Supporting Information

Pyridine-Oriented Transannular C-H Functionalization of Arene

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1. General Information

All reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere with magnetic stirring unless otherwise noted. DCM was distilled over CaH₂, THF was distilled over Na/benzophenone. Toluene and CHCl₃ were commercially purchased analytical pure reagent. Glassware was dried in an oven-dried before use. The PPh₃, K₂CO₃, $Pd(PPh_3)_4$, CF₃SO₃H, *n*-BuLi, various boric acids and boron esters, 2-bromonicotinaldehyde, 2-bromo-6-methylnicotinaldehyde, 2-bromo-5-chloronicotinaldehyde and 2-bromo-4-chloronicotinaldehyde are commercially available. All new compounds were characterized by NMR spectroscopy, IR spectroscopy, high-resolution mass spectroscopy (HRMS).

¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker 400 spectrometer (¹H at 400 MHz, ¹³C at 101 MHz and ¹⁹F at 377 MHz). Chemical shifts for ¹H NMR spectra are reported as δ in units of parts per million (ppm) downfield from SiMe₄ (δ 0.00) and relative to the signal of SiMe₄ (δ 0.00 singlet). ¹H NMR splitting patterns are designated as singlet (s), doublet (d), triplet (t), quartet (q), multiplet (m), doublet of doublets (dd), triplet of doublets (td). Coupling constants are reported as a *J* value in Hz. ¹³C NMR spectra are reported as δ in units of parts per million (ppm) downfield from SiMe₄ (δ 0.00) and relative to the signal of chloroform-*d* (δ 77.00 triplet). ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on the same spectrometer with complete proton decoupling.

Infrared (IR) spectra were measured on Thermofisher Nicolet iN10 FM-IR spectrometer using KBr plates. High resolution mass spectral analysis (HRMS) was recorded on a FT-ICR (Fourier Transform-Ion Cyclotron Resonance) mass spectrometer by using electrospray ionization (ESI) techniques. Single crystal X-ray diffraction measurements were performed on an Agilent SuperNova-CCD X-Ray diffractometer.

Column chromatographic was performed on 200-300 mesh silica gel and reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) using silica gel GF254 plates. Visualisation was by ultraviolet fluorescene ($\lambda = 254$ nm) and staining with phosphomolybdic acid.

2. The preparation of substrates

The preparation method of substrates $1a^1$, 1b-1ak and their characterization data are provided as follows.



2.1 Procedure A: the synthesis of the phosphine ylides



The PPh₃ (20.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in toluene (20.0 mL) for a 100.0 mL round bottom flask, following benzyl bromide **1**-**1** (20.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added into the reaction system. The reaction mixture was refluxed for a period of time. Then, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature when the benzyl bromide **1**-**1** was completely consumed by TLC monitoring. The solid materials were isolated by filter through buchner funnel, washed with petroleum ether (PE) and dried under *vacuo* to afford the phosphine ylides² **1**-**2**.

2.2 Procedure B: the synthesis of substrates 1s–1ah, 1ak



The phosphine ylides² **1-2** (3.3 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) was dissolved in dry THF (10.0 mL) for a 100.0 mL round bottom flask. The solution was cooled to 0 $^{\circ}$ C, then the *n*-BuLi (1.5 mL, 2.5 M in hexane, 3.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 $^{\circ}$ C. After 20 minutes, the 2-(naphthalen-1-yl) nicotinaldehyde³ (3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in dry THF (10.0 mL) and added dropwise to the reaction mixture, the resulting mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aq. NH₄Cl solution when the 2-(naphthalen-1-yl) nicotinaldehyde³ was completely consumed by TLC monitoring and extracted by DCM (10.0 mL × 3). The organic solution was combined and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, then the organic solution was concentrated under *vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to afford the corresponding substrates **1s–1ah, 1ak**.

2.3 Procedure C: the synthesis of substrates 1b-1r, 1ai, 1aj



The tetrtriphenylphosphine palladium (2.0 mol%), potassium carbonate (10.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and naphthylboric acid **1-3** (6.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) was dissolved in toluene (10.0 mL) under argon for a 100.0 mL oven-dried round bottom flask. Following the 2-bromo-3-styrylpyridine⁴ (5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in toluene (10.0 mL) and added to the above reaction, following the distilled water (3.0 ml) was added. Then the reaction mixture was heated to 110 °C and stirred at this temperature. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature when the raw materials were completely consumed by TLC monitoring and filtered, then combined the organic solution and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The organic solution was concentrated under *vacuo* and purified by column chromatography on silica gel to afford the corresponding substrates **1b–1r**, **1ai**, **1aj**.

3. General procedure for the synthesis of products 2

		Acid Solvent, T	Ph N	a
Entry	Acid	Solvent	$T(\mathbb{C})$	$\mathrm{Yield}\left(\%\right)^{b}$
1	CH ₃ COOH	DCE	r.t.	N.R.
2	CF ₃ COOH	DCE	r.t.	N.R.
3	HCl	DCE	r.t.	N.R.
4	H_2SO_4	DCE	r.t.	23
5	CSA^{c}	DCE	r.t.	N.R.
6	TsOH^d	DCE	r.t.	N.R.
7	CH ₃ SO ₃ H	DCE	r.t.	10
8	CF ₃ SO ₃ H	DCE	r.t.	92
9	CF ₃ SO ₃ H	DCM	r.t.	39
10	CF ₃ SO ₃ H	CHCl ₃	r.t.	98
11	CF ₃ SO ₃ H	Toluene	r.t.	57
12	CF ₃ SO ₃ H	EtOH	r.t.	N.R.
13	CF ₃ SO ₃ H	THF	r.t.	N.R.
14	CF ₂ SO ₂ H	DMF	r.t.	trace

3.1 Table 1 The reaction condition screening^a

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^{*a*}All reactions of **1a** (0.3 mmol) and acid (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were performed in solvent (0.5 mL) at room temperature for an oven-dried 10.0 mL Schlenk tube, the reactions were monitored by TLC until the **1a** was completely consumed. ^{*b*}Isolated yield, N.R. means no reaction. ^{*c*}CSA = Camphorsulfonic acid. ^{*d*}TsOH = *p*-Toluenesulfonic acid.

We initiated trials to assess the viability of our design by using 2-aryl-3-vinyl-pyridine and various acids dissolved in solvents. Initially, we selected 2-naphthyl-3-styryl-pyridine **1a** as the model substrate to investigate the possibility of reaction. The solution of 1a in DCE was reacted with the presence of acid (1.0 equiv.) at room temperature.

To screen the reaction conditions, we tested different acids, including CH₃COOH and CF₃COOH (entries 1 and 2, Table 1), these conditions resulted only in the formation of pyridine salts, with no progress in the transannular reactions. Next, we explored the effect of the HCl (entry 3, Table 1) for this reaction, but unfortunately, no product was observed. When we switched to H_2SO_4 (entry 4, Table 1) as the acid

component, we were pleased to obtain the desired pyridine-containing fused seven-membered ring 2a in 23% yield. Encouraged by this outcome, we explored the feasibility of sulfonic acids, such as CSA and TsOH (entries 5 and 6, Table 1), but were disappointed to find no product from these reactions. Subsequently, we tested CH₃SO₃H (entry 7, Table 1), which yielded only trace amounts of product. When we replaced CH₃SO₃H with CF₃SO₃H (entry 8, Table 1), we achieved an excellent yield of 92% for the expected product. In addition, we screened various solvents, including dichloromethane, chloroform, toluene, ethanol, tetrahydrofuran, and N,N-dimethylformamide (entries 9–14, Table 1). The results indicated that CHCl₃ was the optimal solvent for this reaction, affording the expected product 2a in almost quantitative yield (entry 10, Table 1). Consequently, we determined that the optimal reaction conditions involved the use of CHCl₃ as the solvent in the presence of CF₃SO₃H at room temperature.

3.2. Procedure D: the synthesis of products 2



The pyridine **1a–1ak** (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in CHCl₃ (0.5 mL) for an oven-dried 10.0 mL Schlenk tube, following the CF₃SO₃H (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added and stirred at room temperature. (For reaction monitoring: the small amount of reaction mixture was taken through the dropper in a small container and neutralized with an appropriate amount of 10M NaOH solution, then extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic phase was monitored by TLC.) After the pyridine **1a–1ak** was completely consumed by TLC monitoring, the reaction mixture in the Schlenk tube was slowly poured into ice water, then neutralized with NaOH (10.0 M) solution and extracted with DCM (5.0 mL \times 3). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to afford the corresponding products **2a–2aj**. When the alkyl group was substituted with an alkene, the reaction system became a messy system, so the corresponding product **2ak** couldn't be obtained.

