chromatographic purification (DCM / MeOH 99:1 \rightarrow 49:1) provided a 4:1 mixture of 4-(hex-1yn-1-yl)-1-tosylpiperidin-4-ol : 1-tosylpiperidin-4-one, which was used without further purification. General Procedure C was followed using BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), DMAP (73 mg, 0.60 mmol) with DCM (0.010 L) as solvent.. Workup and chromatographic purification (DCM) afforded the title compound as a colorless solid (1.0 g, 68% over two steps). m.p. 96–97 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2 H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H), 3.15 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 4 H), 2.43 (s, 3 H), 2.32 – 2.20 (m, 4 H), 2.16 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2 H), 1.44 – 1.33 (m, 2 H), 1.34 – 1.24 (m, 2 H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9 (t, *J* = 31.3 Hz), 143.9, 132.8, 129.8, 127.9, 108.6 (t, *J* = 315.7 Hz), 90.9, 77.9, 76.0, 42.6, 35.9, 30.2, 21.9, 21.6, 18.3, 13.6. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –62.12 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3030, 2959, 2935, 2862, 2249, 1780, 1597, 1495, 1468, 1454, 1431, 1381, 1358, 1323, 1294, 1259, 1209, 1165, 1130, 1101, 1051, 1018, 949, 912, 866, 818, 802, 731, 717, 650 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI⁺) mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₂₀H₂₄BrF₂NO₄SNa) requires *m/z* 514.0475, found *m/z* 514.0458 (3.3 ppm).



4-Phenylbut-3-yn-2-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

General Procedure C was followed using **SI-6i** (0.44 g, 3.0 mmol), BDFA (0.74 g, 4.2 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.33 mL, 3.9 mmol), DMF (0.070 mL, 0.90 mmol), NEt₃ (0.84 mL, 6.0 mmol), DMAP (74 mg, 0.60 mmol) with DCM (12 mL) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 49:1 \rightarrow 19:1) afforded the title compound as a yellow oil (0.78 g, 86%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 2 H), 7.39 – 7.31 (m, 3 H), 5.82 (q, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.73 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.8 (t, *J* = 31.6 Hz), 132.1, 129.3, 128.5, 121.7, 108.8 (t, *J* = 314.7 Hz), 87.0, 84.8, 65.9, 21.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ [-61.57] – [-62.01] (m, 1 F) , [-62.02] – [-62.46] (m, 1 F). IR (film) 3059, 2995, 2939, 1778, 1599, 1491, 1445, 1379, 1346, 1323, 1286, 1169, 1136, 1117, 1086, 1018, 953, 914, 843, 825, 756, 717, 690, 604, 546 cm⁻¹. MS (CI) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₂H₉BrF₂O₂) requires *m*/*z* 302.0, found 302.0.



4-Methyl-1-phenylpent-1-yn-3-yl 2-bromo-2,2-difluoroacetate

4-Methyl-1-phenylpent-1-yn-3-ol was prepared using a previously reported procedure.¹⁶ General Procedure C was followed using 4-methyl-1-phenylpent-1-yn-3-ol (0.35 g, 2.0 mmol), BDFA (0.49 g, 2.8 mmol), oxalyl chloride (0.22 mL, 2.6 mmol), DMF (0.046 mL, 0.60 mmol), NEt₃ (0.56 mL, 4.0 mmol), DMAP (49 mg, 0.40 mmol) with DCM (8.0 mL) as solvent. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 49:1 \rightarrow 19:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (0.45 g, 68%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 2 H), 7.39 – 7.31 (m, 3 H), 5.56 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.24 (pd, *J* = 6.8, 5.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.16 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 1.13 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.9 (t, *J* = 31.5 Hz), 132.1, 129.2, 128.5, 121.8, 108.8 (t, *J* = 314.7 Hz), 88.1, 82.8, 74.2, 32.9, 18.1, 17.8. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ – 61.78 (s, 2 F). IR (film) 3059, 2970, 2934, 2878, 1778, 1491, 1470, 1445, 1391, 1364, 1340, 1292, 1169, 1124, 1099, 1070, 1030, 991, 957, 937, 895, 864, 854, 756, 690 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₄H₁₃F₂BrO₂) requires *m/z* 330.0067, found *m/z* 330.0047 (2.0 mmu).

