Supporting Information

Deoxygenative Trifluoromethylthiolation of Carboxylic Acids

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Methods

General Analytical Information

Nuclear Magnetic Resonance spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 400 MHz instruments at ambient temperature. All ¹H NMR spectra were measured in part per million (ppm) relative to the signals of tetramethylsilane (TMS, 0.00 ppm) added into the deuterated chloroform (CDCl₃, 7.26 ppm), deuterated dichloromethane (CD₂Cl₂, 5.32 ppm), unless otherwise stated.¹ Data for ¹H NMR were reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, quint = quintet, m = multiplet, dd = doublet of doublets, dt = doublet of triplets, td = triplet of doublets, and br = broad signal), coupling constants, and integration. All ¹³C NMR spectra were reported in ppm relative to CDCl₃ (77.16 ppm), CD₂Cl₂ (53.84 ppm), unless otherwise stated, ¹ and were obtained with complete ¹H decoupling. All ¹⁹F NMR spectra were reported in ppm unless otherwise stated, and were obtained with complete ¹H decoupling. All GC analyses were performed on a Perkin-Elmer Clarus 400 GC system with a FID detector. All GC-MS analyses were performed on an Agilent Technologies 7890A GC system equipped with a 5975C MS detector. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) by electrospray ionization (APPI) method were performed at the EPFL ISIC Mass Spectroscopy Service.

General Manipulation Considerations

Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel (Silicycle, ultra-pure grade). The eluents for column chromatography were presented as ratios of solvent volumes. Yields reported in the publication are of isolated materials unless otherwise noted. All new products were characterized by ¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy as well as high-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS), and reported with physical state and the eluents for column chromatography were presented as ratios of solvent volumes. All known products were characterized by ¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy as well as high-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS), and reported with physical state and the eluents for column chromatography were presented as ratios of solvent volumes. All known products were characterized by ¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopies and the spectra were compared with the reported data.

General procedure for deoxygenative trifluoromethylthiolation of carboxylic acids

Two oven-dried 15 mL re-sealable screw-cap vials (oven-dried) were both equipped with a Tefloncoated magnetic stirring bar (oven-dried), and were transferred into glovebox. One vial was sequentially charged with carboxylic acid (1.0 equiv., 0.30 mmol), triphenylphosphine (Ph₃P, 1.1 equiv., 0.33 mmol, 87 mg) and anhydrous Tetrahydrofuran (THF, 0.5 mL) in glovebox and the mixture was stirred vigorously. Another vial was sequentially charged with *N*-(trifluoromethylthio)phthalimide (1.3 equiv., 0.39 mmol, 96 mg), anhydrous FeCl₃ (5 mol%, 2.4 mg), and anhydrous THF (1 mL) in the glovebox. Then the 2 vials were transferred out of the glovebox. The solution of the second vial was added into the first one dropwise under nitrogen at room temperature. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 minutes during which time the color of the mixture change from red to bright yellow. After the reaction, the solvent was blown away by dry air and the reaction mixture was diluted with dichloromethane and was purified by flash column chromatography using a solvent mixture (ethyl acetate, hexanes or diethyl ether, *n*-pentane) as an eluent to afford the purified product.

Notice: Because of the high volatility of certain products, their isolated yields were low.

S-(trifluoromethyl) [1,1'-biphenyl]-4-carbothioate (3a)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3a** (80 mg) in 95%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.98 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.75 – 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.65 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.42 (m, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 183.25, 148.40, 139.64, 134.24 (q, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 129.64, 129.32, 128.77, 128.61 (q, *J* = 309.6 Hz), 128.26, 127.83.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.50.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (EI) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₄H₉F₃OS⁺ 282.0321, Found 282.0321.

The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.²

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-methoxybenzothioate (3b)

SCF MeO

Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3b** (64 mg) in 90%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 181.48, 165.07, 130.09, 128.20 (q, *J* = 309.2 Hz), 127.82 (q, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 114.41, 55.70.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.43.

Physical State: pale brown oil.

HRMS (ESI/QTOF) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{10}H_7F_3O_2S^+$ 237.0192, Found 237.0193.

The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.²

S-(trifluoromethyl) 2-methoxybenzothioate (3c)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3c** (60 mg) in 85%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.89 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 7.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.10 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 182.01, 159.32, 136.03, 130.37, 128.31 (q, *J* = 310.1 Hz), 124.09 (q, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 121.29, 112.30, 56.01.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -42.13.