3.3. The interchanged experiment of substituents



The **1ah** (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in $CHCl_3(0.5 \text{ mL})$ for an oven-dried 10.0 mL Schlenk tube, following the CF_3SO_3H (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added to the above solution and stirred at room temperature. According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 15 : 1) to afford the product **2ah** and **2ah-1** with yields of 16% and 45%, respectively..

4. The mechanistic proposal



The regioselective electrophilic addition of alkenes can be attributed to the electron-deficient nature of the pyridine salt, which is disfavorable for the stability of the carbon cation. Consequently, this leads to the preferential formation of the benzyl carbon cation. Furthermore, the competitive homoannular reaction (Path A) may be

hindered by the spatial repulsive force arising from the nitrogen-hydrogen bond with the arene ring, prompting a dynamic rotation to favor the conformationally stable transannular reaction (Path B). Additionally, the electrophilic substitution reactivity at the α -position on naphthalene is generally higher than at the β -position. Hence, the transannular Friedel-Crafts alkylation can be efficiently achieved through the orientation facilitated by the pyridine group. Additionally, the electrophilic substitution reactivity at the α -position on naphthalene is generally higher than at the β -position. Hence, the transannular Friedel-Crafts alkylation can be efficiently achieved through the orientation facilitated by the pyridine group.

5. The synthetic transformations of products 2

5.1. Gram-scale syntheses



The **1a** (2.0 g, 6.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in $CHCl_3(1.0 \text{ mL})$ for an oven-dried 50.0 mL round bottom flask, following the CF_3SO_3H (1.2 ml, 13.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was added to the above solution and stirred at room temperature. According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to afford the product **2a** in 81% yield.

5.2. The *m*-CPBA oxidation of 2a to 2a-1



The **2a** (100.0 mg, 0.32 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), *m*-CPBA (113.0 mg, 0.64 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) were dissolved in DCM (2.0 mL) for an oven-dried 10.0 mL Schlenk tube and stirred at room temperature. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aq. NaHCO₃ solution when the **2a** was completely consumed by TLC monitoring and extracted by DCM (5.0 mL \times 3). Then the combined organic phase was dried over

anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 1 : 1) to afford the corresponding product **2a-1** in 93% yield.

5.3. The oxidation 2a to diketone 2a-2



The **2a** (0.35g, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), NHPI (0.23g, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and AIBN (8.0 mL) were added to an oven-dried 10 mL Schlenk tube under argon atmosphere and was dissolved in CH₃CN (2.0 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 75 \mathbb{C} (oil bath) for 3h. Then the mixture was cooled to room temperature and handled with an appropriate amount of 0.3 M H₂SO₄ solution for 2h. After completion, the solvent was concentrated in *vacuo*, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 10 : 1) to give the product **2a-2** in 24% yield.

5.4. The DDQ oxidation of 2a to 3a



The **2a** (100.0 mg, 0.32 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), DDQ (70.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were dissolved in toluene (2.0 mL) for an oven-dried 10.0 mL Schlenk tube. The reaction mixture was heated to 100 \C and stirred at this temperature. Then the mixture was cooled to room temperature when the **2a** was completely consumed by TLC monitoring and concentrated under *vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 50 : 1) to obtain the product **3a** in 57% yield.

5.5. The transformations of 21



Step 1: The compound **2l** (0.35 g, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), DDQ (0.23 g, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were dissolved in toluene (10.0 mL) for an oven-dried 50.0 mL round bottom flask. The reaction mixture was heated to 100 °C and stirred for a period of time. The mixture was cooled to room temperature when the **2l** was completely consumed by TLC monitoring and concentrated under *vacuo*, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to give the product **3b** in 45% yield.

Step 2: The activated iron powder (32.0 mg, 0.57 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and **3b** (100.0 mg, 0.28 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were added in EtOH (2.0 mL) for an oven-dried 10.0 mL Schlenk tube. The reaction mixture was heated to 70 °C. Then, the HCl (37.0 μ L, content 38%, 1.14 mmol, 4.0 equiv.) was added dropwise to the mixture and stirred at 70 °C. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature when the **3b** was completely consumed by TLC monitoring, then quenched with saturated aq. NaOH solution and extracted by DCM (5.0 mL × 3). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to afford the corresponding product **3b-1** in 56% yield.

6. Characterization data for key compounds

6.1. Characterization data for substrates 1b–1ak

(*E*)-6-methyl-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (**1b**)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1b** as a colorless amorphous solid in 82% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92 – 7.87 (m, 2H), 7.57 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.25

- 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.20 - 7.10 (m, 5H), 7.00 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.1, 156.9, 137.5, 137.0, 133.8, 133.0, 131.9, 129.8, 129.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 127.8, 127.7, 126.5, 126.3, 126.0, 125.9, 125.3, 122.5, 24.5; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀N, 322.1596, found 322.1599.

(*E*)-5-chloro-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (**1c**)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 50 : 1) to provide the product **1c** as a colorless amorphous solid in 93% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.59 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (q, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 - 7.40

(m, 4H), 7.29 - 7.24 (m, 3H), 7.21 - 7.19 (m, 2H), 6.46 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.2, 146.9, 136.7, 136.4, 135.8, 134.0, 133.8, 132.7, 131.4, 130.2, 129.0, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 127.9, 127.5, 126.5, 126.0, 125.9, 125.4, 125.1; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇NCl, 342.1050, found 342.1053.

(*E*)-4-chloro-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (1d)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 50 : 1) to provide the product 1d as a green oily liquid in 84% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.54 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.93 – 7.88 (m, 2H),

7.58 – 7.42 (m, 6H), 7.20 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.03 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 16.4 Hz,

1H), 6.62 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.3, 147.6, 143.5, 137.8, 136.7, 136.6, 133.7, 132.0, 131.3, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 127.4, 126.5, 126.5, 126.0, 125.4, 125.2, 124.1, 122.0; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₈N, 308.1439, found 308.1441; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇NCl, 342.1050, found 342.1053.

(*E*)-2-(4-methylnaphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (1e)

According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1e** as a yellow amorphous solid in 74% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.70 (dd, $J_1 = 4.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.79 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.51 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.34 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 7.15 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.46 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.23 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.5, 148.3, 137.5, 136.5, 136.0, 135.1, 132.9, 131.7, 131.4, 128.9, 128.5, 127.7, 127.5, 127.2, 126.4, 126.1, 126.0, 125.8, 124.5, 121.9, 19.7; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀N, 322.1596, found 322.1599.

(*E*)-2-(4-methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (1f)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1f** as a yellow amorphous solid in 79% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.64 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 =1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.40 – 8.32 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 =1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.70 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.42 (m, 3H),

7.28 – 7.22 (m, 5H), 7.12 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 =4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.20 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 155.8, 148.2, 137.5, 136.5, 133.0, 132.5, 131.1, 130.0, 128.8, 128.4, 127.9, 127.8, 127.4, 126.8, 125.7, 125.5, 125.2, 122.2, 121.6, 103.2, 55.6; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀NO, 338.1545, found 338.1548.



(*E*)-2-(4-phenylnaphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (**1g**)

According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product

1g as a colorless oily liquid in 81% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.67 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 8.08 – 7.98 (m, 1H), 7.76 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.41 (m, 9H), 7.28 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 7.14 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.28 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 148.4, 141.0, 140.8, 137.6, 137.2, 136.5, 132.9, 132.1, 131.9, 131.7, 130.2, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 127.0, 126.5, 126.3, 126.2, 126.1, 126.0, 122.0; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₉H₂₂N, 384.1752, found 384.1754.

(*E*)-2-(4-fluoronaphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (**1h**)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1h** as a yellow oily liquid in 75% yield. ¹**H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 8.61 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 =1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 –

7.60 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.46 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.14 (m, 6H), 7.11 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.2, 157.4 (d, J = 27.6 Hz), 148.3, 137.7 (d, J = 4.3 Hz), 136.3, 133.7, 133.1,133.0 (d, J = 4.6 Hz), 131.7, 128.8, 128.5, 127.6 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 127.5, 127.3 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 126.2, 125.8 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 124.0 (d, J = 16.5 Hz), 122.1, 120.8 (d, J = 5.6 Hz), 109.0, 108.8; ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -122.00; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇NF, 326.1345, found 326.1349.

(*E*)-2-(4-chloronaphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (1i)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1i** as an orange amorphous solid in 79% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.65 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 8.38 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.62 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.43 (m,

1H), 7.42 - 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.22 - 8.15 (m, 5H), 7.06 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.6, 148.3, 136.6, 136.6, 132.9, 132.7, 132.5, 131.4, 131.0, 128.6, 128.1, 127.6, 127.2, 127.1, 126.6, 126.4, 125.6, 124.8, 124.8, 123.0; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇NCl, 342.1050, found 342.1053.