Synthesis of Trifluoromethyl Allenes

General procedure D:

KF (23 mg, 0.4 mmol) was added to a 15 mL screw-top vial, and dried in a vacuum oven for a minimum of 24 h. The vial was removed from the oven, sealed with a PTFE septum, and allowed to cool under a dry atmosphere of N₂. CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), and 1,10-phenanthroline (phen, 3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol) or 2,2':6',2"-terpyridine (terpy, 4.6 mg, 0.020 mmol) were added to the vial. The system was resealed, and evacuated and backfilled with dry N₂. DMF (0.2 mL) was injected as solvent, and the mixture was placed in a 50 °C or 60 °C heating block. After 10 min, propargyl bromodifluoroactetate (0.20 mmol) was added to the vial, and heating was maintained for 14 or 24 h. The mixture was cooled to rt, diluted with EtOAc (4 mL), and α,α,α -trifluorotoluene (0.025 mL, 0.20 mmol) was injected as a standard.

After thorough mixing, an aliquot was withdrawn, and analyzed by ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy. The aliquot was recombined with the reaction mixture, which was further diluted with EtOAc (20 mL). The mixture was washed with H₂O (20 mL) and brine (20 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The crude material was subjected the silica gel chromatography to provide trifluoromethylallenes. The ratio of allene / alkyne products was determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of purified material.

General procedure E:

KF (23 mg, 0.4 mmol) was added to a 15 mL screw-top vial, and dried in a vacuum oven for a minimum of 24 h. The vial was removed from the oven, sealed with a PTFE septum, and allowed to cool under a dry atmosphere of N₂. Propargyl bromodifluoroacetate (0.2 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), and 1,10-phenanthroline (phen, 3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol) or 2,2':6',2"-terpyridine (terpy, 4.6 mg, 0.020 mmol) were added to the vial. The system was resealed, and evacuated and backfilled with dry N₂. DMF (0.2 mL) was injected as solvent, and the mixture was placed in a 50 °C or 60 °C heating block for 14 or 24 h. The mixture was cooled to rt, diluted with EtOAc (4 mL), and α,α,α -trifluorotoluene (0.025 mL, 0.20 mmol) was injected as a standard. After thorough mixing, an aliquot was withdrawn, and analyzed by ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy. The aliquot was recombined with the reaction mixture, which was further diluted with EtOAc (20 mL). The mixture was washed with H₂O (20 mL) and brine (20 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The crude material was subjected the silica gel chromatography to afford trifluoromethylallenes. The ratio of allene / alkyne products was determined by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of purified material.



(1,1,1-Trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)benzene¹⁷

General procedure D was followed using 2 (0.29 g, 1.0 mmol), CuI (19 mg, 0.10 mmol), phen (18 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (49 mg, 0.25 mmol), KF (0.12 g, 2.0 mmol), and DMF (1.0 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (pentane) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (0.13 g,

70%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a >100:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.45 – 7.39 (m, 2 H), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 1 H), 5.57 (q, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 2 H). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.43 (t, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 3 F).



1-(4-(1,1,1-Trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)phenyl)ethanone

General procedure D was followed using **4a** (66 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc $1:0 \rightarrow 49:1$) afforded the title compound as a yellow oil (31 mg, 69%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a 33:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 – 7.94 (m, 2 H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2 H), 5.64 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.62 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.2 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 197.5, 136.6, 134.1, 128.8, 127.2 (q, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 123.2 (q, *J* = 273.9 Hz), 101.63 (q, *J* = 34.9 Hz), 84.5, 26.8. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -61.41 (t, *J* = 3.4 Hz). IR (film) 3066, 2358, 2341, 1969, 2341, 1969, 1934, 1685, 1605, 1433, 1359, 1307, 1267, 1124, 1107, 935, 869, 840, 717, 609 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₂H₉F₃O) requires *m/z* 226.0605, found *m/z* 226.0608 (1.3 ppm).



Ethyl 3-(1,1,1-trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)benzoate

General procedure D was followed using **4b** (72 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 49:1) afforded the title compound as

a pale yellow oil (39 mg, 76%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a 33:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.16 – 8.08 (m, 1 H), 8.00 (dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.68 – 7.59 (m, 1 H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.61 (q, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 2 H), 4.40 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 1.41 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.7 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 166.2, 131.3, 131.2 (q, *J* = 1.4 Hz), 129.8, 129.4, 128.9, 128.4, 123.3 (q, *J* = 273.8 Hz), 101.4 (q, *J* = 34.9 Hz), 84.2, 61.4, 14.4. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.34 (t, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 3 F). IR (film) 3068, 2985, 1973, 1938, 1720, 1606, 1583, 1446, 1367, 1309, 1174, 1124, 1024, 873, 757, 692, 651 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₃H₁₁F₃O₂) requires *m/z* 256.0711, found *m/z* 256.0716 (2.0 ppm).



