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Electro-oxidative coupling of Bunte salts with aryldiazonium tetrafluoroborates: A benign access to unsymmetrical sulfoxides

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1. Electrochemical Apparatus / Electrode Materials:

All the reactions and cyclic voltametric (CV) investigations were performed using an IKA ElectraSyn 2.0 system [Figure S1]. The graphite (SK-50) electrode (8 x 52.5 x 2 mm), platinum electrode (8 x 52.5 x 2 mm), glassy carbon electrode, and Ag/AgCl reference electrode were used as furnished in the Electrochemistry Kit by the IKA India Private Limited.



Figure S1. IKA ElectraSyn 2.0 System

2. Cyclic Voltammetry Study:

The cyclic voltammetry was recorded at room temperature using glassy carbon as working electrode, Pt as counter electrode, and Ag/AgCl as reference electrode with $^{n}Bu_{4}NBF_{4}$ (0.1M) as supporting electrolyte in DMF: H₂O (9:1 v/v) at a scan rate of 100 mV s⁻¹ by the IKA ElectraSyn 2.0. The concentration of both the benzyl thiosulfate salt (1a) and 4-fluorobenzenediazonium tetrafluoroborate (2d) was maintained to be 10 mM for the cyclic voltammetry investigations.



Figure S2: (a) CV of ^{*n*}Bu₄NBF₄ (0.1M) in DMF: H₂O at a scan rate of 100 mVs⁻¹ vs Ag/AgCl. (b) CV of benzyl thiosulfate salt (**1a**) using 0.1M ^{*n*}Bu₄NBF₄ / DMF: H₂O at a scan rate of 100 mVs⁻¹ vs Ag/AgCl. (c) CV of 4-fluorobenzenediazonium tetrafluoroborate (**2d**) in 0.1M ^{*n*}Bu₄NBF₄ / DMF: H₂O at a scan rate of 100 mVs⁻¹ vs Ag/AgCl. (d) CV of the mixture of **1a** with **2d** in 0.1M ^{*n*}Bu₄NBF₄ / DMF: H₂O at a scan rate of 100 mVs⁻¹ vs Ag/AgCl.

3. Copies of ¹H, ¹⁹F, and ¹³C Spectra of the Products 3







¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃)





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¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃)



Z 7.499 Z 7.483 Z 7.310 Z 7.294









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¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃)







¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃)





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¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃)







¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃)



∠ 4.146 ∠ 4.120 ∑ 4.027 ₹ 4.003





¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃)





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













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7.639 7.632 7.632 7.588 7.588 7.588 7.572 7.478 7.478 7.468 7.478 7.456 7.456 7.438





¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃)





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



¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃)



7.627 7.616 7.616 7.608 7.559 7.559 7.555 7.437 7.437 7.437 7.437 7.437 7.147















4. HRMS Data of TEMPO Adduct 4 and 5:





5. Crystallographic Data.

Crystal of compound **3d** was grown by slow evaporation of a solution of the compound in CHCl₃. All the measurements were obtained on Oxford Xcalibar Diffractometer system (model of the instrument – XcalibarTM E).





Figure S3. View of the molecular structure of 3d.

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 Table T1. Crystallographic data for compound 3d.

| Crystallized from | CHCl ₃ |
|---|--|
| Empirical formula | C ₁₄ H ₁₂ Cl ₂ OS |
| Formula weight [g mol ⁻¹] | 299.20 |
| Crystal colour, habit | White, block |
| Crystal dimensions (mm) | 0.41 	imes 0.38 	imes 0.36 |
| Temperature [K] | 293(2) |
| Crystal system | Monoclinic |
| Space group | $P2_{1}/n$ |
| a/Å | 5.7326(5) |
| b/Å | 16.7916(19) |
| c/Å | 14.3441(12) |
| α/° | 90 |
| β/° | 92.205(9) |
| γ/° | 90 |
| V[Å ³] | 1379.7(2) |
| Ζ | 4 |
| $Dx[g/cm^3]$ | 1.4404 |
| μ (MoKα) [mm ⁻¹] | 5.515 |
| F(000) | 621.6 |
| Radiation | Cu Ka ($\lambda = 1.54184$) |
| 2Θ range for data collection/° | 8.12 to 144.66 |
| Index ranges | $-6 \le h \le 7,$ -18 $\le k \le 20,$ -17 $\le 1 \le 14$ |
| Reflections collected | 5008 |
| Independent reflections | 2644 [$R_{int} = 0.0538$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0769$] |
| Data/restraints/parameters | 2644/0/164 |
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.017 |
| Final R indexes $[I \ge 2\sigma(I)]$ | $R_1 = 0.0749, wR_2 = 0.1869$ |
| Final R indexes [all data] | $R_1 = 0.1063, wR_2 = 0.2285$ |
| Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³ | 0.74/-0.46 |