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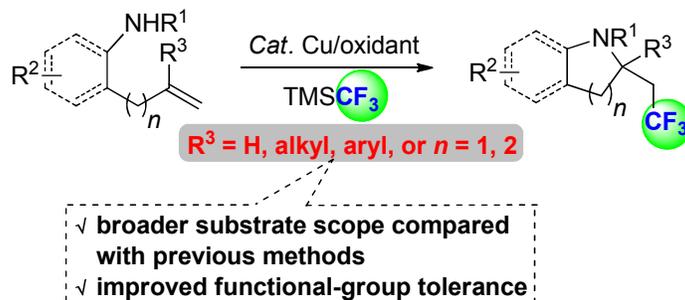
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**ABSTRACT:** The first example of a copper(I)-catalyzed intramolecular aminotrifluoromethylation of unactivated alkenes using TMSCF<sub>3</sub> as the CF<sub>3</sub> source is described. A broad range of electronically and structurally varied substrates undergo convenient and step-economical transformations for the concurrent construction of five or six-membered ring and a C-CF<sub>3</sub> bond toward different types of trifluoromethyl azaheterocycles. The methodology not only circumvents use of expensive electrophilic CF<sub>3</sub> reagents or the photoredox strategy but also expands the substrate scope that is difficult to access by the existed methods. Mechanistic studies are

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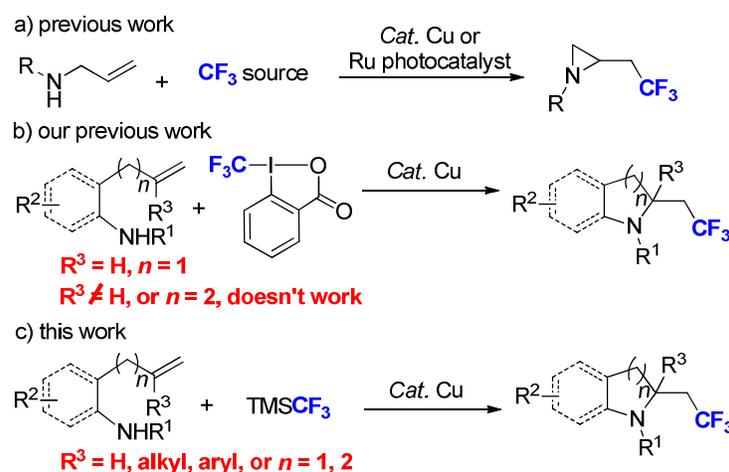
## 7 8 **INTRODUCTION**

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19 development of new methods for the synthesis of trifluoromethyl azaheterocycles.<sup>2</sup>  
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25 nitrogen-based nucleophiles (i.e. aminotrifluoromethylation) has been proven as an  
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29 three or five-membered CF<sub>3</sub>-containing compounds.<sup>3,4</sup> In this context, Cho and  
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33 trifluoromethylation of terminal allylic amines in the presence of Ru complex as a  
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35 photocatalyst to produce CF<sub>3</sub>-containing aziridines (Scheme 1a).<sup>3a</sup> Very recently,  
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37 Sodeoka<sup>3b</sup> and our group<sup>4a</sup> have independently reported intramolecular  
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39 aminotrifluoromethylation of alkenes with diverse nitrogen-based nucleophiles in the  
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41 presence of copper catalyst with electrophilic Togni's reagent as the CF<sub>3</sub> source to  
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43 give trifluoromethylated aziridines, pyrrolidines or indolines (Scheme 1a and 1b).  
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10 from our laboratory has demonstrated that the development of catalytic method that  
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16 stepwise fashion.<sup>5</sup> Therefore, the development of a convenient and step-economical  
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**Scheme 1. Transition-Metal-Catalyzed Aminotrifluoromethylation of Unactivated Alkenes.**



Recently, Ruppert-Prakash reagent (TMSCF<sub>3</sub>), which is commercially available compound, has been widely used as CF<sub>3</sub> source in organic synthesis to construct CF<sub>3</sub>-containing diverse molecules.<sup>6-8</sup> In this area, we have also developed a mild and general PhI(OAc)<sub>2</sub>-mediated direct carbotrifluoromethylation of activated alkenes

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4 using  $\text{TMSCF}_3$  under metal-free conditions, thus offering a complementary method to  
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6 transition-metal-catalyzed methods.<sup>4b</sup> However, to our knowledge, there has been no  
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8 report on the direct difunctionalization of unactivated alkenes, such as  
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14 trifluoromethylation, herein, we further report the Cu(I)-catalyzed oxidative  
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22 reagent or photocatalysts. Significantly, this efficient approach would provide a useful  
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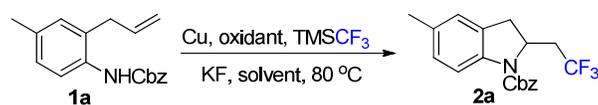
## 42 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

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45 Our prior observation<sup>4a</sup> that substrates bearing *gem*-disubstituted alkenes or longer  
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49 reagent as shown in Scheme 1b, and the possibility that nucleophilic  $\text{TMSCF}_3$  could  
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3 reagent toward unactivated alkenes<sup>8</sup> and other transformations,<sup>7</sup> led us to further  
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6 reaction of *N*-benzyloxycarbonyl-2-allyl aniline **1a** by using TMSCF<sub>3</sub> as the CF<sub>3</sub>  
7 source in the present of CuI (25 mol %), AgNO<sub>3</sub> as the oxidant and KF as the base or  
8 initiator. We found that CuI could catalyze this reaction in DMF at 80 °C for 16 h to  
9 form the desired product **2a** in 58% yield (Table 1, entry 1). Encouraged by this result,  
10 we turned our attention to screen different copper catalysts, and Cu(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> was  
11 found to provide **2a** in 62% yield (Table 1, entries 1-7). The product yield could be  
12 further improved to 68% by reducing the catalyst loadings of Cu(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> from  
13 25 to 15 mol % (Table 1, entry 8). Among different organic solvents examined, it  
14 turned out that the reaction with DMF gave the best results (Table 1, entries 8-13).  
15 Further investigation revealed that AgNO<sub>3</sub> behaved as the most efficient oxidant  
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17 obtained by lowering the amount of AgNO<sub>3</sub> (Table 1, entry 17). In contrast, control  
18 experiments demonstrated that the reaction did not occur in the presence of Cu  
19 catalyst or AgNO<sub>3</sub> alone (Table 1, entries 18 and 19), unambiguously revealing that  
20 copper catalyst with the combination of AgNO<sub>3</sub> is essential for this reaction. It should  
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**Table 1. Screening of the Reaction Conditions<sup>a</sup>**



entry	Cu	oxidant	solvent	time (h)	yield (%) <sup>b</sup>
1	CuI	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	58
2	CuBr	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	35
3	CuTc <sup>c</sup>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	60
4	CuOTf0.5C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	55
5	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	62
6	Cu(OTf) <sub>2</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	-- <sup>d</sup>
7	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> PF <sub>6</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	61
8	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	68
9	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMSO	4	65
10	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	NMP	8	63
11	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	EtOAc	16	-- <sup>d</sup>
12	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	16	-- <sup>d</sup>
13	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	dioxane	16	-- <sup>d</sup>
14	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	AgF	DMF	16	14
15	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	Ag <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	-- <sup>d</sup>
16	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	PhI(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	DMF	16	9

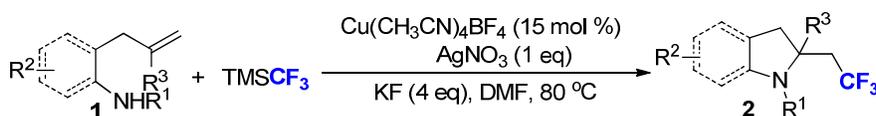
17 <sup>e</sup>	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	38
18	Cu(CH <sub>3</sub> CN) <sub>4</sub> BF <sub>4</sub>	--	DMF	16	-- <sup>d</sup>
19	--	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	16	-- <sup>d</sup>