1-(1,1,1-Trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene

General procedure D was followed using **4c** (71 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc $1:0 \rightarrow 49:1$) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (33 mg, 66%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a 40:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2 H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 5.64 (q, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.0 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 133.1 (q, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 130.4 (q, *J* = 32.7 Hz), 127.4 (q, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 125.8 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 124.0 (q, *J* = 272.2 Hz), 123.1 (q, *J* = 274.8 Hz), 101.3 (q, *J* = 35.0 Hz), 84.5. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -61.50 (t, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 3 F), -63.79 (s, 3 F). IR (film) 3076, 2930, 1971, 1933, 1622, 1435, 1410, 1331, 1308, 1267, 1173, 1130, 1105, 1068, 1018, 937, 868, 843, 735 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₁H₆F₆) requires *m/z* 252.0374, found *m/z* 252.0366 (3.2 ppm).



1-Nitro-3-(1,1,1-trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)benzene

General procedure D was followed using 4d (67 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc $1:0 \rightarrow 9:1$) afforded the title compound as a yellow oil (31 mg, 68%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a 29:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.31 (s, 1 H), 8.23 – 8.14 (m, 1 H), 7.83 – 7.73 (m, 1 H), 7.58 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.71 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.9 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 148.7, 132.7 (q, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 131.4, 129.9, 123.1, 123.0 (q, *J* = 273.9 Hz), 122.2 (q, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 100.8 (q, *J* = 35.5 Hz), 85.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.65 (t, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 3 F). IR (film) 3078, 2995, 1974, 1930, 1531, 1350, 1309, 1182, 983, 871, 806, 707, 684 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₀H₆F₃NO₂) requires *m/z* 229.0351, found *m/z* 229.0



1-Methoxy-4-nitro-2-(1,1,1-trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)benzene

General procedure D was followed using 4e (73 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 4:1) afforded the title compound as a yellow oil (38 mg, 74%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a 10:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.28 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.23 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.42 (q, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.97 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.4 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 162.4, 141.3, 126.7, 126.5, 122.9 (q, *J* = 273.9 Hz), 119.9, 111.0, 95.8 (q, *J*

= 37.2 Hz), 82.2, 56.6. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –62.07 (t, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 3 F). IR (film) 3082, 2995, 2949, 2847, 1981, 1612, 1585, 1518, 1497, 1464, 1346, 1298, 1273, 1180, 1144, 1121, 1084, 1020, 968, 910, 868, 825, 754, 733, 694, 663, 636. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₁H₉F₃NO₃) requires *m/z* 260.0535, found *m/z* 260.0508 (2.7 mmu).



2-(1,1,1-Trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)benzonitrile

General procedure D was followed using **4f** (63 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 1:0 \rightarrow 9:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (27 mg, 64%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a >100:1 ratio of trifluoromethyl allene / propargyl trifluoromethane. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 – 7.73 (m, 1 H), 7.67 – 7.60 (m, 2 H), 7.52 – 7.47 (m, 1 H), 5.63 (q, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.3 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 134.0, 133.0, 132.9, 129.2, 129.1 (q, *J* = 1.4 Hz), 127.8 (q, *J* = 273.8 Hz), 117.2, 113.7, 98.2 (q, *J* = 36.7 Hz), 84.8. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.10 (t, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 3 F). IR (film) 3074, 2995, 2928, 2854, 2230, 1979, 1936, 1597, 1487, 1448, 1421, 1308, 1259, 1182, 1122, 1101, 1041, 939, 868, 766, 748, 725, 654, 609, 582, 554, 509 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₁H₇NF₃) requires *m/z* 210.0531, found *m/z* 210.0509 (2.2 mmu).



1,2-Dichloro-4-(1,1,1-trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)benzene

General procedure D was followed using 4g (72 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and

DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (41 mg, 80%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a 29:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 1 H), 5.63 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.6 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz), 133.2, 132.6, 130.8, 129.4, 129.0 (q, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 126.3 (q, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 123.0 (q, *J* = 273.1 Hz), 100.6 (q, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 84.7. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.66 (t, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 3 F). IR (film) 3070, 2927, 1973, 1930, 1226, 1475, 1309, 1255, 1178, 1126, 1031, 958, 869, 821, 723 cm⁻¹. HRMS (EI⁺) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₀H₅Cl₂F₃) requires *m/z* 251.9720, found *m/z* 251.9725 (2.0 ppm).



