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Abstract: An unprecedented remote and regioselective trifluoromethylthiolation reaction of alcohols was developed. Under mild conditions, a panel of free-alcohols was selectively functionalized with $TolSO_2SCF_3$ reagent as the SCF_3 source in the presence of hypervalent iodide (PIDA) under blue light irradiation. This approach offered an operationally simple tool for the construction of a challenging $C(sp^3)$ -SCF₃ bond at the \square -position of an alcohol by $C(sp^3)$ -H bond functionalization. Initial mechanistic studies suggested a radical pathway.

1. Introduction

Organofluorine chemistry is a fascinating research field. Beyond the strong interest that represents fluorinated molecules in several fields such as pharmaceuticals and agrochemicals industries,¹ the quest for new tools to overcome difficult-to-achieve synthetic challenges is of prime importance in organic chemistry to extend the portfolio of fluorinated molecules.² Indeed, the incorporation of a fluorine atom or a fluorinated group onto a molecule constitutes an efficient way to modulate their physical and chemical properties thanks to the unique properties of the fluorine atom.³ Any advances will therefore have a strong impact, offering new synthetic pathways to this highly important class of compounds.

Among the fluorinated groups, the SCF₃ residue appeared as a promising motif due to its unique features such as its high electron-withdrawing character and its Hansch parameter.⁴ Taking into account these considerations, several research groups dedicated a lot of efforts to offer straightforward and efficient methodologies to introduce such moiety on aromatic, vinylic and aliphatic derivatives.^{5,6} Besides, the direct functionalization of a simple C-H bond proved to be very attractive as it affords more step- and atom-economic processes. Although key advances were made for the functionalization of C(sp3)-H bond with a fluorine atom via transition metal catalysis and photocatalysis, the number of reports regarding the introduction of other fluorinated groups is still limited.^{7,8,9} Only a handful of methods allowed the formation of a C(sp³)-SCF₃ by C(sp³)-H functionalization¹⁰ and the trifluoromethylthiolation of a C(sp³)-H bond at a remote position of a functional group remains a challenge, restricted to few examples. Recently, major contributions from the groups of Leonori¹¹ and Cook¹² described a visible-light-mediated radical cascade process for the synthesis of SCF₃containing nitrogen heterocycles as well as a copper-catalyzed trifluoromethylthiolation of sulfonamides and amides, respectively. In that context, our purpose was to develop a synthetic tool, which would allow the distal trifluoromethylthiolation of simple and inexpensive alcohols, a ubiquitous functional group. Among others, 1,5-HAT process is one of the strategies used for the remote functionalization of alcohols via the in situ generation of alkoxy radicals, usually generated from alcohol surrogates or peroxides.¹³ In contrast, only few reports depicted the *in situ* generation of an alkoxy radical directly from a free-alcohol.14

To reach that challenging goal and inspired by the recent work of Zhu, who demonstrated the possibility to employ hypervalent iodine as a radical promotor with alcohols,^{14c} we envisioned the introduction of a SCF₃ group at a remote position of an alcohol.



Scheme 1. Working hypothesis for the remote trifluorome-thylthiolation reaction of alcohol derivatives.

Indeed, we hypothesized that in the presence of a proper oxidant and under light irradiation, an alkoxy radical would be generated and would undergo a 1,5-HAT event to afford the corresponding alkyl radical. This latter would react with a SCF₃ reagent to furnish the corresponding δ -trifluoromethylthiolated alcohol (Scheme 1). With this goal in mind, we selected a new class of SCF₃ sources, namely ArSO₂SCF₃.¹⁵ Herein we report our recent study regarding the first remote trifluoromethylthiolation reaction of free-alcohols under visible light irradiation.

2. Results and Discussions

At the outset of the project, a reaction was performed using 5-phenyl-1-pentanol 1a as model substrate in the presence of ToISO₂SCF₃ (reagent I) and PIDA under blue light irradiation. Pleasingly, the expected trifluoromethylthiolated product was observed in a 55% NMR yield as a mixture of the corresponding alcohol 2a and the acetylated one 3a (Table 1, entry 1). When PIFA was used, a lower yield of the trifluoromethylthiolated products was obtained (Table 1, entry 2). Therefore, we pursue the optimization by a two-steps process (trifluoromethylthiolation/acetylation) to get selectively 3a. Other solvents such as 1,2-dichloroethane, DMF, acetonitrile and acetone were tested leading in all cases to lower yields (Table 1; entries 3-6). When PIDA was used as the oxidant under more concentrated conditions (Table 1, entry 7), 3a was isolated in an encouraging 49% yield. The reaction is highly selective to the δ position as no other regioisomer was observed.¹⁶ Then, the nature of the oxidant, the reaction concentration as well as the stoichiometry of the oxidant and 1a were further investigated but no significant improvement was observed (Table 1, entries 8-14). Therefore, PIDA was selected as the oxidant. Indeed, even if the NMR yield obtained with PhI(OPiv)₂ was similar to the one obtained with PIDA, the pivaloylation step has been less efficient than the acylation one. Switching from blue LEDs to white bulb (14 W or 15.5 W, Table 1, entries 15 and 16) led to no conversion. A control experiment carried out in the dark showcased the importance of light in this process (Table 1, entry 17). When the reaction was conducted under air, no significant change was obtained (Table1, entry 18). Finally, by tuning the irradiation wavelength of the lamp and the reaction time (Table 1, entries 19-22), the best reaction conditions were obtained affording **3a** in 51% yield (Table 1, entry 22).