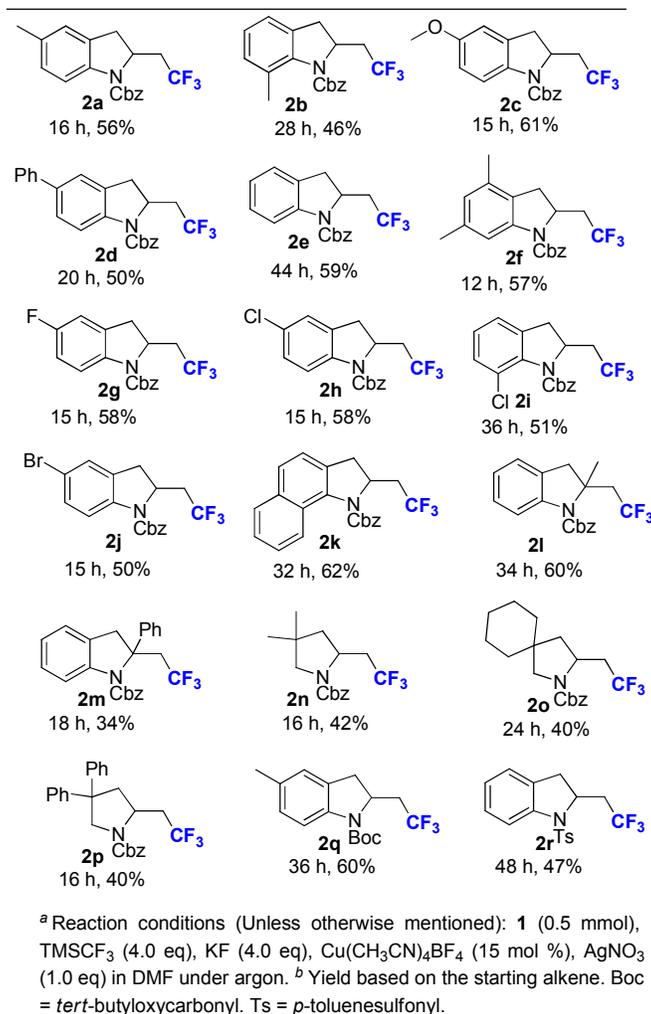
<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions (unless otherwise mentioned): **1a** (0.05 mmol), solvent (0.3 mL), TMSCF<sub>3</sub> (4.0 eq), oxidant (1.0 eq), KF (4.0 eq), Cu catalyst loading (entries 1-7: 25 mol %, entries 8-18: 15 mol %), under argon. <sup>b</sup> Determined by <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectroscopy using PhCF<sub>3</sub> as an internal standard. <sup>c</sup> CuTc = copper(I)-thiophene-2-carboxylate. <sup>d</sup> A trace amount of product was observed. <sup>e</sup> 0.5 eq of AgNO<sub>3</sub> was used. Cbz = carbobenzyloxy.

With an optimized set of reaction conditions in hand, we next turned our attention to assessing the scope of aminotrifluoromethylation of alkenes. As can be seen in Table 2, regardless of the position and nature of the substituent, various 2-allyl aniline derivatives reacted efficiently with TMSCF<sub>3</sub> to afford the desired products in moderate to good yields. Reactions of 2-allyl aniline derivatives **1a-1f** having electron-donating and -neutral substituents on the aryl ring at the different positions worked well, furnishing **2a-2f** in 46-61% yields. Notably, electron-withdrawing substituents including F, Cl and Br at the different aryl positions were proved to be well-tolerated under the standard reaction conditions, giving the corresponding products **2g-2j** in good yields. These results are significant since aryl halides are reactive and, thus, are difficult to be retained in many copper-catalyzed trifluoromethylation reactions,<sup>7d,9</sup> which offer opportunities for further modifications at these positions.<sup>10</sup> Interestingly, a good yield of **2k** containing three-rings was

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4 achieved when exchanging the phenyl moiety for a naphthyl group under similar  
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6 reaction conditions. It is more encouraging to note that products that are more difficult  
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8 to prepare via Cu(I)-catalyzed aminotrifluoromethylation with Togni's reagent,<sup>4a</sup> such  
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10 as **1l** and **1m** that contain *gem*-disubstituted alkenes bearing methyl or phenyl group,  
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12 can also be accessed by using this method. Furthermore, the protocol could be  
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14 can also be accessed by using this method. Furthermore, the protocol could be  
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16 extended to the reaction of pentenylcarbamate **1n-1p** for the synthesis of highly  
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18 substituted trifluoromethylated pyrrolidine **2n-2p**; and the product yields were  
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20 relatively insensitive to the nature of the substitution on the carbon backbone. Most  
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22 importantly, a variety of substituents on the nitrogen atom including Boc and Ts are  
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24 compatible under the reaction conditions, giving the desired products **2q** and **2r** in 60  
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26 and 47% yields, respectively.  
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32 **Table 2. Aminotrifluoromethylation of Alkenes to Form Five-Membered Ring<sup>a,b</sup>**

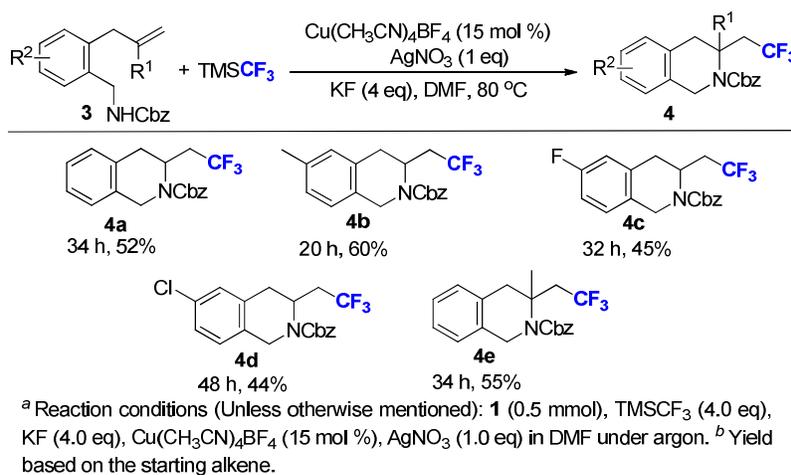




To further investigate the scope of application, we tested the use of more challenging 2-allyl benzylamine derivatives as substrates, since the expected six-membered products could not also be obtained with the previous Cu-catalyzed aminotrifluoromethylation with Togni's reagent.<sup>4a</sup> We are delighted to find that, when **3a** was employed under the current reaction system in the presence of  $\text{TMSCF}_3$ , the desired trifluoromethylated product **4a** with the formation of six-membered ring was obtained in 52% yield. With regard to the scope of such substrates, monosubstituted and *gem*-disubstituted alkenes bearing electron-donating and electron-withdrawing

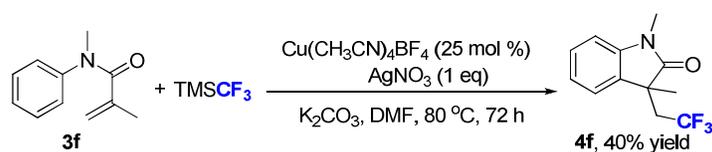
groups on the aryl ring also proved to be suitable substrates (**3b-3e**), furnishing the corresponding products **4b-4e** in 44-60% yields. Given the broad substrate scope, this approach is clearly complementary to the previous metal-catalyzed and photoredox trifluoromethylated methods.<sup>3,4a</sup>

**Table 3. Aminotrifluoromethylation of Alkenes to Form Six-Membered Ring<sup>a,b</sup>**



It is interesting to note that the current protocol in the presence of TMSCF<sub>3</sub> could be extended to direct intramolecular carbotrifluoromethylation of alkenes. Thus, our preliminary result showed that, under the similar conditions to those of aminotrifluoromethylation reaction detailed above, the reaction of *N*-methyl-*N*-phenylacrylamide **3f** gave trifluoromethylated product **4f** in 40% yield (Scheme 2).

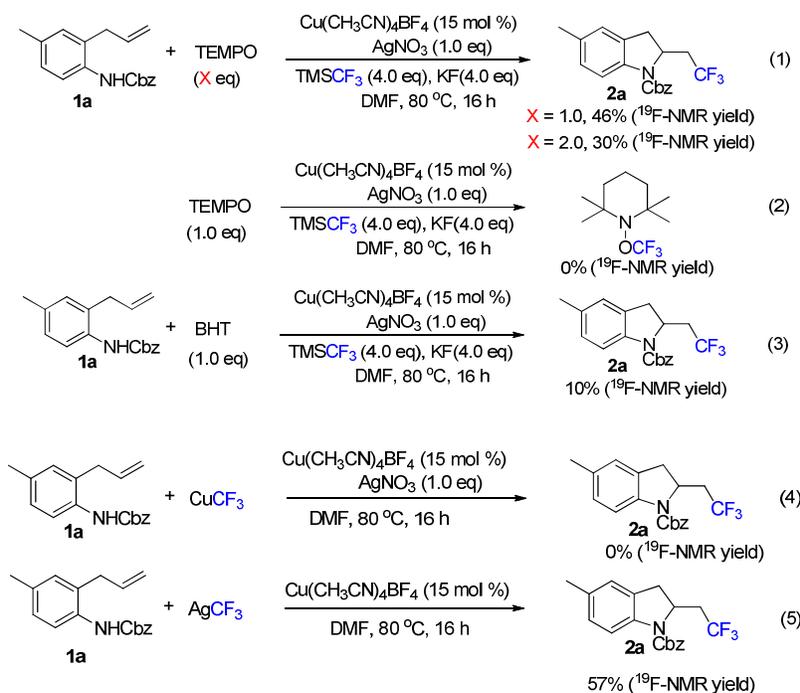
**Scheme 2. Direct Intramolecular Carbotrifluoromethylation of Alkenes**