Physical State: colorless oil.

HRMS (ESI/QTOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₀H₇F₃O₂S⁺ 237.0192, Found 237.0192.

The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.³

S-(trifluoromethyl) 2-methoxybenzothioate (3d)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3d** (57 mg) in 81%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.46 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 183.36, 160.27, 136.54, 130.36, 128.14 (q, *J* = 309.6 Hz), 121.67, 120.28, 111.93, 55.74.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.77.

Physical State: colorless oil.

HRMS (**ESI/QTOF**) m/z: $[M + Na]^+$ Calcd for C₉H₇F₃O₂SNa⁺ 259.0017, Found 259.0018.

The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.³

S-(trifluoromethyl) 2-ethylbenzothioate (3e)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3e** (48 mg) in 69%.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.67 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (td, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (ddd, *J* = 15.2, 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 2.88 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.24 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.1 Hz, 4H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 184.84, 144.67, 134.65 (q, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 133.67, 130.94, 128.74, 128.05 (q, *J* = 309.9 Hz), 126.36, 26.97, 15.81.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -40.61.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for C₁₀H₁₀F₃OS⁺ 235.0399, Found 235.0399. The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.²

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-(tert-butyl)benzothioate (3f)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3f** (56 mg) in 71%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.87 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 1.35 (s, 9H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 182.73, 159.30, 132.51 (q, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 128.15 (q, *J* = 309.3 Hz), 127.65, 126.19, 35.42, 30.96.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.57.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (ESI/QTOF) m/z: $[M + Na]^+$ Calcd for $C_{12}H_{13}F_3OSNa^+$ 285.0537, Found 285.0534.

The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.²

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-fluorobenzothioate (3g)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3g** (41 mg) in 61%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.90 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 5.1 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 181.91, 168.23, 165.66, 131.62, 130.61, 130.51, 128.00

(q, *J* = 309.8 Hz), 116.84, 116.62.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.56, -101.01.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for C₈H₅F₄OS⁺ 224.9992; Found 224.9994. The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.²

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-chlorobenzothioate (3h)

Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3h** (47 mg) in 65%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 182.32, 141.90, 133.56 (q, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 129.75, 129.09, 127.95 (q, *J* = 310.0 Hz).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.53.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for C₈H₅F₃ClOS⁺ 240.9696; Found 240.9698.

The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.²

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-bromobenzothioate (3i)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3i** (68 mg) in 80%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.75 – 7.62 (m, 4H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 182.54, 133.98 (q, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 132.73, 130.63, 129.09,

127.91 (q, *J* = 309.9 Hz).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.54.

Physical State: yellowish solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for C₈H₅BrF₃OS⁺ 284.9191; Found 284.9192.

The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.²

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-iodobenzothioate (3j)

Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3j** (75 mg) in 75%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.95 – 7.87 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.55 (m, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 182.77, 138.57, 134.42, 134.39, 129.27, 128.71, 126.19, 103.38.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.53.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (**APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap**) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₈H₅F₃IOS⁺ 332.9052; Found 332.9059.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 2-chlorobenzothioate (3k)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3k** (44 mg) in 61%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.73 – 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.56 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.35 (m, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 182.67, 134.78 (q, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 134.12, 131.91, 131.68, 129.67, 127.60 (q, *J* = 310.9 Hz), 127.28.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -40.55.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for C₈H₅F₃ClOS⁺ 240.9696; Found 240.9697.

The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.³

S-(trifluoromethyl) 2-bromobenzothioate (31)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3l** (64 mg) in 75%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.79 – 7.67 (m, 1H), 7.67 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.40 (m, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 183.55 (q, *J* = 1.3 Hz), 136.84 (q, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 134.95, 134.02, 129.53, 127.80, 127.54 (q, *J* = 311.1 Hz), 119.62.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -40.51.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for C₈H₅BrF₃OS⁺ 284.9191; Found 284.9193.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 2-iodobenzothioate (3m)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3m** (71 mg) in 71%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 184.66, 141.86, 139.85 (q, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 134.00, 129.22, 128.48, 127.55 (q, *J* = 311.0 Hz), 91.58.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -40.46.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₈H₅F₃IOS⁺ 332.9052; Found 332.9059.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-(trifluoromethyl)benzothioate (3n)

Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3n** (53 mg) in 65%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 8.12 – 7.92 (m, 2H), 7.92 – 7.73 (m, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 182.77, 137.95, 136.42 (q, *J* = 33.2 Hz), 128.16, 127.79 (q, *J* = 310.2 Hz), 126.50 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 123.29 (q, *J* = 273.1 Hz).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.60, -63.42.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (EI) m/z: [M - F]⁺ Calcd for 254.9903; Found: 254.9904.

