Supporting Information

for

Thiocarbonyl-enabled ferrocene C–H nitrogenation by cobalt(III) catalysis: thermal and mechanochemical

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General remarks

All catalytic reactions were carried out under inert atmosphere using pre-dried 25 mL pressure tubes. Toluene was purified by an MBraun MB SPS-800 solvent purification system. DCE was distilled over CaH₂ prior to use. The following starting materials were synthesized according to previously described methods: Substituted ferrocenes **1a**-e,^[1] dioxazolones **2a** $g_{1}^{[2]}$ [Cp*Co(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂.^[3] Other chemicals were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. Yields refer to isolated compounds, estimated to be >95% pure as determined by ¹H NMR and GC analysis. TLC: Merck, TLC Silica gel 60 F254. Chromatographic separations were carried out on Merck Silica 60 (0.040–0.063 mm). All IR spectra were recorded on a Bruker ATR FT-IR Alpha device. In situ IR spectra were acquired using Mettler-Toledo iC IR software version 7.0.297 in the range of 650–2200 cm⁻¹ with 4 cm⁻¹ resolution. MS: EIMS: Finnigan MAT 95, 70 eV; ESIMS: Finnigan LCO. Highresolution mass spectrometry (HRMS): APEX IV 7T FTICR, Bruker Daltonic. Melting points (M.p.): Büchi 540 capillary melting point apparatus, values are uncorrected. NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Mercury VX 300, Inova-500, Inova-600 and Bruker Avance 300, Avance III 300, Avance III HD 400, Avance III 400, Avance III HD 500 instruments, if not otherwise specified, chemical shifts (δ) are provided in ppm. Ball mill: Retsch MM400.

Table S1: Optimization studies for C-H nitrogenation of ferrocene

t-Bu H Fe	+ 000 - Ph	[Cp*Co(CH ₃ CN) ₃](SbF ₆) ₂ (5.0 mol %) ligand (30 mol %) solvent, 80 °C, 12 h	t-Bu S Fe NHBZ
1a	2a		3aa
Entry	Solvent	Ligand	Yield (%) ^a
1	DCE		
2	DCE	IMes·HC1	
3	DCE	PPh ₃	
4	DCE	Boc-Leu-OH	40
5	DCE	Boc-Val-OH	55
6	DCE	Boc-Pro-OH	30
7	DCE	Boc-Ala-OH	62
8	DCE	MesCO ₂ H	80
9	DCE	1-AdCO ₂ H	84
10	1,4-dioxane	1-AdCO ₂ H	75
11	toluene	1-AdCO ₂ H	79
12	GVL	1-AdCO ₂ H	35
13	DCE	1-AdCO ₂ H	b

^aReaction conditions: **1a** (0.13 mmol), **2a** (0.15 mmol), ligand (30 mol %), [Co] (5.0 mol %), solvent (1.0 mL). ^bReaction performed without [Cp*Co(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂. Yields of isolated product.

General procedure A: C-H nitrogenation of ferrocene with dioxazolones

Thiocarbonylferrocene **1** (0.25 mmol, 1.0 equiv), dioxazolone **2** (0.3 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 1-AdCO₂H (13.5 mg, 30 mol %) and $[Cp*Co(CH_3CN)_3](SbF_6)_2$ (**4**) (6.9 mg, 5.0 mol %) in DCE (1.0 mL) were stirred at 80 °C for 12 h under nitrogen atmosphere. At ambient temperature, the mixture was transferred into a round bottom flask with CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel afforded the desired products **3**.

General procedure B: mechanochemial C–H nitrogenation of ferrocene with dioxazolones

Thiocarbonylferrocene **1** (0.25 mmol, 1.0 equiv), dioxazolone **2** (0.3 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 1-AdCO₂H (13.5 mg, 30 mol %) and $[Cp*Co(CH_3CN)_3](SbF_6)_2$ (**4**) (6.9 mg, 5.0 mol %) were milled in a 10 mL tungsten carbide milling jar with one milling ball made of the same material (10 mm in diameter). After 90 min of reaction at 30 Hz, the milling was stopped and the mixture was transferred into a round bottom flask with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel afforded the desired products **3**.