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7 equivalents of 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-piperidinyloxy (TEMPO), the yield of the  
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9 reaction between **1a** and  $\text{TMSCF}_3$  was significantly dropped (eq. 1). However, neither  
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11 an allylic-TEMPO adduct nor a TEMPO- $\text{CF}_3$  adduct were observed, as judged by  $^{19}\text{F}$   
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13 and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis of the crude product. It is noteworthy that no TEMPO- $\text{CF}_3$   
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15 adduct was also observed in the reaction mixture of  $\text{TMSCF}_3$ ,  $\text{KF}$ ,  $\text{AgNO}_3$ ,  
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17  $\text{Cu}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_4\text{BF}_4$  (15 mol %) and TEMPO in the absence of **1a** (eq. 2). Collectively,  
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19 these results reveal that the  $\text{CF}_3$  radical or the allylic radical is unlikely involved as  
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21 the reactive species under the current reaction conditions, which is in agreement with  
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23 the observation involving oxidative trifluoromethylation of unactivated alkenes with  
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25  $\text{TMSCF}_3$  reported by Qing and co-workers.<sup>8a</sup> Moreover, the reaction was found to be  
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27 mostly inhibited by 2,6-di-*tert*-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT) under the standard  
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29 conditions (eq. 3). These control experiments possibly suggest that the involvement of  
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31 in situ generated  $\text{CuCF}_3$  or  $\text{AgCF}_3$  intermediate followed by a single electron transfer  
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33 (SET) radical pathway is possible, also based on recent reports involving such  
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35 reagents for the trifluoromethylation reactions with SET pathway.<sup>7g,7k,11</sup> To further  
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37 gain some insights about this hypothesis, under the standard reaction conditions we  
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39 examined the aminotrifluoromethylation reaction of **1a** with  $\text{CuCF}_3$  or  $\text{AgCF}_3$  in situ  
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41 generated from  $\text{TMSCF}_3$ ,  $\text{Cu}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_4\text{BF}_4$  or  $\text{AgNO}_3$ , and  $\text{KF}$  according to the  
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43 reported procedures.<sup>7g,7i</sup> Interestingly, no detectable amounts of the product **2a** was  
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45 observed with  $\text{CuCF}_3$  as reagent (eq. 4), whereas the product **2a** was observed with  
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AgCF<sub>3</sub> as reagent with 57% yield determined by <sup>19</sup>F NMR (eq. 5). These observations clearly indicated that the reaction should proceed with the intermediacy of AgCF<sub>3</sub>, which is presumably in situ generated from AgNO<sub>3</sub> and TMSCF<sub>3</sub> assisted with KF.

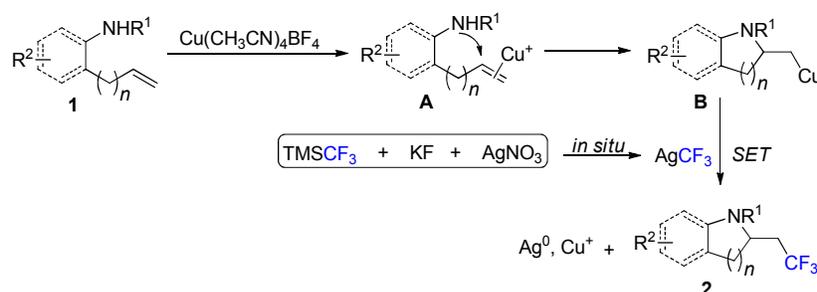
### Scheme 3. Mechanistic Studies



On the basis of the above experimental observations and the previous investigation on copper-catalyzed hydroamination or aminotrifluoromethylation of alkenes,<sup>4,8,11</sup> a plausible mechanism for our methodology was proposed (Scheme 4), which first involves outer-sphere attack of the nitrogen atom on the Cu(I)-complexes alkene of **A** to generate the neutral alkyl-copper complex **B**.<sup>12</sup> Second, the reaction of TMSCF<sub>3</sub>, AgNO<sub>3</sub> and KF in situ generates AgCF<sub>3</sub>, which then reacts with intermediate **B** via single-electron transfer<sup>13</sup> to produce the final product **2** and regenerate the cationic copper catalyst and silver. It is worth noting that a silver mirror was observed at the

end of most of the aminotrifluoromethylation reactions. On the other hand, an alternative catalytic mechanism, which proceeds by the formation of  $\alpha$ -CF<sub>3</sub>-alkyl radical intermediate initiated from alkene<sup>8</sup> followed by the subsequent coupling of this intermediate and the carbamate nitrogen atom,<sup>4a</sup> cannot be ruled out at the present stage. Therefore, rigorous investigations are necessary to unambiguously elucidate the detailed mechanism.

**Scheme 4. Proposed Mechanism for the Aminotrifluoromethylation Reaction of Unactivated Alkenes.**



**CONCLUSION**

In summary, we have demonstrated the first example of a copper(I)-catalyzed aminotrifluoromethylation of unactivated alkenes with nucleophilic  $\text{TMSCF}_3$  as the  $\text{CF}_3$  source. The methodology furnishes a diverse collection of synthetically valuable trifluoromethylated azoheterocycles under mild reaction conditions. Furthermore, it has significant advantages over the conventional aminotrifluoromethylation, because this approach not only circumvents the use of expensive electrophilic  $\text{CF}_3$  reagents or the photoredox strategy, but also expands the substrate scope that is difficult to access by known methods, thus reflecting the synthetic utility of this method in medicinal

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## 7 **Experimental Section**

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10 **General information.** All reactions were carried out under Ar using Schlenk  
11 techniques. Reagents were purchased at the highest commercial quality and used  
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13 muffle furnace in high temperature. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was  
14 performed on precoated silica gel 60 GF254 plates. Flash column chromatography  
15 was performed using silica gel (60, particle size 0.040-0.063 mm). Visualization on  
16 TLC was achieved by use of UV light (254 nm) or iodine. NMR spectra were  
17 recorded on a 400 MHz spectrometer for  $^1\text{H}$  NMR, 100 MHz for  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR and 376  
18 MHz for  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{CFCl}_3$  as an external reference (0 ppm)) in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  with  
19 tetramethylsilane (TMS) as internal standard. The chemical shifts are expressed in  
20 ppm and coupling constants are given in Hz. Data for  $^1\text{H}$  NMR are recorded as  
21 follows: chemical shift (ppm), multiplicity (s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quarter;  
22 m, multiplet; br, broad), coupling constant (Hz), integration. High-resolution mass  
23 spectrometry (HRMS) was conducted on a TOF mass spectrometer.  
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### 46 **General synthesis of carbamate substrates:**

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48 Carbamate substrates **1a**,<sup>4a</sup> **1c**,<sup>14</sup> **1e**,<sup>14</sup> **1g**,<sup>14</sup> **1h**<sup>4a</sup> were synthesized according to the  
49 procedures previously reported. The 2-allylaniline substrate<sup>15</sup> was synthesized  
50 according to the procedures previously reported.  
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56 *Synthesis of substrates 1b, 1f, 1i, 1k and 1j.*  
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4 To a stirred solution of 2-allylaniline substrates (2.0 mmol) and pyridine (0.3 mL, 4.0  
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6 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (8 mL) was added CbzCl (0.3 mL, 2.4 mmol) in an ice-water bath,  
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9 and the solution was left to warm to room temperature and stirred for additional 4-8  
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11 hours. After complete conversion (monitored by TLC), the reaction was quenched  
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13 with H<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL), and the reaction mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 x 10 mL).  
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15 The combined organic layers were brined, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), concentrated *in vacuo*. The  
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17 residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: petroleum  
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19 ether/EtOAc = 80:1-30:1) to give **1**.  
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24 *Benzyl (2-allyl-6-methylphenyl)carbamate (1b)*. 450 mg, 80% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400  
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26 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.43-7.07 (m, 8H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 5.93-5.89 (m, 1H), 5.21 (s, 2H), 5.06  
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28 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H);  
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30 <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 154.4, 136.8, 136.6, 136.5, 133.6, 129.1, 128.6, 128.2,  
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32 127.7, 127.5, 116.0, 67.1, 36.9, 18.4; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub>  
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34 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 304.1313, found 304.1309.  
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39 *Benzyl (2-allyl-3,5-dimethylphenyl)carbamate (1f)*. 461 mg, 78% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400  
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41 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.52-7.37 (m, 6H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.63 (br s, 1H), 6.00-5.91 (m, 1H),  
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43 5.25 (s, 2H), 5.10 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz,  
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45 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 154.1, 136.9, 136.5,  
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47 136.3, 135.8, 135.0, 128.5, 128.2, 128.2, 127.6, 125.1, 121.2, 115.6, 66.9, 31.5, 21.1,  
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49 19.9; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 296.1651, found 296.1643.  
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54 *Benzyl (2-allyl-6-chlorophenyl)carbamate (1i)*. 453 mg, 75% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400  
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56 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.42-7.17 (m, 8H), 6.41 (br s, 1H), 5.96 -5.87 (m, 1H), 5.28 (m, 4H),  
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4 3.41-3.33 (m, 2H); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $C_{17}H_{16}ClNNaO_2$   $[M+Na]^+$  324.0767,  
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6 found 324.0763.  
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8 *Benzyl (2-allyl-4-bromophenyl)carbamate (1j)*. 609 mg, 88% yield;  $^1H$  NMR (400  
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10 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.74 (br s, 1H), 7.48-7.33 (m, 6H), 7.30 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.66 (br s,  
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12 1H), 5.91 (ddt,  $J = 17.2, 10.0, 6.0$  Hz, 1H), 5.20-5.17 (m, 3H), 5.06 (dd,  $J = 17.2, 1.6$   
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14 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (d,  $J = 6.0$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  153.6, 136.0, 135.2,  
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16 134.8, 132.8, 131.2, 130.4, 128.7, 128.5, 128.8, 123.5, 117.5, 117.2, 67.2, 36.1;  
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18 HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $C_{17}H_{16}BrNNaO_2$   $[M+Na]^+$  368.0262, found 368.0257.  
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21 *Benzyl (2-allylnaphthalen-1-yl)carbamate (1k)*. 546 mg, 86% yield;  $^1H$  NMR (400  
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23 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.96 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz,  
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25 1H), 7.55-7.09 (m, 8H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 6.01-5.97 (m, 1H), 5.30-5.05 (m, 4H), 3.56 (d,  $J$   
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27 = 5.2 Hz, 2H);  $^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  155.1, 136.3, 136.2, 134.8, 133.1,  
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29 131.2, 129.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 126.7, 125.6, 122.7, 116.2, 67.3, 36.7;  
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31 HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $C_{21}H_{20}NO_2$   $[M+H]^+$  318.1494, found 318.1488.  
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39 *Synthesis of carbamate substrate 1d*. To a solution of **1j** (346.2 mg, 1.0 mmol),  
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41 phenylboronic acid (183.0 mg, 1.5 mmol),  $K_2CO_3$  (414.0 mg, 3.0 mmol), and  
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43 2-dicyclohexylphosphino-2',4',6'-triisopropylbiphenyl (X-Phos, 9.5 mg, 0.02 mmol)  
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45 in  $CH_3CN/H_2O$  (6 mL/4 mL) was added  $Pd(OAc)_2$  (2.3 mg 0.01 mmol). The flask and  
46  
47 its contents were put under reduced pressure and then backfilled with argon three  
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49 times. The mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 12 h under argon atmosphere, then cooled,  
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51 and extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$ , and the combined organic layer was washed with brine  
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53 and dried ( $Na_2SO_4$ ). The solvent was removed *in vacuo* to afford a crude product,  
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4 which was purified by flash chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether/EtOAc = 60:1)  
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6 to **1d** as a white solid.