(*E*)-2-(4-bromonaphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (**1j**)

According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20: 1) to provide the product 1j as a yellow amorphous solid in 72% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.61 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 8.30 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, JΒ̈́r 1j = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.14 (m, 5H), 7.12 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.2, 148.3, 137.7, 137.7, 136.3, 133.0, 132.8, 132.2, 132.0, 129.3, 128.8, 128.5, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 127.1, 127.0, 126.3, 123.5, 122.2; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇NBr, 386.0544, found 386.0547.

methyl (*E*)-4-(3-styrylpyridin-2-yl)-1-naphthoate (1k)



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According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 10 : 1) to provide the product 1k as a colorless oily liquid in 77% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.66 (dd, *J*₁ = 4.8 Hz, *J*₂ =1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J =

8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (ddd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.8$ Hz, $J_3 = 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (ddd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.8$ Hz, $J_3 = 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.25 - 7.13 (m, 6H), 6.40 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) & 167.9, 157.3, 148.3, 142.5, 137.6, 136.2, 132.9, 132.1, 131.9, 131.7, 129.4, 128.7, 128.5, 127.6, 127.6, 127.5, 126.7, 126.6, 126.2, 126.1, 126.0, 122.4, 52.2; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for $C_{25}H_{20}NO_2$, 366.1494, found 366.1498.

(E)-2-(4-nitronaphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (11)

According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 10 : 1) to provide the product Ph 11 as a brown amorphous solid in 80% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.65 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.61 – 8.52 (m, 1H), NO₂ 8.17 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.69 –

7.64 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.13

- 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.41 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.1, 148.4, 146.7, 144.1, 137.9, 136.0, 133.0, 132.8, 132.5, 129.2, 128.6, 128.5, 127.8, 127.6, 126.5, 126.2, 125.8, 125.4, 123.3, 123.0, 122.8; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇N₂O₂, 353.1290, found 353.1294.

(*E*)-2-(2-methylnaphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (1m)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1m** as a colorless oily liquid in 69% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.71 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 - 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.28 - 7.21 (m, 6H),

7.13 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 148.8, 137.1, 136.5, 135.7, 133.9, 132.8, 132.1, 132.1, 132.0, 128.7, 128.7, 128.5, 128.2, 128.0, 127.6, 126.4, 126.3, 125.1, 125.0, 121.8, 20.1; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀N, 322.1596, found 322.1598.

(*E*)-2-(2-methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (**1n**)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1n** as a colorless oily liquid in 58% yield. ¹H NMR (**400** MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.69 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 =2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d, J =

8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.86 – 7.84 (m, 1H), 7.64 (dd, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.14 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.42 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.8, 154.5, 148.5, 137.2, 136.6, 134.2, 133.0, 131.4, 130.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.3, 128.0, 127.4, 127.3, 126.9, 124.4, 123.6, 122.7, 121.8, 113.1, 56.2; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀NO, 338.1545, found 338.1548.

(*E*)-2-(2-ethoxynaphthalen-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (**10**)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **10** as a colorless oily liquid in 86% yield. ¹H NMR (400

MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.64 (dd, $J_1 = 4.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84 - 7.78 (m, 1H), 7.62 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 - 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.27 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.24 - 7.16 (m, 4H), 7.08 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.13 - 4.09 (m, 2H), 1.22 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.0, 153.9, 148.4, 137.1, 136.6, 133.9, 133.1, 131.5, 130.0, 129.1, 129.1, 128.2, 128.0, 127.4, 127.3, 126.8, 124.4, 123.6, 123.4, 121.7, 114.7, 64.9, 15.0; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₂₂NO, 352.1701, found 352.1705.

(*E*)-2-(1,2-dihydroacenaphthylen-5-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (**1p**)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1p** as a yellow amorphous solid in 92% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.63 (dd, J_1 = 4.4 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd, J_1 = 4.4 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.17

(m, 7H), 7.06 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.42 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (s, 4H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.0, 148.3, 146.9, 146.1, 139.6, 137.6, 136.6, 133.0, 132.6, 131.1, 130.0, 129.7, 128.9, 128.5, 128.3, 128.0, 127.4, 121.6, 121.0, 119.4, 118.7, 30.5, 30.3; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₂₀N, 334.1596, found 334.1597.

(*E*)-2-(phenanthren-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (**1q**)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product 1q as a yellow oily liquid in 81% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.66 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.61 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.57 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.59 –

7.46 (m, 4H), 7.42 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.17 – 7.06 (m, 6H), 6.29 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 148.3, 137.6, 136.5, 136.3, 133.1, 131.8, 131.3, 130.7, 130.5, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 127.5, 127.2, 127.0, 126.8, 126.7, 126.6, 126.5, 123.0, 122.6, 122.1; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₇H₂₀N, 358.1596, found 358.1599.

(*E*)-2-(pyren-1-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (**1r**)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1r** as a yellow amorphous solid in 68% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.74 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.21 – 8.11 (m, 3H), 8.07 – 7.93 (m, 6H), 7.75 (dd, J_1 = 7.6 Hz, J_2 =1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.17 (m, 6H), 6.35 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (d, J = 12.4 Hz,

1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.5, 148.3, 137.7, 136.4, 134.8, 133.3, 131.7, 131.4, 131.3, 130.9, 129.1, 128.8, 128.5, 127.9, 127.9, 127.6, 127.6, 127.4, 126.0, 125.4, 125.2, 125.0, 124.9, 124.8, 124.6, 122.1; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₉H₂₀N, 382.1596, found 382.1598.

(*E*)-3-(4-methylstyryl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1s**)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1s** as a colorless amorphous solid in 90% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz, CDCl**₃) δ 8.66 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 6.8

Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.46 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.13 (m, 3H), 7.08 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.41 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 148.1, 137.6, 137.5, 137.3, 133.8, 133.5, 133.1, 131.5, 131.5, 129.1, 128.7, 128.7, 128.3, 127.4, 126.6, 126.3, 125.8, 125.7, 125.2, 121.9, 21.3; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀N, 322.1596, found 322.1599.

(*E*)-3-(4-(tert-butyl)styryl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1**t)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1t** as a brown amorphous solid in 94% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.68 – 8.58 (m, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 –

7.40 (m, 3H), 7.41 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 3H), 6.36 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 1.31 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.0, 150.6, 148.1, 137.6, 137.6, 133.8, 133.4, 133.2, 131.5, 131.3, 128.6,

128.5, 128.3, 127.4, 126.7, 126.3, 125.8, 125.7, 125.3, 125.1, 121.9, 34.6, 31.2; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₇H₂₆N, 364.2065, found 364.2065.

(*E*)-3-(2-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)vinyl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1u**)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1u** as a green amorphous solid in 90% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz, CDCl**₃) δ 8.70 (dd, J_1 = 4.4 Hz, J_2 =1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.97 – 7.92 (m, 2H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H),

7.63 (dd, $J_I = 7.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.58 – 7.51 (m, 5H), 7.50 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.40 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.21 (dd, $J_I = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 6.23 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.2, 148.3, 140.5, 140.2, 137.6, 135.4, 133.8, 133.0, 131.5, 131.1, 129.3, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 127.6, 127.5, 127.5, 127.1, 126.9, 126.4, 125.9, 125.7, 125.2, 122.0; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₉H₂₂N, 384.1752, found 384.1754.

(*E*)-3-(4-methoxystyryl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1v**)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product 1v as a colorless oily liquid in 75% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.63 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 =1.6 Hz, 1H),

7.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (dd, $J_I = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.41 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.19 – 7.12 (m, 3H), 6.80 – 6.74 (m, 2H), 6.34 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.05 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.9, 158.1, 148.0, 137.6, 137.5, 133.8, 133.2, 131.5, 131.0, 130.1, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 127.4, 126.2, 125.8, 125.7, 125.7, 125.1, 121.9, 113.8, 55.2; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀NO, 338.1545, found 338.1548.

(*E*)-3-(3-methylstyryl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1**w)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1w** as a colorless oily liquid in 80% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.66 (dd, $J_1 = 4.8$, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.95 – 7.90

(m, 2H), 7.73 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.46 - 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.19 - 7.13 (m, 2H), 7.07 - 7.04 (m, 3H), 6.42 (d, J = 12.2Hz, 1H), 6.17 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 148.2, 138.0, 137.6, 137.6, 136.4, 133.8, 132.9, 131.7, 131.5, 129.6, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 127.5, 127.2, 126.3, 125.8, 125.8, 125.7, 125.1, 121.9, 21.4; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀N, 322.1596, found 322.1599.