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N-[2-(2,2-Dimethylpropanethioyl)ferrocenyl]benzamide (3aa)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-phenyl-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2a**) (49 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) yielded **3aa** (85 mg, 84%) as a blue foam. **M. p.** = 100–102 °C. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.66 (brs, 1H), 8.03–7.98 (m, 2H), 7.57–7.48 (m, 3H), 6.41 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (td, *J* = 3.0, 0.5 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 5H), 1.54 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 261.9 (C_q), 166.3 (C_q), 134.8 (C_q), 131.8 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 102.5 (C_q), 76.1 (C_q), 73.3 (CH), 68.7 (CH), 68.4 (CH), 66.4 (CH), 52.9 (C_q), 32.4 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 2958, 2922, 1668, 1525, 1485, 1313, 700 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* (relative intensity): 428 (90) [M+Na]⁺, 406 (100) [M+H]⁺, 381 (20). **HR-MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₂H₂₄FeNOS [M+H]⁺ 406.0923, found 406.0917.



N-[2-(2,2-Dimethylpropanethioyl)ferrocenyl]-4-methylbenzamide (3ab)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-(4-methylphenyl)-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2b**) (53 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 10/1) yielded **3ab** (83 mg, 77%) as a blue foam. **M. p.** = 106–108 °C. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.58 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.39 (dd, J = 3.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (dd, J = 3.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (dd, J = 3.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (s, 5H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 261.7 (C_q), 166.2 (C_q), 142.1 (C_q), 131.9 (C_q), 129.4 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 102.5 (C_q), 75.9 (C_q), 73.1 (CH), 68.5 (CH), 68.2 (CH), 66.1 (CH), 52.7 (C_q), 32.3 (CH₃), 21.5 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 3048, 1611, 1491, 805, 532 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m/z* (relative

intensity): 442 (100) $[M+Na]^+$, 420 (20) $[M+H]^+$. **HR-MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₃H₂₆FeNO₂S $[M+H]^+$ 420.1087, found 420.1090.



N-[2-(2,2-Dimethylpropanethioyl)ferrocenyl]-4-methoxybenzamide (3ac)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2c**) (58 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 10/1) yielded **3ac** (70 mg, 64%) as a blue foam. **M. p.** = 105–106 °C. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.57 (brs, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.40 (dd, J = 2.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (dd, J = 2.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (t, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 5H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 1.54 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 261.8 (C_q), 165.8 (C_q), 162.4 (C_q), 129.3 (CH), 127.1 (C_q), 113.9 (CH), 102.8 (C_q), 75.9 (C_q), 73.2 (CH), 68.6 (CH), 68.2 (CH), 66.1 (CH), 55.5 (CH₃), 52.8 (C_q), 32.3 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 3047, 1607, 1501, 1240, 1026, 805, 487 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m/z* (relative intensity): 474 (100), 458 (60) [M+Na]⁺, 436 (60) [M+H]⁺, 174 (20). **HR-MS** (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₃H₂₆FeNO₂S [M+H]⁺ 436.1029, found 436.1028.



N-[2-(2,2-Dimethylpropanethioyl)ferrocenyl]-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (3ad)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2d**) (69 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 10/1) yielded **3ad** (88 mg, 79%) as blue foam. **M. p.** = 92–93 °C. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.86 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.42 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (s, 5H), 1.56 (s, 9H). ¹³C **NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 262.2 (C_q), 164.9 (C_q), 138.1 (C_q), 133.4 (q, ²*J*_{C-F} = 32.7 Hz, C_q), 128.0 (CH), 125.9 (q, ³*J*_{C-F} = 3.7 Hz, CH), 123.8 (q, ¹*J*_{C-F} = 272.6 Hz, C_q), 101.9 (C_q), 76.0 (C_q), 73.4 (CH), 68.9 (CH), 68.5 (CH), 66.8 (CH), 53.0 (C_q), 32.5 (CH₃). ¹⁹F **NMR** (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -62.89. **IR** (ATR): 3029, 1616, 1559, 1448, 1125, 451 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m/z* (relative intensity): 969