2,2,2-Trifluoro-N-(4-(1,1,1-trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)phenyl)acetamide

General procedure D was followed using **4h** (0.080 g, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup (wash with 1 N HCl before H₂O and brine washes) and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1 \rightarrow 4:1) afforded the title compound as an amorphous tan solid (27 mg, 46%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed an 8:1 ratio of trifluoromethyl allene / propargyl trifluoromethane. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (s, 1 H), 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 2 H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 2 H), 5.60 (q, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.7 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz), 154.9 (q, *J* = 37.5 Hz), 135.0, 133.1, 128.2 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 123.3 (d, *J* = 273.9 Hz), 120.7, 115.7 (q, *J* = 288.8 Hz), 101.3 (q, *J* = 34.8 Hz), 84.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -60.57 (t, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 3 F), -75.70 (s, 3 F). IR (film) 3302, 2926, 1973, 1705, 1610, 1595, 1541, 1518, 1433, 1410, 1318, 1290, 1265, 1173, 1113, 966, 937, 912, 872, 837, 766, 729, 702, 660, 634, 600 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₂H₇NOF₆) requires *m/z* 295.0432, found *m/z* 295.0422 (3.4 ppm).



1-Methoxy-4-(1,1,1-trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)benzene

General procedure D was followed using **4i** (64 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / DCM 19:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (32 mg, 75%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a >100:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 2 H), 6.95 – 6.89 (m, 2 H), 5.52 (q, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.83 (s, 3 H). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ [–61.65] – [–61.72] (m, 3 F).



Tert-butyl 3-(1,1,1-trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)-1H-indole-1-carboxylate

General procedure E was followed using **4j** (86 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / DCM 19:1 \rightarrow 9:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (30 mg, 47%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a 100:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.88 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.74 (s, 1 H), 7.38 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 7.2, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.27 (dt, *J* = 15.2, 0.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.70 (qd, *J* = 2.9, 0.9 Hz, 2 H), 1.70 (s, 9 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.9 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 149.5, 135.5, 128.4, 125.2, 123.3 (q, *J* = 274.3 Hz), 124.2 (q, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 123.1, 119.9, 115.5, 108.0, 95.7 (q, *J* = 36.1 Hz), 84.6, 84.5, 28.3. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ [-61.83] – [-61.87] (m, 3 F). IR (film) 3165, 3055, 2982, 2934, 1971, 1940, 1736, 1562, 1452, 1375, 1310, 1290, 1244, 1148, 1117, 1084, 1041, 1024, 883, 854, 762, 746, 729, 692 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe)

mass calculated for $[M+H]^+$ (C₁₇H₁₇NO₂F₃) requires *m/z* 324.1211, found *m/z* 324.1198 (4.0 ppm).



(3-(Trifluoromethyl)penta-3,4-dien-1-yl)benzene

General procedure D was followed using **4k** (63 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), terpy (4.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (pentane) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (22 mg, 51%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a 9:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36 – 7.29 (m, 2 H), 7.27 – 7.20 (m, 3 H), 5.19 (h, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.86 – 2.75 (m, 2 H), 2.47 (ddt, *J* = 11.0, 7.2, 3.3 Hz, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.6 (q, *J* = 4.3 Hz), 140.7, 128.44, 128.41, 126.2, 123.8 (q, *J* = 273.1 Hz), 98.0 (q, *J* = 33.9 Hz), 82.4, 33.5, 27.6. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –62.24 (s, 3 F). IR (film) 3088, 3065, 3030, 2928, 2860, 1985, 1954, 1605, 1497, 1454, 1333, 1263, 1202, 1155, 1119, 1082, 1055, 1030, 980, 864, 744, 700 cm⁻¹. MS (CI) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₂H₁₁F₃) requires *m/z* 212.1, found *m/z* 212.1.