(*E*)-3-(3,5-dimethylstyryl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1x**)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product 1x as a colorless amorphous solid in 93% yield. ¹H **NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 8.69 (dd, $J_1 = 4.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.97 - 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.78 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 - 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.54 - 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.18 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 3H), 6.41 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.0, 148.1, 137.9, 137.7, 137.6, 136.3, 133.8, 133.1, 131.9, 131.6, 129.2, 128.7, 128.3, 127.6, 127.0, 126.6, 126.3, 125.9, 125.8, 125.2, 121.8, 21.3; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₂₂N, 336.1752, found 336.1754.

(*E*)-3-(4-chlorostyryl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1**y)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 10 : 1) to provide the product 1y as a colorless amorphous solid in 85% yield. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.70 (dd, $J_1 = 4.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz,

1H), 8.13 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.96 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.62 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 **MHz**, **CDCl**₃) δ 157.6, 148.4, 137.2, 135.3, 133.8, 133.6, 132.8, 132.2, 131.8, 129.7, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 127.8, 127.8, 126.5, 126.0, 125.9, 125.8, 125.2, 122.8; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇NCl, 342.1050, found 342.1053.

(*E*)-3-(4-bromostyryl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1**z)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 10 : 1) to provide the product **1z** as a colorless amorphous solid in 89% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.68 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (q, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.58 - 7.49 (m, 3H), 7.46 -

7.40 (m, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (dd, $J_I = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.33 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.23 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.2, 148.5, 137.4, 135.3, 133.8, 132.4, 131.6, 131.4, 130.3, 130.3, 128.9, 128.8, 128.3, 128.2, 127.4, 126.4, 125.9, 125.6, 125.1, 122.0, 121.4; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇NBr, 386.0544, found 386.0548.

(*E*)-3-(4-fluorostyryl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1aa**)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1aa** as a colorless amorphous solid in 81% yield. ¹H **NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 8.67 (dd, J_I = 4.8 Hz, J_2 =2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J

= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.44 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.33– 7.15 (m, 3H), 6.99 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.37 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.2, 160.8, 158.2, 148.3, 137.4 (d, J = 8.7 Hz), 133.8, 132.6, 132.5(d, J = 3.5 Hz), 131.5, 130.5, 130.4, 128.7, 128.3, 127.4, 126.3, 125.9, 125.6, 125.1, 122.0, 115.5, 115.3; ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -113.77; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇NF, 326.1345, found 326.1349.

(*E*)-3-(3,4-dichlorostyryl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1ab**)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 10 : 1) to provide the product **1ab** as a colorless oily liquid in 85% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.75 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 =1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.15

(dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.04 - 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.65 - 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.55 - 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.48 - 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.31 - 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.00 - 6.94 (m, 2H), 6.78 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.8, 148.7, 137.0, 136.9, 133.8,

133.0, 132.7, 131.9, 131.7, 131.5, 130.5, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 127.8, 127.2, 126.5, 126.0, 125.7, 125.4, 125.2, 122.8; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for $C_{23}H_{16}NCl_2$, 376.0660, found 376.0663.

(*E*)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3-(2-(naphthalen-1-yl)vinyl)pyridine (**1ac**)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 25 : 1) to provide the product **1ac** as a thick liquid in 96% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.61 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 =1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.03 – 7.95 (m, 3H), 7.95 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 – 7.75 (m,

1H), 7.69 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.49 (m, 4H), 7.48 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 6.96 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 148.1, 137.9, 137.3, 134.4, 133.9, 133.8, 132.4, 131.8, 131.7, 130.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.5, 126.5, 126.3, 126.3, 126.1, 125.9, 125.7, 125.4, 124.7, 121.9; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₇H₂₀N, 358.1596, found 358.1597.

(*E*)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3-(2-(naphthalen-2-yl)vinyl)pyridine (1ad)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1ad** as a green amorphous solid in 95% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz, CDCl**₃) δ 8.68 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.96 – 7.92 (m, 2H), 7.84 – 7.79 (m, 1H), 7.76 – 7.68 (m, 5H),

7.60 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.38 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.29 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 148.3, 137.6, 137.6, 134.0, 133.8, 133.5, 132.9, 132.7, 131.6, 131.5, 128.8, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 127.7, 127.5, 126.5, 126.4, 126.3, 126.2, 125.9, 125.7, 125.2, 121.9; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₇H₂₀N, 358.1596, found 358.1599.



(*E*)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3-(2-(thiophen-3-yl)vinyl)pyridine (**1ae**)

According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 25 : 1) to provide the

product **1ae** as a colorless amorphous solid in 82% yield. ¹H NMR (**400** MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.75 (dd, $J_1 = 4.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.86 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.21 (dd, $J_1 = 5.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (**101** MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 148.4, 137.7, 137.7, 137.6, 133.8, 133.3, 131.5, 128.7, 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 126.5, 126.3, 125.9, 125.7, 125.7, 125.5, 125.2, 124.6, 122.1; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₁H₁₆NS, 314.1003, found 314.1006.

(*E*)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3-(prop-1-en-1-yl)pyridine (**1af**)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **1af** as a colorless oily liquid in 61% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.64 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.32 (m,

6H), 6.00 (dd, $J_1 = 11.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.63 – 5.54 (m, 1H), 1.79 (dd, $J_1 = 7.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 147.5, 137.9, 137.1, 133.6, 132.7, 132.6, 131.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.3, 127.2, 126.1, 125.7, 125.1, 121.9, 14.3; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₁₈H₁₆N, 246.1283, found 246.1286.

(E)-3-(2-cyclohexylvinyl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine(1ag)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **1ag** as a green oily liquid in 73% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.64 (dd, J_I = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (dd, J_I = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.41 (m,

4H), 7.40 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 5.89 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (t, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 1.70 – 1.46 (m, 5H), 1.21 – 0.98 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.8, 147.6, 140.0, 138.0, 137.0, 133.7, 133.3, 131.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.2, 126.1, 125.7, 125.1, 124.1, 122.6, 122.1, 41.1, 37.0, 33.0, 32.6, 25.9, 25.5; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₂₄N, 314.1909, found 314.1912.

(*E*)-3-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-styrylpyridine (**1ah**)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 25 : 1) to provide the product **1ah** as a colorless oily liquid in 95% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.69 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dd, J_1 = 16.8 Hz, J_2 = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (dd, J_1 = 7.6 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.47 (m,

2H), 7.46 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.32 (dd, J_1 = 7.6 Hz, J_2 = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.11 (m, 6H), 6.39 (dd, J_1 = 14.8 Hz, J_2 = 12.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.6, 148.6, 138.7, 136.6, 135.5, 133.5, 133.4, 131.5, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.9, 127.6, 127.4, 126.3, 125.9, 125.6, 125.3, 122.1; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₈N, 308.1439, found 308.1441.

(E)-2-([1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)-3-styrylpyridine (1ai)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **1ai** as a colorless oily liquid in 63% yield. ¹H NMR (**400** MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.56 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H),

7.54 – 7.43 (m, 4H), 7.30 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.09 – 6.99 (m, 5H), 6.60 (dd, J = 20.4, 16.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 147.9, 141.5, 140.8, 137.0, 132.8, 131.0, 130.5, 129.8, 129.7, 129.3, 128.8, 128.5, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 126.6, 126.5, 125.0, 122.4; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₂₀N, 334.1596, found 334.1598.

(*E*)-4-(3-styrylpyridin-2-yl)-9H-carbazole(**1aj**)



According to Procedure C, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 10 : 1) to provide the product **1aj** as a green amorphous solid in 87% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz, Chloroform-d**) δ 8.66 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 8.59 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.16

(m, 10H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 6.29 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 158.5, 148.1, 139.9, 139.9, 137.7, 136.5, 134.5, 132.3, 131.7, 128.9, 128.4, 127.3, 127.3, 125.6, 125.3, 122.5, 122.3, 122.0, 120.9, 120.6, 119.1, 110.7, 110; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₁₉N₂, 347.1548, found 347.1552.

(*E*)-3-(buta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)pyridine (**1ak**)



According to Procedure B, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **1ak** as a brown amorphous solid in 66% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.69 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 3.6 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 2.0 Hz,

1H), 7.56 - 7.34 (m, 6H), 6.87 - 6.75 (m, 1H), 6.10 (t, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 6.01 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 148.0, 137.7, 137.6, 133.7, 132.6, 132.4, 132.0, 131.4, 128.7, 128.3, 127.7, 127.5, 126.3, 125.9, 125.8, 125.1, 122.0, 120.7; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₁₉H₁₆N, 258.1283, found 258.1286.