(50), 474 (100) $[M+H]^+$, 440 (10). **HR-MS** (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₃H₂₃F₃FeNOS $[M+H]^+$ 474.0798, found 474.0797.



4-Chloro-N-[2-(2,2-dimethylpropanethioyl)ferrocenyl]benzamide (3ae)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2e**) (59 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) yielded **3ae** (85 mg, 77%) as a blue foam. **M. p.** = 89–90 °C. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.73 (s, 1H), 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.41 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (s, 5H), 1.56 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 261.9 (C_q), 165.1 (C_q), 138.0 (C_q), 133.1 (C_q), 129.0 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 102.1 (C_q), 75.9 (C_q), 73.2 (CH), 68.7 (CH), 68.3 (CH), 66.5 (CH), 52.8 (C_q), 32.4 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 3040, 1559, 1437, 1343, 1165, 447 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₂H₂₃³⁵ClFeNOS [M+H]⁺ 440.0532, found 440.0533.



4-Bromo-N-[2-(2,2-dimethylpropanethioyl)ferrocenyl]benzamide (3af)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-(4-bromophenyl)-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2f**) (73 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) yielded **3af** (73 mg, 61%) as blue foam. **M. p.** = 96–97 °C. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.71 (s, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.38 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 5H), 1.54 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 262.3 (C_q), 165.2 (C_q), 133.6 (C_q), 132.0 (C_q), 129.0 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 102.1 (C_q), 75.9 (C_q), 73.2 (CH), 68.7 (CH), 68.3 (CH), 66.5 (CH), 52.8 (C_q), 32.4 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 3077, 1579, 1507, 1000, 488 cm⁻¹. **MS** (**ESI**) *m*/*z* (relative intensity): 524 (100), 506 (30) [M+Na]⁺, 484

(20) $[M+H]^+$, 402 (40). **HR-MS (ESI)** m/z calcd for $C_{22}H_{23}^{-79}BrFeNOS [M+H]^+$ 484.0029 found 484.0030; and $C_{22}H_{23}^{-81}BrFeNOS [M+H]^+$ 486.0008 found 486.0013.



N-[2-(2,2-Dimethylpropanethioyl)ferrocenyl]-2-methoxybenzamide (3ag)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-(2-methoxyphenyl)-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2g**) (58 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 10/1) yielded **3ag** (72 mg, 66%) as a blue foam. **M. p.** = 106–108 °C. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.21 (s, 1H), 8.13 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48–7.43 (m, 1H), 7.06 (dd, J = 7.8 Hz, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (dd, J = 2.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (dd, J = 2.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (dd, J = 2.7, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (s, 3H), 4.04 (s, 5H), 1.44 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 261.2 (C_q), 164.5 (C_q), 157.2 (C_q), 132.8 (CH), 132.0 (CH), 122.7 (C_q), 121.0 (CH), 111.2 (CH), 101.9 (C_q), 79.3 (C_q), 73.3 (CH), 69.2 (CH), 67.3 (CH), 64.2 (CH), 55.6 (CH₃), 52.5 (C_q), 31.8 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 3048, 1611, 1491, 805, 532 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m/z* (relative intensity): 474 (100), 458 (40) [M+Na]⁺, 436 (50) [M+H]⁺, 174 (20). **HR-MS** (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₃H₂₆FeNO₂S [M+H]⁺ 436.1029, found 436.1028.