2-(1,1,1-Trifluorobuta-2,3-dien-2-yl)naphthalene¹⁷

KF (813 mg, 14.0 mmol) and a stir bar were added to a 25 mL round-bottom flask, and placed in a 200 °C vacuum-oven. After 24 h, the flask was equipped with a 3-way flushing adaptor, and allow to cool under an atmosphere of dry N₂. The flask was charged with CuI (133 mg, 0.700 mmol), phen (126 mg, 0.700 mmol), and NaO₂CCF₂Br (345 mg, 1.75 mmol). The system was evacuated and backfilled with dry N₂ (3x), and remained under a positive pressure of N₂ during the course of the reaction. DMF (7.00 mL) was injected, and the flask was immersed in a 50 °C oil bath (Note: evolution of CO₂). After 10 min, **51** (2.37 g, 7.00 mmol) was injected, and the
mixture was stirred for 14 h. The reaction was allowed to cool to rt, and diluted with EtOAc (100 mL). The mixture was washed with 1 N HCl (100 mL), water (100 mL), and brine (100 mL). The organic phase was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 19:1) afforded the title compound as an amorphous yellow solid (1.33 g, 81%) Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a 40:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (s, 1 H), 7.89 – 7.80 (m, 3 H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 2 H), 5.63 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 2 H). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.21 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 3 F).



1-Methoxy-3-(4,4,4-trifluorobuta-1,2-dien-1-yl)benzene

General procedure D was followed using **6a** (64 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (pentane / Et₂O 49:1 \rightarrow 19:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (35 mg, 82%). Alkyne-containing product was not observed by ¹H or ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 1 H), 6.92 (dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.88 – 6.83 (m, 2 H), 6.65 (dq, *J* = 6.4, 3.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.89 (p, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.83 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.1 (q, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 160.1, 132.2 (q, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 130.1, 122.5 (q, *J* = 271.1 Hz), 120.3, 114.4, 112.9, 101.4, 89.8 (q, *J* = 39.2 Hz), 55.4. ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃) δ [-61.15] – [-61.21] (m, 3 F). IR (film) 3007, 2962, 2943, 2839, 1969, 1599, 1583, 1493, 1470, 1441, 1414, 1398, 1306, 1286, 1263, 1225, 1130, 1047, 885, 872, 841, 785, 754, 735, 689, 648, 636 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₁H₁₀F₃O) requires *m/z* 215.0684, found *m/z* 215.0675 (4.2 ppm).



1-Bromo-3-(4,4,4-trifluorobuta-1,2-dien-1-yl)benzene

General procedure D was followed using **6b** (74 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 49:1 \rightarrow 19:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (39 mg, 74%). Alkyne-containing product was not observed by ¹H or ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 – 7.42 (m, 2 H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 2 H), 6.62 (dq, *J* = 6.4, 3.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.94 (p, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.1 (q, *J* = 5.7 Hz), 133.1 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 131.7, 130.6, 130.4, 126.2, 123.2, 122.3 (q, *J* = 271.2 Hz), 100.4, 90.3 (q, *J* = 39.4 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ [-61.34] – [-61.42] (m, 3 F). IR (film) 3069, 2957, 1967, 1705, 1593, 1572, 1475, 1429, 1416, 1371, 1348, 1259, 1192, 1163, 1132, 1074, 1018, 997, 883, 856, 787, 750, 694, 673 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₀H₆F₃Br) requires *m/z* 261.9605, found *m/z* 261.9589 (1.6 mmu).



4-Bromo-1-((4-methoxybenzyl)oxy)-2-(4,4,4-trifluorobuta-1,2-dien-1-yl)benzene

General procedure D was followed using **6c** (101 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / DCM 4:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (32 mg, 40%). Alkyne-containing product was not observed by ¹H or ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 3 H), 6.99 (dq, *J* = 6.6, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.96 – 6.91 (m, 2 H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.82 (p, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.02 (s, 2 H), 3.84 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.5 (q, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 159.6,

154.7, 132.3, 131.1, 129.3, 128.0, 122.4 (q, J = 271.0 Hz), 121.9 (q, J = 1.7 Hz), 114.3, 114.1, 113.3, 94.9, 89.2 (q, J = 39.1 Hz), 70.6, 55.3. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ [-61.23] – [-61.31] (m, 3 F). IR (film) 3016, 2957, 2935, 2837, 1967, 1612, 1587, 1516, 1491, 1466, 1416, 1404, 1379, 1304, 1246, 1175, 1130, 1036, 1001, 887, 864, 824, 806, 690, 646 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI-hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M–H]⁺ (C₁₈H₁₃O₂F₃Br) requires *m/z* 397.0051, found *m/z* 397.0039 (3.0 ppm).



