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S-Alkylation followed by heterocyclization of trifluoromethyl-3-cyano-2(1*H*)-pyridinethiones was used for preparation of libraries of S-alkyl trifluoromethylpyridines and thieno[2,3-*b*]pyridines. The S-alkylation (in water–DMF mixtures) was successful for all 18 alkylating agents employed (yields typically >50%). S-Alkyl derivatives were further converted to corresponding thieno[2,3-*b*]pyridines via heterocyclization in base conditions (yields >65%). Structures of new compounds were elucidated by a combination of IR and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy and elemental analysis and were confirmed by means of single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis.

#### Introduction

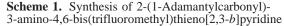
We have previously reported a facile synthesis of 6-methyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3-cyano-2(1H)-pyridinethione (1) and isomeric 4-methyl-6-trifluoromethyl-3-cyano-2(1H)-pyridinethione (2) via heterocyclization of trifluoroacetylacetone or its derivatives and thiocyanoacetamide under base conditions.1a Preliminary experiments indicated that these compounds can be easily S-alkylated using appropriate alkylating agents (such as  $\alpha$ -bromomethyl carbonyl compounds or alkyliodides).1a Subsequent heterocyclization of some of these S-alkyl derivatives gave corresponding thieno[2,3-b]pyridines in good yield.<sup>1a</sup> These results prompted us to explore chemistry of these heterocyclic scaffolds (1 and 2) for synthesis of various substituted trifluoromethyl pyridines and thieno[2,3-b]pyridines. The research was driven by our current interest in development of synthetic methods suitable for production of libraries of fluoro-containing heterocycles.

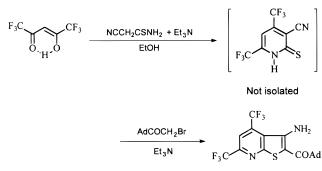
The development of solid- and solution-phase<sup>2-12</sup> combinatorial chemistry progressed rapidly over the last years. This development led to new challenges in the area of highthroughput synthesis, analysis, purification, and robot design.<sup>2,13-22</sup> High-throughput synthesis can substantially improve the productivity of conventional and combinatorial organic chemistry.2 However, as with any new tool, it requires compatible chemical methods and standardization of reaction conditions. Our previous experience indicates that the chemistry of the above-mentioned trifluoromethylpyridines (1 and 2) can meet the requirements of high-throughput parallel synthesis. In addition, libraries of trifluoromethylpyridines (and related thieno[2,3-b]pyridines) could be useful in development of new herbicides and other biologically active compounds. A current list of known herbicides includes the following substituted trifluoromethylpyridines: DITHIOPYR (S,S-dimethyl-2-(difluoromethyl)-4-(2-methylpropyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,5-pyridinedicarbothiolate), FLU-AZIFOP (2-(4-((5-(trifluoromethyl)-2-pyridinyl)oxy)phenoxy)propanoic acid), FLUPYRSULFURON (2-(((4,6-dimethoxy-2-pyrimidinyl)amino)sulfonyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3-pyridinecarboxylic acid), THIAZOPYR (methyl 2-(difluoromethyl)-5-(4,5-dihydro-2-thiazolyl)-4-(2-methylpropyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3-pyridinecarboxylate), and others. In addition, 4-trifluoromethylpyridine libraries were reported to display activity against Xa factor.<sup>1b</sup>

