Supporting Information

Selective C3-H Nitration of 2-Sulfanilamidopyridines

with tert-Butyl Nitrite

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1. General Information

Unless otherwise noted, materials were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. The N-(pyridin-2-yl)arylsulfonamides were prepared according to reported methods.¹ All the reactions were carried out without any precautions to exclude air and moisture. All reactions were monitored by TLC (thin layer chromatography) and visualized using UV light. Products were purified by column chromatography by 100-200 mesh silica. Proton (¹H) and carbon (¹³C) NMR spectra were taken on a Bruker AV-500 spectrometer operating at 500 MHz or 400 MHz for proton and 126 MHz or 101 MHz for carbon nuclei using CDCl₃ or DMSO- d_6 as solvent, respectively. Chemical shifts were referenced to the residual proton solvent peaks (1H: CDCl₃, 87.26; DMSO-d₆, 82.50), solvent ¹³C signals (CDCl₃, δ 77.00; DMSO-*d*₆, δ 39.60). Suitable crystals of compound **2a**, **2m** and **2n** were obtained by slowly evaporating a mixture of dichloromethane and petroleum ether solution at ambient temperature. Single crystal was chosen under an optical microscope and quickly coated with high vacuum grease to prevent decomposition. Intensity data and cell parameters were recorded at 295 K on a Rigaku R-Axis Rapid X-single crystal diffractometer, employing a Mo K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å). The empirical absorption correction was applied by using the SADABS program. The structure was solved using direct method, and refined by full matrix least-squares on F². CCDC 2157226 (2a), CCDC 2158133 (2m) and CCDC 2158131 (2n) contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre.

2. General procedure for the C3-H nitration of 2-sulfanilamidopyridines

To a 10 mL vial, 2-sulfanilamidopyridines (1a-1y) (0.2 mmol) and Cu(OAc)₂ (5 mol %, 1.8 mg) were dissolved in PhCl (1.0 mL). 'BuONO (4.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv, 24 μ L) were then slowly added into the mixture. The reactions were then sealed and heated at 100 °C for 24 h. After that time, the reactions were monitored by TLC plate, and the solvent was removed under vacuum, the resulting solids were purified by flash column chromatography to afford the desired nitration products (2a-2y).

3. X-ray crystal structure data

Crystal data and structure refinement for 2a (ball and stick at the 30% probability level)



CCDC: 2157226

Table 1 Crystal data for 2a			
Identification code	Shx97		
Empirical formula	$C_{11}H_9N_3O_4S$		
Formula weight	279.27		
Temperature	295(2)		

Crystal system	Triclinic		
Space group	P-1		
a/Å	7.3377(15)		
b/Å	7.9190(16)		
c/Å	11.426(2)		
α/°	96.73(3)		
β/°	99.02(3)		
γ/°	109.40(3) 608.2(2)		
Volume/Å ³	608.2(2)		
Z	2		
$ ho_{calc}mg/mm^3$	1.525		
µ/mm ⁻¹	0.280		
F(000)	288		
Crystal size/mm ³	0.46 x 0.25 x 0.13		
2Θ range for data collection	3.010 to 25.021°		
Index ranges	-8<=h<=8, -9<=k<=9, -13<=l<=13		
Reflections collected	4824		
Independent reflections	4024 2144 [R(int) = 0.0542]		
Data/restraints/parameters	2144 / 0 / 172		
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.145		
Final R indexes [I>=2 σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0648, wR_2 = 0.1548$		
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.1006, wR_2 = 0.2260$		
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.481 / -0.728		

Crystal data and structure refinement for 2m (ball and stick at the 30% probability level)