5-(Furan-2-yl)-1-methyl-3-(4,4,4-trifluorobuta-1,2-dien-1-yl)-1H-pyrazole

General procedure D was followed using **6d** (72 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / DCM 4:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (36 mg, 70%). Alkyne-containing product was not observed by ¹H or ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 (dd, *J* = 1.9, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.75 (dq, *J* = 6.6, 3.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.59 (dd, *J* = 3.4, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.52 (dd, *J* = 3.4, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.49 (s, 1 H), 5.86 (dq, *J* = 5.8, 6.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.04 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.8 (q, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 144.4, 143.1, 142.4 (q, *J* = 1.9 Hz), 135.8, 122.3 (q, *J* = 271.0 Hz), 111.7, 109.2, 103.6, 94.1, 89.3 (q, *J* = 39.2 Hz), 38.9. ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃) δ [-61.31] – [-61.35] (m, 3 F). IR (film) 3126, 3013, 2955, 1975, 1531, 1472, 1427, 1394, 1367, 1294, 1269, 1252, 1221, 1128, 1007, 903, 885, 841, 797, 741, 710, 687, 592, 571 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI⁺) mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₂H₁₀F₃N₂O) requires *m/z* 255.0745, found *m/z* 255.0737 (3.1 ppm).



1-Bromo-3-(4,4,4-trifluoro-3-methylbuta-1,2-dien-1-yl)benzene

General procedure D was followed using **6e** (76 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 50 °C for 14 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 49:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (39 mg, 70%). Alkyne-containing product was not observed by ¹H or ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 – 7.39 (m, 2 H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 2 H), 6.47 (hept, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.99 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.2 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 134.4, 131.3, 130.5, 130.3, 126.1, 123.5 (q, *J* = 273.9 Hz), 123.1, 99.1, 98.6 (q, *J* = 35.4 Hz), 13.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –66.59 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 3 F). IR (film) 3063, 3001, 2962, 2932, 2862, 1971, 1742, 1703, 1593, 1568, 1477, 1464, 1429, 1381, 1302, 1267, 1211, 1190, 1153, 1122, 1090, 1072, 1036, 997, 976, 947, 903, 883, 862, 845, 825, 779, 760, 744, 683, 671, 646, 615 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₁H₈F₃Br) requires *m/z* 275.9761, found *m/z* 275.9781 (2.0 mmu).



3-(1,1,1-Trifluoropenta-2,3-dien-2-yl)benzaldehyde

General procedure D was followed using **6f** (66 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 60 °C for 24 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc 49:1 \rightarrow 9:1) afforded the title compound as a yellow oil (19 mg, 43%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a 25:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.04 (s, 1 H), 7.94 – 7.91 (m, 1 H), 7.83 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.70 (ddt, *J* = 7.9, 2.0, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.02 (qd, *J* = 7.4, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.93 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.4 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 192.0, 136.9, 132.8 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 131.6, 129.5, 129.2, 128.4, 123.3 (q, *J* = 273.9 Hz), 100.5 (q, *J* = 35.0 Hz), 95.9, 13.4. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -61.53 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 3 F). IR (film) 3067, 2961, 2930, 2853, 2822, 2729, 1961, 1707, 1601, 1583, 1485, 1443, 1398, 1373, 1310, 1246, 1194, 1157, 1121, 1070, 1034, 982, 968, 916, 837, 800, 733, 692, 681, 660, 646, 590, 538 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (APCI-hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for $[M+H]^+$ (C₁₂H₁₀OF₃) requires *m/z* 227.0684, found *m/z* 227.0671 (1.3 mmu).



1-Tosyl-4-(3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-en-1-ylidene)piperidine

General procedure E was followed using **6g** (87 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), terpy (4.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 60 °C for 24 h. Workup (DCM used in place of EtOAc for extraction) and chromatographic purification (DCM) afforded the title compound as a colorless solid (41 mg, 62%). m.p. 102–103 °C. Alkyne-containing product was not observed by ¹H or ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 – 7.63 (m, 2 H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 2 H), 5.35 (qp, *J* = 6.4, 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.24 (dt, *J* = 11.3, 5.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.11 – 3.03 (m, 2 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 2.42 (ddt, *J* = 7.0, 3.8, 1.4 Hz, 4 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.2 (q, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 144.0, 133.4, 130.0, 127.7, 122.6 (q, *J* = 270.5 Hz), 105.2, 85.3 (q, *J* = 39.1 Hz), 46.7, 29.5 (q, *J* = 1.3 Hz), 21.7. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.72 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3 F). IR (film): 3032, 2962, 2918, 2849, 1985, 1597, 1464, 1437, 1354, 1339, 1306, 1277, 1250, 1198, 1167, 1122, 1038, 1018, 976, 924, 843, 816, 725, 689, 654, 627, 563 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI⁺) mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₅H₁₆F₃NO₂SNa) requires *m/z* 354.0752, found *m/z* 354.0760 (2.3 ppm).