#### **Results and Discussion**

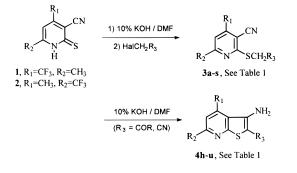
We have reported previously<sup>1a</sup> that both trifluoromethylpyridines **1** and **2** can be easily prepared by regioselective heterocyclization of trifluoroacetylacetone or its O-Me derivative with cyanothioacetamide. The direction of heterocyclization is determined by the order of the reagents addition. Slow addition of trifluoroacetylacetone to an ethanol solution of the sodium salt of cyanothioacetamide gave 4-methyl-6-trifluoromethyl-3-cyano-2(1*H*)-pyridinethione (**1**). The same reaction conducted in a different manner (addition of cyanothioacetamide to the solution of KOH and trifluoroacetylacetone in EtOH) resulted in the formation of isomeric 6-methyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3-cyano-2(1*H*)-pyridinethione (**2**). Compound **2** can also be prepared by direct reaction of trifluoroacetylacetone and cyanothioacetamide in the presence of catalytic amounts of triethylamine.<sup>1a</sup>

In an attempt to broaden the set of available heterocyclic scaffolds (trifluoromethyl-3-cyano-2(1H)-pyridinethiones) for further transformations, we investigated heterocyclization of hexafluoroacetylacetone with cyanothioacetamide. This reaction was performed under the same conditions as the trifluoroacetylacetone case. However, the expected product, 4,6-bis(trifluoromethyl)-3-cyano-2(1H)-pyridinethione, was





**Scheme 2.** Synthesis of 3-Cyano-2-alkylthiopyridines and 3-Aminothieno[2,3-*b*]pyridines



not isolated from the reaction mixture due to its high solubility in water. Its formation was subsequently proved by in situ reaction with  $\alpha$ -bromacetyl-adamantane (Scheme 1, 60% yield).

The salts of **1** and **2** react smoothly with a diverse set of alkylating agents such as alkyl iodides, benzylbromides, and  $\alpha$ -bromomethyl ketones in water—DMF to give the corresponding S-derivatives **3a**—**s** as major products (Scheme 2 and Table 1). This reaction is regioselective: corresponding N-alkyl derivatives were not detected. In the presence of an excess of KOH, S-derivatives **3a**—**s** undergo self-condensation with the formation of 3-aminothieno[2,3-*b*]pyridines **4h**—**u** in high yields (Table 1).

The spectral characteristics of compounds 3a-s and 4h-ushown in Table 1 are in agreement with the proposed structures. Thus, the strong absorption band for the -CN group (2213-2225 cm<sup>-1</sup>) was observed in all IR spectra of 3a-s. This peak is absent in IR spectra of compounds 4h-u. Instead, the typical absorptions of the NH<sub>2</sub> group (stretching and deformation modes) were observed. Structures of 3a-s and 4h-u were also confirmed by means of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy and X-ray crystallography (3d, 4j).

The results of X-ray diffraction analysis of **3d** and **4j** are in agreement with the proposed regioselectivity of alkylation of **1** and **2**.<sup>23,24</sup> The structural parameters of **3d** and **4j** are typical of these types of compounds.<sup>25,26</sup> X-ray studies of **3d** also showed substantial divergence of the ethyl group out of the plane of the heterocyclic ring. This conformation is probably affected by intramolecular nonvalence contacts between the nitrogen atom in the pyridine ring and an  $\alpha$ -hydrogen or carbon atoms of the CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>S- group. The thienopyridine fragment in **4j** is planar (the torsion angle between the planes of the fused heterocycles is less than 1°). In addition, the PhNHCO– group is also in-plane with the thienopyridine system. Such flattening of the molecule is favored by the intramolecular hydrogen bonding. Full details of the X-ray analysis of 3d and 4j were presented elsewhere.<sup>23,24</sup>

Our experiments demonstrated that both S-alkyl derivatives 3a-s and 3-aminothieno[2,3-*b*]pyridines 4h-u can be produced in satisfactory yields using uniform conditions (see Experimental Section and Table 1). However, the best results can be achieved at optimal reaction times. Thus, cyclization of **3** to **4** requires only 15–20 min at 25 °C when R<sub>3</sub> is COAr, COAd, or CN and more than 4 h in cases of COOEt and CONHR. We also note that the corresponding 3-aminothieno[2,3-*b*]pyridine could not be prepared from S-ethyl derivative **3d** (R<sub>3</sub> = Me), showing some limitation of the proposed method (R<sub>3</sub> should be an electron-withdrawing group).

