

# Literature Report 7

## Asymmetric silver-catalysed intermolecular bromotrifluoromethoxylation of alkenes with a new trifluoromethoxylation reagent

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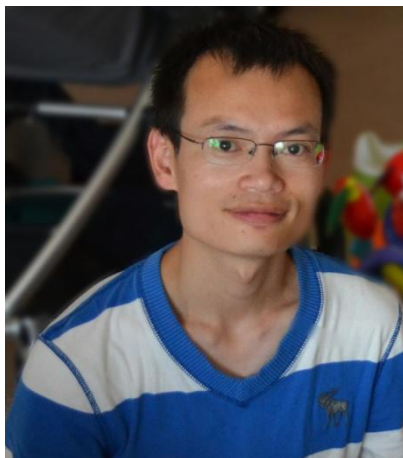
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## **4** Summary

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# Biography

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## Areas of interest:

- ◆ Total synthesis of bioactive natural product and methodology development
- ◆ Fluorination chemistry

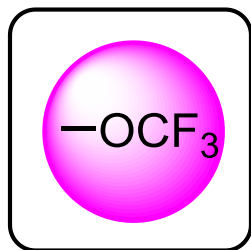
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## Research experience:

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- 2008 - 2012 Postdoctoral associate, Harvard University (Prof. Tobias Ritter);
- 2007 - 2008 Assistant researcher, SIOC;
- 2002 - 2007 Ph.D., SIOC. (Prof. Biao Yu);
- 1998 - 2002 B.S., Nankai University;

# Introduction

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◆ Strong Electron-Withdrawing Effect

◆ High Lipophilicity

$\text{OCF}_3$  (1.04) >  $\text{CF}_3$  (0.88) >  $\text{CH}_3$  (0.52) >  $\text{OCH}_3$  (-0.02)

## Challenges:

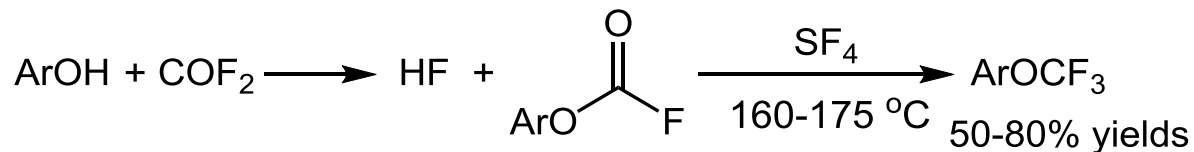
◆ Reversible decomposition of trifluoromethoxide anion

◆  $\beta$ -Fluoride elimination from transition-metal–trifluoromethoxide complexes

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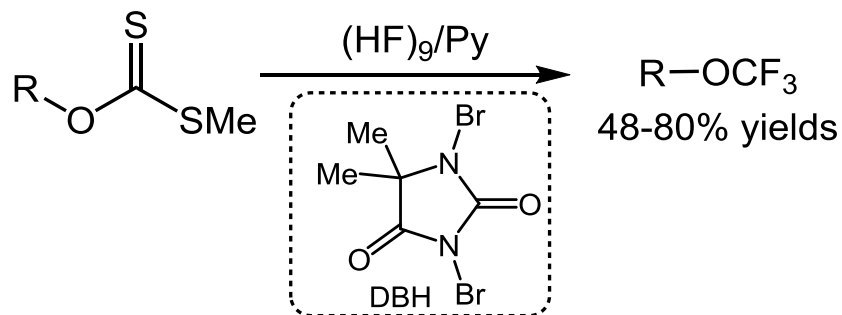
- Deoxyfluorination of fluoroformates



Sheppard, W. *et al. J. Org. Chem.* **1964**, 29, 1.

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- Oxidative Desulfurization-Fluorination



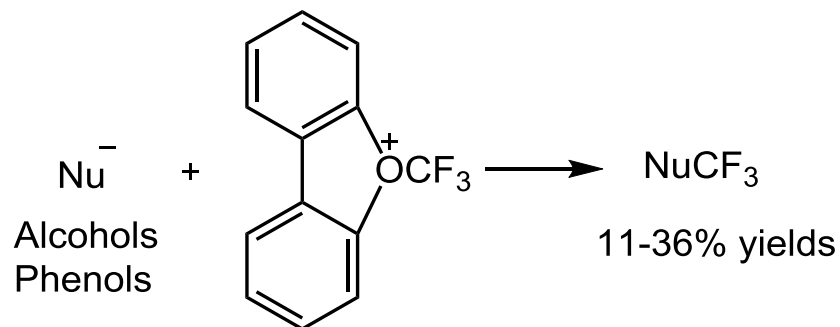
Hiyama, T. *et al. Tetrahedron Lett.* **1992**, 33, 4173.

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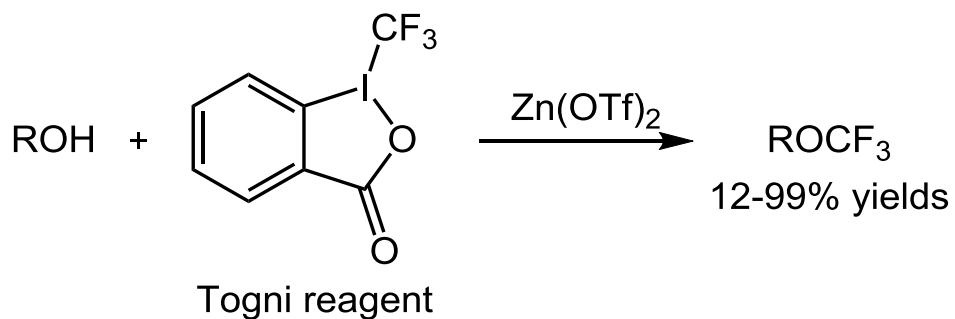
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- Electrophilic trifluoromethylation of hydroxyl groups



Umemoto, T. *et al. J. Org. Chem.* **2007**, 72, 6905.