6.2. Characterization data for products

7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2a)

According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 10 : 1) to provide the product **2a** as a colorless solid in 98% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz, CDCl₃**) δ 8.51 (s, 1H), 8.43 – 8.36 (m, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (s, 2H), 7.03 (s, 4H), 6.94 – 6.66 (m, 3H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 3.67 (s, 1H), 3.24 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (**101 MHz, CDCl₃**) δ 157.4, 147.5, 136.9, 135.2, 132.4, 131.3, 130.8, 128.9, 128.1, 128.0, 125.8, 125.6, 124.7, 121.4, 53.1; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3055, 2918, 1569, 1493, 1452, 1382, 1068, 835, 787, 776, 702 ; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₈N, 308.1439, found 308.1441.

11-methyl-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2b)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 50 : 1) to provide the product **2b** as a colorless amorphous solid in 94% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz, CDCl**₃) δ 8.43 (dd, J_1 = 7.6 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (t, J = 7.6

Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 2H), 7.03 – 6.76 (m, 7H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 1H), 3.22 (s, 1H), 2.56 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.4, 155.9, 137.1, 135.3, 132.4, 131.1, 130.9, 128.8, 128.2, 128.0, 125.7, 124.7, 121.0, 53.2, 24.4; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3052, 2918,

1577, 1445, 1379, 1265, 1072, 836, 782, 735; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀N, 322.1596, found 322.1599.

10-chloro-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2c)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product 2c as a colorless amorphous solid in 89% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.41 (s, 1H), 8.30 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.03 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (t, J= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (s, 2H), 7.05 (s, 4H), 6.81 (s, 2H), 5.01 (s, 1H), 3.61 (s, 1H), 3.23 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.7, 146.1, 135.8, 135.2, 132.4, 131.6,

130.5, 129.7, 129.0, 128.2, 127.9, 126.1, 125.5, 124.8, 52.7; **IR**(cm⁻¹): v 3057, 2923, 1494, 1451, 1432, 1135, 836, 776, 705; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇ClN, 342.1050, found 342.1053.

9-chloro-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2d)

According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product 2d as an orange oily liquid in 81% yield. ¹H NMR (400 2d **MHz, CDCl₃**) δ 8.43 – 8.21 (m, 2H), 8.05 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (s, 2H), 7.18 - 6.89 (m, 6H), 5.08 (s, 3.16)1H), 4.09 (s, 1H), 3.41 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.6, 147.4, 136.4, 135.0, 132.9, 131.7, 130.5, 129.7, 128.8, 128.2, 127.8, 126.0, 125.5, 124.9, 122.3, 52.4; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3056, 2920, 1555, 1451, 1410, 1380, 988, 826, 781, 768, 700; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for $C_{23}H_{17}CIN$, 342.1050, found 342.1053.

3-methyl-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2e)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product 2e as a colorless amorphous solid in 68% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.49 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (d, J = 7.6 Hz,

1H), 8.09 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.03 (s, 4H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 3.65 (s, 1H), 3.25 (s, 1H), 2.84 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.8, 147.5, 136.9, 135.3, 134.0, 132.1, 130.9, 128.2, 128.0, 127.1, 125.7, 124.6, 124.3, 121.2, 53.3, 20.9; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: ν 3025, 2922, 1582, 1493, 1450, 1385, 846, 782, 756, 700; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀N, 322.1596, found 322.1593.

3-methoxy-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2f)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2f** as a colorless amorphous solid in 69% yield. ¹H NMR (**400** MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.43 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 2H), 8.32 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz,

1H), 7.39 (s, 2H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (s, 3H), 6.82 (s, 3H), 5.00 (s, 1H), 4.10 (s, 3H), 3.62 (s, 1H), 3.23 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.6, 157.0, 147.3, 132.9, 131.6, 129.2, 128.1, 127.9, 126.7, 125.7, 124.1, 121.9, 120.8, 104.4, 55.8, 53.0; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3058, 2934, 1593, 1515, 1451, 1414, 1315, 1251, 1103, 1038, 781, 701; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀NO, 338.1545, found 338.1542.

3,7-diphenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2g)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2g** as a colorless amorphous solid in 99% yield. ¹H NMR

^{2g} (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.53 (s, 1H), 8.41 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.50 (m, 5H), 7.45 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.07 (s, 4H), 6.89 (s, 3H), 5.08 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 1H), 3.28 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.6, 147.6, 142.8, 141.6, 136.4, 133.4, 131.8, 131.2, 130.2, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.4, 127.1, 126.8, 125.8, 124.7, 121.4, 53.4; IR(cm⁻¹): v 3054, 2918, 1600, 1581, 1492, 1450, 1264, 1073, 852, 784, 702; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₉H₂₂N, 384.1752, found 384.1755.

3-fluoro-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2h)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 25 : 1) to provide the product **2h** as a colorless amorphous solid in 82% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.47 (s, 1H), 8.36 (dd, J_1 = 8.4 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz,

1H), 8.22 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.02 (s, 4H), 6.87 – 6.79 (m, 3H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 3.63 (s, 1H), 3.24 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.3, 158.8, 156.7, 147.5, 133.0 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 132.5 (d, J = 8.8 Hz), 132.0 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 128.0, 125.9, 125.0 (d, J = 14.5 Hz), 121.4, 120.6 (d, J = 8.8 Hz), 109.7, 109.5, 52.8; ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -118.58; IR(cm⁻¹): v 3029, 2927, 1602, 1578, 1511, 1452, 1416, 1246, 1094, 835, 782, 757, 700; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇FN, 326.1345, found 326.1346.

3-chloro-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2i)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product 2i as a colorless amorphous solid in 83% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.57 – 8.33 (m, 2H), 8.24 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.15 – 6.62 (m, 7H), 5.01 (s, 1H), 3.62 (s, 1H), 3.24 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.7, 147.5, 136.8, 134.5, 132.0, 131.9, 131.9, 128.0, 126.3, 125.9, 124.8, 121.7, 53.0; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3053, 2922, 1573, 1505, 1451, 1376, 1052, 781, 702; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇ClN, 342.1050, found 342.1053.

3-bromo-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2j)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product 2i as a colorless amorphous solid in 92% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz, CDCl**₃) δ 8.48 – 8.43 (m, 2H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H),

8.03 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 - 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.03 (s, 4H), 6.89 (s, 1H), 6.79 (s, 2H), 5.01 (s, 1H), 3.59 (s, 1H), 3.24 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.7, 147.7, 137.0, 132.9, 132.4, 132.0, 130.2, 128.1, 127.9, 126.1, 126.1, 125.9, 121.7, 53.0; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3025, 2919, 1569, 1504, 1451, 1375, 1043, 780, 702, 599; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇BrN, 386.0544, found 386.0539.



methyl-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine-3-carboxylate (2k)

According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column

chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 15 : 1) to provide the product **2k** as a colorless amorphous solid in 50% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz, CDCl**₃) δ 8.84 (dd, J_I = 8.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (dd, J_I = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.31 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.04 – 6.96 (m, 4H), 6.90 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 4.05 (s, 3H), 3.60 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.7, 156.7, 147.7, 141.1, 136.7, 132.7, 131.2, 131.0, 130.3, 129.9, 128.6, 128.1, 128.0, 126.2, 125.8, 125.7, 122.0, 53.3, 52.4; **IR**(cm⁻¹): v 3358, 2921, 2851, 1718, 1452, 1258, 1199, 1088, 786, 703; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₂₀NO₂, 366.1494, found 366.1499.

3-nitro-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (21)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **2l** as a yellow amorphous solid in 84% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.49 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.33 (dd, $J_I = 14.8$,

 $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 8.14 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 6.90 (m, 5H), 6.77 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 3.62 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.6, 149.0, 147.9, 142.1, 137.0, 131.5, 131.4, 130.7, 128.2, 128.0, 127.6, 126.2, 126.1, 122.5, 122.4, 121.8, 53.0; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3057, 2921, 1568, 1519, 1452, 1351, 780, 757, 703; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇N₂O₂, 353.1290, found 353.1294.

1-methyl-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (**2m**)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2m** as a colorless amorphous solid in 58% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz,

^{Me'} **2m CDCl**₃) δ 8.40 (s, 1H), 7.84 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.02 – 6.91 (m, 4H), 6.79 – 6.72 (m, 3H), 4.90 (s, 1H), 3.77 (s, 1H), 3.04 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H); ¹³C **NMR (101 MHz, CDCl**₃) δ 157.4, 146.7, 137.8, 134.6, 133.1, 131.2, 130.5, 129.9, 129.8, 128.3, 127.8, 125.6, 124.0, 121.3, 53.3, 23.1; **IR(cm**⁻¹): v 3052, 2920, 1578, 1453, 1365, 1059, 835, 802, 773, 705; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀N, 322.1596, found 322.1597.