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8 *Benzyl (3-allyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)carbamate (1d)*. 268 mg, 78% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR  
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10 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.93 (br s, 1H), 7.61-7.34 (m, 12H), 6.75 (br s, 1H), δ 6.01 (ddt,  
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12 *J* = 17.2, 10.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (s, 2H), 5.20 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (dd, *J* =  
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14 17.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 153.9,  
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16 140.6, 137.4, 136.2, 135.7, 135.4, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4, 127.2, 127.0, 126.2,  
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18 122.2, 117.1, 67.1, 36.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 344.1651,  
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20 found 344.1645.

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22 *Synthesis of carbamate substrates 1l and 1m*. The 2-allylaniline substrate<sup>16</sup> was  
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24 synthesized according to the procedures previously reported. Benzyl  
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26 (2-(2-methylallyl)phenyl)carbamate (**1l**) and benzyl  
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28 (2-(2-phenylallyl)phenyl)carbamate (**1m**) were obtained by the procedure described  
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30 above.

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32 *Benzyl (2-(2-methylallyl)phenyl)carbamate (1l)*. 239 mg, 85% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400  
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34 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.89 (br s, 1H), 7.46-7.36 (m, 5H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 6.8  
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36 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.09 (m, 1H), 6.87 (br s, 1H), 5.25 (s, 2H), 4.94 (s, 1H), 4.74 (s, 1H),  
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38 3.36 (s, 2H), 1.75 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 153.9, 143.8, 136.5, 136.3,  
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40 130.8, 128.6, 128.3, 128.3, 127.6, 124.3, 121.9, 112.5, 66.9, 41.3, 22.4; HRMS (ESI)  
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42 *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 304.1313, found 304.1309.

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44 *Benzyl (2-(2-phenylallyl)phenyl)carbamate (1m)*. 282 mg, 82% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400  
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46 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.81 (br s, 1H), 7.46-7.28 (m, 12H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (t,  
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4  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 4.86 (s, 1H), 3.78 (s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$   
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6 NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  154.1, 145.7, 140.7, 136.2, 136.1, 130.9, 129.1, 128.7,  
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8 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.7, 126.0, 124.7, 114.4, 67.1, 37.9; HRMS (ESI)  
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10  $m/z$  calcd. for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{NNaO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  366.1470, found 366.1463.

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14 *Synthesis of carbamate substrates 1n-1p.* Carbamate substrates **1n-1p** were  
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16 synthesized according to the procedures previously reported.<sup>17</sup>

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19 *Synthesis of tert-butyl (2-allyl-4-methylphenyl)carbamate (1q).* To a stirred solution of  
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21 **1a** (441.6 mg, 3.0 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (10 mL) was added  
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23 di-*tert*-butyl-dicarbonate (786.0 mg, 3.6 mmol) and triethylamine (TEA, 6.3 ml, 9.0  
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25 mmol). The reaction mixture was refluxed for 12 hours, during which time a white  
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27 precipitate formed. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and ethyl acetate (10 ml) was  
28  
29 added to the residue. The mixture was washed with 1 M citric acid (aq) (3 x 10 ml),  
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31 brined, dried ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ) and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by silica  
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33 gel column chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether/EtOAc = 60/1) to give **1q** as a  
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35 white solid.

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41 *Tert-butyl (2-allyl-4-methylphenyl)carbamate (1q).* 608 mg, 82% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400  
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43 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.60 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 1H),  
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45 6.35 (s, 1H), 5.95 (ddt,  $J = 17.2, 10.4, 6.0$  Hz, 1H), 5.15 (dq,  $J = 10.0, 1.6$  Hz, 1H),  
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47 5.06 (dq,  $J = 17.2, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.33 (d,  $J = 6.0$  Hz, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.51 (s, 9H);  
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51  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  153.5, 136.1, 133.8, 133.8, 130.6, 129.5, 127.9, 122.6,  
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53 116.4, 80.2, 36.5, 28.4, 20.8; HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{21}\text{NNaO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$   
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55 270.1470, found 270.1465.  
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4 *Synthesis of carbamate substrates 3a-3e.* Carbamate substrate **3a**<sup>18</sup> was synthesized  
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6 according to the procedures previously reported. 2-Iodo-4-methylbenzonitrile<sup>19</sup> was  
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8 prepared according to literature procedure. To a suspension of Pd<sub>2</sub>(dba)<sub>3</sub> (183.1 mg,  
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10 0.2 mmol), triphenylphosphine (419.7 mg, 1.6 mmol) and lithium chloride (1.3 g, 30.0  
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12 mmol) in DMF (30 mL) was added 2-iodo-4-methylbenzonitrile (2.4 mg, 10.0 mmol)  
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14 at room temperature under a argon atmosphere. After 15 minutes, allyl indium reagent  
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16 which is generated from allyl iodide (2.5 g, 15.0 mmol) and indium (1.1 g, 10.0 mmol)  
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18 in DMF (5 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 8 hours. The  
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20 reaction mixture was quenched with NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (sat. aq.). The aqueous layer was  
21  
22 extracted with EtOAc (3 ×50 mL), and the combined organics were washed with  
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24 water and brine, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was  
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26 purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether/EtOAc = 80/1)  
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28 to afford 2-allyl-4-methylbenzonitrile (1.1 g, 68 %).  
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36 To a suspension of LiAlH<sub>4</sub> (LAH, 425.4 mg, 11.2 mmol) in THF (15 mL) at 0 °C was  
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38 slowly added a solution of 2-allyl-4-methylbenzonitrile (440.2 mg, 2.8 mmol) in THF  
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40 (10.0 mL). After being stirred for 3 hours at 0 °C, the reaction mixture was quenched  
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42 by slow, sequential addition of water (0.5 mL) in Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (3.0 g). The reaction  
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44 mixture was warmed to room temperature, stirred for an additional 30 minutes,  
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46 filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude material was directly used in the next  
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48 reaction. Benzyl 2-allyl-4-methylbenzylcarbamate (**3b**) was obtained by the procedure  
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50 described above.  
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56 *Benzyl 2-allyl-4-methylbenzylcarbamate (3b).* 414 mg, 50% yield, two steps; <sup>1</sup>H NMR  
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4 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.39-7.32 (m, 5H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz,  
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6 2H), 6.02-5.94 (m, 1H), 5.15-.501 (m, 5H), 4.38 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.42 (d, *J* = 6.0  
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8 Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 156.1, 137.7, 137.6, 137.1,  
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10 136.6, 133.1, 130.8, 128.9, 128.5, 128.1, 127.4, 115.9, 66.7, 42.4, 36.9, 21.0; HRMS  
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12 (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 318.1470, found 318.1467.