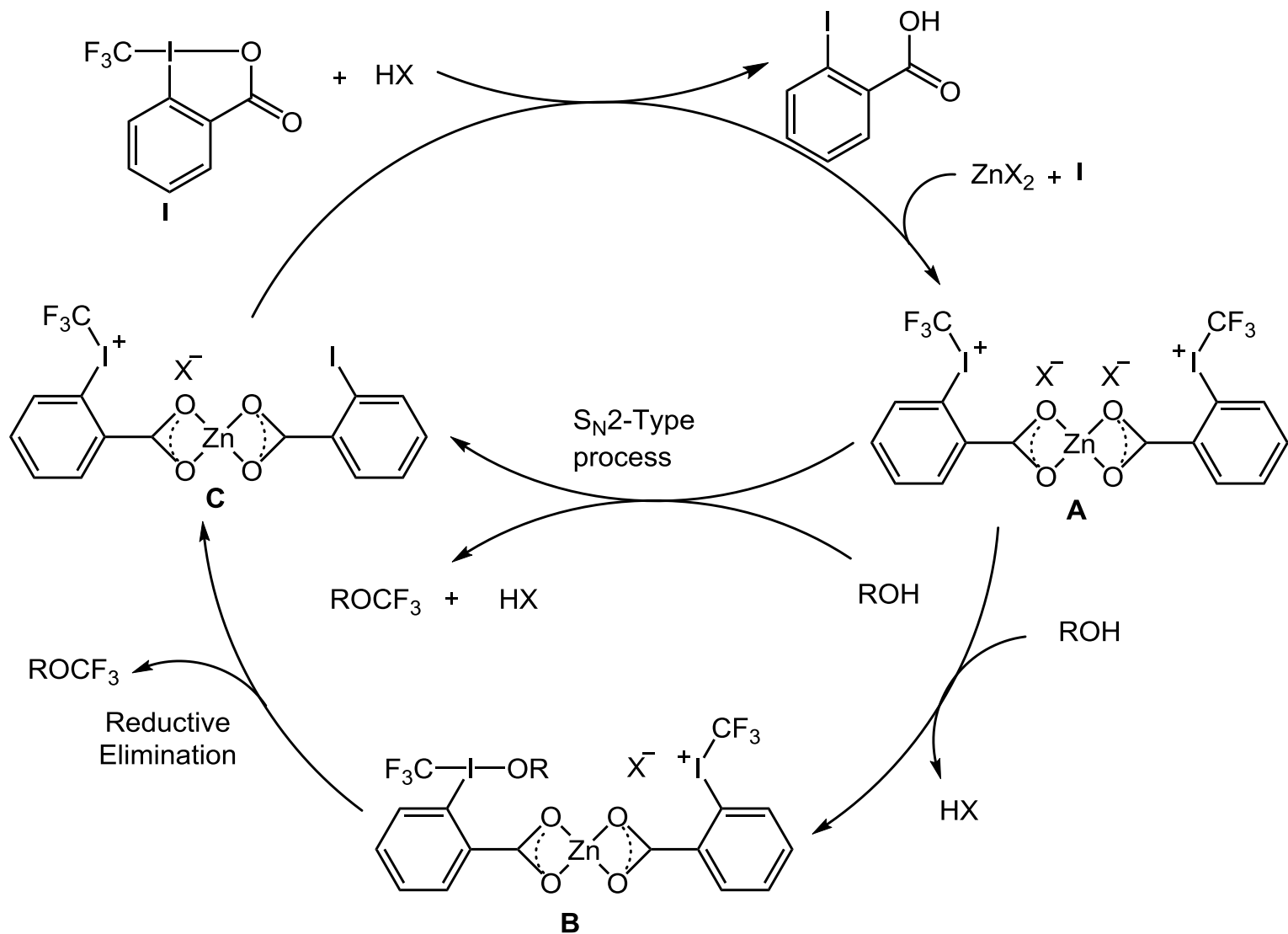
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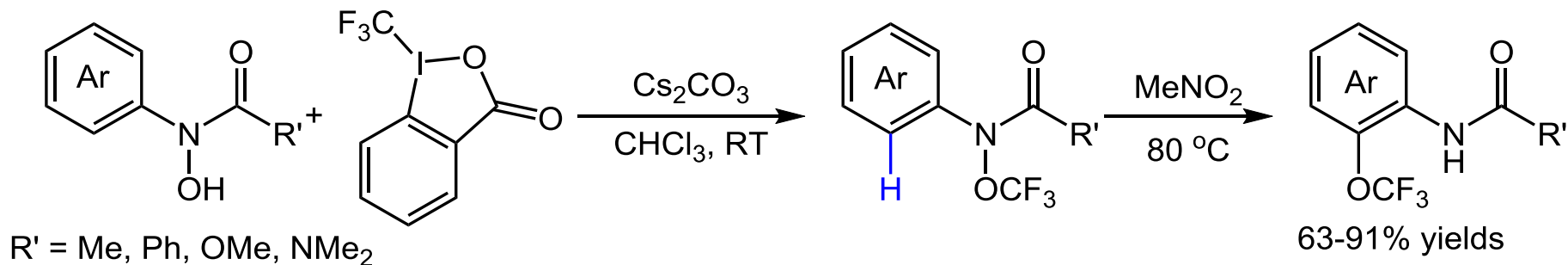
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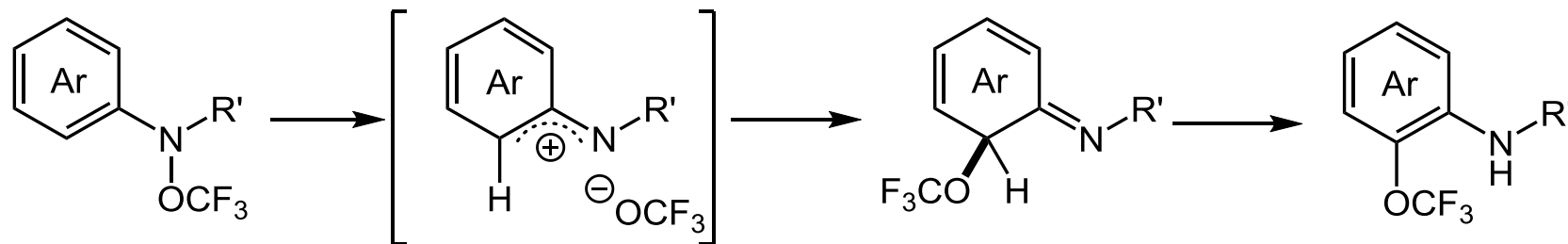
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## ● OCF<sub>3</sub> Migration



Ngai, M.-Y. *et al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2014**, *53*, 14559.