With the best reaction conditions in hand, we explored the scope of the reaction (Scheme 2). Trifluoromethylthiolation of primary alcohols was first investigated and decent yields were obtained taking into consideration the volatility and the tedious purification of the products. The corresponding acetylated products **3** were obtained with a complete regioselectivity. A panel of alcohols were functionalized with the SCF₃ group such as those having electron rich and electron poor aryl as substituents (**3b** and **3c**) and an alcohol bearing a naphthyl group (**3d**) was isolated in 39% yield. Even alcohols with a simple aliphatic chain (1-pentanol **1e** and 1-octanol **1f**) were trifluoromethylthiolated in moderate yields. Various functional groups such as an ester, an azide and a protected primary amine were tolerated (**3g-i**). In addition, the reaction of alcohols **1j** and **1k** substituted with a cyclohexyl or an adamantanyl group at the C3 position smoothly led to **3j** in 44% yield as a mixture of diastereoisomers (dr = 1.2/1) and **3k** in 42% yield. The reaction was not restricted to the functionalization of secondary C(sp³) centers as the introduction of the SCF₃ group was also possible on the more sterically hindered methine (**3l**). Finally, when secondary (**1m** and **1n**) and tertiary (**1o**) acyclic alcohols and even the cyclic secondary alcohol **1p** were engaged in the reaction, the corresponding trifluoromethylthiolated compounds **3m**-**p** were obtained in lower yields.

Table 1. Optimization of the remote trifluoromethylthiolation of the alcohol 1a.ª



7	PIDA	Blue 34W	LEDs	CH_2CI_2	72 (49) ^e
8	PhI(OPiv) ₂	Blue 34W	LEDs	CH_2Cl_2	73 ^f (38) ^e
9	PhIO	Blue 34W	LEDs	CH_2Cl_2	52
10 ^g	PIDA	Blue 34W	LEDs	CH_2Cl_2	47
11 ^h	PIDA	Blue 34W	LEDs	CH_2Cl_2	67
12 ⁱ	PIDA	Blue 34W	LEDs	CH_2Cl_2	53
13 ^j	PIDA	Blue 34W	LEDs	CH_2CI_2	55
14 ^k	PIDA	Blue 34W	LEDs	CH_2CI_2	43
15	PIDA	White b W	ulb 14	CH_2Cl_2	NR
16	PIDA	White 15.5 W	bulb	CH_2Cl_2	NR
17	PIDA	darkness		CH_2CI_2	NR
18 ^ı	PIDA	Blue 34W	LEDs	CH_2Cl_2	63
19	PIDA	405 nm		CH_2CI_2	69
20	PIDA	450-455 nm		CH_2CI_2	73 (50) ^e
21	PIDA	475-480 nm		CH_2CI_2	27
22 ^m	PIDA	450-455 nm			76 (51) ^e

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (5 equiv.), **I** (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv.), oxidant (2.3 equiv.), solvent (1.5 mL), 20 °C, 15 h, argon.

 $^{\text{b}}$ Yields determined by ^{19}F NMR of the crude reaction mixture after the trifluoromethylthiolation step using $\alpha,\alpha,\alpha\text{-trifluoroacetophenone}$ as an internal standard.

 $^{\circ}$ 1 mL of CH_2Cl_2 was used.

^d No acetylation reaction.

 $^{\rm e}$ Isolated yield of ${\bf 3a}$ after acetylation reaction; for detailed reaction conditions, see Supporting Information.

^f PivCl was used instead of AcCl for the second step.

 $^{\rm g}$ 0.5 mL of CH_2Cl_2 was used.

 $^{\rm h}$ 2.5 mL of CH_2Cl_2 was used.

ⁱ 5 equiv. of PIDA.

^j 1.5 equiv. of PIDA.

^k 3 equiv. of **1a**.

¹ Reaction conducted under an air atmosphere.

^m 16 h.

NR = no reaction. PIDA = (Diacetoxyiodo)benzene. PIFA = [Bis(trifluoroacetoxy)iodo]benzene.



Scheme 2. Remote trifluoromethylthiolation of alcohol derivatives 1: scope of the reaction. Reaction conditions: 1) 1a (5 equiv.), I (0.4 mmol, 1 equiv.), PIDA (2.3 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL), 20 °C, 16 h, argon then 2) MeCOCl, 20 °C, 10 min under argon. ^a The reaction was carried out using 1.2 mmol of I. ^b The product was obtained with an inseparable impurity.

In order to suggest a plausible mechanism involved in our reaction, the reaction was performed in the presence of a radical inhibitor.¹⁷ The reaction carried out in the presence of BHT did not afford traces of the trifluoromethylthiolated alcohol by ¹⁹F NMR, which strongly supported a radical pathway (Scheme 3, a). Based on this result and the literature data,^{14c} the following mechanism was suggested (Scheme 2, b). The first step might be the formation of the dialkoxyiodo benzene intermediate **A** in the presence of the alcohol **1**. Under irradiation, the homolysis of the intermediate **A** might lead to the formation of the alkoxy radical **B**, which might provide an alkyl radical **C** after a 1,5-HAT event. This alkyl radical could then directly react with the TolSO₂SCF₃ (reagent **I**) or alternatively, with an *in situ* generated CF₃SSCF₃ dimer, to afford the expected trifluoromethylthiolated product.



Scheme 3. Control experiment and proposed mechanism.