In summary, we have developed a practical approach for preparation of libraries of trifluoromethylpyridines (3) and aminothieno[2,3-*b*]pyridines (4) amenable for high-throughput parallel synthesis.

#### **Experimental Section**

**General Procedures.** Melting points are not corrected. All reagents and solvents were used as received. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer-457 spectrometer for samples in potassium bromide pellets. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were run at 250 MHz (Bruker WM-250) in DMSO- $d_6$  using TMS as internal standard. All chemical shifts are quoted in ppm with coupling constants *J* expressed in hertz (Hz). The yields of compounds **3a**–**s** and **4h**–**u**, together with their melting points and spectral and microanalytical data, are compiled in Tables 1 and 2. Synthesis of **3d** and **4j** was reported previously.<sup>23,24</sup>

3-Cyano-2-alkylthiopyridines (3a-s). General Procedure. A suspension of cyanopyridinethiones (1 or 2) (2.2 g, 10 mmol) in DMF (15 mL) was stirred at 20 °C for 10-30 min, during which time the corresponding alkyl iodide (10 mmol) (3a-g) or  $\alpha$ -bromomethyl compound (10 mmol) (3h-s) and 10% KOH solution in water (5.6 g, 10 mmol of KOH) were added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at 20 °C for an additional 30 min and then diluted with water (10-15 mL). The precipitate was collected by filtration and recrystallized from EtOH (Table 1).

3-Amino-2-thieno[2,3-*b*]pyridines (4h–u). General Procedure. A 10% aqueous solution of KOH (3.0 g, 5.3 mmol of KOH) was added to a suspension of pyridines (3h–s) (10 mmol) in DMF (15 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at 20 °C for an additional 3 h and then diluted with water (10 mL). The precipitate was collected by filtration and recrystallized from EtOH (Table 1).

**2-(1-Adamantanecarbonyl)-3-amino-4,6-bis(trifluoromethyl)thieno[2,3-***b***]<b>pyridine.** A solution of cyanothioacetamide (1.0 g, 10 mmol) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (1.4 mL, 10 mmol) in EtOH (30 mL) was stirred at 20 °C for 20 min, during which time hexafluoroacetylacetone (2.1 g, 10 mmol) was added dropwise. After the addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred at 20 °C for an additional 3 h. Then 1-bromoacetyladamantane (2.6 g, 10 mmol) and triethyl-