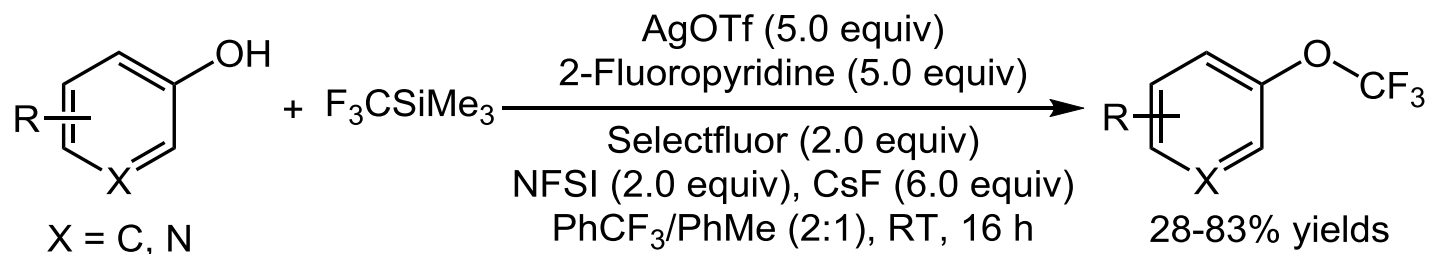
Mechanism: (ion-pair formation)





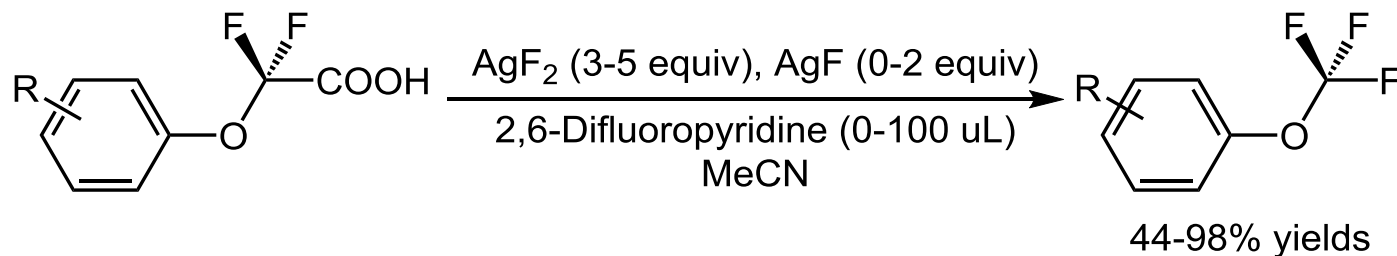
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- Oxidative Trifluoromethylation



Qing, F. *et al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2015**, 54, 11839.

- Fluorodecarboxylation

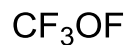


Hartwig, J. F. *et al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2016**, 55, 9758.

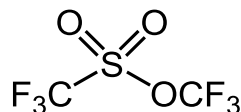
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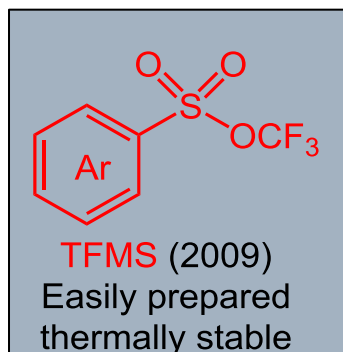
## Trifluoromethoxylation reagents:



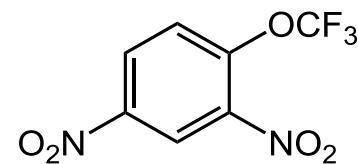
FMT (1948)  
Gas, toxic



TFMT (1965)  
Volatile liquid, expensive



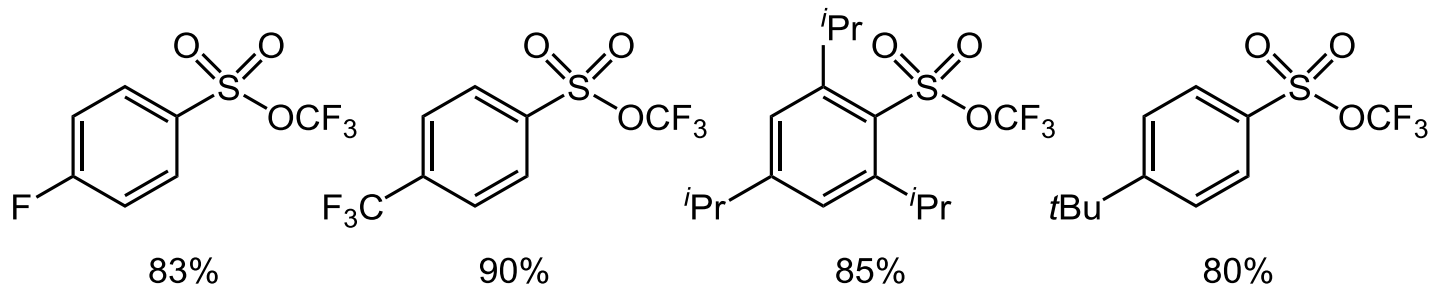
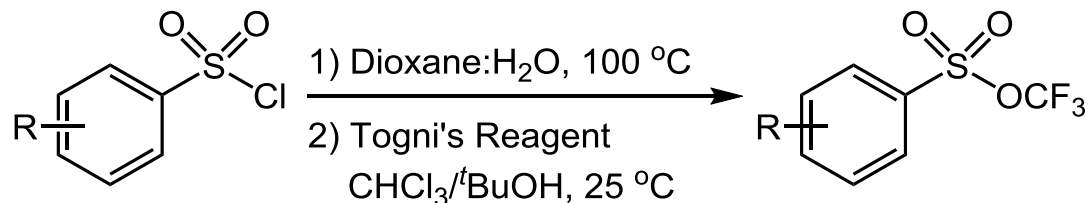
TFMS (2009)  
Easily prepared  
thermally stable