CCDC: 2158133

Table 2 Crystal data for 2m			
Identification code	Shx97		
Empirical formula	$C_{12}H_{11}N_3O_4S$		
Formula weight	293.30		
Temperature	293(2)		
Crystal system	Monoclinic		
Space group	P2 ₁ /c		
a/Å	6.9073(14)		

b/Å	17.475(4)		
c/Å	11.142(2)		
α/°	90		
β/°	96.86(3)		
γ/°	90		
Volume/Å ³	1335.2(5)		
Z	4		
$\rho_{calc}mg/mm^3$	1.459		
µ/mm ⁻¹	0.259		
F(000)	608.0		
Crystal size/mm ³	0.53 x 0.39 x 0.20		
2Θ range for data collection	5.942 to 50.052°		
Index ranges	-8<=h<=8, -20<=k<=20, -13<=l<=13		
Reflections collected	10056		
Independent reflections	2360 [R(int) = 0.0604, Rsigma = 0.0540]		
Data/restraints/parameters	2360 / 18 / 181		
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.210		
Final R indexes [I>=2 σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0510, wR_2 = 0.1296$		
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0693, wR_2 = 0.1388$		
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.31 / -0.30		

Crystal data and structure refinement for 2n (ball and stick at the 30% probability level)



CCDC: 2158131

Table 3 Crystal data for 2n			
Identification code	Shx97		
Empirical formula	C ₁₂ H ₁₁ N ₃ O ₄ S		
Formula weight	293.30		
Temperature	293(2)		
Crystal system	Monoclinic		
Space group	P2 ₁ /n		
a/Å	8.0582(16)		
b/Å	8.8182(18)		
c/Å	18.340(4)		
α/°	90		

β/°	90.59(3)		
γ/°	90		
Volume/Å ³	1297.0(5)		
Z	4		
$\rho_{calc}mg/mm^3$	1.502		
µ/mm ⁻¹	0.267		
F(000)	608.0		
Crystal size/mm ³	0.37 x 0.32 x 0.28		
2Θ range for data collection	6.424 to 50.044°		
Index ranges	-9<=h<=9, -9<=k<=9, -21<=l<=21		
Reflections collected	9935		
Independent reflections	2288 [R(int) = 0.1049, Rsigma = 0.0688]		
Data/restraints/parameters	2288 / 0 / 182		
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.156		
Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0434, wR_2 = 0.0937$		
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0777, wR_2 = 0.1404$		
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.32 / -0.53		

4. Hydrogen bonds data



Hydrogen bonds with H..A < r(A) + 2.000 Angstroms and <DHA > 110 deg. Appropriate HTAB instructions appended to .res file for future use.

D-H	d(D-H)	d(HA)	<dha< th=""><th>d(DA)</th><th>A</th></dha<>	d(DA)	A
N1-H1B	0.860	2.067	125.88	2.664	03
N1-H1B	0.860	2.280	156.39	3.087	O3 [-x, -y+2, -z+1]
C5-H5A	0.930	2.684	114.91	3.189	N2
C8-H8A	0.930	2.657	125.51	3.286	O1 [-x+1, -y+1, -z+1]

5. Characterization data

N-(3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2a)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 10:1) on silica to obtain **2a**: 45.2 mg, 83% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.23 (s, 1H), 8.54 – 8.43 (m, 2H), 8.23 – 8.15 (m, 2H), 7.62 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 4.7 Hz,

1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.1, 145.7, 139.2, 135.0, 133.7, 130.4, 128.8, 128.7, 118.1 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₁₀N₃O₄S: 280.0387, found: 280.0390.

N-(5-methoxy-3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2b)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 10:1) on silica to obtain **2b**: 55.1 mg, 89% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.96 (s, 1H), 8.25 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 8.18 – 8.12 (m, 2H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H),

7.51 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.4, 143.4, 139.5, 133.4, 130.2, 128.7, 128.6, 117.4, 56.4 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂N₃O₅S: 310.0492, found: 310.0490.

N-(5-methyl-3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2c)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 8:1) on silica to obtain **2c**: 51.6 mg, 88% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.08 (s, 1H), 8.33 (m, 1H), 8.29 – 8.25 (m, 1H), 8.19 – 8.15 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.51 (m, 2H), 2.32

(s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.5, 143.5, 139.3, 134.7, 133.5, 130.0, 128.68, 128.61, 128.4, 17.2 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂N₃O₄S: 294.0543, found: 294.0542.