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16 2-Bromo-5-fluorobenzonitrile (400.0 mg, 2.0 mmol) was treated with allyltributyl tin  
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18 (0.81 mL, 2.6 mmol) and palladium tetrakis(triphenylphosphine) (462.2 mg 0.4 mmol)  
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20 in degassed, dry toluene (10 mL) and the mixture was refluxed for 24 hours.<sup>20</sup> Then  
21  
22 cooled, the crude mixture was directly filtered through SiO<sub>2</sub> and the solvent was  
23  
24 removed *in vacuo*, the residue was purified by a silica gel column chromatography  
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26 (eluent: petroleum ether/EtOAc = 80/1) to give 2-allyl-5-fluorobenzonitrile (177.3 mg,  
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28 55%) as a liquid. Benzyl 2-allyl-4-fluorobenzylcarbamate (**3c**) was obtained by the  
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30 procedure described above.  
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36 *Benzyl 2-allyl-4-fluorobenzylcarbamate (3c)*. 185 mg, 65% yield, two steps; <sup>1</sup>H NMR  
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38 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.36-7.31 (m, 5H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H),  
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40 5.93 (ddt, *J* = 17.2, 10.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.12-4.98 (m, 5H), 4.35 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H),  
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42 3.40 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 162.3 (d, *J* = 244.4 Hz),  
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44 156.2, 140.3 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz), 136.4, 136.1, 131.9, 130.5 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 128.6, 128.2,  
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46 128.2, 116.8, 116.7 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 113.4 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 66.9, 42.1, 36.8; <sup>19</sup>F  
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48 NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -114.85 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 8.8 Hz); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for  
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50 C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>FNNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 322.1219, found 322.1214.  
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56 2-Allyl-4-chlorobenzonitrile and 2-(2-methylallyl)benzonitrile was prepared  
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4 according to literature procedure.<sup>21</sup> **3d-3e** were obtained by the procedure described  
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6 above.

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8 *Benzyl 2-allyl-4-chlorobenzylcarbamate (3d)*. 196 mg, 62% yield, two steps; <sup>1</sup>H NMR  
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10 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.36-7.32 (m, 5H), 7.26-7.17 (m, 3H), 5.92(ddt, *J* = 17.2, 10.4,  
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12 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.12-4.97 (m, 5H), 4.35 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.39 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C  
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14 NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 156.2, 139.7, 136.4, 136.0, 134.8, 133.5, 130.0, 129.9,  
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16 128.6, 128.2, 128.2, 126.8, 116.9, 67.0, 42.1, 36.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for  
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18 C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClNNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 338.0924, found 338.0917.

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23 *Benzyl 2-(2-methylallyl)benzylcarbamate (3e)*. 171 mg, 58% yield, two steps; <sup>1</sup>H  
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25 NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.39-7.19 (m, 9H), 5.22 (s, 1H), 5.16 (s, 2H), 4.88 (s, 1H),  
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27 4.55 (s, 1H), 4.41 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.40 (s, 2H), 1.79 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz,  
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29 CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 156.2, 144.8, 137.4, 136.5, 130.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 127.6, 126.7, 111.9,  
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31 66.6, 42.5, 41.0, 22.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 318.1470,  
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33 found 318.1463.

### 34 35 36 37 38 **Experiments to remove Cbz group.**

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41 A solution of **2o** (35.5 mg, 0.1 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH (5.0 mL) was stirred in the presence  
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43 of 10% Pd(OH)<sub>2</sub>/C (60.0 mg) under H<sub>2</sub> (H<sub>2</sub> balloon) at room temperature for 24 h. The  
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45 catalyst was filtered through celite and washed with EtOAc, the filtrate was  
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47 concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue was purified by a silica gel column  
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49 chromatography (eluent: CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>OH = 100/1-30/1) to give **5** (18 mg, 81%) as a  
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51 liquid. The present spectrum is consistent with our previous reported.<sup>4a</sup>

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57 *3-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-2-azaspiro[4.5]decane (5)*. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ  
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3.43 (s, 1H), 2.75-2.85 (m, 2H), 2.38-2.17 (m, 4H), 1.89 (s, 1H), 1.44-1.41 (m, 10H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  126.6 (q,  $J = 275.3$  Hz), 58.2, 52.1, 45.3, 43.0, 40.5 (q,  $J = 26.6$  Hz), 38.4, 37.0, 26.1, 24.0, 23.6;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -64.31 (s, 3F); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}_3\text{N}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  222.1470, found 222.1461.

**General procedure: copper-catalyzed intramolecular aminotrifluoromethylation of unactivated alkenes with  $\text{TMSCF}_3$**

Under argon, an oven-dried resealable Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with activated KF (116.0 mg, 2.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv),  $\text{Cu}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_4\text{BF}_4$  (26.0 mg, 0.075 mmol, 15 mol %), carbamate substrates (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv),  $\text{AgNO}_3$  (85.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMF (super dry, 3.0 mL), trimethyl(trifluoromethyl)silane ( $\text{TMSCF}_3$ , 0.3 mL, 2.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv). The sealed tube was then stirred at 80 °C. Upon completion (monitored by TLC), solvent was removed *in vacuo*, and the residue was purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether/EtOAc = 80/1-15/1) to give the desired products. (NOTE: the reaction was water-sensitive, the reagents and Schlenk tube must be dried prior to use).

*Benzyl 5-methyl-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2a)*.<sup>4a</sup> 98 mg, 56% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.76 (br s, 1H), 7.48-7.36 (m, 5H), 7.02 (s, 2H), 5.34 (s, 2H), 4.80-4.78 (m, 1H), 3.40 (dd,  $J = 16.4, 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.97 (d,  $J = 16.4$  Hz, 1H), 2.66 (br s, 1H), 2.40-2.26 (m, 4H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  152.3 (br s), 138.7 (br s), 136.1, 133.0, 129.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 126.0 (q,  $J = 275.9$  Hz), 125.8, 115.3, 67.5, 54.3, 38.2 (br s), 33.7 (br s), 20.8;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,

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4 observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  -62.86 (br s, 3F, minor), -63.24  
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6 (br s, 3F, major); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $C_{19}H_{18}F_3NNaO_2$   $[M+Na]^+$  372.1187,  
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8 found 372.1182.  
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11 *Benzyl 7-methyl-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2b)*. 80 mg, 46% yield;  
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13  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.43-7.34 (m, 5H), 7.08-7.02 (m, 3H), 5.27 (q,  $J$  = 12.4  
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15 Hz, 2H), 5.02 (dd,  $J$  = 14.8, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (dd,  $J$  = 16.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (d,  $J$  =  
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17 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.50-2.39 (m, 1H), 2.31-2.19 (m, 4H);  $^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$   
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19 153.9, 139.6, 136.0, 131.9, 130.3, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 125.8 (q,  $J$  = 275.7 Hz),  
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21 125.2, 122.3, 67.8, 56.6, 38.4 (q,  $J$  = 27.0 Hz), 35.1, 20.0;  $^{19}F$  NMR (376 MHz,  
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23  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  -63.44 (t,  $J$  = 10.6 Hz, 3F); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $C_{19}H_{19}F_3NO_2$   
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25  $[M+H]^+$  350.1368, found 350.1362  
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32 *Benzyl 5-methoxy-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2c)*. 111 mg, 61%  
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34 yield;  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.78 (br s, 1H), 7.46-7.33 (m, 5H), 6.76 (s, 2H),  
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36 5.31 (s, 2H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.40 (dd,  $J$  = 16.4, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (d,  $J$  =  
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38 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (br s, 1H), 2.39-2.25 (m, 1H);  $^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$   
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40 156.3, 152.1 (br s), 136.0, 134.8 (br s), 130.3 (br s), 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 125.9 (q,  $J$  =  
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42 275.8 Hz), 116.0, 112.5, 111.3, 67.4 (br s), 55.6, 54.2 (br s), 38.4 (br s), 34.2 (br s);  
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44  $^{19}F$  NMR (376 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$   
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46 -62.87 (br s, 3F, minor), -63.27 (br s, 3F, major); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  
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48  $C_{19}H_{18}F_3NNaO_3$   $[M+Na]^+$  388.1136, found 388.1128.  
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54 *Benzyl 5-phenyl-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2d)*. 103 mg, 50%  
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56 yield;  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.92 (br s, 1H), 7.66-7.27 (m, 12H), 5.36 (s, 2H),  
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4 4.89-4.84 (m, 1H), 3.51 (dd,  $J = 16.4, 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.08 (d,  $J = 16.4$  Hz, 1H),  
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6 2.88-2.64 (m, 1H), 2.46-2.32 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  152.4 (br s),  
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8 140.7, 136.8, 135.8, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 128.3, 127.1, 126.9, 126.9, 125.9 (q,  $J =$   
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10 273.7 Hz), 123.9, 115.7, 67.8 (br s), 54.6 (br s), 38.5 (br s), 34.0 (br s);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376  
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12 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  -62.88 (br s, 3F,  
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14 minor), -63.28 (br s, 3F, major); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_3\text{NNaO}_2$   
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16  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  434.1344, found 434.1337.