3-Chloro-N-[2-(2,2-dimethylpropanethioyl)ferrocenyl]benzamide (3ah)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-(3-chlorophenyl)-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2h**) (59 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) yielded **3ah** (80 mg, 73%) as a blue foam. **M. p.** = 98–100 °C. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.72 (brs, 1H), 8.00 (t, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56–7.49 (m, 1H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (s, 5H), 1.54 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 262.0 (C_q), 164.9 (C_q), 136.6 (C_q), 135.1 (C_q), 131.8 (CH), 130.1 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 125.4 (CH), 102.1 (C_q), 76.0 (C_q), 73.3 (CH), 68.9 (CH), 68.4 (CH), 66.7 (CH), 53.0 (C_q), 32.5 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 2956, 2921, 1670, 1526, 1400, 1251,

739 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) m/z (relative intensity): 901 (30), 462 (50) [M+Na]⁺, 390 (80). **HR-MS** (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₂H₂₃³⁵ClFeNOS [M+H]⁺ 440.0533, found 440.0538.



N-[2-(2,2-Dimethylpropanethioyl)ferrocenyl]-4-nitrobenzamide (3ai)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2i**) (62 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) yielded **3ai** (90 mg, 80%) as a blue foam. **M. p.** = 90–92 °C. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.96 (brs, 1H), 8.37 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.39 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (s, 5H), 1.55 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 262.3 (C_q), 164.1 (C_q), 149.8 (C_q), 140.3 (C_q), 128.6 (CH), 124.1 (CH), 101.6 (C_q), 76.0 (C_q), 73.4 (CH), 69.1 (CH), 68.5 (CH), 67.0 (CH), 53.1 (C_q), 32.5 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 2957, 2921, 1672, 1527, 1313, 1065, 753 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* (relative intensity): 923 (30), 473 (50) [M+Na]⁺, 451 (100) [M+H]⁺, 381 (80). **HR-MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₂H₂₃FeN₂O₃S [M+H]⁺ 451.0774, found 451.0774.



$Ar = 4 - MeC_6H_4$

N-{2-(2,2-Dimethylpropanethioyl)-4'-methyl-[1,1'-ferrocenylphenyl]-3-yl}benzamide (3ba)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-(4'-methyl-[1,1'-ferrocenephenyl]-2-yl)propane-1-thione (**1b**) (94 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-phenyl-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2a**) (49 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) yielded **3ba** (66 mg, 53%) as a red foam. **M. p.** = 108–110 °C. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.73–7.65 (m, 2H), 7.58 (brs, 1H), 7.55–7.43 (m, 3H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.13–7.03 (m, 2H), 5.45 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (s, 5H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.03 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 272.2$ (C_q), 165.6 (C_q), 136.6 (C_q), 136.2 (C_q), 134.3 (C_q), 132.0 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 129.0 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 126.9

(CH), 98.0 (C_q), 96.9 (C_q), 80.6 (C_q), 73.7 (CH), 65.0 (CH), 62.3 (CH), 56.0 (C_q), 32.1 (CH₃), 21.3 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 2956, 2921, 1675, 1520, 1482, 818 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) m/z (relative intensity): 518 (100) [M+Na]⁺, 496 (40) [M+H]⁺, 398 (20). **HR-MS** (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₉H₃₀FeNOS [M+H]⁺ 496.1392, found 496.1387.