1-Tosyl-4-(2-(trifluoromethyl)hex-1-en-1-ylidene)piperidine

General procedure E was followed using **6h** (0.20 g, 0.40 mmol), CuI (7.6 mg, 0.040 mmol), phen (7.2 mg, 0.040 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (0.020 g, 0.10 mmol), KF (46 mg, 0.80 mmol), and

DMF (0.40 mL) as solvent. The reaction was heated at 60 °C for 24 h. Workup (DCM used in place of EtOAc for extraction) and chromatographic purification (DCM) afforded the title compound as a colorless solid (0.13 g, 81%). m.p. 73–74 °C. Alkyne-containing product was not observed by ¹H or ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H), 3.25 (dt, *J* = 11.2, 5.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.04 (dt, *J* = 11.7, 5.9 Hz, 2 H), 2.46 (s, 3 H), 2.39 (t, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 4 H), 2.09 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2 H), 1.42 – 1.24 (m, 4 H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.1 (q, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 143.9, 133.5, 129.9, 127.7, 123.8 (q, *J* = 273.5 Hz), 105.1, 98.3 (q, *J* = 33.5 Hz), 47.0, 30.0, 29.6, 26.1, 22.0, 21.7, 13.9. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –65.39 (s, 3 F). IR (film) 3030, 2959, 2930, 2860, 1979, 1597, 1495, 1466, 1456, 1441, 1427, 1356, 1339, 1290, 1248, 1211, 1198, 1167, 1117, 1103, 1040, 1018, 980, 970, 933, 922, 816, 800, 719, 689, 677, 654, 635 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI⁺) mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₉H₂₄F₃NO₂SNa) requires *m/z* 410.1378, found *m/z* 410.1367 (2.7 ppm).



(1,1,1-Trifluoropenta-2,3-dien-2-yl)benzene¹⁸

General procedure D was followed using **6i** (61 mg, 0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.020 mmol), phen (3.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), NaO₂CCF₂Br (9.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), KF (23 mg, 0.40 mmol), and DMF (0.20 mL) as solvent. After activation, the reaction was heated at 60 °C for 24 h. Workup and chromatographic purification (pentane) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (17 mg, 42%). Analysis of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed a >100:1 ratio of allene / alkyne. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 2 H), 7.40 – 7.34 (m, 2 H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 1 H), 5.93 (qq, *J* = 6.9, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.89 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3 H). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –61.46 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 3 F).

Functionalization Reactions of Trifluoromethylallenes



4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(4,4,4-trifluoro-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)but-1-en-2-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

In a N₂ filled glovebox, a 15 mL screw-top vial was charged with CuCl (1.0 mg, 0.010 mmol), 1,3-bis(2,6-diisopropylphenyl)imidazolium chloride (4.3 mg, 0.010 mmol), NaO^tBu (7.7 mg, 0.080 mmol) and THF (1.0 mL), and the solution was stirred for 1 h. Bis(pinacolato)diboron (56 mg, 0.22 mmol) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 30 min. Allene 51 (47 mg, 0.20 mmol) and MeOH (49 µL, 1.2 mmol) were added, and the vial was sealed and removed from the glovebox and stirred for 14 h. The mixture was filtered through a pad of SiO₂, and the pad was rinsed with Et₂O (3 x 4 mL). The solvent was removed in vacuo to provide a brown oil. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / EtOAc $1:0 \rightarrow 19:1$) afforded the title compound as a colorless solid (59 mg, 82%). m.p. 84–86. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 – 7.79 (m, 4 H), 7.53 – 7.44 (m, 3 H), 6.20 (s, 1 H), 6.07 (s, 1 H), 4.57 (q, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.19 (s, 6 H), 1.09 (s, 6 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.5, 133.3, 132.9, 132.2, 132.2, 129.1, 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 127.6, 126.5 (q, J = 281.3 Hz), 126.3, 126.2, 84.1, 52.6 (q, J = 26.8 Hz), 24.8, 24.5. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -66.62 (d, J = 9.7 Hz). IR (film) 3059, 2978, 2930, 1701, 1622, 1601, 1437, 1381, 1373, 1362, 1337, 1321, 1258, 1213, 1140, 1097, 964, 872, 856, 843, 816, 746, 723 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI-hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₂₀H₂₂O₂F₃B) requires *m*/*z* 362.1665, found *m*/*z* 362.1667 (0.6 ppm).