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Table 1.	Yields,	Melting Points,	and <sup>1</sup> H NM	R and IR	Spectral	Data for the	Compounds	3a-s and 4h-u
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$R_1$	$R_2$	R <sub>3</sub>	compd	yield, %	mp, °C	IR, $cm^{-1}$ in KBr	<sup>1</sup> H NMR, $\delta$ , ppm in DMSO- $d_6$
CH <sub>3</sub>	$CF_3$	CH <sub>3</sub>	3a	32	27-28	2240 C≡N	1.45t (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> ); 2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 3.3q (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S) 7.3s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)
CH <sub>3</sub>	$CF_3$	Ph	3b	51	32-35	2228 C≡N	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.5s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.25–7.5m (6H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> , C <sup>5</sup> H)
CH <sub>3</sub>	$CF_3$	$3\text{-BrC}_6\text{H}_4$	3c	77	76-77	2226 C≡N	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.45s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.1–7.6m (5H, $C^{5}H, C_{6}H_{4}$ )
CF <sub>3</sub>	$\mathrm{CH}_3$	CH <sub>3</sub>	3d	45	50-51	2240 C≡N	1.41t (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> ); 2.7s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 3.3q (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S) 7.15s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)
CF <sub>3</sub>	$\mathrm{CH}_3$	Pr	3e	17	27-29	2232 C≡N	1.0t (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 1.5–1.75m (4H, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> ); 2.7s (3H); 3.3s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.1s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)
CF <sub>3</sub>	$\mathrm{CH}_3$	Ph	3f	63	45-47	2230 C≡N	2.7s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.5s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.2s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H); 7.25 $-7.5m$ (5H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
CF <sub>3</sub>	$\mathrm{CH}_3$	$3\text{-BrC}_6\text{H}_4$	3g	84	83-84	2228 C≡N	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.3s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.0 $-7.5m$ (5H, C <sup>5</sup> H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> )
EF3	CH <sub>3</sub>	3-BuO- C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> NHCO	3h	73	110-111	1662 δ <sub>CONH</sub> ; 2232 C≡N; 3320, 3340 NH	$0.9t (3H, CH_3); 1.35-1.85m (4H, CH_2CH_2); 2.6s (3H, CH_3); 3.9t (2H, CH_2O); 4.1s (2H, CH_2S); 6.65-7.3m (5H, C_6H_4 C5H); 10.25s (1H, NH)$
CF <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>	PhCH <sub>2</sub> NHCO	3i	65	143-145	1664 δ <sub>CONH</sub> ; 2230 C≡N; 3318, 3336 NH	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.1s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 4.3s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> N); 7.25m (5H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ); 7.65s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H); 9.5s (1H, NH)
CF3	CH <sub>3</sub>	PhNHCO	3ј	80	156-157	1550, 1600; 1660 δ <sub>CONH</sub> ; 2240 C≡N; 3300−3330 NH	2.7s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.2s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.0–7.5m (6H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> , C <sup>5</sup> H); 10.3s (1H, NH)
F <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>	2,4-diMe- C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> NHCO	3k	78	166-168	1658 δ <sub>CONH</sub> ; 2228 C≡N; 3322, 3336 NH	2.1s (3H,CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ); 2.25s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ); 2.7s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.3s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.0–7.6m (4H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> , C <sup>5</sup> H) 9.5s (1H, NH)
SF3	CH <sub>3</sub>	4-MeO- C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> NHCO	31	85	192-193	1654 δ <sub>CONH</sub> ; 2226 C≡N; 3328, 3342 NH	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 3.7s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> O); 4.2s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 6.8–7.5m (5H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> , C <sup>5</sup> H); 10.2c (1H, NH)
CF <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>	4-Me-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> NHCO	3m	91	171-172	1652 δ <sub>CONH</sub> ; 2228 C≡N; 3318, 3336 NH	2.3s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ); 2.75s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.05s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.2d + 7.4d (4H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> , <sup>3</sup> <i>J</i> = 7.1 Hz); 7.62s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H); 8.4s (1H, NH)