The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.³

4-((trifluoromethylthio)carbonyl)benzoate (30)

MeOOC

Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **30** (54 mg) in 68%.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 8.23 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.99 – 7.84 (m, 2H), 3.96 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 183.06, 165.69, 138.32 (q, J = 2.7 Hz), 135.83, 130.47,

127.89 (d, *J* = 310.1 Hz), 127.70, 52.85.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.65.

Physical State: off-white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{10}H_8F_3O_3S^+$ 265.0141; Found 265.0140. The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.²

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino)benzothioate (3p)

BocHN

Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3p** (60 mg) in 62%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.86 – 7.76 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 1.55 (s, 9H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 151.88, 144.83, 129.31, 128.16 (q, *J* = 309.3 Hz), 117.71, 81.82, 28.21.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.43.

Physical State: pale grey solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{13}H_{15}F_3NO_3S^+$ 322.0719; Found 322.0710.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-(methylthio)benzothioate (3q)

Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3q** (54 mg) in 72%.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.88 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 182.14, 149.30, 131.17 (q, J = 2.9 Hz), 128.24 (q, J = 309.5 Hz), 128.05, 125.25, 14.73.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.43.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_9H_8F_3OS_2^+252.9963$; Found 252.9958.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)benzothioate (3r)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3r** (40 mg) in 60%.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 8.04 – 7.90 (m, 2H), 7.90 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 1.38 (s, 12H). ¹³**C** NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 183.69, 137.06 (q, J = 2.6 Hz), 135.52, 128.16 (q, J = 309.6 Hz), 126.69, 84.65, 25.03.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.68.

Physical State: yellow oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{14}H_{17}BF_3O_3S^+$ 333.0938; Found 333.0939.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-(allyloxy)benzothioate (3s)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3s** (59 mg) in 75%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.91 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.04 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 6.14 – 5.92 (m, 1H), 5.47 – 5.27 (m, 2H), 4.62 (dt, *J* = 5.3, 1.6 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 181.57, 164.20, 132.12, 130.19, 128.34 (q, *J* = 309.2 Hz), 128.01 (q, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 118.69, 115.23, 69.27.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.43.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{11}H_{10}F_3O_2S^+$ 263.0348; Found 263.0347.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-(allyloxy)benzothioate (3t)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3t** (53 mg) in 68%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.89 – 7.80 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 4.78 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 181.69, 162.94, 130.66, 130.13, 128.71 (q, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 128.27 (q, *J* = 309.3 Hz), 115.44, 56.20.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.44.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{11}H_8F_3O_2S^+$ 261.0192; Found 261.0190.

S-(trifluoromethyl) benzo[1,3]dioxole-5-carbothioate (3u)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3u** (61 mg) in 81%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.46 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 1.9, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 12.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (s, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 181.40, 153.66, 148.81, 129.64 (q, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 128.20 (q, *J* = 309.3 Hz), 124.60, 108.58, 107.39, 102.61.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.58.

Physical State: off-white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for C₉H₆F₃O₃S⁺ 250.9984; Found 250.9983.

S-(trifluoromethyl) naphthalene-2-carbothioate (3v)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3v** (68 mg) in 89%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 8.39 (s, 1H), 8.05 – 7.76 (m, 4H), 7.64 (m, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 183.14, 136.37, 132.40 (q, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 132.25, 129.86, 129.72, 129.59, 129.28, 128.13 (q, *J* = 309.6 Hz), 127.97, 127.56, 122.57.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.50.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for C₁₂H₈F₃OS⁺ 257.0243; Found 257.0244. The spectra were consistent with the spectrum reported in the literature.²

S-(trifluoromethyl) quinoline-8-carbothioate (3w)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3w** (51 mg) in 66%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 9.01 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.44 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 149.95, 145.01, 136.90, 134.32, 132.10 (q, *J* = 9.9 Hz), 131.92, 128.52 (q, *J* = 12.3 Hz), 128.29 (q, *J* = 313.1 Hz), 128.06, 126.34, 122.14.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -43.85.