(E)-2-(1,1,1-Trifluoro-4-phenethoxybut-2-en-2-yl)naphthalene

In a N_2 filled glovebox, a 15 mL screw-top vial was charged with chloro[1,3-bis(2,6-diisopropylphenyl)imidazole-2-ylidene]gold(I) (12 mg, 0.020 mmol), AgOTf (5.2 mg, 0.020

mmol), and PhMe (0.20 mL). The mixture was stirred for 5 min, after which a solution of allene **51** (47 mg, 0.20 mmol) and 2-phenylethanol (26 μ L, 0.22 mmol) in PhMe (0.30 mL) was injected. The vial was sealed and removed from the glovebox. After stirring for 36 h at rt, the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. Chromatographic purification (hexanes / DCM 1:0 \rightarrow 4:1) afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (56 mg, 78%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 – 7.83 (m, 3 H), 7.72 (s, 1 H), 7.59 – 7.51 (m, 2 H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 2 H), 7.24 – 7.21 (m, 1 H), 7.21 – 7.17 (m, 2 H), 6.64 (tq, *J* = 5.9, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.02 (dq, *J* = 6.1, 2.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.59 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 2.86 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.7, 133.7 (q, *J* = 5.4 Hz), 133.3, 133.1 (q, *J* = 30.2 Hz), 133.0, 129.1, 129.0, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 127.0, 126.7, 126.7, 126.4, 123.3 (q, *J* = 273.4 Hz), 71.9, 67.2, 36.4. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -66.81 (m, 3 F). IR (film) 3061, 3021, 2935, 2920, 2862, 1601, 1504, 1497, 1477, 1454, 1350, 1331, 1296, 1244, 1177, 1163, 1121, 999, 968, 926, 899, 860, 820, 750, 719, 698 cm⁻¹. HRMS (APCI–hexane/PhMe) mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₂₂H₁₉OF₃) requires *m/z* 356.1388, found *m/z* 356.1374 (3.9 ppm).

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position	¹ H NMR			NOESY
	?	multiplicity	<i>J</i> (Hz)	correlations
1	7.72	s	—	2, 9
2	7.87–7.83	m	—	1, 3
3	7.59–7.51	m	—	2, 4
4	7.59–7.51	m	—	3, 5
5	7.92–7.83	m	—	4, 6
6	7.92–7.83	m	—	5, 7
7	7.35	dd	8.5, 1.7	6, 9
8	6.64	tq	5.9, 1.5	9, 10
9	4.02	dq	6.1, 2.0	1, 7, 8, 10, 11
10	3.59	t	7.1	8, 9, 11, 12
11	2.86	t	7.1	9, 10, 12
12	7.21–7.17	m	—	10, 11, 13
13	7.32–7.26	m	—	12, 14
14	7.24–7.21	m	—	13

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1-(4,4,4-Trifluoro-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)but-1-en-2-yl)-1H-imidazole

In a N₂ filled glovebox, a 15 mL screw-top vial was charged with allylpalladium(II) chloride dimer (1.8 mg, 0.0050 mmol), 1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene (5.5 mg, 0.010 mmol), and THF (0.50 mL). The mixture was stirred for 5 min, after which allene **5I** (47 mg, 0.20 mmol) and imidazole (16 mg, 0.24 mmol) were added. The vial was sealed, removed from the glovebox, and placed in a 80 °C oil bath. After 24 h, the mixture was allowed to cool to rt and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. Chromatographic purification (DCM / MeOH 1:0 \rightarrow 19:1) afforded the title compound as an amorphous brown solid (41 mg, 67%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 7.56 – 7.44 (m, 4 H), 7.27 (s, 1 H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 2 H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 1 H), 7.01 (s, 1 H), 6.38 (t, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.08 (m, 1 H), 4.86 (m, 1 H), 4.07 (q, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.3, 136.1, 133.5, 133.3, 130.2, 129.3, 129.2, 128.4, 128.2, 127.9, 127.2, 127.0, 126.0, 124.9 (q, *J* = 280.4 Hz), 118.0, 111.2 (q, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 54.8 (q, *J* = 28.5 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -67.34 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz). IR (film) 3113, 3057, 3024, 2918, 1653, 1601, 1510, 1487, 1373, 1348, 1315, 1256, 1163, 1126, 1107, 1072, 1005, 903, 858, 818, 748, 689, 658 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI⁺) exact mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₇H₁₄F₃N₂) requires *m/z* 303.1109, found *m/z* 303.1101 (2.6 ppm).

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