CH <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OCO	3n	68		1740 C=O; 2226 C≡N	1.3t (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> , <sup>3</sup> <i>J</i> = 7.4 Hz); 2.61s (3H, CH); 4.0s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 4.2q (2H, CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> , <sup>3</sup> <i>J</i> = 7.4 Hz); 7.31s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)
H <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	PhCO	30	88	94-95	1680 C=O; 2228 C≡N	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.72s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.30s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H); 7.50-8.10m (5H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
CH <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> CO	3p	91	150-151	1682 C=O; 2224 C≡N	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.7s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.3s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H); 7.52d + 8.0d (4H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> , ${}^{3}J$ = 7.6 Hz)
CH <sub>3</sub>	$CF_3$	4-Br-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> CO	3q	93	162-163	1682 C=O; 2226 C≡N	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.67s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.31s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H); 7.68d + 7.92d (4H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> , <sup>3</sup> <i>J</i> = 7.8 Hz)
CH <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> NCO	3r	88	171-172	1668 δ <sub>CONH</sub> ; 2226 C≡N; 3185, 3226, 3343 NH <sub>2</sub>	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.0s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.3s (1H, NH); 7.7s (1H, NH); 7.8s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)
CH <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	4-Me-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> NHCO	3s	63	175-178	1662 δ <sub>CONH</sub> ; 2230 C≡N; 3326, 3310 NH	2.4s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ); 2.7s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.1s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> S); 7.1d + 7.4d (4H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> , <sup>3</sup> <i>J</i> = 7.1 Hz); 7.52s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H); 8.3s (1H, NH)
CF <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>	3-BuO- C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> NHCO	4h	68	121-124	1632 $\delta_{NH_2}$ ; 1648 $\delta_{CONH}$ ; 3285, 3326, 3400 NH <sub>2</sub> + NH	$\begin{array}{l} 0.9t \ (3H, CH_{3}CH_{2}); \ 1.35 - 1.85m \ (4H, CH_{2}CH_{2}); \\ 2.65s \ (1H, CH_{3}); \ 3.95t \ (2H, CH_{2}O); \ 6.6s \ (2H, \\ NH_{2}); \ 6.65 - 7.3m \ (5H, C_{6}H_{4}, C^{5}H); \ 9.6s \ (1H, NH) \end{array}$
CF <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>	PhCH <sub>2</sub> NHCO	<b>4i</b> <sup>24</sup>	85	110-112	$\begin{array}{c} 1600,  1630 \; \delta_{\rm NH+NH_2}; \\ 3280,  3340,  3500 \\ \rm NH + NH_2 \end{array}$	2.75s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 6.75s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.1–7.9m (6H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> , C <sup>5</sup> H); 9.7s (1H, NH)
CF <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>	PhNHCO	4j	85	122-123	1600, 1630 $\delta_{NH+NH_2}$ ; 3280, 3340, 3500 NH + NH <sub>2</sub>	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.15s (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> N); 6.6s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.25m (5H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ); 7.5s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H); 9.5s (1H, NH)
CF3	CH <sub>3</sub>	2,4-diMe- C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> NHCO	4k	67	145-146	1625 $\delta_{\text{NH}_2}$ ; 1640 $\delta_{\text{CONH}}$ ; 3370, 3386, 3476 NH + NH <sub>2</sub>	2.2s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ); 2.3s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ); 2.7s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 6.6s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.0–7.8m (4H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> , C <sup>5</sup> H); 9.4s (1H, NH)
CF3	CH <sub>3</sub>	4-MeO- C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> NHCO	41	71	195-198	$1628 \ \delta NH_2;$ $1643 \ \delta_{CONH};$ $3358, 3387, 3453$ $NH + NH_2$	2.75s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 3.8s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> O); 6.64s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 6.8–7.5m (6H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> , C <sup>5</sup> H, NH)