Physical State: off-white solid.

HRMS (**APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap**) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₁H₇F₃NOS⁺ 258.0195; Found 258.019.

S-(trifluoromethyl) benzothiophene-5-carbothioate (3x)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **3x** (56 mg) in 71%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 8.33 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (dd, *J* = 5.5, 0.8 Hz, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 183.07, 146.08, 139.44, 131.61 (q, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 129.03, 128.11 (q, *J* = 309.5 Hz), 124.52, 123.71, 123.28, 122.25.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.51.

Physical State: yellowish solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{10}H_6F_3OS_2^+$ 262.9807; Found 262.9806.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethanethioate (4a)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **4a** (51 mg) in 68%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 6.97 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 190.03, 159.99, 131.52, 127.93 (q, *J* = 310.2 Hz), 122.62, 114.68, 55.43, 50.12 (q, *J* = 2.8 Hz).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -40.69.

Physical State: colorless oil.

HRMS (nanochip-ESI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M]^+$ Calcd for $C_{10}H_9F_3O_2S^+$ 250.0270; Found 250.0267.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (1R,2R)-2-phenylcyclopropane-1-carbothioate (4b)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **4b** (48 mg) in 65%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 7.41 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.21 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 2.86 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 7.1, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.17 (dt, *J* = 8.6, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (dt, *J* = 9.6, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 1.65 (td, *J* = 7.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 188.73, 138.41, 128.86, 127.72 (q, *J* = 310.0 Hz), 127.41, 126.42, 33.92 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 30.30, 19.79.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ -40.02.

Physical State: pale yellow oil.

HRMS (**APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap**) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₁H₉F₃OS⁺ 246.0321; Found 246.0317.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 1-(4-methylphenyl)cyclopropane-1-carbothioate (4c)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **4c** (53 mg) in 68%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.83 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 2H), 1.37 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 193.73, 139.75, 132.97, 132.42, 129.68, 128.07 (q, *J* = 310.1 Hz), 38.23 (q, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 21.45, 20.48.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ -41.84.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₂H₁₁F₃OS⁺ 260.0477; Found 260.0478.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 1-(4-chlorophenyl)cyclopropane-1-carbothioate (4d)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **4d** (58 mg) in 69%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 7.38 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 4H), 1.85 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 2H), 1.36 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 192.73, 135.79, 134.53, 133.80, 129.27, 127.86 (q, *J* = 310.2 Hz), 38.02 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 20.48.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ -41.61.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (**APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap**) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₁H₈ClF₃OS⁺ 279.9931; Found 279.9932.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)cyclopropane-1-carbothioate (4e)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **4e** (62 mg) in 75%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 1.81 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 194.05, 160.60, 133.82, 128.10 (q, *J* = 310.1 Hz), 127.80, 114.30, 55.46, 37.80 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 20.64.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ -41.95.

Physical State: reddish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M]^+$ Calcd for $C_{12}H_{11}F_3O_2S^+$ 276.0426; Found 276.0429.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (E)-3-phenylprop-2-enethioate (5a)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **5a** (57 mg) in 82%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.65 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 180.95, 145.18, 133.14, 131.95, 129.36, 129.01, 128.07 (q, *J* = 309.5 Hz), 122.86 (q, *J* = 3.1 Hz).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.52.

Physical State: colorless oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{10}H_8F_3OS^+$ 233.0242; Found 233.0241.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (E)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)prop-2-enethioate (5b)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **5b** (53 mg) in 70%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.71 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 180.77, 164.90 (d, *J* = 254.3 Hz), 143.75, 131.08 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 129.42 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz), 128.02 (q, *J* = 309.5 Hz), 122.86 – 122.11 (m), 116.64 (d, *J* = 22.2 Hz).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.53, -106.55.