3. Conclusion

In conclusion, we developed a straightforward access to δ -trifluoromethylthiolated alcohols under mild and simple reaction conditions. Under blue light irradiation (450-455 nm), this process allows the challenging C(sp³)-SCF₃ bond formation of a large variety of alcohols with PIDA as a promoter with a complete regioselectivity. Indeed, simple primary, secondary and tertiary unprotected alcohols were functionalized on secondary and tertiary carbon centers and the transformation turned out to be tolerant to various functional groups. Preliminary mechanistic studies suggested a radical pathway for this transformation.

4. Experimental section

4.1. Material and instrumentation

All reactions were carried out using oven-dried glassware and magnetic stirring under argon unless otherwise stated. Analytical thin layer chromatography was performed on silica gel aluminum plates with F-254 indicator and visualized by UV light (254 nm) and/or chemical staining with a KMnO₄ solution, *p*-anisaldehyde or a phosphomolybdic acid solution. Flash column chromatography was performed using 0.040-0.063 nm silica gel. Reverse-phase chromatography was performed with a Puriflash[®] interchim 4250 using a Thermoscientific[®] hypersil gold 5 µm. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DXP 300 MHz spectrometer at 300.1 MHz, ¹³C NMR spectra at 75.5 MHz and ¹⁹F NMR spectra at 282.4 MHz. Chemical shifts (δ) are quoted in ppm relative to CDCl₃ (¹H, ¹³C) and CFCl₃ (¹⁹F). Coupling constants (*J*) are reported in Hz. The following abbreviations were used to show the multiplicities: s: singlet, d: doublet, t: triplet, q: quadruplet, dd: doublet of doublet, m: multiplet. The residual solvent signals were used as references (CDCl₃: $\delta_{\rm H} = 7.26$ ppm, $\delta_{\rm C} = 77.00$ ppm) or relative to internal standard (CFCl₃: $\delta_{\rm F} = 0$ ppm). High-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) was recorded with a Waters LCT Premier mass spectrometer with a micro-TOF analyzer. IR spectra were recorded on a PerkinElmer Spectrum 100, the wave numbers (v) of recorded IR-signals (ATR) are quoted in cm⁻¹. Melting points were reported for new compounds, recorded on a Heizbank system Kofler WME and were uncorrected.

Tetrahydrofuran (THF) and toluene were distilled over sodium/benzophenone and dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂) was distilled over CaH₂ prior use. HPLC grade methanol (MeOH) was used for hydrogenation. Dry *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide (DMF) over molecular sieve from Acros Organic was used. *n*-Butylamine purchased from Merck was used without purification. Unless otherwise stated, the reaction optimization was performed using a PhotoRedOx Box supplied by HepatoChem using a 34W blue kessil LED. An Evoluchem[®] P201-18-2 450-455 nm 18W was used for the photochemical reactions. All commercially available alcohols were used without prior purification. Alcohols **1b**, **1c**, **1d**, **1h**, **1i** and **1n** were prepared as described below.

4.2. General Procedures

4.2.1. Procedure for the synthesis of S-(Trifluoromethyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonothioate I:

The procedure was adapted from a previously reported procedure.¹⁸ Sodium 4-methylbenzenesulfinate (4.0 g, 23 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) and *N*-trifluoromethylthiophthalimide¹⁹ (3.7 g, 15 mmol, 1 equiv.) were placed into an over-dried flask equipped with a stirring bar under Ar, then glacial acetic acid (75 mL) was added. The reaction was stirred 2 hours at 25 °C, protected from light. After full conversion observed by ¹⁹F NMR, 60 mL of brine and 300 mL of Et₂O were added, and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O (3 × 100 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (3 × 200 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (height: 17 cm, width: 4 cm, Petroleum ether/EtOAc=90/10) to afford **I** as a pale-yellow oil (3.3 g, 12.9 mmol, **86%**).

4.2.2. General procedure for the synthesis of the alcohols **Ib-d** with a representative example for the synthesis of 5-(naphthalen-2-yl)pentan-1-ol **1d**. 5-(Naphthalen-2-yl)pentan-1-ol **1d** was synthesized following the literature.²⁰ An oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a Rotaflo[®] tap, under nitrogen, was charged with PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂ (168 mg, 0.24 mmol, 0.05 equiv.) and degassed n-BuNH₂ (10 mL). Then, CuI (91 mg, 0.48 mmol, 0.1 equiv.) was added along with 2bromonaphthalene (1.0 g, 4.8 mmol, 1 equiv.) and 4-pentyn-1-ol (493 μ L, 5.3 mmol, 1.1 equiv.). The tube was sealed and the mixture stirred at 80 °C for 17 h. After cooling down, the reaction was quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NH₄Cl (30 mL) and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 30 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water (3 × 100 mL), brine (100 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under vacuum. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography (height: 17 cm, width: 4 cm, Petroleum ether/EtOAc=70/30) to afford **1d-int** as a beige solid (0.930 g, **87%**). An oven-dried 100 mL round-bottomed flask, under nitrogen, was charged with Pd/C (93 mg, 10% w/w) followed by **1d-int** (0.9 g, 4.4 mmol, 1 equiv.) dissolved in MeOH (44 mL). The flask was evacuated then backfilled with hydrogen three times. The mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 17 h. Then, the crude mixture was filtered over celite, concentrated under vacuum and purified by flash chromatography (height: 17 cm, width: 4 cm; Petroleum ether/EtOAc=70/30) to afford **1d** as a colorless oil (0.834 g, 3.9 mmol, **89%**).