 Table 1 (Continued)

$R_1$	$R_2$	<b>R</b> <sub>3</sub>	compd	yield, %	mp, °C	IR, cm <sup>-1</sup> in KBr	<sup>1</sup> H NMR, $\delta$ , ppm in DMSO- $d_6$
CF <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>	4-Me- C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> NHCO	4m	73	210-212	$\begin{array}{c} 1630 \; \delta_{\rm NH_2}; \; 1642 \; \delta_{\rm CONH}; \\ 3342, \; 3376, \; 3448 \end{array}$	2.6s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.7s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ); 6.83s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.2d + 7.7d (4H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> , ${}^{3}J$ = 7.2 Hz); 7.5s (1H,
CH <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OCO	4n	90		$\begin{array}{l} \rm NH + \rm NH_2 \\ \rm 1610 \; \delta_{\rm NH_2}; \; 1670 \; \rm CO; \\ \rm 3370, \; 3390, \; 3490 \\ \rm NH_2 \end{array}$	C <sup>5</sup> H); 9.7s (1H, NH) 1.4t (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> , ${}^{3}J = 7.4$ Hz); 2.88s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 4.38q (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> O, ${}^{3}J = 7.4$ Hz); 6.2s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.35s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)
CH <sub>3</sub>	$CF_3$	PhCO	40	73	147-148	1600 C=O, $\delta_{\rm NH_2}$ ; 3110, 3486 NH <sub>2</sub>	2.95s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.20s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.60s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H); 7.30-7.90m (5H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> )
CH <sub>3</sub>	$CF_3$	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> CO	4p	91	144-145	1612 C=O, $\delta_{\rm NH_2}$ ; 3115, 3486 NH <sub>2</sub>	3.0s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.3s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.4d + 7.8d (4H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> , <sup>3</sup> <i>J</i> = 7.8 Hz); 7.6s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)
CH <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	4-Br-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> CO	<b>4</b> q	95	154-155	1637 C=O, δ <sub>NH<sub>2</sub></sub> ; 3220, 3335 NH <sub>2</sub>	2.9s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.2s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.4d + 7.6d (4H, BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> , <sup>3</sup> <i>J</i> = 7.2 Hz); 7.52s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)
CH <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> NCO	4r	85	262-264	1628 $\delta_{\text{NH}_2}$ ; 1650 $\delta_{\text{CONH}_2}$ ; 3185, 3226, 3330 NH <sub>2</sub>	2.95s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 6.9s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.4s (2H, CONH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.55s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)
CH <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	4-Me- C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> NHCO	4s	72	271-275	1620, 1636 $\delta_{\text{NH}_2} + \delta_{\text{CONH}};$ 3126, 3257, 3338 NH <sub>2</sub>	2.8s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.2s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 2.42s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.3–7.9m (5H, C <sup>5</sup> H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ); 9.7s (1H, NH)
CH <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	CN	4t	87		2	2.92s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 6.2s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.47s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)
CH <sub>3</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub>	AdCO	4u	83	250-251	2	1.7m (6H, Ad); 2.05m (9H, Ad); 2.85s (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.55s (2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.48s (1H, C <sup>5</sup> H)

Table 2. Elemental Analysis Data for the Compounds 3a-s and 4h-u

		found			calculated		
compd	С	Н	N	formula	С	Н	Ν
3a	48.59	3.66	11.25	$C_{10}H_9F_3N_2S$	48.77	3.68	11.32
3d	48.53	3.67	11.29	$C_{10}H_9F_3N_2S$	48.77	3.68	11.32
3b	58.33	3.59	9.04	$C_{15}H_{11}F_{3}N_{2}S$	58.43	3.60	9.09
3f	58.31	3.57	9.08	$C_{15}H_{11}F_3N_2S$	58.43	3.60	9.09
3c	46.31	2.59	7.21	$C_{15}H_{10}BrF_3N_2S$	46.52	2.60	7.24
3g	46.47	2.58	7.19	$C_{15}H_{10}BrF_3N_2S$	46.52	2.60	7.24
3e	52.44	4.74	10.15	$C_{12}H_{24}F_3N_2S$	52.54	4.78	10.21
3h	56.34	4.73	9.87	$C_{20}H_{20}F_3N_3O_2S$	56.73	4.76	9.92
3i	56.36	4.75	9.83	$C_{20}H_{20}F_3N_3O_2S$	56.73	4.76	9.92
3i	55.46	3.84	11.43	$C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3OS$	55.88	3.86	11.50
<b>4i</b>	56.70	3.85	11.45	$C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3OS$	55.88	3.86	11.50
3j	54.31	3.42	11.86	$C_{16}H_{12}F_3N_3OS$	54.65	3.44	11.95
3k	56.73	4.21	10.99	$C_{18}H_{16}F_3N_3OS$	56.98	4.25	11.08
<b>4</b> k	56.74	4.24	11.01	$C_{18}H_{16}F_3N_3OS$	56.98	4.25	11.08
31	53.17	3.67	10.87	$C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$	53.54	3.70	11.02
41	53.29	3.69	10.98	$C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$	53.54	3.70	11.02
3m	55.67	3.83	11.77	$C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3OS$	55.88	3.86	11.50
4m	55.63	3.80	11.79	$C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3OS$	55.88	3.86	11.50
3n	46.00	3.63	9.17	$C_{12}H_{11}F_3N_2O_2S$	47.36	3.64	9.21
4n	47.13	3.61	9.16	$C_{12}H_{11}F_3N_2O_2S$	47.36	3.64	9.21
4t	46.37	2.34	16.27	$C_{10}H_6F_3N_3S$	46.69	2.35	16.34
30	57.23	3.43	8.54	$C_{16}H_{11}F_3N_2OS$	57.13	3.30	8.33
40	57.11	3.45	8.37	$C_{16}H_{11}F_3N_2OS$	57.13	3.30	8.33
3p	52.51	2.70	7.52	$C_{16}H_{10}ClF_3N_2OS$	52.91	2.72	7.56
4p	52.53	2.71	7.55	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>10</sub> ClF <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> OS	52.91	2.72	7.56
3q	45.99	2.43	6.71	$C_{16}H_{10}BrF_3N_2OS$	46.28	2.43	6.75
4q	46.17	2.42	6.71	$C_{16}H_{10}BrF_3N_2OS$	46.28	2.43	6.75
3r	43.29	2.93	15.16	$C_{10}H_8F_3N_3OS$	43.63	2.93	15.27
4r	43.35	2.91	15.25	$C_{10}H_8F_3N_3OS$	43.63	2.93	15.27
3s	54.54	3.84	11.47	$C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3OS$	55.88	3.86	11.50
4s	54.59	3.84	11.41	$C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3OS$	55.88	3.86	11.50
4u	60.65	5.34	7.05	$C_{20}H_{21}F_3N_2OS$	60.89	5.37	7.10