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21 *Benzyl 2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2e)*. 99 mg, 59% yield;  $^1\text{H}$   
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23 NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.86 (br s, 1H), 7.47-7.35 (m, 5H), 7.20 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  
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25 2H), 7.02 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 5.33 (s, 2H), 4.83-4.78 (m, 1H), 3.43 (dd,  $J = 16.8, 9.6$   
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27 Hz, 1H), 3.00 (d,  $J = 16.4$  Hz, 1H), 2.64 (br s, 1H), 2.40-2.26 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100  
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29 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  152.1 (br s), 140.9 (br s), 135.9, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 125.9 (q,  
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31  $J = 275.7$  Hz), 125.1, 123.4, 115.5, 67.6 (br s), 54.2 (br s), 38.3 (br s), 33.9 (br s);  $^{19}\text{F}$   
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33 NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$   
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35 -62.92 (br s, 3F, minor), -63.28 (br s, 3F, major); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  
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37  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_3\text{NNaO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  358.1031, found 358.1026.

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43 *Benzyl 4,6-dimethyl-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2f)*. 103 mg, 57%  
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45 yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.61-7.25 (m, 6H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 5.33 (s, 2H),  
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47 4.85-4.79 (m, 1H), 3.26 (dd,  $J = 16.4, 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.88 (d,  $J = 16.4$  Hz, 1H), 2.65 (br  
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49 s, 1H), 2.39-2.27 (m, 4H), 2.22 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  152.3 (br s),  
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51 141.0 (br s), 138.0, 136.0, 134.2, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 125.9 (q,  $J = 275.8$  Hz), 125.3,  
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53 124.7, 113.7, 67.5 (br s), 54.4 (br s), 38.7 (br s), 32.6 (br s), 21.6, 18.6, 18.5;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR  
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(376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  -62.91 (br s, 3F, minor), -63.27 (br s, 3F, major); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 386.1344, found 386.1337.

*Benzyl 5-fluoro-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2g)*. 102 mg, 58% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.79 (br s, 1H), 7.45-7.34 (m, 5H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 5.31 (s, 2H), 4.81 (s, 1H), 3.41 (dd, *J* = 16.8, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (d, *J* = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (br s, 1H), 2.40-2.26 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.3 (d, *J* = 241.8 Hz), 152.2 (br s), 137.3 (br s), 135.7, 130.8 (br s), 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 125.6 (q, *J* = 275.9 Hz), 116.2 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 114.2 (d, *J* = 23.1 Hz), 112.4 (d, *J* = 23.9 Hz), 67.7 (br s), 54.5 (br s), 38.4 (br s), 33.9 (br s); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  -62.91 (br s, 3F, minor), -63.29 (br s, 3F, major); -119.91 (br s, 1F, major), -120.29 (br s, 1F, minor); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>4</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 376.0937, found 376.0931.

*Benzyl 5-chloro-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2h)*.<sup>4a</sup> 107 mg, 58% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.73 (br s, 1H), 7.42-7.35 (m, 5H), 7.14 (br s, 2H), 5.29 (s, 2H), 4.81-4.76 (m, 1H), 3.39 (dd, *J* = 16.8, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (d, *J* = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (br s, 1H), 2.38-2.24 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.3, 139.8, 135.8, 131.1, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 125.8 (q, *J* = 275.8 Hz), 125.3, 116.5, 67.9, 54.6, 38.1, 33.6; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  -62.93 (br s, 3F, minor), -63.27 (br s, 3F, major); HRMS (APCI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N [M-CO<sub>2</sub>+H]<sup>+</sup> 326.0923, found 326.0856.

*Benzyl 7-chloro-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2i)*. 94 mg, 51% yield;

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.50-7.33 (m, 5H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (s, 2H), 4.99 (td, *J* = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.59-2.48 (m, 1H), 2.37-2.25 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 153.4, 138.4, 135.6, 134.6, 129.7, 128.6, 128.4, 126.2, 125.7 (q, *J* = 275.7 Hz), 124.7, 123.4, 68.2, 57.4 (q, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 38.5 (q, *J* = 27.0 Hz), 35.2; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -63.38 (t, *J* = 10.6 Hz, 3F); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 392.0641, found 392.0633.

*Benzyl 5-bromo-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2j)*. 104 mg, 50% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.74 (br s, 1H), 7.46-7.28 (m, 7H), 5.33 (s, 2H), 4.84-4.79 (m, 1H), 3.43 (dd, *J* = 16.8, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.00 (d, *J* = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (br s, 1H), 2.41-2.27 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 152.2 (br s), 140.3 (br s), 135.6, 131.3, 130.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 125.7 (q, *J* = 275.7 Hz), 116.9, 115.8, 67.9 (br s), 54.5 (br s), 38.2 (br s), 33.6 (br s); <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor) δ -62.86 (br s, 3F, minor), -63.26 (br s, 3F, major); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>BrF<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 436.0136, found 436.0130.

*Benzyl 2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-benzo-[g]indole-1-carboxylate (2k)*. 119 mg, 62% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.97-7.92 (m, 1H), 7.87-7.82 (m, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.52-7.33 (m, 8H), 5.39 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.62-2.48 (m, 1H), 2.36-2.23 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 154.5, 136.6, 135.9, 134.0, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 126.6, 125.9 (q, *J* = 275.8 Hz), 125.5,

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6 (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -63.28 (t,  $J = 10.5$  Hz, 3F); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  
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8  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  386.1368, found 386.1364.

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11 *Benzyl 2-methyl-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2l)*. 105 mg, 60%  
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13 yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.45-7.34 (m, 6H), 7.13 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 6.98  
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15 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 5.31 (dd,  $J = 18.4, 12.0$  Hz, 2H), 3.46 (d,  $J = 16.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.05 (d,  
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17  $J = 16.4$  Hz, 1H), 2.89 (br s, 2H), 1.67 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  153.1,  
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19 141.6 (br s), 135.8, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 126.0 (q,  $J = 275.8$  Hz), 124.7, 123.2,  
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21 115.8, 67.6, 63.9, 42.7, 41.1 (br s), 26.5 (br s);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -60.83  
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23 (s, 3F); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  350.1368, found 350.1361.

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29 *Benzyl 2-phenyl-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2m)*. 70 mg, 34%  
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31 yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and  
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33 minor)  $\delta$  8.16 (d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 1H, major), 7.67 (s, 1H, minor), 7.56-6.98 (m, 13H,  
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35 major + minor), 6.74 (d,  $J = 14.4$  Hz, 1H, major + minor), 5.32-4.93 (m, 2H, major +  
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37 minor), 3.95 (br s, 1H, minor), 3.76 (d,  $J = 17.2$  Hz, 1H, major + minor), 3.56-3.45 (m,  
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39 1H, major), 3.39 (d,  $J = 16.8$  Hz, 1H, major + minor), 3.05-2.94 (m, 1H, major +  
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41 minor);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and  
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43 minor)  $\delta$  152.7, 147.4, 143.2, 135.3, 129.1, 128.6, 128.5 (major), 128.5 (minor), 128.3,  
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45 128.0, 127.8, 127.3, 127.1 (overlap), 126.0, 124.2 (overlap), 123.4 (major), 123.1  
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47 (minor), 115.3, 67.2 (major), 66.2 (minor), 46.5, 45.1, 41.6 (q,  $J = 26.2$  Hz);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR  
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49 (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  -60.54 (br s,  
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51 3F, minor), -60.93 (br s, 3F, major); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$   
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[M+H]<sup>+</sup> 412.1524, found 412.1518.

*Benzyl 4,4-dimethyl-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)pyrrolidine-1-carboxyl-ate (2n)*. 66 mg, 42%

yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO, observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor) δ 7.40-7.31 (m, 5H, major + minor), 5.11-5.09 (m, 2H, major + minor), 4.03-3.95 (m, 1H, major + minor), 3.35-3.33 (m, 1H, major + minor), 3.06-2.96 (m, 2H, major + minor), 2.84-2.75 (m, 1H, minor), 2.48-2.36 (m, 1H, major + minor), 1.96-1.91 (m, 1H, major + minor), 1.64-1.59 (m, 1H, major + minor), 1.06 (s, 3H, major + minor), 0.93 (s, 3H, major + minor); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO, observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor) δ 154.8 (major), 154.7 (minor), 137.4 (major), 137.4 (minor), 128.9, 128.3, 127.9, 127.0 (q, *J* = 275.3 Hz), 66.8 (minor), 66.4 (major), 58.9 (minor), 58.7 (major), 52.4 (major), 51.8 (minor), 46.1 (minor), 45.1 (major), 38.6 (q, *J* = 25.6 Hz, minor), 37.2 (q, *J* = 25.6 Hz, major), 37.8 (major), 37.5 (minor), 26.1, 25.7; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor) δ -63.26 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 3F, major), -63.50 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 3F, minor).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO, 60 °C) δ 7.51-7.43 (m, 5H), 5.28-5.19 (dd, *J* = 18.5, 10.5, Hz, 2H), 4.18-4.12 (m, 1H), 3.49 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.15 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, H), 3.07 (br s, 1H), 2.63-2.45 (m, 1H), 2.09 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 1.76 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 1.21 (s, 3H), 1.08 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO, 60 °C) δ 154.9, 137.4, 128.8, 128.3, 127.9, 127.0 (q, *J* = 278.1 Hz), 66.7, 59.1, 52.3, 45.6, 37.6, 26.2, 25.9; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 338.1344, found 338.1339.