4.2.3. Procedure for the synthesis of 8-azidooctan-1-ol 1h:

An oven dried 3-neck round bottom flask equipped with a reflux condenser was charged with sodium azide (2.4 g, 32.4 mmol, 2 equiv.). The flask was evacuated under high vacuum and backfilled with argon three times. Dry DMF (26 mL) was added followed by 8-chlorooctanol (2.8 mL, 16.2 mmol, 1 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 16 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with diethyl ether (100 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water (5 × 150 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under vacuum. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 4 cm, Cyclohexane/EtOAc=70/30) to afford **1h** as a colorless oil (2.1 g, 12.2 mmol, **75 %**).

4.2.4. Procedure for the synthesis of 5-Phthalimido-1-pentanol 1i:

5-Phthalimido-1-pentanol **1i** was synthesized following the literature.²¹ A round- bottom flask, equipped with a condenser, under argon, was charged with 5-aminopentanol (1 mL, 9 mmol, 1 equiv.), phthalimide (2.2 g, 15.3 mmol, 1.7 equiv.) and toluene (9 mL). Iron-(III) nitrate nonahydrate (181.8 mg, 0.45 mmol, 0.05 equiv.) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at 110 °C for 24 h. The reaction mixture was filtered over celite[®] and the solvent was evaporated under vacuum. The crude mixture was purified by flash column

chromatography (height: 20 cm, width: 4 cm, $CH_2Cl_2/EtOAc=90/10$) to afford **1i** as a colorless oil (1.3 g, 5.4 mmol, **60 %**).

4.2.5. Procedure for the synthesis of 1-[(4-trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-heptanol 10:

1-[(4-Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-heptanol **10** was synthesized following the literature.²² An oven-dried round-bottom flask, under argon, was charged with 4-(trifluoromethyl)benzaldehyde (780 μ L, 5.7 mmol, 1 equiv.), then evacuated under high vacuum and backfilled with argon three times. Freshly distilled THF (10 mL) was added. A solution of hexyllithium in hexanes (2.2 M, 5.2 mL, 11.5 mmol, 2 equiv.) was diluted in freshly distilled THF (10 mL) and added dropwise at -78 °C to the reaction mixture. The reaction mixture was then allowed to warm up to room temperature and stirred for 2 hours at 25 °C. Then, water (10 mL) was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under vacuum. The crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography (height: 20 cm, width: 3 cm, Cyclohexane/EtOAc=90/10) to afford **10** as a yellow oil (1.11 g, 4.05 mmol, **71 %**).

4.2.3. General procedure for the synthesis of the derivatives 3:

An oven-dried microwave tube equipped with a stirring bar under argon was charged with PIDA (296 mg, 0.9 mmol, 2.3 equiv.), freshly distilled degassed CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL), **I** (102 mg, 0.4 mmol, 1 equiv.) followed by **1** (2 mmol, 5 equiv.). The mixture was stirred at 20 °C for 16 h under irradiation with a blue LED (450-455 nm) placed 5 cm away. α, α, α -Trifluoroacetophenone (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 1 equiv.) was added as an internal standard. The reaction volume was halved *via* argon bubbling and acetyl chloride (3.9 mL, 56 mmol, 135 equiv.) was added. The mixture was stirred at 20 °C for 10 min. Upon full conversion by TLC, the crude mixture was poured onto an ice-cold saturated solution of NaHCO₃ (100 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 30 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (70 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, concentrated under vacuum and purified by flash column chromatography to afford the desired product **3**.

4.3. Physical and spectral data

4.3.1. S-(*Trifluoromethyl*)-4-methylbenzenesulfonothioate I. \mathbf{R}_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=90/10): 0.3. ¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 2.49 (s, 3H). ¹⁹F NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.0 (s, 3F), NMR data are in accordance with the literature data.²³

4.3.2. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)pentan-1-ol **1b**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Petroleum ether/EtOAc=80/20 to 70/30) afforded **1b** as a colorless oil (0.797 g, 0.21 mmol, **52%**) from 4-bromoanisole (1.0 mL, 8 mmol), according to the procedure described above. **R**_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc=80/20): 0.3. **¹H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.09 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.70-3.56 (m, 2H), 2.64-2.49 (m, 2H), 1.72-1.51 (m, 4H), 1.46-1.32 (m, 2H). *The –OH proton was not observed in ¹H NMR data are in accordance with the literature data.*²⁴

4.3.3. 5-(4-(*Trifluoromethyl*)phenyl)pentan-1-ol *Ic*. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Petroleum ether/EtOAc=80/20) afforded **1c** as a colorless oil (0.66 g, 0.13 mmol, **33%**) from 1-bromo-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (1.61 mL, 8 mmol) according to the procedure described above. **R**_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc=80/20): 0.3. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.52 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.76-3.56 (m, 2H), 2.75-2.60 (m, 2H), 1.73-1.54 (m, 4H), 1.49-1.33 (m, 2H). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.8 (s, 3F). *The* – *OH* proton was not observed in ¹H NMR. NMR data are in accordance with the literature data.²⁵

4.3.4. 5-(*Naphthalen-2-yl)pentan-1-ol* 1d. \mathbf{R}_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=70/30): 0.5. ¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84-7.73 (m, 3H), 7.61 (s, 1H), 7.49-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.34 (dd, J = 8.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 3.71-3.59 (m, 2H), 2.80 (dd, J = 7.8, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.83-1.70 (m, 2H), 1.69-1.56 (m, 2H), 1.52-1.39 (m, 2H). *The –OH proton was not observed in ¹H NMR*. *NMR data are in accordance with the literature data.*²⁶

4.3.5. 8-Azidooctan-1-ol 1h. \mathbf{R}_f (Cyclohexane/EtOAc=70/30): 0.5. ¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.60 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.23 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 1.96-1.88 (m, 1H), 1.61-1.24 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 62.7, 51.3,

32.6, 29.1, 29.0, 28.7, 26.5, 25.5. **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 3336, 2929, 2857, 2090, 1463, 1349, 1251, 1055, 892, 724, 636, 556. **HRMS** (EI⁺) calcd for C₈H₁₇NO m/z 143.1310 [M-N₂]⁺, found 143.1304 ($\Delta = -4.55$ ppm).