1-methoxy-7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2n)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2n** as a colorless amorphous solid in 42% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.44 (s, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.22–6.73 (m, 7H), 4.89

(s, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 1H), 3.05 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.6, 155.3, 146.8, 131.9, 131.7, 130.9, 130.3, 128.3, 127.9, 125.6, 123.4, 123.0, 121.2, 116.2, 58.2, 53.2; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3054, 2920, 2849, 1610, 1509, 1455, 1260, 1066, 804, 702; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀NO, 338.1545, found 338.1542.

1-ethoxy-7-(naphthalen-2-yl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b] pyridine (**2o**)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **20** as a colorless amorphous solid in 38% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz**, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.42 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.73 – 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.74 (m, 7H),

4.89 (s, 1H), 4.21 – 4.16 (m, 2H), 3.76 (s, 1H), 3.04 (s, 1H), 1.30 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.2, 155.4, 146.7, 131.8, 130.8, 130.4, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 125.6, 124.0, 123.0, 121.2, 117.9, 67.2, 53.1, 15.1; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3054, 2978, 2925, 1596, 1507, 1453, 1256, 1041, 803, 701; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₂₂NO, 352.1701, found 352.1705.

5-phenyl-1,2,5,6-tetrahydroacenaphtho[5',6':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2p)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 35 : 1) to provide the product **2p** as a colorless amorphous solid in 68% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz, CDCl**₃) δ 8.55 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (s, 1H), 7.55 (d,

J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 7.00 (s, 4H), 6.81 (s, 3H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 1H), 3.47 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 4H), 3.26 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 148.9, 147.3, 145.7, 140.5, 138.0, 133.2, 132.7, 130.7, 129.2, 127.9, 125.6, 121.0, 120.1, 118.9, 51.8, 40.3, 30.3, 30.1; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3025, 2920, 2851, 1601, 1581, 1451, 1422, 1286, 1090, 850, 781, 701; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₂₀N, 9-phenyl-8,9-dihydrophenanthro[10',1':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2q)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product 2q as a colorless oily liquid in 97% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.80 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.74 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H),

8.59 (s, 1H), 8.56 – 8.47 (m, 1H), 8.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.55 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (m, 4H), 6.89 (m, 3H), 5.03 (s, 1H), 3.70 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.7, 147.6, 136.6, 135.3, 133.7, 131.9, 131.4, 131.4, 130.9, 129.6, 129.5, 128.3, 128.0, 127.5, 126.8, 125.8, 125.4, 122.9, 122.5, 121.7, 53.1; **IR**(cm⁻¹): v 3054, 2921, 1583, 1492, 1449, 1105, 787, 757, 703; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₇H₂₀N,358.1596, found 358.1598.

8-phenyl-1,5,8,9-tetrahydropyreno[1',10':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2r)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2r** as a colorless amorphous solid in 65% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.58 (s, 1H), 8.41 (d,

 $J = 8.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, 8.39 - 8.16 \text{ (m, 3H)}, 8.10 - 7.80 \text{ (m, 3H)}, 7.11 - 6.93 \text{ (m, 7H)}, 5.19 \text{ (s,} 1\text{H}), 3.70 \text{ (s, 1H)}, 3.36 \text{ (s, 1H)}; {}^{13}\text{C}$ **NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 157.7, 147.7, 134.7, 132.4, 131.8, 131.4, 130.1, 129.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 126.2, 126.0, 125.9, 125.5, 124.9, 124.2, 121.2, 53.9; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3043, 2921, 1582, 1445, 1427, 1268, 849, 734, 700; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₉H₂₀N, 382.1596, found 382.1601.

7-(p-tolyl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2s)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2s** as a colorless amorphous solid in 99% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz**, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.52 (s, 1H), 8.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 2H), 7.11 – 6.63 (m, 6H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 3.66 (s, 1H), 3.22 (s, 1H), 2.21 (s,

3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.4, 147.5, 136.9, 135.2, 132.4, 131.3, 130.8, 128.7, 128.0, 125.6, 124.7, 121.5, 52.8, 20.9; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3048, 2919, 1568, 1511, 1445, 1379, 1072, 836, 787, 775; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀N, 322.1596, found 322.1596.

7-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2t)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2t** as a colorless amorphous solid in 86% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.49 (s, 1H), 8.38 (dd, $J_1 = 7.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.02 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 2H), 7.04 – 6.73 (m, 6H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 3.63 (s, 1H),

3.23 (s, 1H), 1.22 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.3, 147.4, 136.9, 135.2, 132.3, 131.2, 130.7, 128.7, 127.7, 125.5, 124.8, 124.7, 121.2, 52.6, 34.2, 31.3; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3052, 2960, 2866, 1569, 1508, 1455, 1445, 1363, 1268, 1108, 836, 787, 559; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₇H₂₆N, 364.2065, found 364.2064.

7-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine(2u)



2v

According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2u** as a colorless amorphous solid in 95% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.51 (s, 1H), 8.42 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.26 (m, 9H), 7.09 – 6.85 (m, 4H), 5.06 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 1H), 3.27 (s, 1H); ¹³C

NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.4, 147.6, 140.7, 136.9, 135.3, 132.5, 131.3, 130.8, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 127.1, 126.9, 126.6, 125.7, 124.8, 121.5, 52.8; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3052, 2922, 1568, 1487, 1445, 1072, 836, 776, 742, 698; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₉H₂₂N, 384.1752, found 384.1757.

7-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b] pyridine (**2v**)

According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product

2v as a colorless oily liquid in 75% yield. ¹H NMR (**400** MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.48 (s, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 2H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 6.70 (s, 2H), 6.56 (s, 2H), 4.97 (s, 1H), 3.66 (s, 4H), 3.19 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (**101** MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.3, 147.5, 136.8, 135.2, 132.3, 131.2, 130.7, 129.0, 128.7, 125.5, 124.7, 121.5, 113.3, 55.1, 52.3; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3053, 2931, 1583, 1510, 1445, 1250, 1177, 1035, 836, 788; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀NO, 338.1545, found 338.1544.

7-(m-tolyl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2w)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2w** as a colorless oily liquid in 98% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.51 (s, 1H), 8.39 – 8.36 (m, 1H), 8.03 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.72 – 7.67 (m, 1H), 7.38 (s, 2H), 6.99 –

6.63 (m, 6H), 4.98 (s, 1H), 3.66 (s, 1H), 3.22 (s, 1H), 2.13 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.5, 147.5, 136.9, 135.2, 132.3, 131.3, 130.8, 128.8, 127.9, 126.5, 125.6, 125.2, 124.7, 121.4, 53.1, 21.3; **IR**(cm⁻¹): v 3050, 2917, 1569, 1445, 1379, 1071, 835, 784, 706; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₄H₂₀N, 322.1596, found 322.1598.

7-(3,5-dimethylphenyl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2x)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2x** as a colorless amorphous solid in 85% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz**, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.50 (s, 1H), 8.33 (dd, J_1 = 7.6 Hz, J_2 =1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 =1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (t, J = 7.6

Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 2H), 7.06 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.68 – 6.46 (m, 3H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 1H), 3.18 (s, 1H), 2.09 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.5, 147.5, 136.9, 135.1, 132.2, 131.2, 130.7, 128.6, 127.4, 126.0, 125.5, 124.7, 121.4, 53.1, 21.1; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3051, 2918, 1601, 1445, 1379, 1073, 850, 835, 787, 775, 738; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₂₂N, 336.1752, found 336.1750.

7-(4-chlorophenyl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2y)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2y** as a colorless liquid in 80% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.50 (s, 1H), 8.36 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 6.91 (m, 4H), 6.72 (s, 2H), 4.97 (s, 1H), 3.66 (s, 1H), 3.19 (s, 1H); ¹³C

NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.2, 147.7, 136.6, 135.2, 132.5, 131.3, 130.6, 129.4, 129.1, 128.1, 125.7, 124.7, 121.6, 52.5; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3053, 2921, 1576, 1489, 1445, 1091, 1014, 837, 789, 732; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇ClN, 342.1050, found 342.1046.