Physical State: yellowish solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{10}H_7F_4OS^+$ 251.0148; Found 251.0149.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (E)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)prop-2-enethioate (5c)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **5c** (57 mg) in 71%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 180.77 (q, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 143.55, 138.04, 131.60, 130.11, 129.68, 127.97 (q, *J* = 309.6 Hz), 123.19 (q, *J* = 3.1 Hz).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.52.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{10}H_7ClF_3OS^+$ 266.9853; Found 266.9853.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (E)-3-(4-bromophenyl)prop-2-enethioate (5d)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **5d** (51 mg) in 82%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.64 – 7.53 (m, 3H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.59 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 180.80, 143.64, 132.68, 132.04, 130.26, 127.95 (q, *J* = 309.7 Hz), 126.51, 123.30 (q, *J* = 3.2 Hz).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.52.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{10}H_7BrF_3OS^+$ 310.9348; Found 310.9350.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (E)-3-(2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)prop-2-enethioate (5e)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **5e** (63 mg) in 70%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 8.03 (dd, *J* = 15.7, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (dd, *J* = 14.3, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (dt, *J* = 22.1, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.58 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 180.67, 140.32 (q, J = 2.2 Hz), 132.33 (q, J = 1.1 Hz), 131.78 (q, J = 1.6 Hz), 130.91, 129.64 (q, J = 30.6 Hz), 128.00, 127.73 (q, J = 309.8 Hz), 126.82 – 126.32 (m), 123.70 (q, J = 274.1 Hz).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.62, -58.73.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{11}H_7F_6OS^+$ 301.0116; Found 301.0116.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (E)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-enethioate (5f)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **5f** (72 mg) in 91%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.60 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 6.96 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 180.68, 162.84, 145.00, 130.99, 128.22 (q, *J* = 309.2 Hz), 125.81, 120.31 (q, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 114.84, 55.62.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.45.

Physical State: off-white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{11}H_{10}F_3O_2S^+$ 263.0348; Found 263.0352.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (E)-3-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)prop-2-enethioate (5g)

Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **5g** (49 mg) in 59%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.58 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 6.73 – 6.62 (m, 2H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (s, 6H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 180.20, 152.91, 146.10, 131.27, 128.52 (q, *J* = 308.8 Hz), 120.69, 116.90 (q, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 111.92, 40.21.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.29.

Physical State: yellowish solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{12}H_{13}F_3NOS^+$ 276.0664; Found 276.0665.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (E)-3-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)prop-2-enethioate (5h)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **5h** (71 mg) in 75%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.64 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.38 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 180.61, 149.80 (d, J = 2.1 Hz), 142.94, 135.05, 130.69, 127.75 (q, J = 309.8 Hz), 127.16, 124.20 (q, J = 3.1 Hz), 123.82, 120.71, 120.37 (q, J = 258.2 Hz). ¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.60, -57.89.

Physical State: colorless oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{11}H_7F_6O_2S^+$ 317.0066; Found 317.0069.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 6-(3-(adamantan-1-yl)-4-methoxyphenyl)naphthalene-2-carbothioate (6a)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6a** (90 mg) in 91%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 8.41 (s, 1H), 8.07 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (ddd, *J* = 8.6, 4.5, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.23 – 2.07 (m, 9H), 1.81 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): 182.97, 159.23, 142.80, 139.17, 136.89, 132.00, 131.90 (q, J = 2.6 Hz), 130.96, 130.10, 129.72, 129.28, 128.18 (q, J = 310.6 Hz), 127.34, 126.01, 125.83, 124.77, 122.97, 112.16, 55.19, 40.61, 37.25, 37.12, 29.11.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ -39.46.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (**APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap**) [M]⁺ Calcd for C₂₉H₂₇F₃O₂S⁺ 496.1678; Found 496.1672.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-(N,N-dipropylsulfamoyl)benzothioate (6b)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6b** (51 mg) in 46%.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Methylene Chloride-*d*₂): δ 8.12 – 7.91 (m, 4H), 3.19 – 3.05 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 4H), 1.57 (h, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 4H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Methylene Chloride- d_2): δ 146.29, 137.51 (q, J = 2.7 Hz), 132.15 (q, J = 10.8 Hz), 128.48 (q, J = 12.5 Hz), 128.28, 127.83 (q, J = 309.9 Hz), 127.73, 49.90, 21.88, 10.86. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Methylene Chloride- d_2): δ -40.18.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{14}H_{19}F_3NO_3S_2^+$ 370.0753; Found 370.0752.