4.3.6. 5-*Phthalimido-1-pentanol* 1*i*. **R**_f (CH₂Cl₂/EtOAc=90/10): 0.51. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.73-7.60 (m, 2H), 3.74-3.52 (m, 4H), 2.09 (s, 1H), 1.75-1.51 (m, 4H), 1.45-1.30 (m, 2H). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.4, 133.8, 131.9, 123.0, 62.3, 37.7, 32.0, 28.2, 22.9. *NMR data are in accordance with the literature data.*²⁷

4.3.7. 1-[(4-Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-heptanol In. R_f (Cyclohexane/EtOAc=90/10): 0.1. ¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.77-4.63 (m, 1H), 2.45 (br s, 1H), 1.82-1.60 (m, 2H), 1.46-1.15 (m, 8H), 0.96-0.81 (m, 3H). ¹⁹F NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.5 (s). ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.8, 129.6 (q, J = 32.4 Hz), 126.1, 125.3 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 124.2 (q, J = 271.8 Hz), 74.0, 39.2, 31.7, 29.1, 25.6, 22.5, 14.0. IR (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 3344, 2931, 2859, 1621, 1467, 1418, 1323, 1163, 1122, 1067, 1017, 842, 763, 732, 658, 543. HRMS (EI⁺) calcd for C₁₄H₁₉F₃O *m*/z 260.1388 [M]⁺, found 260.1379 (Δ = -3.32 ppm).

4.3.8. 5-Phenyl-4-((trifluoromethyl)thio)pentyl acetate **3a**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2) afforded **3a** as a colorless oil (62 mg, 0.20 mmol, **51%**) from 5-phenyl-1-pentanol (336 μL, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). A scale-up with **I** (307 mg, 1.2 mmol, 1 equiv.) and 5-phenyl-1-pentanol (1.0 mL, 6 mmol, 5 equiv.) led to **3a** (168 mg, 0.55 mmol **46%**). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.29. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38-7.14 (m, 5H), 4.03 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.49-3.35 (m, 1H), 3.12 (dd, J = 13.9, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (dd, J = 13.9, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 1.96-1.47 (m, 4H). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.6 (s, 3F). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 137.6, 130.9 (q, J = 306.8 Hz), 129.3, 128.5, 126.9, 63.5, 47.0, 42.1, 29.9, 25.4, 20.8. **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 3030, 2932, 2853, 1737, 1603, 1496, 1454, 1365, 1237, 1144, 1103, 1041, 743, 699, 634, 605, 555, 480, 451. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₁₂H₁₄F₃S *m/z* 247.0768 [M–OAc]⁺, found 247.0779 ($\Delta = 4.40$ ppm).

4.3.9. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-((trifluoromethyl)thio)pentyl acetate **3b**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Petroleum ether/EtOAc=95/5) afforded **3b** as a colorless oil (52 mg, 0.16 mmol, **39%**) from 5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pentan-1-ol (388 mg, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=95/5): 0.29. ¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.10 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.03 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.44-3.30 (m, 1H), 3.05 (dd, J = 14.3, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (dd, J = 14.3, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.93- 1.55 (m, 4H). ¹⁹F NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.5 (s, 3F). ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 158.5, 131.1 (q, J = 305.7 Hz), 130.3, 129.6, 113.9, 63.6, 55.2, 47.3, 41.2, 29.8, 25.4, 20.8. IR (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2956, 2839, 1737, 1612, 1584, 1512, 1465, 1365, 1301, 1243, 1178, 1145, 1104, 1035, 910, 832, 811, 755, 732, 648, 605, 522, 490. HRMS (API⁺) calcd for C₁₅H₂₀F₃O₃S m/z 337.1085 [M+H]⁺, found 337.1087 ($\Delta = -0.90$ ppm).

4.3.10. 5-(4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4-((trifluorome-thyl)thio)pentyl acetate **3c**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2) afforded **3c** as a colorless oil (79 mg, 0.22 mmol, **18%**, with an inseparable impurity) from **I** (307 mg, 1.2 mmol, 1 equiv.) and 5-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pentan-1-ol (1.39 g, 6 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.29. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.05 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 3.48-3.33 (m, 1H), 3.15 (dd, J = 14.2, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.99 (dd, J = 14.2, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H), 1.92-1.57 (m, 4H). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.6 (s, 3F), -63.0 (s, 3F). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 141.7, 131.0 (q, J = 305.8 Hz), 129.7, 129.3 (q, J = 32.3 Hz), 125.5 (q, J = 3.7 Hz), 124.0 (q, J = 272.6 Hz), 63.4, 46.7, 41.9, 30.2, 25.5, 20.8. **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2940, 2866, 1735, 1620, 1420, 1366, 1323, 1241, 1161, 1107, 1066, 1018, 952, 909, 843, 817, 756, 732, 664, 634, 596, 507, 489. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₁₃H₁₃F₆S m/z 315.0642 [M–OAc]⁺, found 315.0643 (Δ = 0.28 ppm).