DNTFB (2010)  
Low reactivity

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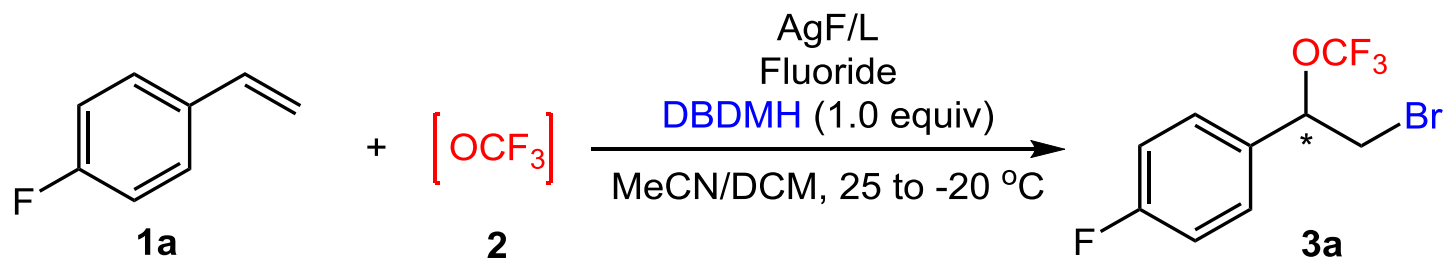
# Preparation of Trifluoromethyl Arylsulfonate



Togni, A. *et al. Chem. Commun.* **2009**, 5993.



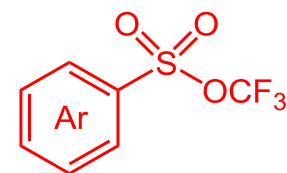
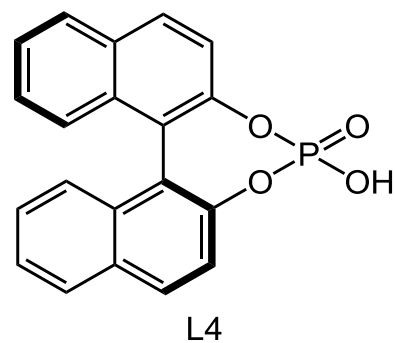
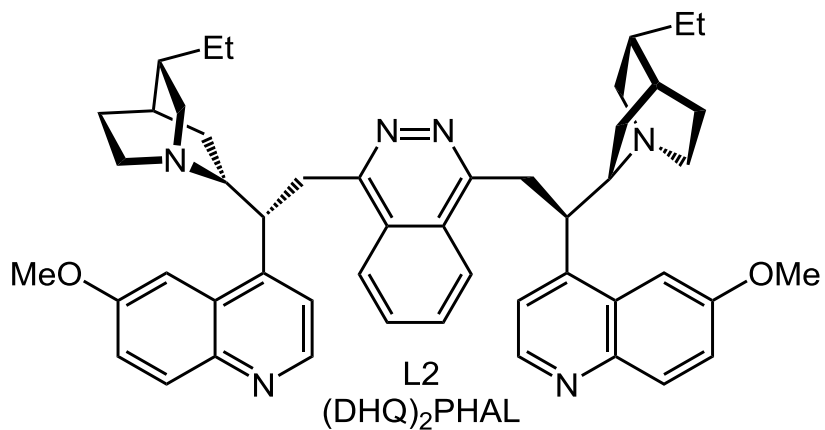
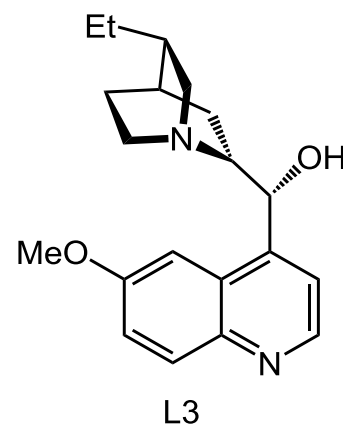
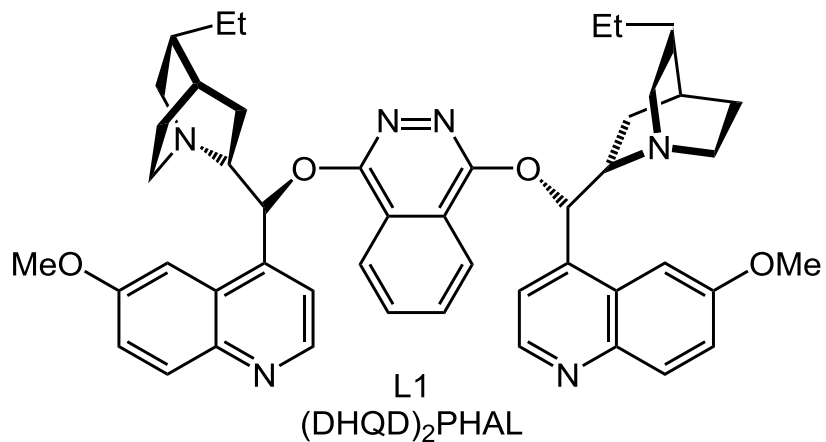
# Reaction Optimization



Entry <sup>a</sup>	[OCF <sub>3</sub> ]	Fluoride	L	Yield ( <b>3a</b> , %) <sup>b</sup>	e.r. <sup>c</sup>
1	<b>2a</b>	NaF	L1	93	90:10
2	<b>2a</b>	KF	L1	98	91:9
<b>3</b>	<b>2a</b>	<b>CsF</b>	<b>L1</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>91.5:8.5</b>
4	<b>2b</b>	CsF	L1	97	90:10
5	<b>2c</b>	CsF	L1	75	91.5:8.5
6	<b>2d</b>	CsF	L1	94	90:10
7	<b>2a</b>	CsF	L2	70	22.5:77.5
8	<b>2a</b>	CsF	L3	54	52:48
9	<b>2a</b>	CsF	L4	0	--

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: styrene **1a** (1.0 equiv.), **2** (3.0 equiv.), AgF (30 mol%), chiral ligand (10 mol%), DBDMH (1.0 equiv.), fluoride ion (2.0 equiv.), 2:1 (v:v) MeCN/DCM, N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere, 25 to -20 °C. <sup>b</sup> Yields were determined by <sup>19</sup>F NMR with benzotrifluoride as a standard. <sup>c</sup> The enantiomeric ratios (e.r.) were determined by chiral GC analysis.

