Supporting information for

A ligand-free strategy for the copper-catalyzed direct

alkynylation of trifluoromethyl ketones

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Entry	Solvent	T(°C)	Base	Catalyst	Yield ^[b] (%)
1	DMF	70	KOt-Bu	CuI	35
2	DMA	70	KOt-Bu	CuI	15
3	NMP	70	KOt-Bu	CuI	29
4	THF	70	KOt-Bu	CuI	4
5	Toluene	70	KOt-Bu	CuI	5
6	C ₂ H ₅ OH	70	KOt-Bu	CuI	3
7	<i>i</i> -PrOH	70	KOt-Bu	CuI	22
8	Glycerol	70	KOt-Bu	CuI	trace
9	H ₂ O	70	KOt-Bu	CuI	trace
10	DMSO	70	KOt-Bu	CuI	97
11	DMF	70	K_2CO_3	CuI	78
12	DMA	70	K_2CO_3	CuI	85
13	NMP	70	K ₂ CO ₃	CuI	65
14	THF	70	K_2CO_3	CuI	trace
15	Toluene	70	K_2CO_3	CuI	6
16	C_2H_5OH	70	K ₂ CO ₃	CuI	5
17	<i>i</i> -PrOH	70	K_2CO_3	CuI	19
18	Glycerol	70	K_2CO_3	CuI	trace
19	H ₂ O	70	K_2CO_3	CuI	trace
20	DMSO	50	K_2CO_3	FeCl ₃	0
21	DMSO	50	K ₂ CO ₃	FeSO ₄	0
22	DMSO	50	K_2CO_3	Fe(NO ₃) ₂	0
23	DMSO	50	K_2CO_3	AlCl ₃	0
24	DMSO	50	K_2CO_3	$Al_2(SO_4)_3$	0
25	DMSO	50	K_2CO_3	MgCl ₂	0
26	DMSO	50	K ₂ CO ₃	BF_3	0
27 ^[c]	DMSO	50	K_2CO_3	CuI	90
28 ^[d]	DMSO	50	K_2CO_3	CuI	96
29 ^[e]	DMSO	50	K ₂ CO ₃	CuI	72

[a] Reaction conditions: 2,2,2-trifluoroacetophenone (0.5 mmol), phenylacetylene (1.0 mmol), Cu source (10 mol%), base (20 mol%) in solvent (1 mL) under N_2 , 24 h. [b] Isolated yield. [c] In air. [d] phenylacetylene (1.5 equiv.). [e] phenylacetylene (1.2 equiv.).



Figure S1. ¹H NMR of phenylacetylene in DMSO-*d*₆.



Figure S2. ¹H NMR of phenylacetylene in DMSO- d_6 . Reaction condition: a mixture of phenylacetylene (1.0 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (1.0 mmol) in 1 mL DMSO- d_6 was allowed to react in Schlenk tubes for 24 h under nitrogen atmosphere.



Figure S3. ¹H NMR of phenylacetylene in DMSO- d_6 . Reaction condition: a mixture of phenylacetylene (1.0 mmol), K₂CO₃ (1.0 mmol), and Cu(OAc)₂ (1.0 mmol) in 1 mL DMSO- d_6 was allowed to react in Schlenk tubes for 24 h under nitrogen atmosphere.



Figure S4. ¹H NMR of 2,2,2-trifluoro-1-phenylethane-1,1-diol in DMSO- d_6 . Reaction condition: a mixture of 2,2,2-trifluoroacetophenone (1.0 mmol), K₂CO₃ (1.0 mmol), and Cu(OAc)₂ (1.0 mmol) in 1 mL DMSO- d_6 was allowed to react in Schlenk tubes for 24 h under nitrogen atmosphere.