4.3.11. 5-(*Naphthalen-2-yl*)-4-((*trifluoromethyl*)*thio*)*pentyl acetate* 3d. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/EtOAc=98/2 to 96/4) afforded 3d as a colorless oil (56 mg, 0.16 mmol, 39%) from 5-(naphthalen-2-yl)pentan-1-ol (373 mg, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.2. ¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89-7.78 (m, 3H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.55-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.33 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.62-3.46 (m, 1H), 3.30 (dd, J = 14.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.07 (dd, J = 13.9, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 2.01-1.54 (m, 7H). ¹⁹F NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.5 (s, 3F). ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 135.1, 133.4, 132.4, 131.1 (q, J = 305.5 Hz), 128.2, 128.0, 127.6, 127.6, 127.3, 126.2, 125.7, 63.5, 46.9, 42.3, 29.9, 25.4, 20.7. IR (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 3053, 2953, 2860, 1735, 1606, 1508, 1448, 1365, 1236, 1105, 1040, 957, 908, 856, 816, 748, 731, 634, 620, 605, 584, 557, 475. HRMS (API⁺) calcd for C₁₆H₁₆F₃S m/z 297.0925 [M–OAc]⁺, found 297.0916 ($\Delta = -3.00$ ppm).

4.3.12. 4-((*Trifluoromethyl*)*thio*)*pentyl* acetate 3e. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/EtOAc=98/2) afforded 3e as a colorless oil (34 mg, 0.15 mmol, 37%, *with an inseparable impurity*) from pentanol (217 μL, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.3. ¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.15-4.02 (m, 2H), 3.40-3.26 (m, 1H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.85-1.59 (m, 4H), 1.43 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹⁹F NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.7 (s, 3F). ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1, 131.0 (q, J = 305.6 Hz), 63.8, 40.8, 33.3, 25.8, 22.3, 20.9. **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2966, 1739, 1454, 1385, 1365, 1234, 1189, 1178, 1149, 1101, 1051, 962, 913, 815, 755, 663, 634, 606, 555. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₆H₁₀F₃S m/z 171.0455 [M–OAc]⁺, found 171.0454 ($\Delta = -0.88$ ppm).

4.3.13. 4-((*Trifluoromethyl*)*thio*)*octyl acetate* 3*f*. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/EtOAc=98/2) afforded 3**f** as a colorless oil (39 mg, 0.14 mmol, 36%) from octanol (314 μ L, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.3. ¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.16-4.01 (m, 2H), 3.24-3.07 (m, 1H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.90-1.55 (m, 6H), 1.54-1.23 (m, 4H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹⁹F NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.6 (s,

3F). ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 131.0 (q, J = 306.0 Hz), 63.8, 46.2, 34.8, 31.5, 28.5, 25.5, 22.3, 20.8, 13.8. IR (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2935, 2862, 1739, 1458, 1365, 1234, 1177, 1148, 1108, 1038, 953, 878, 807, 755, 733, 663, 634, 606, 555. HRMS (CI⁺) calcd for C₉H₁₆F₃S m/z 213.0925 [M–OAc]⁺, found 213.0925 (Δ = 0.17 ppm).

4.3.14. Ethyl 6-acetoxy-3-((trifluoromethyl)thio)hexanoate **3g**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/CH₂Cl₂=60/40 to 50/50 then Pentane/EtOAc=95/5) afforded **3g** as a colorless oil (33 mg, 0.11 mmol, **27%**) from ethyl 6-hydroxyhexanoate (320 μL, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.2. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.18 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.13-4.02 (m, 2H), 3.62-3.45 (m, 1H), 2.86-2.63 (m, 2H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.95-1.66 (m, 4H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.9 (s, 3F). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 170.2, 130.7 (q, J = 306.7 Hz), 63.5, 61.0, 41.6, 40.8, 31.4, 25.9, 20.8, 14.1. **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2984, 2879, 1730, 1375, 1351, 1234, 1149, 1099, 1031, 945, 756, 634, 606, 474. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₁₁H₁₈F₃O₄S m/z 303.0878 [M+H]⁺, found 303.0882 (Δ = 1.33 ppm).

4.3.15. 8-Azide-4-((*trifluoromethyl*)*thio*)*octyl acetate* **3h**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/EtOAc=80/20) afforded **3h** as a colorless oil (56 mg, 0.18 mmol, **45%**, *with an inseparable impurity*), from 8-azidooctan-1-ol (0.34 g, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=80/20): 0.4. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.14-4.02 (m, 2H), 3.36-3.24 (m, 2H), 3.19-3.09 (m, 1H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 1.87-1.48 (m, 10H). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.5 (s, 3F). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 131.0 (q, *J* = 306.5 Hz), 63.7, 51.1, 46.0, 34.7, 31.6, 28.5, 25.5, 23.6, 20.8. **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2959, 2932, 2862, 1741, 1457, 1365, 1236, 1106, 755. **HRMS** (AP⁺) calcd for C₁₁H₁₉F₃N₃O₂S *m/z* 314.1150 [M+H]⁺, found 314.1145 (Δ = -1.6 ppm).