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4 *Benzyl 3-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-2-azaspiro[4.5]decane-2-carboxylate (2o)*. 71 mg, 40%  
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6 yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub> observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and  
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8 minor) δ 7.37-7.32 (m, 5H, major + minor), 5.21-5.09 (m, 2H, major + minor),  
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10 4.09-4.02 (m, 1H, major + minor), 3.69 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H, major), 3.58 (d, *J* = 10.8  
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12 Hz, 1H, minor), 3.25-3.13 (m, 1H, minor), 2.96 (d, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1H, major + minor),  
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14 2.92-2.80 (m, 1H, major), 2.18-2.00 (m, 2H, major + minor), 1.49-1.38 (m, 11H,  
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16 major + minor); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, observed as a mixture of rotamers,  
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18 major and minor) δ 155.3 (major), 155.1 (minor), 136.8 (major), 136.4 (minor), 128.6,  
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20 128.2 (minor), 128.1 (major), 127.8, 126.3 (q, *J* = 275.3 Hz), 67.3 (minor), 66.9  
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22 (major), 56.7 (minor), 56.5 (major), 51.8 (major), 51.2 (minor), 44.5 (minor), 43.3  
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24 (major), 41.6 (major), 41.4 (minor), 39.6 (q, *J* = 25.1 Hz, minor), 38.1 (q, *J* = 26.4 Hz,  
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26 major), 36.3, 34.4 (minor), 34.3 (major), 26.1, 23.8, 22.9 (minor), 22.8 (major); <sup>19</sup>F  
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28 NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor) δ  
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30 -63.24 (t, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 3F, major), -63.62 (t, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 3F, minor); HRMS (ESI)  
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32 *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>24</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 378.1657, found 378.1653.  
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41 *Benzyl 4,4-diphenyl-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)pyrrolidine-1-carboxylate (2p)*. 88 mg, 40%  
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43 yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub> observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and  
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45 minor) δ 7.44-7.16 (m, 15H, major + minor), 5.35-5.11(m, 2H, major + minor), 4.73  
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47 (dd, *J* = 11.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H, major), 4.59 (dd, *J* = 11.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H, minor), 4.01-3.91 (m,  
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49 1H, major + minor), 3.73 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H, major + minor), 3.28-3.15 (m, 1H,  
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51 minor), 3.08-3.00 (m, 1H, major + minor), 2.97-2.84 (m, 1H, major), 2.59-2.49 (m,  
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53 1H, major + minor), 2.18-2.01 (m, 1H, major + minor); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  
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4 observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  155.0 (minor), 154.8 (major),  
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6 145.0 (major), 144.9 (minor), 144.2 (major), 144.2 (minor), 136.7 (major), 136.4  
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8 (minor), 128.8 (minor), 128.8 (major), 128.7 (minor), 128.7 (major), 128.6, 128.3  
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10 (minor), 128.2 (major), 128.1, 127.7, 126.8, 126.7, 126.3 (minor), 126.2 (major),  
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12 126.1 (q,  $J = 275.6$  Hz), 67.3 (major), 67.2 (minor), 55.6 (minor), 55.6 (major), 53.0  
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14 (major), 52.9 (minor), 52.0 (q,  $J = 3.2$  Hz, major), 51.5 (q,  $J = 3.0$  Hz, minor), 44.7  
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16 (minor), 43.5 (major), 39.0 (q,  $J = 26.3$  Hz, minor), 37.6 (q,  $J = 26.7$  Hz, major);  $^{19}\text{F}$   
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18 NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$   
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20 -63.08 (t,  $J = 11.3$  Hz, 3F, major), -63.41 (t,  $J = 11.3$  Hz, 3F, minor); HRMS (ESI)  
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22 m/z calcd. for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{25}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  440.1837, found 440.1835.

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29 *Tert-butyl 5-methyl-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (2q)*. 95 mg, 60%  
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31 yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.66 (br s, 1H), 7.01-6.96 (m, 2H), 4.69 (br s,  
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33 1H), 3.38 (dd,  $J = 16.4, 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.90 (d,  $J = 16.4$  Hz, 1H), 2.64 (br s, 1H),  
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35 2.33-2.25 (m, 4H), 1.58 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  151.8 (br s), 139.1 (br  
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37 s), 132.6, 129.0 (br s), 128.2, 126.0 (q,  $J = 275.7$  Hz), 125.6, 115.1, 81.5 (br s), 55.3,  
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39 54.2, 38.6 (br s), 34.1 (br s), 28.4, 20.9;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a  
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41 mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  -62.98 (br s, 3F, minor), -63.63 (br s, 3F,  
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43 major); HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_3\text{NNaO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  338.1344, found  
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51 *Tosyl-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)indoline (2r)*.<sup>4a</sup> 84 mg, 47% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  
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53  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.69 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.26-7.21 (m, 1H), 7.18  
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55 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.07-7.03 (m, 2H), 4.47-4.40 (m, 1H), 2.97-2.87 (m, 2H), 2.77  
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(dd,  $J = 16.4, 2.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.51-2.40 (m, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  144.5, 140.9, 134.4, 130.8, 129.9, 128.3, 127.3, 125.8 (q,  $J = 275.9$  Hz), 125.4, 125.3, 117.4, 57.0 (q,  $J = 3.3$  Hz), 40.8 (q,  $J = 26.6$  Hz), 34.39, 21.7;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -63.08 (s, 3F); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  356.0932, found 356.0922.

*Benzyl 3-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline-2(1H)-carboxylate (4a)*. 91 mg, 52% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.42-7.33 (m, 5H), 7.25-7.12 (m, 4H), 5.22 (s, 2H), 5.05-4.85 (m, 2H), 4.39 (dd,  $J = 17.6, 11.2$  Hz, 1H), 3.17 (d,  $J = 16.0$  Hz, 1H), 2.78 (dd,  $J = 24.0, 16.0$  Hz, 1H), 2.40-2.28 (m, 1H), 2.12-2.01 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  155.2 (minor), 155.0 (major), 136.5 (major), 136.3 (minor), 132.0 (major), 131.8 (minor), 131.7 (minor), 131.3 (major), 129.4 (minor), 129.2 (major), 128.6, 128.2, 128.1, 127.2 (major), 127.1 (minor), 126.9 (major), 126.9 (minor), 126.4 (minor), 126.2 (major), 126.0 (q,  $J = 275.5$  Hz), 67.7 (major), 67.6 (minor), 45.0 (major), 44.8 (minor), 43.0, 35.7 (q,  $J = 26.8$  Hz), 33.6 (minor), 33.1 (major);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -63.83 (t,  $J = 10.5$  Hz, 3F); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{F}_3\text{KNO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{K}]^+$  388.0927, found 388.0937.

*Benzyl 6-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline-2(1H)-carboxylate (4b)*. 109 mg, 60% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.42-7.32 (m, 5H), 7.08-6.96 (m, 3H), 5.21 (s, 2H), 5.04-4.88 (m, 1H), 4.84 (t,  $J = 18.0$ , 1H), 4.34 (dd,  $J = 16.8, 9.2$  Hz, 1H), 3.12 (d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.73 (dd,  $J = 24.0, 16.0$  Hz, 1H), 2.39-2.26 (m, 4H), 2.11- 2.03 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of

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4 rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  155.3 (major), 155.0 (minor), 136.9 (minor), 136.8  
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6 (major), 136.5 (major), 136.4 (minor), 131.6 (minor), 131.2 (major), 130.0 (major),  
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8 129.8 (minor), 129.0 (major), 128.8 (minor), 128.6, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8 (major), 127.7  
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10 (minor), 126.3 (minor), 126.1 (major), 126.1 (q,  $J = 275.6$  Hz), 67.7 (major), 67.5  
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12 (minor), 45.0 (minor), 44.9 (major), 42.9, 35.8 (q,  $J = 26.8$  Hz), 33.6 (major), 33.1  
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14 (minor), 21.1;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, A and  
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16 B)  $\delta$  -63.92 (t,  $J = 10.9$  Hz, 3F, A), -64.14 (t,  $J = 10.9$  Hz, 3F, B); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$   
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18 calcd. for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_3\text{NNaO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  386.1344, found 386.1337.  
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24 *Benzyl 6-fluoro-3-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline-2(1H)-carboxylate*  
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26 (**4c**). 83 mg, 45% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.41-7.32 (m, 5H), 7.15-7.06  
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28 (m, 1H), 6.94 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.87 (t,  $J = 10.0$  Hz, 1H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 5.04-4.79 (m,  
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30 2H), 4.34 (dd,  $J = 16.8, 11.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.14 (dd,  $J = 16.0, 3.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.75 (dd,  $J =$   
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32 25.6, 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.39-2.26 (m, 1H), 2.10-1.99 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  
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34  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  161.7 (d,  $J = 244.5$  Hz),  
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36 155.2 (major), 155.0 (minor), 136.4 (major), 136.3 (minor), 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1  
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38 (minor), 128.0 (major), 127.9 (minor), 127.8 (major), 125.9 (q,  $J = 275.3$  Hz), 115.9  
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40 (t,  $J = 20.8$  Hz), 114.3 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz), 114.1 (d,  $J = 5.4$  Hz), 67.8 (major), 67.7  
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42 (minor), 44.7 (major), 44.6 (minor), 42.6 (major), 42.5 (minor), 35.7 (q,  $J = 27.2$  Hz),  
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44 33.7 (major), 33.2 (minor);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of  
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46 rotamers, A and B)  $\delta$  -63.91 (t,  $J = 11.7$  Hz, 3F, A), -64.14 (t,  $J = 12.0$  Hz, 3F, B),  
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48 -115.18--115.24 (m, 1F, A), -115.32--115.36 (m, 1F, B); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  
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50  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_4\text{NNaO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  390.1093, found 390.1087.  
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4 *Benzyl 6-chloro-3-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline-2(1H)-carboxylate*  
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6 (**4d**). 84 mg, 44% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.39-7.03 (m, 8H), 5.20 (s,  
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8 2H), 5.03-4.80 (m, 2H), 4.32 (dd,  $J = 17.2, 12.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.15-3.10 (m, 1H), 2.74 (dd,  
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10  $J = 26.0, 16.0$  Hz, 1H), 2.34-2.26 (m, 1H), 2.07-2.01 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  
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12  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, major and minor)  $\delta$  155.1 (major), 154.9  
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14 (minor), 136.4 (minor), 136.2 (major), 133.7 (minor), 133.2 (major), 132.8 (minor),  
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16 132.8 (major), 130.5 (major), 130.3 (minor), 129.3 (major), 129.1 (minor), 128.6,  
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18 128.3, 128.2, 127.8 (major), 127.6 (minor), 127.3 (major), 127.2 (minor), 125.9 (q,  $J$   
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20 = 275.9 Hz), 67.9 (minor), 67.7 (major), 44.7 (major), 44.5 (minor), 42.6 (minor),  
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22 42.5 (major), 35.7 (q,  $J = 26.4$  Hz), 33.5 (major), 33.0 (minor);  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  
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24  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , observed as a mixture of rotamers, A and B)  $\delta$  -63.93 (t,  $J = 10.8$  Hz, 3F, A),  
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26 -64.16 (t,  $J = 10.8$  Hz, 3F, B); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClF}_3\text{NNaO}_2$   
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28  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  406.0798, found 406.0792.