7-(4-bromophenyl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2z)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2z** as a colorless amorphous liquid in 83% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.39 (s, 1H), 8.25 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 6.75 (m, 4H), 6.56 (s, 2H), 4.84 (s, 1H), 3.54 (s, 1H), 3.07

(s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.2, 147.7, 136.6, 135.2, 132.5, 131.3, 131.0, 130.6, 129.8, 129.1, 125.7, 124.7, 121.6, 52.6; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3053, 2920, 1575, 1486, 1445, 1072, 1010, 836, 788, 776, 668; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇BrN, 386.0544, found 386.0544.

7-(4-fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2aa)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2aa** as a colorless amorphous solid in 46% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.49 (s, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.09 – 6.60 (m, 6H), 5.00 (s, 1H), 3.67 (s, 1H), 3.19 (s, 1H);

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.3, 147.6, 136.7, 135.2, 132.5, 131.3, 130.6, 129.4 (d, J = 7.6 Hz), 129.0, 125.7, 124.7, 121.5, 114.8, 114.6, 52.3; ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ -117.41; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3052, 2920, 1600, 1507, 1446, 1220, 1158, 836, 789, 777; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇FN, 326.1345, found 326.1349.

7-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2ab)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 10 : 1) to provide the product **2ab** as a colorless amorphous liquid in 40% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.52 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 8.37 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.6 Hz, *J*₂ =1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ =1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 6.86 (m, 4H), 6.54

(s, 1H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 3.65 (s, 1H), 3.19 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.2, 147.9, 136.5, 135.3, 132.6, 131.4, 130.4, 129.9, 129.4, 127.6, 125.8, 124.7, 121.7, 52.3; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3053, 2922, 1568, 1471, 1445, 1132, 1030, 835,788, 776; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₆Cl₂N, 376.0660, found 376.0662.

7-(naphthalen-1-yl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (**2ac**)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2ac** as a colorless amorphous solid in 95% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.45 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.75 – 7.59 (m,

2H), 7.56 - 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.02 - 6.22 (m, 4H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 1H), 3.57 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.2, 147.5, 141.0, 136.9, 135.9, 135.3, 133.6, 132.5, 131.4, 129.1, 129.0, 127.7, 126.6, 126.1, 125.7, 125.3, 124.9, 123.2, 121.3, 49.6; IR(cm⁻¹): v 3048, 2920, 2850, 1575, 1509, 1445, 1394, 1264, 837, 777, 736 ; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₇H₂₀N, 358.1596, found 358.1591.

7-(naphthalen-2-yl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]py ridine (**2ad**)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2ad** as a colorless amorphous solid in 58% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz,
CDCl₃) δ 8.68 – 8.24 (m, 2H), 8.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.59 – 6.30 (m, 6H), 7.23 – 6.55 (m, 4H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 1H), 3.35 (s, 1H); ¹³**C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 157.4, 147.6, 136.9, 135.3, 133.2, 132.4, 131.8, 131.3, 130.8, 128.9, 127.7, 127.4, 127.0, 126.4, 125.8, 125.7, 125.3, 124.7, 121.5, 53.3; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3052, 2920, 1568, 1506, 1445, 1264, 835, 778, 756; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₇H₂₀N, 358.1596, found 358.1598.

7-(thiophen-3-yl)-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2ae)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2ae** as a colorless liquid in 65% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz, CDCl**₃) δ 8.51 (s, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (s, 2H), 7.17 (s, 1H),

7.04 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 6.34 (s, 1H), 5.00 (s, 1H), 3.60 (s, 1H), 3.26 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.3, 147.5, 136.7, 135.3, 132.5, 131.2, 130.1, 128.9, 127.0, 125.6, 125.2, 124.6, 121.8, 121.4, 48.9; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3056, 2920, 1600, 1572, 1470, 1451, 1376, 1070, 835, 777, 701; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₁H₁₆NS, 314.1003, found 314.1005.

6-methyl-5,6-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine(2af)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2af** as a colorless oily liquid in 30% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.66 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.35 (dd, J_1 = 7.2 Hz, J_2 = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.96 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.82 – 7.76 (m, 1H), 7.62 (t, J =

7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.22 – 7.16 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.72 – 3.61 (m, 1H), 3.41 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 2.93 – 2.83 (dd, $J_1 = 14.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 1.00 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.7, 147.6, 143.9, 137.2, 136.5, 135.3, 132.2, 131.2, 129.5, 128.3, 125.4, 124.6, 121.6, 41.3, 21.9; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3053, 2960, 2924, 2864, 1583, 1567, 1444, 1384,1290, 1097, 832, 772, 626; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₁₈H₁₆N, 246.1283, found 246.1282.

6-cyclohexyl-5,6-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine(**2ag**)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 30 : 1) to provide the product **2ag** as a colorless oily liquid in 10% yield. ¹H NMR (**400** MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.65 (dd, $J_1 = 4.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.48 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.94 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, $J_$

1H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, $J_I = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.34 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 3.19 – 3.08 (m, 2H), 1.87 – 1.41 (m, 5H), 1.15 – 0.7 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.5, 147.3, 141.4, 137.6, 136.5, 135.7, 133.7, 132.8, 131.4, 129.9, 129.8, 128.5, 125.3, 124.0, 121.1, 53.3, 38.8, 36.0, 32.2, 31.0, 26.4, 26.1, 26.0; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3055, 2918, 2850, 1565, 1447, 1428, 1385, 1069, 837, 784, 770, 639; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₂₄N, 314.1909, found 314.1910.

7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':3,4,5]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (2ah)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **2ah** as a colorless amorphous solid in 16% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz**, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.18 (s, 1H), 7.97 (dd, J_1 = 7.2 Hz, J_2 = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.51 –

7.30 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 6.74 (m, 6H), 5.04 (s, 1H), 3.88 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 1H),; ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.3, 138.5, 135.5, 135.2, 130.9, 130.8, 130.5, 128.5, 128.3, 127.7, 125.6, 125.4, 125.3, 121.6, 52.2; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3054, 2920, 1575, 1492, 1450, 1382, 1181, 1102, 837, 801, 776, 699; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₈N, 308.1439, found 308.1437.

6-phenyl-5,6-dihydronaphtho[1,2-f]quinoline (**2ah-1**)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **2ah-1** as a colorless oily liquid in 45% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.44 – 8.37 (m, 2H), 8.21 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), δ 7.90 – 7.85 (m, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), δ 7.56 – 7.46 (m, 2H),

7.27 – 7.15 (m, 5H), 7.06 (dd, $J_I = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 2H), 4.35 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.2, 147.3, 142.0, 139.0, 135.1, 133.7, 130.3, 129.9, 129.2, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 126.7, 126.6, 126.5, 125.6, 124.9, 121.4, 45.3, 39.8; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3056, 3025, 2956, 2894, 2363, 1574, 1492, 1442, 1420, 1211, 1103, 910, 818, 732, 699; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for $C_{23}H_{18}N$, 308.1439, found 308.1444.

10-phenyl-9,10-dihydrodibenzo[5,6:7,8]cycloocta[1,2-b]pyridine (2ai)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **2ai** as a colorless solid in 87% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz**, **CDCl**₃) δ 8.42 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (dd, J_1 = 7.6 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.54 - 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.23 - 7.10 (m, 6H),

7.07–7.02 (m, 3H), 7.00 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 4.47 (dd, $J_1 = 12.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.14 – 2.98 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.7, 147.5, 145.8, 142.4, 139.9, 139.2, 138.9, 135.5, 134.6, 133.9, 131.6, 130.9, 128.7, 128.6, 128.1, 127.7, 127.3, 126.4, 126.3, 122.7, 55.6, 39.9; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3058, 2925, 1573, 1493, 1449, 1426, 1023, 770, 750, 699; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₂₀N, 334.1596, found 334.1600.

5-phenyl-5,6-dihydro-1H-pyrido[2',3':5,6]cycloocta[1,2,3,4-def]carbazole (2aj)



According to Procedure D, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **2aj** as a green oily liquid in 55% yield. ¹H NMR (**400 MHz**, **CDCl**₃) δ 9.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.69 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.21 – 7.07 (m,

7H), 7.04 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (dd, $J_1 = 14.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.14 (dd, $J_1 = 14.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.8$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.1, 147.0, 143.5, 140.7, 140.4, 135.7, 134.0, 131.7, 131.2, 128.3, 128.3, 126.4, 126.3, 126.1, 123.3, 122.4, 120.1, 118.8, 111.9, 110.3, 44.9, 37.3; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 3408, 3240, 3054, 2927, 1601, 1492, 1439, 1325, 1148, 812, 772, 740, 701; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₅H₁₉N₂, 347.1548, found 347.1552.