N-(5-fluoro-3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2d)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 5:1) on silica to obtain **2d**: 48.1 mg, 81% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.08 (s, 1H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.25 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.19 – 8.09 (m, 2H), 7.67 – 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.53

(dd, J = 8.5, 7.0 Hz, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.8 (d, J = 257.0 Hz), 142.8 (d, J = 24.9 Hz), 142.0 (d, J = 1.9 Hz), 139.0, 133.8, 129.7 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 128.8, 128.7, 121.8 (d, J = 23.5 Hz) ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₉FN₃O₄S: 298.0292, found: 298.0288.

N-(5-chloro-3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2e)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 8:1) on silica to obtain **2e**: 55.8 mg, 89% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.11 (s, 1H), 8.46 (q, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 8.17 (s, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.6

Hz, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.8, 143.8, 138.8, 134.2, 133.8, 130.0, 128.76, 128.75, 125.2 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₉ClN₃O₄S: 313.9997, found: 313.9995.

N-(5-bromo-3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2f)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified via column chromatography (PE:EA = 10:1) on silica to obtain **2f**: 60.1 mg, 84% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 8.20 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.4

Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.5, 146.7, 142.6, 139.1, 133.5, 128.7, 128.5, 113.4, 107.0 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₉BrN₃O₄S: 357.9492, 359.9471, found: 357.9493, 359.9471.

methyl 5-nitro-6-(phenylsulfonamido)nicotinate (2g)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified via column chromatography (PE:EA = 8:1) on silica to obtain 2g: 48.2 mg, 72% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.38 (s, 1H), 9.06 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 9.03 (s, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 8.19 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H),, 3.95 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101

MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.3, 155.0, 147.8, 138.6, 136.3, 134.0, 129.6, 129.0, 128.8, 120.8, 52.9 ppm. HRMS (EI): $m/z [M+H]^+$ calcd for $C_{13}H_{12}N_3O_6S$: 338.0441, found: 338.0443.

N-(5,6-dinitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2h)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified via column chromatography (PE:EA = 5:1) on silica to obtain 2h: 41.5 mg, 64% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.48 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.92 - 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.67 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H)

7.5 Hz, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 146.3, 145.7, 140.0, 135.0, 134.1, 133.5, 129.6, 126.9, 124.1 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁻ calcd for C₁₁H₇N₄O₆S: 323.0092, found: 323.0088.

N-(6-methyl-3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2i)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified via column chromatography (PE:EA = 10:1) on silica to obtain 2i: 38.0 mg, 48% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.19 (s, 1H), 8.32 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (s, 1H), 8.18 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.89 $(d, J = 8.5 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 2.48 (s, 3\text{H}) \text{ ppm}; {}^{13}\text{C} \text{ NMR} (101 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta 165.3, 144.8, 139.2, 134.9, 133.6,$

129.1, 128.4, 128.2, 118.0, 24.3. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for $C_{12}H_{12}N_3O_4S$: 294.0543, found:294.0542.

N-(6-methoxy-3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2j)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified via column chromatography (PE:EA = 10:1) on silica to obtain 2j: 50.7 mg, 82% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.65 (s, 1H), 8.34 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 8.07 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.39

(d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.9, 146.4, 139.8, 137.4, 133.6, 129.0, 127.8, 124.4, 106.1, 55.5 ppm. HRMS (EI): $m/z [M+H]^+$ calcd for $C_{12}H_{12}N_3O_5S$: 310.0492, found: 310.0490.

N-(6-fluoro-3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2k)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified via column chromatography (PE:EA = 8:1) on silica to obtain 2k: 47.1 mg, 89% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.31 (s, 1H), 8.59 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 8.31 – 8.15 (m, 2H), 7.65 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.64 (dd, J = 8.9, 3.5 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.6 (d, *J* = 253.7 Hz), 145.9 (d,

J=19.9 Hz), 140.8 (d, J=11.0 Hz), 138.4, 134.1, 129.2, 128.8, 127.8, 103.7(d, J=38.3 Hz) ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₉FN₃O₄S: 298.0292, found: 298.0288.