Experimental Section

General Experimental Methods

All reactions were carried out in Schlenk tubes under an atmosphere of nitrogen. DMSO (dimethyl sulfoxide) was distilled from 4Å-molecular sieves. Trifluoromethyl ketones and other reagents were purchased from Alfa Aesar, Acros, and Adamas. ¹H NMR spectra (400 MHz) and ¹³C NMR spectra (100 MHz) were recorded on a Varian Inova-400 spectrometer using TMS as internal standard. ¹⁹F NMR spectra (376 MHz) were recorded on a Varian Inova-400 spectrometer using TMS as spectroscopy data of the compounds were collected on a Bruker ultrafleXtreme mass spectrometer. All products were isolated by short chromatography on a silica gel (300–400 mesh) column.

General Procedure for Optimization of Reaction Condition

A mixture of 2,2,2-trifluoroacetophenone (0.5 mmol), phenylacetylene (1.0 mmol), Cu source (0.05 mmol), and base (0.1 mmol) in solvent (1 mL) was allowed to react in Schlenk tubes for 24 h under nitrogen atmosphere. After reaction, the reaction mixture was added to brine (15 mL) and extracted three times with dichloromethane (3×15 mL). The solvent was concentrated under vacuum and the product was isolated by short chromatography on a silica gel (300–400 mesh) column.

General Procedure for Testing of Scope

A mixture of ketone (0.5 mmol), alkyne (0.75 mmol), $Cu(OAc)_2$ (0.05 mmol), and K_2CO_3 (0.1 mmol) in DMSO (1 mL) was allowed to react in Schlenk tubes at 50 °C or 70 °C for 24 h under nitrogen atmosphere. After reaction, the reaction mixture was added to brine (15 mL) and extracted three times with dichloromethane (3×15 mL). The solvent was concentrated under vacuum and the product was isolated by short chromatography on a silica gel (300–400 mesh) column.

General Procedure for Scaled reaction

A mixture of 2,2,2-trifluoroacetophenone (5 mmol), cyclopropyl acetylene (7.5 mmol), Cu(OAc)₂ (0.5 mmol), and K₂CO₃ (1 mmol) in DMSO (10 mL) was allowed to react in Schlenk tubes at 50 °C for 24 h. After reaction, the reaction mixture was added to brine (100 mL) and extracted three times with dichloromethane (3×100 mL). The solvent was concentrated under vacuum and the product was isolated by short chromatography on a silica gel (300–400 mesh) column.

Characterization Data of Products



1,1,1-trifluoro-2,4-diphenylbut-3-yn-2-ol [1]

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (133 mg, 96%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84-7.82 (m, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.44 (m, 6H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 137.15, 132.11, 130.05, 129.67, 129.26, 128.60, 127.55, 122.83 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 119.98, 86.94, 86.15, 72.43 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ -0.86, ppm.



1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenyl-4-(p-tolyl)but-3-yn-2-ol [2]

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (133 mg, 91%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 7.93 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 5H), 7.26 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 139.98, 137.24, 132.03, 129.88, 129.64, 128.58, 127.54, 122.84 (t, J_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 118.08, 87.10, 85.51, 72.56 (q, J_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), 21.44, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ -0.85, ppm.



1,1,1-trifluoro-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol [1]

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a white solid (148 mg, 96%), mp = 94-95 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 5H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 160.57, 137.28, 133.78, 129.63, 128.59, 127.54, 122.84 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 114.93, 112.89, 87.07, 84.72, 72.52 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), 55.75, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ -0.83, ppm.



4-(4-ethylphenyl)-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (135 mg, 89%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 7.2

Hz, 2H), 7.51-7.43 (m, 5H), 7.29 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.64 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.18 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 146.13, 137.23, 132.12, 129.63, 128.69, 128.57, 127.54, 122.83 (t, $J_{C-F} = 284.0$ Hz), 118.33, 87.10, 85.51, 72.55 (q, $J_{C-F} = 31.0$ Hz), 28.53, 15.59, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ -0.89, ppm; HRMS (MALDI): m/z calcd for C₁₈H₁₅F₃O [M+H-H₂O]⁺ 287.1042, found 287.1042.