7-phenyl-7,8-dihydronaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine 12-oxide (**2a-1**)

The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE :

EA = 1 : 1) to provide the product **2a-1** as a yellowish-green oily liquid in 93% yield. ¹H NMR (**400** MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.50 – 8.47 (m, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.09 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.69 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (dd, *J*₁ = 13.6 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.6, 143.4, 138.8, 138.5, 137.7, 135.2, 132.7, 132.1, 130.8, 130.2, 128.7, 128.2, 128.1, 126.5, 125.9, 124.7, 124.7, 124.1, 122.9, 52.5, 39.0; IR(cm⁻¹): v 3056, 2923, 1597, 1491, 1450, 1420, 1266, 1227, 1064, 962, 828, 771, 702, 570; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₈NO, 324.1388, found 324.1393.

2-(8-benzoylnaphthalen-1-yl)nicotinaldehyde (2a-2)



The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 15 : 1) to provide the product **2a-2** as a colorless oily liquid in 24% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.91 (s, 1H), 8.16 - 8.07 (m, 4H), 7.64 - 7.53 (m, 5H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.34 - 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.15 (dd, *J_I* = 7.6 Hz, *J_I* = 4.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C

NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.0, 191.2, 163.6, 152.6, 137.7, 137.1, 135.5, 135.1, 134.3, 133.0, 132.9, 131.6, 130.7, 130.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.5, 128.0, 125.4, 125.1, 122.5; **IR(cm⁻¹)**: v 2922, 2851, 1694, 1660, 1578, 1448, 1271, 828, 778, 712; **HRMS**: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₆NO₂, 338.1181, found 338.1182.

7-phenylnaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (**3a**)



The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 50 : 1) to provide the product **3a** as a yellowish-green oily liquid in 57% yield. ¹H NMR (**400** MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.59 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 =1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.33 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 =1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, J_1 = 8.0

Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 7.00 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 0.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.52 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.6, 149.9, 147.4, 146.6, 139.5, 138.2, 137.6, 135.8, 134.8, 132.8, 130.9, 130.3, 129.7, 129.1, 129.1, 128.6, 128.4, 127.4, 126.3, 124.5, 122.3; IR(cm⁻¹): v 3052, 2924, 1558, 1491, 1443, 1073, 831, 781, 767, 747, 701, 634; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₆N, 306.1283, found 306.1286. 3-nitro-7-phenylnaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridine (**3b**)



The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 20 : 1) to provide the product **3b** as an orange-red amorphous solid in 45% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.64 (dd, $J_1 = 4.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.32 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$ Hz,

 $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 6.68 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.3, 150.3, 147.4, 146.6, 145.9, 142.9, 139.9, 138.1, 136.0, 132.7, 131.7, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 128.5, 127.8, 127.2, 125.9, 123.4, 123.3, 122.5; **IR** (cm⁻¹): v 3359, 2921, 2851, 1633, 1514, 1343, 1322, 1073, 779, 701; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₅N₂O₂, 351.1134, found 351.1137.

7-phenylnaphtho[1',8':5,6,7]cyclohepta[1,2-b]pyridin-3-amine (**3b-1**)



The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE : EA = 8 : 1) to provide the product **3b-1** as a yellowish-green amorphous solid in 56% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.52 (dd, J₁ = 4.8, J₂ = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 $(dd, J_1 = 8.0, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, J_1 = 7.6, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H),$

7.35 - 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.22 - 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.16 - 7.11 (m, 1H), 7.05 (dd, $J_1 = 7.6$, $J_2 = 7.6$ 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.97 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 4.18 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) & 156.5, 149.7, 147.0, 146.9, 143.2, 141.3, 137.8, 136.6, 131.9, 131.2, 131.1, 129.5, 129.1, 128.6, 128.3, 127.2, 124.3, 123.8, 121.2, 120.5, 110.8; **IR** (cm⁻¹): v 3359, 2923, 2853, 1632, 1567, 1443, 1420, 1261, 776, 701; HRMS: m/z: [M + H] calculated for C₂₃H₁₇N₂, 321.1392, found 321.1395.

7. X-ray structures of 2a and 2ai

The single crystal was obtained by slow evaporation of a saturated solution in ethyl acetate in a lossely capped vial. Structure information was deposited at the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Center (CCDC)



Figure S1. The X-ray crystallographic structure of 2a

Figure S1. X-ray crystallographic structure of **2a** (CCDC 2380484) showing thermal ellipsoid probability at 50%. A suitable crystal **2a** was selected and mounted on a **SuperNova, Dual, Cu at home/near, Eos** diffractometer. The crystal was kept at 293(2) K during data collection. Using Olex2⁵, the structure was solved with the SHELXT⁶ structure solution program using Intrinsic Phasing and refined with the SHELXL⁷ refinement package using Least Squares minimisation.

Crystal Data for C₂₃H₁₇N (*M* =307.38 g/mol): monoclinic, space group P2₁/c (no. 14), a = 9.70210(10) Å, b = 7.22330(10) Å, c = 23.9872(3) Å, $\beta = 94.7610(10)$ °, V = 1675.25(4) Å³, Z = 4, T = 293(2) K, μ (Cu K α) = 0.538 mm⁻¹, *Dcalc* = 1.219 g/cm³, 15651 reflections measured (7.396° $\leq 2\Theta \leq 141.248°$), 3207 unique ($R_{int} = 0.0190$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0123$) which were used in all calculations. The final R_1 was 0.0354 (I > 2σ (I)) and wR_2 was 0.0984 (all data).



Figure S2. The X-ray crystallographic structure of 2ai

Figure S2. X-ray crystallographic structure of **2ai** (CCDC 2380480) showing thermal ellipsoid probability at 50%. A suitable crystal **2ai** was selected and mounted on a **XtaLAB Synergy R, DW system, HyPix** diffractometer. The crystal was kept at 302.34(10) K during data collection. Using Olex2⁵, the structure was solved with the SHELXT⁶ structure solution program using Intrinsic Phasing and refined with the SHELXL⁷ refinement package using Least Squares minimisation.

Crystal Data for C₂₅H₁₉N (*M* =333.41 g/mol): triclinic, space group P-1 (no. 2), *a* = 7.7811(4) Å, *b* = 9.7347(4) Å, *c* = 13.6565(7) Å, *a* = 100.211(4) °, *β* = 100.569(4)°, $\gamma = 109.946(4)°$, *V* = 923.13(8) Å³, *Z* = 2, *T* = 302.34(10) K, μ (Cu K α) = 0.527 mm⁻¹, *Dcalc* = 1.199 g/cm³, 10212 reflections measured (6.818° ≤ 2 $\Theta \leq 152.426°$), 3621 unique ($R_{int} = 0.0178$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0172$) which were used in all calculations. The final R_1 was 0.0392 (I > 2 σ (I)) and wR_2 was 0.1067 (all data).

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9. Copies of NMR spectra











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¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃)





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-10 160 150 140 110 100 fl (ppm)

















1q ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃)





1r ¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃)





S63



S64





¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



$\left[\begin{array}{c} 158.208\\ 148.344\\ 140.212\\ 137.634\\ 135.460\\ 135.460\\ 135.460\\ 135.460\\ 135.461\\ 131.581\\ 131.581\\ 131.581\\ 131.581\\ 131.581\\ 122.998\\ 122.596\\ 122.596\\ 122.596\\ 122.592\\ 122.596\\ 122.592\\ 122.596\\ 122.596\\ 122.508\\ 122.506\\ 122$

Ρh 1u

¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃)



5.0 4.5 f1 (ppm) 4.0 3.5 3.0 2.5 2.0 1.5 1.0 0.5 0.0

5.5

-0.5 -1.0







110 100 f1 (ppm) 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 -10









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¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃)







1aa ¹⁹F NMR spectrum (377 MHz, CDCl₃)

20 10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 -2 f1 (ppm)




1ab ¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃)







f1 (ppm)



110 100 f1 (ppm) 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 -10













158.555 148.178 139.994 137.721 133.9594 137.721 137.721 134.559 134.512 134.512 134.512 134.512 134.512 134.512 134.512 134.512 134.512 134.512 125.347 125.347 122.682 1120.699 1110.710 1120.699 1110.710 1120.6399 1110.710 1120.6399 1110.710 1120.6399 1110.710 1120.6399 1110.710 1120.6373 1120.63753 1120.63753 1120.63753 1120.6375555



¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃)





S82





210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 f1 (ppm)



210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 f1 (ppm)















^{2h} ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



Ph 2h

¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃)







20 10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 -2 f1 (ppm)







210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 r1 (ppm)







2I

¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃)









S97



210 200 190 180 170 160 150 -10 140 130 fl (ppm)


























¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃)







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











2ae ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



















2a-1 ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹³C NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃)