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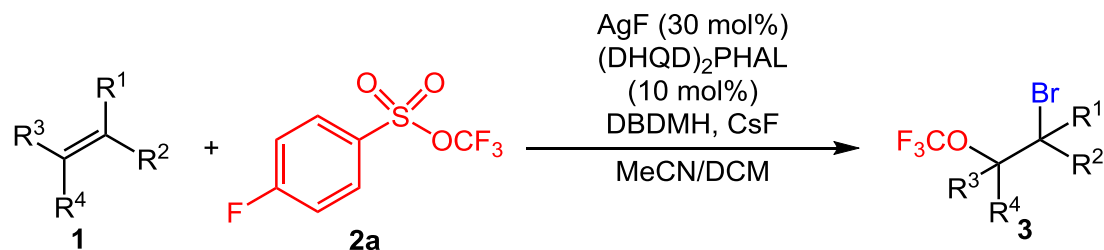
**2a** Ar = 4-FC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

**2b** Ar = C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>

**2c** Ar = 4-F<sub>3</sub>CC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

**2d** Ar = 2,4,6-*i*Pr<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>2</sub>

# Substrate Scope



**3a** Ar = 4- $\text{FC}_6\text{H}_4$  83%, (78%)

**3b** Ar = 4- $\text{ClC}_6\text{H}_4$  94%, (84%)

**3c** Ar = 4- $\text{BrC}_6\text{H}_4$  79%, (92%)

**3d** Ar = 4- $\text{IC}_6\text{H}_4$  83%, (80%)

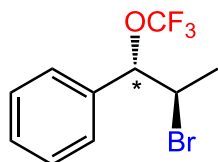
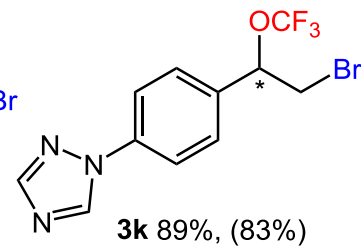
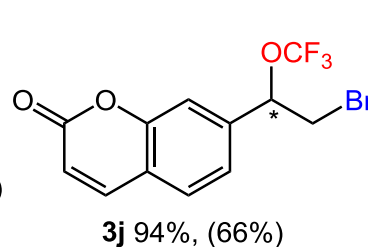
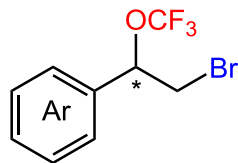
**3e** Ar = 4- $\text{NO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$  59%, (67%)

**3f** Ar = 4- $\text{F}_3\text{COC}_6\text{H}_4$  83%, (78%)

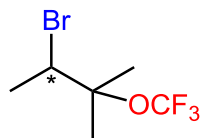
**3g** Ar =  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  75%, (67%)

**3h** Ar = 4- $t\text{BuC}_6\text{H}_4$  77%, (37%)

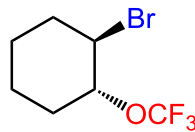
**3i** Ar = Naphthyl 83%, (55%)



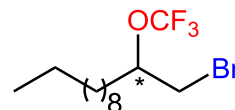
**3o** 90% (37%)  
d.r. > 20:1



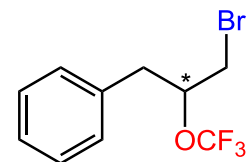
**3p** 84%



**3q** 88%

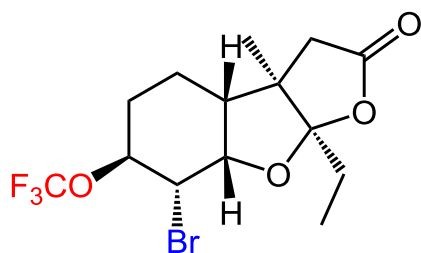
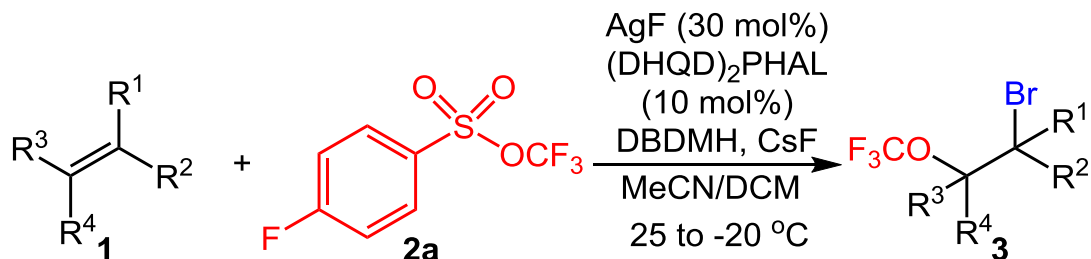


**3r** 52%, (10%)  
r.r. = 4.3:1

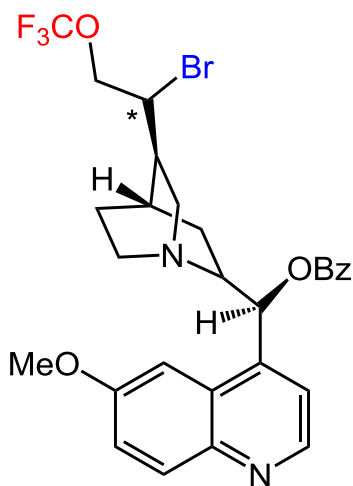
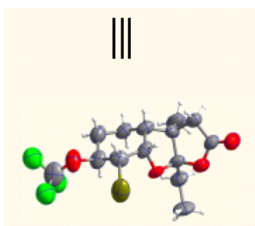


**3s** 82%, (36%)  
r.r. = 5.8:1

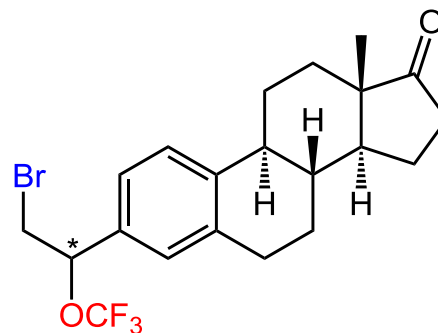
# Substrate Scope-Complex Small Molecules



**3t** 72% yield  
r.r. = 4.6:1  
d.r. > 20:1



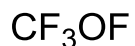
**3u** 42% yield  
r.r. = 3.9:1  
d.r. = 1.8:1