4-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a white solid (162 mg, 92%), mp = 124-125 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.79-7.76 (m, 4H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.46 (m, 5H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 141.58, 139.34, 137.04, 132.75, 129.76, 129.52, 128.67, 128.55, 127.53, 127.49, 127.17, 122.78 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 109.99, 86.77, 86.72, 72.39 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ -0.78, ppm; HRMS (MALDI): m/z calcd for C₂₂H₁₅F₃O [M+H-H₂O]⁺ 335.1042, found 335.1042.



 $\label{eq:linear} \textbf{1,1,1-trifluoro-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol} [1]$

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (128 mg, 87%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.51-7.44 (m, 3H), 7.30 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 164.20, 161.73, 137.00, 134.66, 134.57, 129.72, 128.63, 127.52, 122.75 (t, J_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 117.49, 117.46, 116.74, 116.51, 85.92, 85.86, 72.52 (q, J_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ -0.84, - 30.90 - -30.97 (m), ppm.



4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol [2]

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (101 mg, 65%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.63-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.44 (m, 5H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 136.66, 134.71, 133.64, 129.49, 129.25, 128.39, 127.27, 123.90 (d, J_{C-F} = 285.0 Hz), 119.64, 86.87, 85.53, 72.31 (q, J_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz,

DMSO- d_6): δ -0.82, ppm.



4-(4-bromophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (137 mg, 77%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.44 (m, 5H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 136.87, 134.04, 132.40, 129.76, 128.65, 127.51, 123.68, 122.69 (t, J_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 120.24, 87.24, 85.87, 72.58 (q, J_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ -0.79, ppm; HRMS (MALDI): m/z calcd for C₁₆H₁₀BrF₃O [M+H-H₂O]⁺ 336.9834, found 336.9831.



1,1,1-trifluoro-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (93 mg, 63%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.54-7.42 (m, 6H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 163.48, 161.04, 136.81, 131.59, 131.51, 129.79, 128.68, 128.61, 128.58, 127.52, 122.95, 122.86, 122.69 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 118.87, 118.64, 117.65, 117.44, 86.97, 85.59, 85.55, 72.53 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ -0.78, -33.86 - -33.92 (m), ppm; HRMS (MALDI): m/z calcd for C₁₆H₁₀F₄O [M+H-H₂O]⁺ 277.0635, found 277.0635.



1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenyl-4-(m-tolyl)but-3-yn-2-ol [2]

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (142 mg, 97%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.44 (m, 3H), 7.42-7.27 (m, 4H), 2.33(s, 3H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 138.50, 136.92, 132.25, 130.57, 129.42, 128.93, 128.91, 128.35, 127.29, 122.57 (t, J_{C-F} = 285.0 Hz), 120.70, 86.82, 85.54, 72.30 (q, J_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), 20.79, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ -0.86, ppm.

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4-cyclopropyl-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol [1]

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (80 mg, 67%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 7.65 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.45-7.38 (m, 3H), 1.52-1.46 (m, 1H), 0.88 (dd, J = 8.2 Hz, J = 2.8 Hz, 2H), 0.72-0.69 (m, 2H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 138.19, 130.05, 129.03, 128.10, 123.43 (t, J_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 92.09, 72.82, 72.58 (q, J_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), 9.19, 9.14, 0.00, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ -1.08, ppm.



4-cyclohexyl-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (86 mg, 61%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.69 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.46-7.39 (m, 3H), 2.64-2.60 (m, 1H), 1.76 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 1.70-1.66 (m, 2H), 1.53-1.43 (m, 3H), 1.38-1.35 (m, 3H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 137.65, 129.42, 128.38, 127.50, 122.86 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 92.01, 77.59, 71.97 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), 32.02 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.7 Hz), 28.32, 25.73, 24.29, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ -1.25, ppm; HRMS (EI): m/z calcd for C₁₆H₁₇F₃O [M]⁺ 282.1232, found 282.1234.