N-(6-chloro-3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (21)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified via column chromatography (PE:EA = 10:1) on silica to obtain 21: 49.4 mg, 79% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.20 (s, 1H), 8.41 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.28 -8.15 (m, 2H), 7.65 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (s, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.6, 145.3, 138.3, 137.2, 134.1, 129.5, 128.8,

128.7, 118.4 ppm. HRMS (EI): $m/z [M+H]^+$ calcd for $C_{11}H_9ClN_3O_4S$: 313.9997, found: 313.9995.

N-(4-methyl-5-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (**2m**)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified via column chromatography (PE:EA = 2:1) on silica to obtain 2m: 35.2 mg, 60% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) 9.23 (s, 1H), 8.18 (d, *J* = 23.4 Hz,

3H), 7.65 - 7.46 (m, 3H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 2.51 (s, 3H) ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]+ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂N₃O₄S: 294.0543, found: 294.0542.

N-(3-methyl-5-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2n)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified via column chromatography (PE:EA = 2:1) on silica to obtain 2n: 38.1 mg, 65% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.10 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H)., 7.63 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (s, 1H), 2.65 (s,

3H) ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂N₃O₄S: 294.0543, found: 294.0542.

N-(3-nitroquinolin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (20)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified via column chromatography (PE:EA = 2:1) on silica to obtain **20**: 29.6 mg, 45% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 11.79 (s, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (s, 2H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 7.19 (s, 11H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 162.0, 143.3, 141.5, 140.2, 133.1, 129.0, 127.8, 125.1, 124.3, 123.9, 123.7, 118.6, 116.0 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+Na]+ calcd for C₁₅H₁₁NaN₃O₄S: 352.0362, found: 352.0362.

N-(4-nitroisoquinolin-3-yl)benzenesulfonamide (**2p**)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 3:1) on silica to obtain **2p**: 34.3 mg, 52% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 11.42 (s, 1H), 9.24 (s, 1H), 8.18 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.82

(d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H);¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 154.8, 141.2, 138.6, 134.3, 133.0, 131.9, 129.0, 128.6, 128.3, 127.8, 127.3, 125.7, 120.1 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₁₁NaN₃O₄S: 352.0362, found: 352.0362.

4-methyl-*N*-(3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2q)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 10:1) on silica to obtain **2q**: 51.3 mg, 83% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.19 (s, 1H), 8.49 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 5.9 Hz, 2H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (dd, *J* =

8.3, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.1, 145.8, 144.7, 136.3, 135.0, 130.4, 129.3, 128.9, 117.9, 21.6 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂N₃O₄S: 294.0543, found: 294.0542.

4-fluoro-*N*-(3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2r)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 8:1) on silica to obtain **2r**: 47.5 mg, 80% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.20 (s, 1H), 8.54 – 8.46 (m, 2H), 8.25 – 8.19 (m, 2H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 4.9 Hz, 1H) ppm; ¹³C

NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) 165.61 (d, J = 256.6 Hz), 154.00, 145.48, 135.11 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 135.06, 131.83 (d, J = 9.7 Hz), 130.44, 118.23, 115.93 (d, J = 22.8 Hz) ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₉FN₃O₄S: 298.0292, found: 298.0288.

4-chloro-N-(3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2s)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 10:1) on silica to obtain **2s**: 52.6 mg, 84% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.23 (s, 1H), 8.50 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.17 – 7.10 (m, 1H) ppm;

 ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.0, 145.5, 140.3, 137.6, 135.1, 130.44, 130.40, 129.0, 118.3 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]^+ calcd for C_{11}H_9\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_4\text{S}: 313.9997, found: 313.9995.

4-bromo-N-(3-nitropyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2t)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 10:1) on silica to obtain **2t**: 62.8 mg, 79% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.23 (s, 1H), 8.52 – 8.48 (m, 2H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.16 – 7.10 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C

NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.1, 145.4, 138.1, 137.9, 135.1, 132.0, 130.4, 128.9, 118.3 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₉BrN₃O₄S: 357.9492, 359.9471, found: 357.9493, 359.9471.