amine (1.4 mL, 10 mmol) were added dropwise in sequential manner. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 3 h and then diluted with 20 mL of water. The precipitate was collected by filtration and recrystallized from benzene to yield 2.7 g

(60%) of title compound with a mp of 142-144 °C. IR ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>, KBr): 1628 ( $\delta$  NH); 1657 (C=O); 3185, 3276 (NH<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR ( $\delta$ , ppm, in DMSO- $d_6$ ): 1.32, 1.64, 2.03m (15H, Ad); 6.83s (2H, NH<sub>2</sub>); 7.86s (1*H*, C<sup>5</sup>H). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS: C, 53.57; H, 4.02; N, 6.28. Found: C, 51.18; H, 3.08; N 5.01.

#### Note Added in Proof

Since the submission of the manuscript, this method was successfully applied for expansion of the existing library of trifluoromethylpyridines, primarily by diversification of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  groups (CF<sub>3</sub>- and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-, C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>S-) and further diversification of  $R_3$  (CH<sub>2</sub>=CH-, NH<sub>2</sub>C(=NCN)-, *t*-BuN-HCO-, CH<sub>3</sub>OCO-, PhCH<sub>2</sub>OCO-, *cyclo*C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CO-, *cyclo*C<sub>3</sub>-H<sub>5</sub>NHCO-, (*N*-morpholino)CH<sub>2</sub>-, (*N*-*cyclo*C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N)CH<sub>2</sub>-, 2-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-, 4-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-, 2,4-diMeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>CO-, 2-NO<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO-, 3-NO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO-, 4-NO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO-, 3-NO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO-, 3-CF<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>4</sub>NHCO-, 2-Me-4-I-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>NHCO-, 3,4-diMeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>CO-, 2-(3,5-diBrC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>2</sub>N)NHCO-, 2-(6-MeC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>3</sub>N)NHCO-, 2-(5-MeC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>3</sub>N)NHCO-, 2-(4-MeC<sub>3</sub>HNS)NHCO-, 2-(5-EtC<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>-S)NHCO-. Seventy-one new compounds were added to the library.

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