4-(cyclohex-1-en-1-yl)-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (116 mg, 83%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 7.70 (s, 2H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.47-7.40 (m, 3H), 6.26-6.24 (m, 1H), 2.12-2.10 (m, 4H), 1.62-1.54 (m, 4H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 137.71, 137.37, 129.53, 128.48, 127.47, 122.79 (t, $J_{C-F} = 284.0$ Hz), 119.24, 88.73, 83.53, 72.35 (q, $J_{C-F} = 31.0$ Hz), 28.76, 25.55, 22.06, 21.26, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ -1.01, ppm; HRMS (MALDI): m/z calcd for C₁₆H₁₅F₃O [M+H-H₂O]⁺ 263.1042, found 263.1044.



1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenylnon-3-yn-2-ol

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (96 mg, 71%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.69 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 3H), 2.35 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.56-1.49 (m, 2H), 1.43-1.29 (m, 4H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 137.62, 129.43, 128.35, 127.49, 122.85 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 88.54, 77.41, 71.98 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), 30.75, 27.78, 21.97, 18.22, 14.25, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ -1.20, ppm; HRMS (EI): m/z calcd for C₁₅H₁₇F₃O [M]⁺ 270.1232, found 270.1231.



1,1,1-trifluoro-2-phenyl-4-(thiophen-3-yl)but-3-yn-2-ol

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (120 mg, 85%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 137.13, 132.05, 130.01, 129.67, 128.60, 127.70, 127.54, 122.79 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 85.53, 82.58, 72.59 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ -0.79, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ -0.77, ppm; HRMS (EI): m/z calcd for C₁₄H₉F₃OS [M]⁺ 282.0326, found 282.0327.



2-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-cyclopropyl-1,1,1-trifluorobut-3-yn-2-ol

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (111 mg, 81%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 1.53-1.47 (s, 1H), 0.93-0.87 (m, 2H), 0.76-0.69 (m, 2H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 137.26, 135.05, 130.05, 129.18, 123.25 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 92.58, 72.33, 72.25, (q, *J*_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), 9.25, 9.20, 0.00, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ -1.27, ppm; HRMS (MALDI): m/z calcd for C₁₃H₁₀ClF₃O [M+H-H₂O]⁺ 257.0339, found 257.0340.



2-(4-bromophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluoro-4-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol [3]

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (165 mg, 93%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 8.14 (s, 1H), 7.73 (q, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.61-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.44 (m, 3H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 136.56, 132.15, 131.68, 130.19, 129.74, 129.28, 123.36, 122.53 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 284.0 Hz), 120.85, 87.25, 85.46, 72.22 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 31.0 Hz), ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ -0.98, ppm.



1,1,1-trifluoro-4-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)but-3-yn-2-ol [1]

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (96 mg, 66%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (dd, J = 7.2 Hz, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.50-7.43 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H),

2.34 (s, 3H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 139.17, 134.18, 132.09, 130.05, 129.29, 129.16, 127.42, 122.83 (t, $J_{C-F} = 284.0$ Hz), 121.11, 86.74, 86.24, 72.41 (q, $J_{C-F} = 31.0$ Hz), 21.08, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ -0.93, ppm.



ethyl 2-hydroxy-4-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)but-3-ynoate [4]

Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1): a pale yellow oil (131 mg, 96%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.30 (s, 1H), 7.54-7.44 (m, 5H), 4.34-4.31 (m, 2H), 1.29 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 165.18, 132.16, 130.39, 129.30, 122.76 (q, $J_{C-F} = 284.0$ Hz), 120.39, 86.71, 82.04, 72.12 (q, $J_{C-F} = 32.0$ Hz), 63.47, 14.11, ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 1.14, ppm.

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NMR Spectra for all Products

















































































