N-(3-nitropyridin-2-yl)naphthalene-2-sulfonamide (2u)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 6:1) on silica to obtain **2u**: 39.5 mg, 60% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.32 (s, 1H), 8.79 (s, 1H), 8.55 – 8.40 (m, 2H), 8.13 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.72 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.06 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H)

ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl3 δ 154.1, 145.7, 136.0, 135.2, 135.0, 131.8, 130.9, 130.4, 129.5, 129.3, 128.9, 127.9, 127.6, 123.4, 118.0 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₁₂N₃O₄S: 330.0543, found: 330.0549.

N-(3-nitropyridin-2-yl)thiophene-2-sulfonamide (2v)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 8:1) on silica to obtain 2v: 29.1 mg, 51% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.28 (s, 1H), 8.63 (dd, J = 4.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.53 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (dd, J = 3.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.4

Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, J = 8.3, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.9 Hz, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.0, 145.5, 139.5, 135.2, 135.1, 134.0, 130.4, 127.0, 118.3 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₉H₈N₃O₄S₂: 285.9951, found: 285.9956.

N-(4-nitropyridin-3-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2w)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 8:1) on silica to obtain **2w**: 45.2 mg, 81% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.63 (s, 1H), 8.33 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (dd, *J* = 4.3, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.65 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.50 (t,

J = 7.8 Hz, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.5, 143.0, 138.1, 134.1, 130.7, 130.3, 130.1, 129.6, 127.0 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₁₀N₃O₄S: 280.0387, found: 280.0390.

N-(3-nitropyridin-4-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2x)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 5:1) on silica to obtain **2x**: 43.5 mg, 78% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.27 (s, 1H), 9.30 (s, 1H), 8.58 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 19.4, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 19.4, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 19.4, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (dd, *J* = 19.4, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (dd, *J* = 19.4, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (dd, *J* = 19.4, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 7.57 (t, J = 7.8 Hz), 7

2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.0, 148.3, 140.8, 138.2, 134.5, 131.7, 129.8, 127.4, 111.7 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₁₀N₃O₄S: 280.0387, found: 280.0390.

2-methyl-N-(6-methyl-3-nitropyridin-2-yl)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-sulfonamide (2aa)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 10:1) on silica to obtain **2aa**: 46.1 mg, 68% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.24 (s, 1H), 8.36 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (s, 1H), 8.10 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 7.42 (dt, *J* = 20.8, 7.4 Hz, 4H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H) ppm;

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.3, 147.3, 145.0, 134.0, 137.5, 136.1, 135.0, 130.9, 129.8, 128.7,

128.3, 128.2, 127.8, 126.7, 118.0, 24.5, 20.5 ppm. HRMS (EI): $m/z [M+H]^+$ calcd for $C_{19}H_{18}N_3O_4S$: 384.1013, found: 384.1017.

N-(3-nitro-5-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2ab)

Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 8:1) on silica to obtain **2ab**: 54.2 mg, 78% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.34 (bs, 1H), 8.74 (s, 1H), 8.72 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz,

2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.9 (q, J = 3.6 Hz), 147.6, 138.6, 134.1, 132.9 (q, J = 3.5 Hz), 129.4, 129.0, 128.9, 122.1 (q, J = 272.6 Hz), 121.4 (q, J = 36.9 Hz) ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₉F₃N₃O₄S: 348.0260, found: 348.0268.

4-(N-(3-nitropyridin-2-yl)sulfamoyl)phenyl pivalate (2ac)



Followed General Procedure on 0.2 mmol scale. Purified *via* column chromatography (PE:EA = 8:1) on silica to obtain **2ac**: 43.0 mg, 64% yield; Yellow solid; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.21 (s, 1H), 8.49 – 8.48 (m, 2H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.11 – 7.08 (m, 1H),

1.35 (s, 9H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.3, 155.1, 154.1, 145.6, 136.1, 135.0, 130.7, 130.5, 121.9, 118.1, 39.2, 27.0 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₆H₁₈N₃O₆S: 380.0911, found: 380.0916.

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7. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra























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