 $Ar = 4-MeOC_6H_4$

N-{2-(2,2-Dimethylpropanethioyl)-4'-(methoxy)-[1,1'-ferrocenephenyl]-3-yl}benzamide (3ca)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-{4'-(methoxy)-[1,1'-ferrocenephenyl]-2-yl}propane-1-thione (**1c**) (98 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-phenyl-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2a**) (49 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) yielded **3ca** (77 mg, 60%) as a red foam. **M. p.** = $105-107 \,^{\circ}$ C. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.80-7.65$ (m, 2H), 7.61–7.35 (m, 6H), 6.82 (d, $J = 8.7 \,\text{Hz}$, 2H), 5.43 (d, $J = 2.6 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.61 (d, $J = 2.6 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.16 (s, 5H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 1.02 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 272.2 \,(C_q)$, 165.7 (C_q), 158.7 (C_q), 134.3 (C_q), 132.0 (C_q), 131.3 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.0 (CH), 126.9 (CH), 113.9 (CH), 97.8 (C_q), 96.7 (C_q), 73.6 (CH), 72.2 (C_q), 64.9 (CH), 62.4 (CH), 56.0 (C_q), 55.4 (CH₃), 32.0 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 2956, 2921, 1675, 1520, 1463, 1247, 1177, 755 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* (relative intensity): 534 (100) [M+Na]⁺, 512 (80) [M+H]⁺. **HR-MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₉H₃₀FeNO₂S [M+H]⁺ 512.1342, found 512.1347.

 $Ar = 4 - F_3 CC_6 H_4$

N-{2-(2,2-Dimethylpropanethioyl)-4'-(trifluoromethyl)-[1,1'-ferrocenephenyl]-3yl}benzamide (3da)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-{4'-(trifluoromethyl)-[1,1'ferrocenephenyl]-2-yl}propane-1-thione (**1d**) (108 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-phenyl-1,4,2dioxazol-5-one (**2a**) (49 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (nhexane/EtOAc: 19/1) yielded **3da** (70 mg, 51%) as a blue foam. **M. p.** = 102–104 °C. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.73–7.67 (m, 2H), 7.62–7.43 (m, 8H), 5.55 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (s, 5H), 1.04 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 271.2 (C_q), 165.6 (C_q), 144.0 (C_q), 134.1 (C_q), 132.2 (CH), 129.2 (q, ²*J*_{C-F} = 32.6 Hz, C_q), 129.1 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 126.9 (CH), 125.7 (q, ¹*J*_{C-F} = 273.6 Hz, C_q), 125.4 (q, ³*J*_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz, CH), 98.5 (C_q), 97.3 (C_q), 73.9 (C_q), 65.6 (CH), 62.2 (CH), 56.3 (C_q), 32.0 (CH₃). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282 MHz, CDCL₃) δ = -62.47. **IR** (ATR): 2951, 2925, 1670, 1530, 1400, 1050, 732 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* (relative intensity): 572 (100) [M+Na]⁺, 550 (40) [M+H]⁺, 452 (30), 381 (20). **HR-MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₉H₂₇FeNOSF₃, [M+H]⁺ 550.1110, found 550.1116.



N-[2-(2,2-Dimethylbutanethioyl)ferrocenyl]benzamide (3ea)

The general procedure **A** was followed using 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylbutane-1-thione (**1e**) (75 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3-phenyl-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2a**) (49 mg, 0.3 mmol). Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) yielded **3ea** (85 mg, 81%) as blue foam. **M. p.** = 95–97 °C. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.51 (brs, 1H), 8.16–7.91 (m, 2H), 7.67–7.27 (m, 3H), 6.38 (dd, J = 2.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (dd, J = 2.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (t, J = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 5H), 2.10 (dd, J = 13.9, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.84 (dd, J = 13.9, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.56 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 3H), 0.78 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 262.2 (C_q), 166.2 (C_q), 134.8 (C_q), 131.8 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 102.5 (C_q), 77.4 (C_q), 73.3 (CH), 68.4 (CH), 68.3 (CH), 65.2 (CH), 56.7 (C_q), 36.1 (CH₂), 30.3 (CH₃), 30.3 (CH₃), 9.3 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 2964, 2924, 1669, 1523, 1488, 1399, 1249, 650 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* (relative intensity): 442 (100) [M+Na]⁺, 420 (80) [M+H]⁺. **HR-MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₃H₂₆FeNOS [M+H]⁺ 420.1079, found 420.1077.