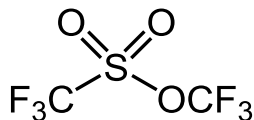
**3v** 70% yield  
d.r. = 3.2:1



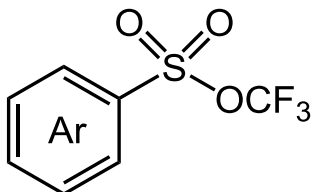
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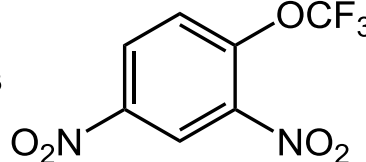
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Gas, toxic



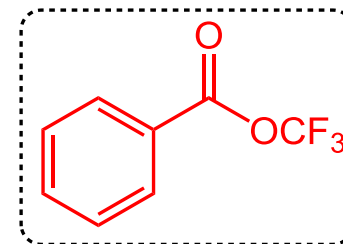
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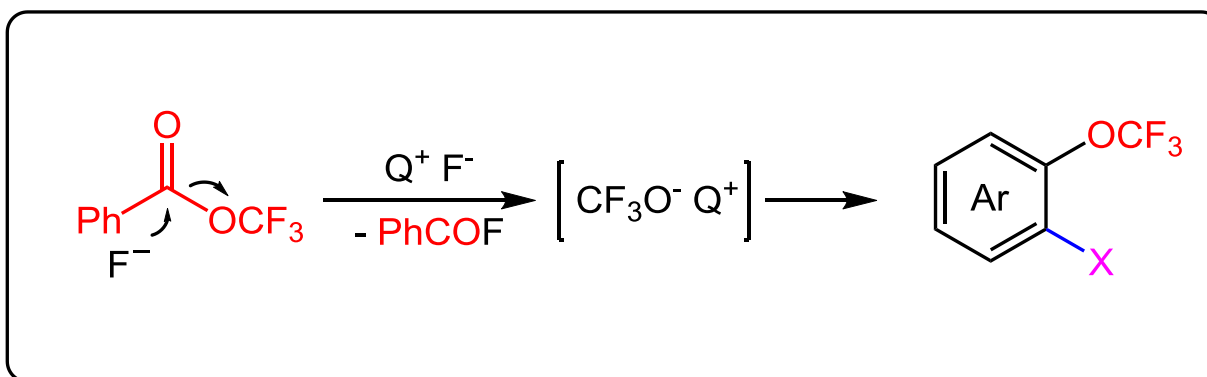
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Mini-scale



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Low reactivity



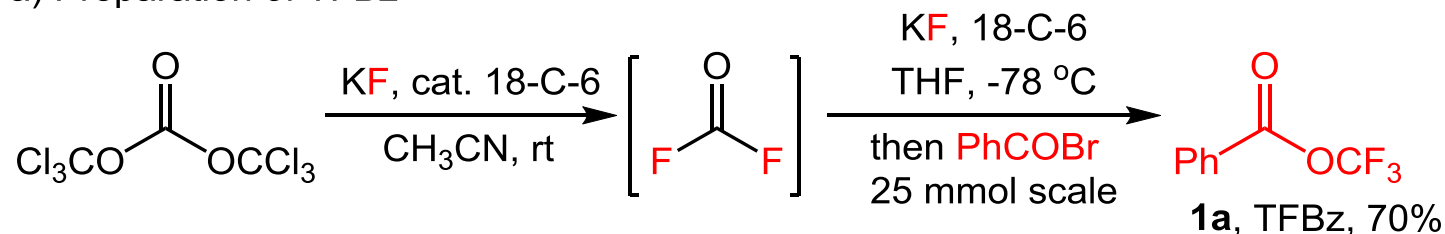
**TFB<sub>z</sub> (2018)**  
*This work*



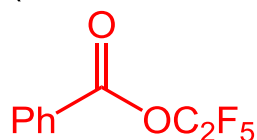
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# Preparation of TFBz

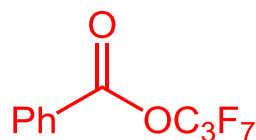
## a) Preparation of TFBz



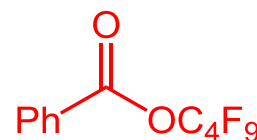
## b) Other perfluoroalkyl benzoates prepared (TBAT was used instead of KF/18-C-6)



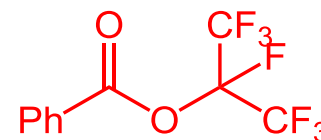
**1b**, 52%  
from  $\text{CF}_3\text{COF}$