4.3.16. 5-Phthalimido-4-((trifluoromethyl)thio)pentyl acetate **3i**. Purification by reverse phase chromatography (height: 25 cm, width: 2 cm, H₂O/acetonitrile=100/0 to 10/90) afforded **3i** as a white solid (30 mg, 0.08 mmol, **20%**) from 5-phthalimido-1-pentanol (0.47 g, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **mp** = 59-60 °C. **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=80/20): 0.1. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.80-7.69 (m, 2H), 4.08 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 4.00-3.81 (m, 2H), 3.70-3.56 (m, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H) 1.91-1.60 (m, 4H). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.7 (s, 3F). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 168.0, 134.2, 131.7, 130.6 (q, J = 307.3 Hz), 123.5, 63.5, 44.2, 42.1, 29.3, 25.5, 20.8. **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2924, 2854, 1773, 1740, 1713, 1469, 1429, 1397, 1366, 1247, 1149, 1028, 1108, 722. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₁₆H₁₇F₃NO₄S m/z 376.0830 [M+H]⁺, found 376.0838 ($\Delta = 1.97$ ppm).

4.3.17. 2-(2-((Trifluoromethyl)thio)cyclohexyl)ethyl acetate 3j.

Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/CH₂Cl₂=30/70 to 50/50 then Pentane/EtOAc=98/2) afforded **3j** as a colorless oil (47 mg, 0.18 mmol, **44%**, *d.r.* 1.2/1) from 2-cyclohexylethanol (279 μ L, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.3. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.20-4.39 (m, 4H, *maj+min*), 3.59-3.50 (m, 1H, *min*), 2.89 (td, *J* = 10.1, 4.1 Hz, 1H, *maj*), 2.32-2.16 (m, 2H, *maj+min*), 2.08-1.90 (m, 8H, *maj+min*), 1.88-1.44 (m, 14H, *maj+min*), 1.38-1.23 (m, 3H, *maj+min*), 1.19-1.00 (m, 2H, *maj+min*), 1.9**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.3 (s, 3F, *min*), -40.1 (s, 3F, *maj*). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1 (*maj+min*), 131.5 (q, *J* = 305.6 Hz, *min*), 131.3 (q, *J* = 305.6 Hz, *maj*), 62.1 (*maj*), 62.0 (*min*), 49.8 (*maj*), 48.6 (*min*), 38.6 (*maj*), 37.6 (*min*), 35.3 (*maj*), 33.0 (*maj*), 32.6 (*min*), 31.6 (*min*), 28.6 (*maj*), 25.9 (*min*), 24.6 (*maj*), 24.5 (*maj*), 21.7 (*min*), 20.9 (*maj+min*). **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2933, 2859, 1738, 1449, 1388, 1367, 1233, 1144, 1100, 1043, 968, 757, 733, 697, 635, 606. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₉H₁₄F₃S *m/z* 211.0768 [M–OAc]⁺, found 211.0760 (Δ = -4.05 ppm).

4.3.18. 2-((1r,3s,5R,7S)-2-((Trifluoromethyl)thio)adamantan-1-yl)ethyl acetate **3k**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/CH₂Cl₂=30/70 to 50/50 then Pentane/EtOAc=95/5) afforded **3k** as a colorless oil (54 mg, 0.17 mmol, **42%**) from 2-(adamantan-1-yl)ethan-1-ol (360 mg, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.3. ¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.24-4.05 (m, 2H), 3.37 (s, 1H), 2.27-2.16 (m, 1H), 2.09-1.57 (m, 15H), 1.54-1.37 (m, 2H). ¹⁹F NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -40.0 (s, 3F). ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1, 131.4 (q, *J* = 305.6 Hz), 60.0, 56.9, 42.3, 39.1, 38.6, 37.7, 36.4, 35.7, 35.4, 31.5, 27.6, 27.4, 21.0. **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2910, 2850, 1723, 1451, 1367, 1253, 1139, 1097, 1037, 979, 967, 951, 896, 826, 768, 754, 644, 609, 480. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₁₃H₁₈F₃S *m*/z 263.1081 [M–OAc]⁺, found 263.1091 (Δ = 3.63 ppm).

4.3.19. 4-Methyl-4-((trifluoromethyl)thio)pentyl acetate **3***l*. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/CH₂Cl₂=70/30 to 50/50 then Pentane/EtOAc=98/2) afforded **3***l* as a colorless oil (49 mg, 0.20 mmol, **50%**) from 4-methyl-1-pentanol (248 μ L, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R***f* (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.3. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.06 (t, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 1.85-1.65 (m, 4H), 1.44 (s, 6H). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -36.3 (s, 3F). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1, 130.7 (q, *J* = 308.0 Hz), 64.1, 51.5, 39.3 (d, *J* = 1.1 Hz), 29.4 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz), 24.1, 20.9. **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2966, 1740, 1599, 1505, 1469, 1389, 1370, 1238, 1098, 1041, 877, 839, 755, 699, 635, 606, 556, 419. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₇H₁₂F₃S *m*/z 185.0612 [M–OAc]⁺, found 185.0603 (Δ = -4.83 ppm).