H/D Exchange experiment



Thiocarbonylferrocene **1a** (71 mg, 0.25 mmol), 1-AdCO₂H (13.5 mg 30 mol %), $[Cp*Co(CH_3CN)_3](SbF_6)_2$ (6.9 mg, 5.0 mol %), DCE (0.9 mL) and CD₃OD (0.1 mL) were placed in a 25 mL Schlenk tube under N₂ and the mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 12 h. At ambient temperature, the mixture was transferred into a round bottom flask with CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane) yielded the product [D]_n-**1a** (65 mg, 92%) with 85% deuterium incorporation.





Thiocarbonylferrocene **1a** (71 mg, 0.25 mmol), dioxazolone **2a** (49 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 1-AdCO₂H (13.5 mg 30 mol %), [Cp*Co(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂ (6.9 mg, 5.0 mol %), DCE (0.9 mL) and CD₃OD (0.1 mL) were placed in a 25 mL Schlenk tube under N₂ and the mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 3 h. At ambient temperature, the mixture was transferred into a round bottom flask with CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) yielded the product [D]_n-**1a** (65 mg, 60%) with 12% deuterium incorporation and [D]_n-**3aa** (34 mg, 34%) with 13% deuterium incorporation in *ortho*-ferrocene and 8% deuterium incorporation in amide, respectively.





Intermolecular competition experiment



A suspension of 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol), 2,2dimethyl-1-{4'-(methoxy)-[1,1'-ferrocenephenyl]-2-yl}propane-1-thione (**1c**) (91 mg, 0.25 mmol), 3-phenyl-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2a**) (49 mg, 0.3 mmol), 1-AdCO₂H (13.5 mg, 30 mol %) and [Cp*Co(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂ (6.9 mg, 5.0 mol %) in DCE (1.0 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 1 h under N₂ atmosphere. At ambient temperature, the mixture was transferred into a round-bottom flask with CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) on silica gel afforded the products **3aa** (15 mg, 15%) and **3ca** (27 mg, 21%).



A suspension of 2,2-dimethyl-1-ferrocenylpropane-1-thione (**1a**) (71 mg, 0.25 mmol), 3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2b**) (48 mg, 0.25 mmol), 3-[4-(trifluoromethyl) phenyl]-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one (**2e**) (58 mg, 0.25 mmol), 1-AdCO₂H (13.5 mg, 30 mol %) and $[Cp*Co(CH_3CN)_3](SbF_6)_2$ (6.9 mg, 5.0 mol %) in DCE (1.0 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 1 h under N₂ atmosphere. After cooling to ambient temperature, the mixture was transferred into a round-bottom flask with CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) on silica gel afforded the products **3ab** (64 mg, 59%) and **3ae** (35 mg, 30%).

Late-stage diversification



A suspension of *N*-[2-(2,2-dimethylpropanethioyl)ferrocenyl]benzamide (**3aa**) (101 mg, 0.25 mmol) and Ag₂CO₃ (69 mg, 0.25 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL) was stirred at 23 °C for 6 h under air. Then, the mixture was transferred into a round bottom flask and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/EtOAc: 19/1) afforded the product **4aa** as a yellow oil (97%). ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 10.68 (s, 1H), 8.19–7.92 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.32 (m, 3H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 4.65 (dd, *J* = 2.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (t, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (s, 5H), 1.42 (s, 9H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 217.4 (C_q), 165.7 (C_q), 134.5 (C_q), 131.8 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 100.4 (C_q), 71.1 (CH), 68.4 (CH), 66.6 (CH), 65.0 (CH), 63.7 (C_q), 45.5 (C_q), 28.6 (CH₃). **IR** (ATR): 2957, 2921, 1671, 1530, 701 cm⁻¹. **MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* (relative intensity): 412 (100) [M+Na]⁺, 406 (40), 390 (30), 381 (20). **HR-MS** (ESI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₂H₂₄FeNO₂ [M+H]⁺ 390.1151, found 390.1151.

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¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR spectra





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