**1c**, 57%  
from  $\text{C}_2\text{F}_5\text{COF}$

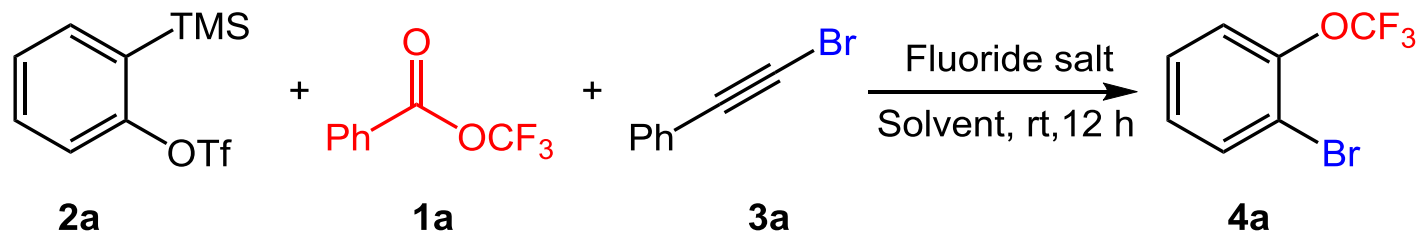


**1d**, 54%  
from  $\text{C}_3\text{F}_7\text{COF}$



**1e**, 81%  
from  $(\text{CF}_3)_2\text{CO}$

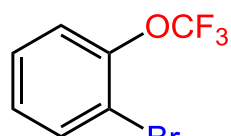
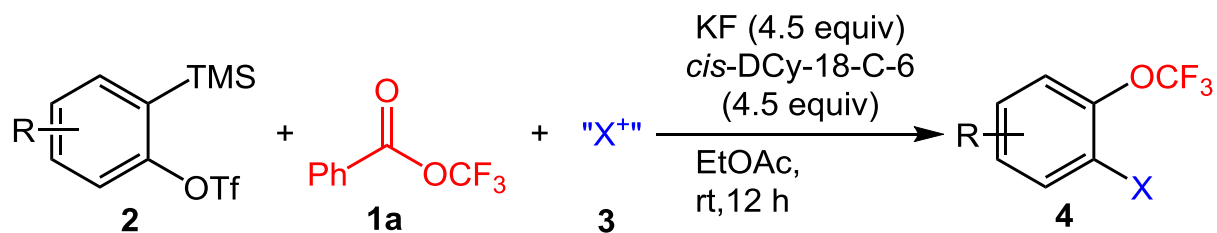
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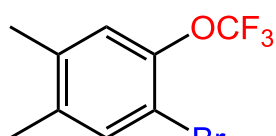
Entry <sup>a</sup>	Fluoride salt	Solvent	Conv. ( <b>2a</b> , %) <sup>b</sup>	Yield ( <b>4a</b> , %) <sup>b</sup>
1	TASF	THF	100	0
2	TBAF	THF	19	0
3	KF/18-C-6	THF	100	49
4	KF/18-C-6	DME	100	51
5	KF/18-C-6	Diglyme	100	64
6	KF/18-C-6	EtOAc	100	67
7	KF/ <i>cis</i> -Dcy-18-C-6	EtOAc	100	76
<b>8<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>KF/<i>cis</i>-Dcy-18-C-6</b>	<b>EtOAc</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>81</b>

<sup>a</sup>Conditions: **2a** (0.05 mmol), **1a** (0.125 mmol), **3a** (0.2 mmol), fluoride salt (0.2 mmol), solvent (2.0 mL), rt, 12 h. <sup>b</sup>Yields and conversions were determined by <sup>19</sup>F NMR with PhCF<sub>3</sub> as internal standard. In all cases, the conversion of **1a** was 100%. <sup>c</sup>Optimized conditions: **2a** (0.05 mmol), **1a** (0.15 mmol), **3a** (0.2 mmol), KF (0.225 mmol), *cis*-DCy-18-C-6 (0.225 mmol), EtOAc (1.0 mL), rt, 12 h.

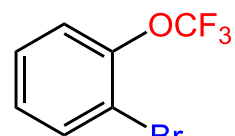
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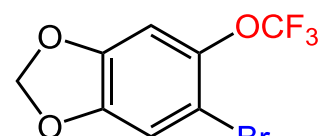
**4a** 77%



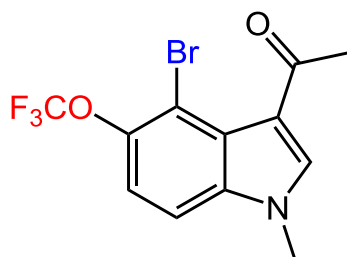
**4b** 84%



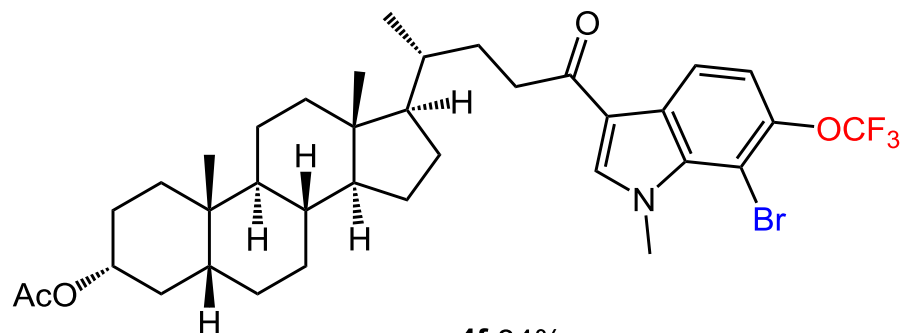
**4c** 77%



**4d** 87%



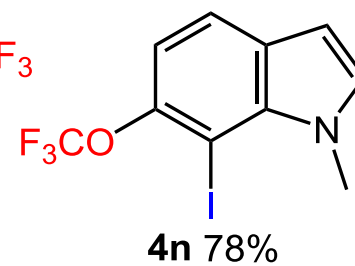
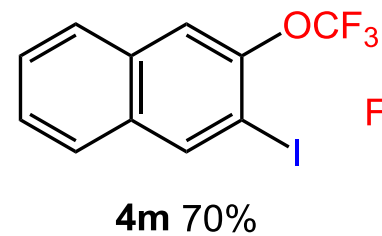
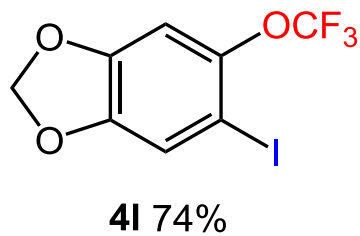
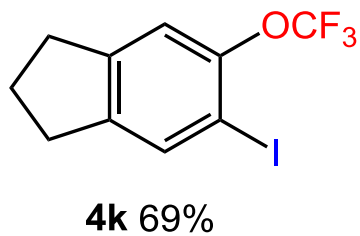
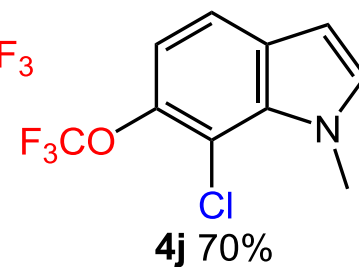
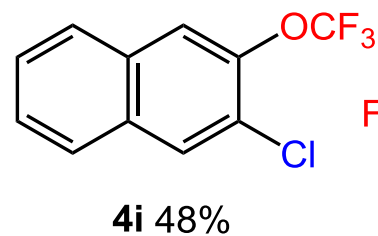
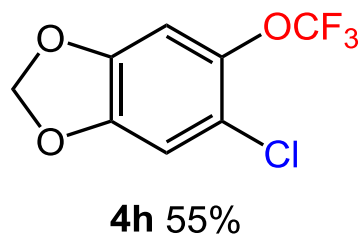
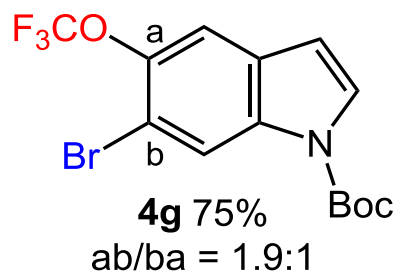
**4e** 80%