(10S,13R,14R,17R)-4,4,10,13,14-pentamethyl-17-((R)-6-methylhept-5-en-2-yl)-2,3,4,5,6,7,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17-tetradecahydro-1H-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-3-yl 3-(((trifluoromethyl)thio)carbonyl)benzoate (6c)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6c** (116 mg) in 88% (mixture of 2 diastereoisomers).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 146.29, 137.51 (q, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 132.15 (q, *J* = 10.8 Hz), 128.48 (q, *J* = 12.5 Hz), 128.28, 127.83 (q, *J* = 309.9 Hz), 127.73, 49.90, 21.88, 10.86.

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 182.74, 164.57, 135.62, 134.68, 134.66, 134.13, 132.31, 131.25, 130.90, 129.47, 128.67, 125.25, 82.66, 50.59, 50.52, 50.41, 49.84, 44.51, 44.49, 39.54, 38.24, 36.96, 36.50, 36.37, 36.28, 35.28, 30.99, 30.85, 29.72, 28.23, 28.22, 28.14, 28.02, 26.39, 25.74, 24.94, 24.31, 24.29, 24.25, 24.13, 22.85, 22.56, 21.07, 19.22, 18.74, 18.66, 18.17, 17.65, 16.86, 15.78.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ -39.55.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₃₉H₅₃F₃O₃S⁺ 658.3662; Found 658.3661.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 4-(((1R,2S,5R)-2-isopropyl-5-methylcyclohexyl)oxy)benzothioate (6d)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6d** (67 mg) in 86%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 8.49 (t, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.33 (dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 2.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (td, *J* = 10.9, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.16 – 2.08 (m, 1H), 1.92 (pd, *J* = 7.0, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 1.78 – 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.55 (m, 2H), 1.18 – 1.09 (m, 2H), 0.93 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 5.3 Hz, 6H), 0.80 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 182.98, 164.59, 135.82, 135.52 (q, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 132.32, 131.41, 129.58, 128.80, 127.98 (q, *J* = 309.9 Hz), 76.03, 47.33, 41.03, 34.36, 31.62, 26.76, 23.80, 22.15, 20.87, 16.70.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.58.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₉H₂₄F₃O₃S⁺ 389.1393; Found 389.1394.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (2E,4E)-5-(benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl)penta-2,4-dienethioate (6e)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6e** (43 mg) in 71%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.38 (dd, *J* = 15.0, 11.1 Hz, 1H), 7.02 – 6.94 (m, 3H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 11.1 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 6.01 (s, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 180.46, 149.63, 148.62, 145.39, 144.81, 130.06, 128.21 (q, *J* = 309.2 Hz), 124.57 (q, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 124.19, 123.43, 108.83, 106.17, 101.76.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.42.

Physical State: yellowish solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{13}H_{10}F_3O_3S^+$ 303.0297; Found 303.0296.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (E)-3-(2,3-dimethoxyphenyl)prop-2-enethioate (6f)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6f** (75 mg) in 86%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.96 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 6.98 (m, 3H), 6.67 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 6H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 181.31, 153.31, 149.48, 140.29, 128.16 (q, *J* = 309.4 Hz), 127.19, 124.49, 124.07 (q, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 119.78, 115.59, 61.56, 56.04.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -39.56.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{12}H_{12}F_3O_3S^+$ 293.0454; Found 293.0447.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 2-(10-oxo-10,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,f]thiepin-2-yl)propanethioate (6g)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6g** (50 mg) in 66%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 8.21 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (ddd, J = 7.9, 7.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.13 (dd, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.55 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 191.83, 191.06, 139.88, 139.38, 138.76, 136.19, 135.11, 132.80, 132.13, 131.70, 131.01, 129.37, 127.70 (q, J = 310.5 Hz), 127.14, 127.10, 54.80 (q, J = 2.7 Hz), 51.16, 17.91.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -40.31.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M]^+$ Calcd for $C_{18}H_{14}F_3O_2S_2^+$ 383.0382; Found 383.0380.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 2-(4-isobutylphenyl)propanethioate (6h)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6h** (38 mg) in 66%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.17 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 4H), 3.84 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.87 (dp, J = 13.6, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.57 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 6H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 192.87, 142.32, 134.23, 129.90, 128.24, 127.90 (q, J = 310.1 Hz), 54.87 (q, J = 2.5 Hz), 45.07, 30.16, 22.35, 17.57.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -40.59.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (**APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap**) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₄H₁₇F₃OS⁺ 290.0947; Found 290.0942.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 2-(3-benzoylphenyl)propanethioate (6i)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6i** (42 mg) in 62%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.88 – 7.68 (m, 4H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.45 (m, 4H), 3.95 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.61 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 195.99, 191.93, 138.48, 137.60, 137.17, 132.77, 132.05, 130.21, 130.07, 129.88, 129.22, 128.43, 127.64 (q, *J* = 310.4 Hz), 54.94 (q, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 17.76.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -40.33.