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31 *Benzyl 3-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline-2(1H)-carboxylate*  
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33 (**4e**). 100 mg, 55% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.46-7.21 (m, 9H), 5.21 (dd,  
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35  $J = 20.4, 12.4$  Hz, 2H), 4.79 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.33 (d,  $J$   
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37 = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.92-2.67 (m, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  154.8,  
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39 136.5, 135.2, 135.2, 128.6, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 127.0, 126.2 (q,  $J = 276.3$  Hz),  
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41 125.6, 67.2, 56.1, 46.0, 41.4, 40.1 (br s), 26.0;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -59.78  
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43 (t,  $J = 11.6$  Hz, 3F); HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd. for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_3\text{NNaO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  386.1344,  
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45 found 386.1337.

#### 56 **Direct Intramolecular Carbotrifluoromethylation of Alkenes**

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4 An oven-dried vessel equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with activated  
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6 KF (138.0 mg, 1.0 mmol, 10.0 equiv), Cu(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> (8.5 mg, 0.025 mmol, 25  
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8 mol %), **3f** (17.5 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), AgNO<sub>3</sub> (17.0 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv),  
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10 DMF (super dry, 1.0 mL), trimethyl(trifluoromethyl)silane (TMSCF<sub>3</sub>, 0.15 mL, 1.0  
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12 mmol, 10.0 equiv). The sealed vessel was then stirred at 80 °C for 72 h. DMF was  
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14 removed *in vacuo*, and the residue was purified by a silica gel column  
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16 chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether/EtOAc = 90/1-40/1) to give the desired  
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18 products. The present spectrum is consistent with our previous reported.<sup>4b</sup>  
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### 23 24 **Experiments for mechanism study**

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26 (NOTE: The reaction was water-sensitive, the reagents and Schlenk tube must be  
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28 dried prior to use).  
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31 *1) Reaction of TEMPO with TMSCF<sub>3</sub>.*<sup>8a</sup> Under argon, an oven-dried resealable  
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33 Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with activated KF (23.2  
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35 mg, 0.4 mmol), Cu(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> (5.1 mg, 0.015 mmol), AgNO<sub>3</sub> (17.0 mg, 0.1 mmol),  
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37 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-piperidinyloxy (TEMPO, 15.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), DMF (super dry,  
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39 0.6 mL), trimethyl(trifluoromethyl)silane (TMSCF<sub>3</sub>, 59 μL, 0.4 mmol). The sealed  
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41 tube was then stirred at 80 °C for 16 hours, then cooled to room temperature,  
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43 α,α,α-trifluorotoluene (internal standard, 14.6 mg, 0.1 mmol) was added. <sup>19</sup>F NMR  
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45 analysis of this reaction mixture showed that TEMPO-CF<sub>3</sub> was formed in 0% yield.  
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51 *2) Reaction of TEMPO and TMSCF<sub>3</sub> with 1a.*<sup>8a</sup> Under argon, an oven-dried resealable  
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53 Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with activated KF (11.6  
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55 mg, 0.2 mmol), **1a** (14.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), Cu(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> (2.6 mg, 0.0075 mmol),  
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4 AgNO<sub>3</sub> (8.5 mg, 0.05 mmol), 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-piperidinyloxy (TEMPO, 7.8 mg,  
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6 0.05 mmol or 15.6 mg, 0.1 mmol), DMF (super dry, 0.3 mL),  
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8 trimethyl(trifluoromethyl)silane (TMSCF<sub>3</sub>, 29.5 μL, 0.2 mmol). The sealed tube was  
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10 then stirred at 80 °C for 16 hours, then cooled to room temperature,  
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12 α,α,α-trifluorotoluene (internal standard, 7.3 mg, 0.05 mmol) was added. <sup>19</sup>F NMR  
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14 analysis of this reaction mixture showed that **2a** was formed in 46% yield (TEMPO,  
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16 1.0 eq.), <sup>19</sup>F NMR analysis of this reaction mixture showed that **2a** was formed in 30%  
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18 yield (TEMPO, 2.0 eq.).  
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24 *3) Reaction of BHT and TMSCF<sub>3</sub> with 1a.* Under argon, an oven-dried resealable  
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26 Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with activated KF (11.6  
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28 mg, 0.2 mmol), **1a** (14.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), Cu(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> (2.6 mg, 0.0075 mmol),  
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30 AgNO<sub>3</sub> (8.5 mg, 0.05 mmol), 2,6-di-*tert*-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT, 11.0 mg, 0.05  
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32 mmol), DMF (super dry, 0.3 mL), trimethyl(trifluoromethyl)silane (TMSCF<sub>3</sub>, 29.5 μL,  
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34 0.2 mmol). The sealed tube was then stirred at 80 °C for 16 hours, then cooled to  
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36 room temperature, α,α,α-trifluorotoluene (internal standard, 7.3 mg, 0.05 mmol) was  
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38 added. <sup>19</sup>F NMR analysis of this reaction mixture showed that **2a** was formed in 10%  
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40 yield.  
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46 *4) Reaction of CuCF<sub>3</sub><sup>7i</sup> with 1a.* Under argon, an oven-dried resealable Schlenk tube  
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48 equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with activated KF (2.9 mg, 0.05 mmol),  
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50 trimethyl(trifluoromethyl)silane (TMSCF<sub>3</sub>, 7.4 μL, 0.05 mmol), Cu(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub>  
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52 (17.1 mg, 0.05 mmol), DMF (super dry, 0.3 mL). The sealed tube was then stirred at  
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54 25 °C for 30 minutes, then **1a** (14.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), AgNO<sub>3</sub> (8.5 mg, 0.05 mmol),  
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4 Cu(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> (2.6 mg, 0.0075 mmol) were added under argon. The sealed tube  
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6 was then stirred at 80 °C for additional 16 hours, then cooled to room temperature,  
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8  $\alpha,\alpha,\alpha$ -trifluorotoluene (internal standard, 7.3 mg, 0.05 mmol) was added. <sup>19</sup>F NMR  
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10 analysis of this reaction mixture showed that **2a** was formed in 0% yield.

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13 *5) Reaction of AgCF<sub>3</sub><sup>7g</sup> with 1a.* Under argon, an oven-dried resealable Schlenk tube  
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15 equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with activated KF (11.6 mg, 0.2 mmol),  
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17 trimethyl(trifluoromethyl)silane (TMSCF<sub>3</sub>, 29.5  $\mu$ L, 0.2 mmol), AgNO<sub>3</sub> (34.0 mg, 0.2  
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19 mmol), DMF (super dry, 0.3 mL). The sealed tube was then stirred at 25 °C for 30  
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21 minutes, then **1a** (14.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), Cu(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> (2.6 mg, 0.0075 mmol)  
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23 were added under argon. The sealed tube was then stirred at 80 °C for additional 16  
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25 hours, then cooled to room temperature,  $\alpha,\alpha,\alpha$ -trifluorotoluene (internal standard, 7.3  
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27 mg, 0.05 mmol) was added. <sup>19</sup>F NMR analysis of this reaction mixture showed that **2a**  
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## Supporting Information Available

Characterization for compounds, including copies of  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$  and  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectra.

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