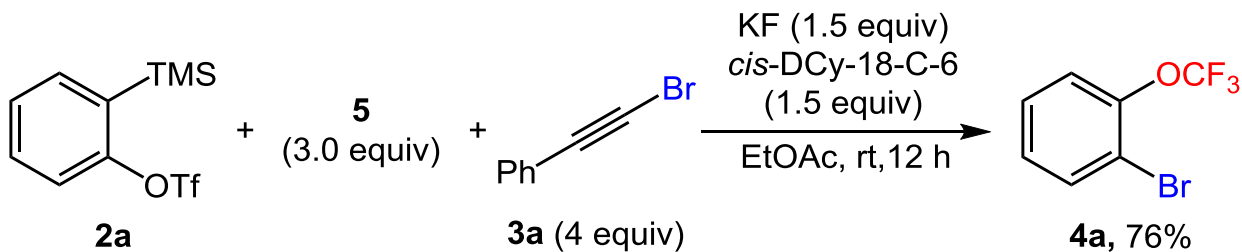
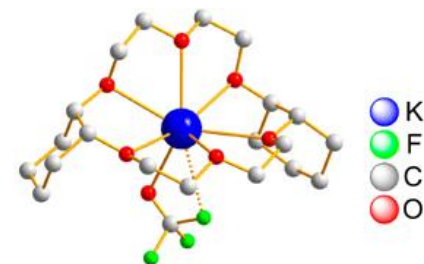
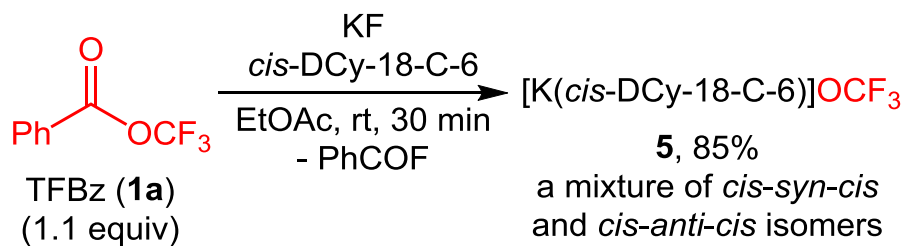
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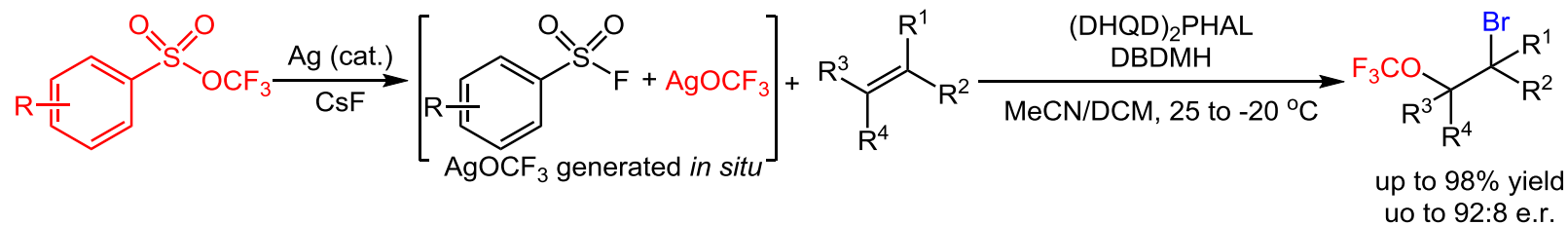
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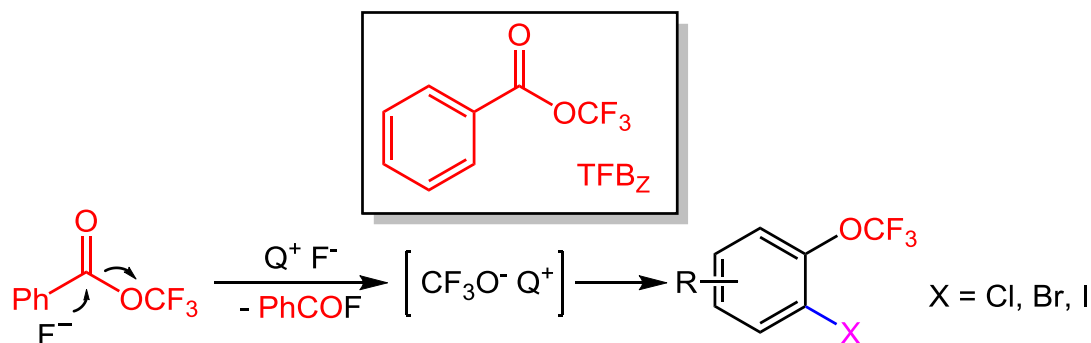
# Mechanistic Investigations



# Summary



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# The First Paragraph

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The development of new methods for the introduction of fluorine into small molecules has recently received significant attention due to the growing importance of fluorinated organic compounds in pharmaceuticals, agrochemicals and materials. In particular, the trifluoromethoxy group ( $\text{OCF}_3$ ) is of great interest in new drug and agrochemical design because of its electron-withdrawing effects and high lipophilicity.



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However, due to the reversible decomposition of trifluoromethoxide anion to afford fluoride and fluorophosgene, as well as  $\beta$ -fluoride elimination from transition-metal-trifluoromethoxide complexes, methods for the introduction of this functional group remain a significant challenge. Furthermore, to the best of our knowledge, no catalytic enantioselective trifluoromethoxylation reaction has been reported to date.

# The Last Paragraph

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We have developed an asymmetric silver-catalysed intermolecular bromotrifluoromethoxylation of alkenes with TFMS as a new trifluoromethoxylation reagent. This new method offers direct access to a variety of trifluoromethoxylated compounds from olefin substrates including natural products and their derivatives. Compared to other trifluoromethoxylation reagents, TFMS is easily prepared and thermally stable with good reactivity.

# The Last Paragraph

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Additionally, the reaction tolerates a wide range of functional groups and is amenable to gram-scale synthesis. With its operational simplicity and mild conditions, this method could enable wide applications in pharmaceutical and agrochemical research and development for the synthesis of trifluoromethoxylated compounds.

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***Thanks for  
your kind attention!***