Physical State: yellowish oil.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{17}H_{14}F_3O_2S^+$ 339.0661; Found 339.0659.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (S)-2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)propanethioate (6j)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using *n*-pentane/diethyl ether =20/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6j** (47 mg) in 75%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 7.76 (t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 1.65 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ 192.84, 158.29, 134.43, 132.04, 129.43, 128.89, 127.94, 127.81, 127.62 (q, *J* = 255.3 Hz), 126.19, 119.61, 105.70, 55.38, 55.19 (q, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 17.59.
¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-d): δ -40.55.

Physical State: white solide.

HRMS (**APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap**) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₅H₁₃F₃O₂S⁺ 314.0583; Found 314.0581.

S-(trifluoromethyl) 5-(2,5-dimethylphenoxy)-2,2-dimethylpentanethioate (6k)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **6k** (37 mg) in 56%.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 7.02 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 3.95 (p, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.19 (s, 3H), 1.85 – 1.74 (m, 4H), 1.30 (s, 6H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 197.30, 156.89, 136.67, 130.51, 128.43 (q, *J* = 309.4 Hz),

123.68, 121.02, 112.01, 67.46, 51.38 (q, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 37.20, 24.83, 24.72, 21.52, 15.90.

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ -40.08.

Physical State: white solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) m/z: $[M]^+$ Calcd for $C_{16}H_{21}F_3O_2S^+$ 334.1209; Found 334.1209.

S-(trifluoromethyl) (1R,4aR,4bR,10aR)-7-isopropyl-1,4a-dimethyl-1,2,3,4,4a,4b,5,6,10,10a-decahydrophenanthrene-1-carbothioate (6l)



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding carboxylic acid (0.2 mmol). The crude product purified by flash column chromatography, using hexanes/EA = 30/1 (v/v) as an eluent, to yield the title compound **61** (32 mg) in 42%.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 5.78 (s, 1H), 5.39 – 5.32 (m, 1H), 2.23 (octet, *J* = 8.0, Hz, 1H), 2.09 – 1.62 (m, 12H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.23 – 1.10 (m, 3H), 1.03 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 3H), 1.01 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 3H), 0.84 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 198.61, 145.72, 128.50 (q, *J* = 309.5 Hz), 119.78, 55.86, 50.92, 45.81, 38.00, 37.51, 34.91, 27.42, 25.28, 22.53, 21.42, 20.86, 18.00, 16.87, 14.29.
¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ -40.41.

Physical State: colorless oil. HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) $[M]^+$ Calcd for $C_{21}H_{29}F_3OS^+$ 386.1886; Found 386.1880.

[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl(trifluoromethyl)sulfane (7a)



In a nitrogen-filled glovebox, **3a** (1 equiv, 0.1 mmol) was weighed into a 4 mL vial equipped with a 10 μ m magnetic stir bar. A pre-mixed solution of Pd catalyst and ligand in toluene (0.3 mL) was added. The vial was connected to a reflux condenser, capped with a rubber septum, and this assembly was removed from the glovebox. An argon balloon was placed on top of the condenser and the reaction mixture was stirred at 130 °C. After 20 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and diluted with diethyl ether. The resulting solution was filtered through a silica plug and concentrated under reduced pressure. The products were purified via flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes/Et₂O=30/1, v/v).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 7.79 (dd, *J* = 16.6, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (dd, *J* = 15.0, 7.9 Hz, 4H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 143.9 (s), 139.7 (s), 136.7 (s), 132.7 (q, *J* = 308.1 Hz), 129.0 (s), 128.2 (s), 127.2 (s), 123.1 (q, *J* = 1.8 Hz).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): *δ* -42.68 (s, 3F).

Physical State: White solid.

HRMS (APPI/LTQ-Orbitrap) [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₃H₁₀F₃S⁺ 255.0450; Found 255.0451.