4.3.20. 5-((*Trifluoromethyl*)*thio*)*hexan-2-yl acetate* **3m**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/CH₂Cl₂=70/30 to 50/50 then Pentane/EtOAc=98/2) afforded **3m** as a colorless oil (84 mg, 0.12 mmol, **29%**, *d.r.* 2.4/1) from **I** (307 mg, 1.2 mmol, 1 equiv.) and 2-hexanol (756 μL, 6 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.3. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.99-4.81 (m, 1H, *maj+min*), 3.39-3.21 (m, 1H, *maj+min*), 2.03 (s, 3H, *maj+min*), 1.79-1.54 (m, 4H, *maj+min*), 1.41 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, *maj+min*), 1.22 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H, *maj+min*). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.7 (s, 3F). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7 (*maj+min*), 131.3 (q,

J = 307.3 Hz, maj+min), 70.3 (min), 70.2 (maj), 41.0 (min), 40.9 (maj), 32.9 (min), 32.7 (maj), 32.6 (min), 32.5 (maj), 22.3 (maj), 22.2 (min), 21.2 (maj+min), 19.9 (maj+min). **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2979, 2938, 1873, 1736, 1454, 1373, 1239, 1101, 1049, 1020, 952, 837, 756, 631, 609, 492. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₇H₁₂F₃S m/z 185.0612 [M–OAc]⁺, found 185.0606 ($\Delta = -3.14$ ppm).

4.3.21. 1-[(4-Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-((trifluoromethyl)-thio)-heptyl acetate **3n**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height 15 cm, width 3 cm, Pentane/Et₂O=95/5) afforded **3n** as a colorless oil (46 mg, 0.12 mmol, **29%**, *d.r.* 1/1) from 1-[(4-trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-heptanol (0.52 g, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=95/5): 0.4. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.85-5.71 (m 1H), 3.23-3.08 (m, 1H), 2.14-2.06 (m, 3H), 2.06-1.86 (m, 2H), 1.79-1.53 (m, 4H), 1.51-1.34 (m, 2H), 0.91 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.6 (s, 3F), -39.6 (s, 3F), -63.2 (s, 6F). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1 (*maj+min*), 144.2 (*maj+min*), 131.1 (q, J = 306 Hz, *maj+min*), 130.3 (q, J = 32.3 Hz, *maj+min*), 126.7 (*min*), 126.6 (*maj*), 125.6 (q, J = 3.6 Hz, *maj+min*), 123.9 (q, J = 272.7 Hz, *maj+min*), 74.9 (*maj*), 74.6 (*min*), 46.0 (*min*), 45.8 (*maj*), 37.2 (*min*), 37.1 (*maj*), 32.9 (*maj+min*), 31.0 (*min*), 30.8 (*maj*), 21.0 (*maj+min*), 19.7 (*maj+min*), 13.6 (*maj+min*). **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2963, 2877, 1739, 1623, 1421, 1374, 1325, 1231, 1104, 1067, 1017, 954, 898, 840, 756, 665, 633, 605. **HRMS** (API⁻) calcd for C₁₇H₂₀F₆O₂S m/z 402.1088 [M]⁻, found 402.1095 ($\Delta = 1.70$ ppm).

4.3.22. 2-Methyl-5-((trifluoromethyl)thio)hexan-2-yl acetate **30**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/CH₂Cl₂=70/30 to 50/50 then Pentane/EtOAc=98/2) afforded **30** as a colorless oil (60 mg, 0.08 mmol, **19%**) from **I** (307 mg, 1.2 mmol, 1 equiv.) and 2-methyl-2-hexanol (857 µL, 6 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.3. ¹**H NMR** (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.38-3.21 (m, 1H), 1.96 (s, 3H), 1.92-1.80 (m, 2H), 1.72-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 6H), 1.40 (s, 3H). ¹⁹**F NMR** (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.7 (s, 3F). ¹³**C NMR** (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.4, 130.9 (q, *J* = 305.9 Hz), 81.5, 41.3, 37.6, 31.1, 26.0, 25.9, 22.3, 22.1. **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2979, 2936, 1732, 1454, 1385, 1367, 1252, 1212, 1100, 1047, 1017, 943, 856, 756, 635, 610, 491. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₈H₁₄F₃S *m/z* 199.0768 [M–OAc]⁺, found 199.0762 (Δ = -3.3 ppm).

4.3.23. 4-((*Trifluoromethyl*)*thio*)*cyclooctyl acetate* **3p**. Purification by flash column chromatography (height: 15 cm, width: 3 cm, Pentane/CH₂Cl₂=80/20 to 50/50 then Pentane/EtOAc=98/2) afforded **3p** as a colorless oil (24 mg, 0.09 mmol, **22%**, *d.r.* 1.7/1, *with an inseparable impurity*) from cyclooctanol (264 µL, 2 mmol, 5 equiv.). **R**_f (Petroleum ether/EtOAc=98/2): 0.32. ¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.02-4.81 (m, 1H, *maj+min*), 3.60-3.34 (m, 1H, *maj+min*), 2.33-1.37 (m, 15H, *maj+min*). ¹⁹F NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -39.4 (s, 3F, *min*), -39.6 (s, 3F, *maj*). ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3 (*maj+min*), 130.9 (q, *J* = 306.2 Hz, *maj+min*), 73.8 (*maj*), 73.4 (*min*), 45.4 (*min*), 45.1 (*maj*), 32.7 (*min*), 31.4 (*maj*), 31.1 (*min*), 30.8 (*maj*), 30.2 (*min*), 29.1 (*maj*), 29.0 (*maj*), 28.6 (*min*), 24.5 (*maj*), 24.4 (*min*), 23.1 (*maj*), 22.1 (*min*), 21.4 (*min*), 21.4 (*maj*). **IR** (neat, cm⁻¹) v: 2939, 2862, 1731, 1470, 1448, 1367, 1239, 1100, 1037, 1018, 960, 871, 786, 756, 649, 609, 542. **HRMS** (CI⁺) calcd for C₉H₁₄F₃S *m/z* 211.0768 [M–OAc]⁺, found 211.0766 (Δ = -1.16 ppm).

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