Tables

Table S1. Optimization of trifluoromethylthiolating reagent



Table S2. Optimization of solvent



Table S3. Optimization of Lewis acid

\bigwedge	ОН	lewis acid (5 mol%) 2a (1.3 equiv.) Ph ₃ P (1.1 equiv.)	SCF3
c	1a).2 mmol	THF (0.2 M), RT, 30 min	3a
	Entry	Lewis acid	GC yield ^a
	1	none	40%
	2	Sc(OTf) ₄	71%
	3	SnCl ₄	69%
	4	BF ₃ •OEt (10 mol%)	64%
	5	AICI ₃	39%
	6	ZnCl ₂	66%
	7	CeCl ₃	41%
	8	Ce(OTf) ₄	45%
	9	Fe(acac) ₃	39%
	10	FeCl ₃ •6H ₂ O	71%
	11	FeCl ₃	95%
	12	Fe(OTf) ₃	62%

Table S4. Optimization of external base



Table S5. Optimization of R3P

0.2	OH OH 1a mmol	FeCl ₃ (5 mol%) 2a (1.3 equiv.) PR ₃ (1.1 equiv.) THF (0.2 M), RT, 30 min	→ ⁽⁾	ScF ₃
	Entry	R ₃ P	GC yield ^a	
	1	PPh ₃	95%	
	2	PCy ₃	39%	
	3	P(OEt) ₃	12%	
	4	P(OEt)Ph ₂	35%	
	5	none	ND	



Table S6. Optimization of concentration of reagents

Table S7. Optimization of SCF3 reagent/PPh3 ratio



Table S8. Unsuccessful examples



Following the General Procedure with the corresponding substrates (0.2 mmol). Reactions were monitored using GC-MS after 30 minutes, yields mentioned here are GC yields, *n*-dodecane was used as internal standard. ND (not detected).

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10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 f1 (ppm)

Figure S3. NMR spectra of 3c





Figure S4. NMR spectra of 3d





Figure S5. NMR spectra of 3e







00 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 (f1 (ppm)



Figure S7. NMR spectra of 3g



00 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 (f1 (ppm)







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Figure S13. NMR spectra of 3m

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Figure S15. NMR spectra of 30





Figure S16. NMR spectra of 3p











Figure S19. NMR spectra of 3s





10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 f1 (ppm)
Figure S20.	NMR spectra of 3t			
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Figure S21. NMR spectra of 3u

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Figure S22. NMR spectra of 3v

00 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 f1 (ppm) 190 180 170 160 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 ċ



Figure S23. NMR spectra of 3w





Figure S24. NMR spectra of 3x





Figure S25. NMR spectra of 4a





Figure S26. NMR spectra of 4b



















00 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 (f1 (ppm)



















Figure S34. NMR spectra of 5e




























10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 f1 (ppm)





10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 f1 (ppm)

Figure S40. NMR spectra of 6c





10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 f1 (ppm)

Figure S41. NMR spectra of 6d





10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 f1 (ppm)





00 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 (f1(ppm)









Figure S44. NMR spectra of 6g













Figure S46. NMR spectra of 6i

7.82 7.82 7.78 7.77 7.77 7.77 7.77 7.77	3.98 3.96 3.94 3.94 3.94 3.94 3.94 3.94 3.94 3.94	1.62 1.62 1.60 1.60











Figure S48. NMR spectra of 6k



10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 fl (ppm)





10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 f1 (ppm)

Figure S50. NMR spectra of 7a









10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 f1 (ppm)

Figure S51. ³¹P NMR study of reaction



To probe the presence of different P species during the reaction, ³¹P spectra of various species and the reaction mixture were collected. Addition of *N*-(Trifluoromethylthio)phthalimide (**2a**) to a solution of PPh₃ in THF-d₈ at room temperature led to the formation of a species with a ³¹P signal at $\delta = 21.8$. This peak was tentatively assigned to trifluoromethylthiophosphonium ion **II**. When **2a** was added to a mixture of PPh₃ and 4-Phenylbenzoic acid (**1a**), new signals appeared at $\delta = 33.3$, 42.2 and 23.3 (triphenylphosphine oxide) while the ³¹P signal at δ 21.8 decayed. The peaks at $\delta = 33.3$ and 42.2 are tentatively assigned to the acyloxyphosphonium intermediates including **III**.

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