



## Optically active 4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-ones: Versatile reagents for synthesis of chiral 4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydroazin-2-ones

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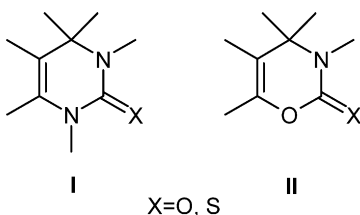
### ABSTRACT

A cyclocondensation of disubstituted (thio)ureas and isocyanates derived from enantiomerically enriched 4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-ones affords a novel synthetic access to chiral 4-trifluoromethyl-substituted 3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-(thi)ones and 3,4-dihydro-1,3-oxazin-2-ones, respectively.

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### 1. Introduction

Substituted 3,4-dihydropyrimidines I and 3,4-dihydro-1,3-oxazines II are regarded as promising synthons in the design of new bioactive compounds. For instance, structural scaffold I is represented by polyfunctional 3,4-dihydropyrimidines known as Biginelli compounds [1–3] which include a number of antiviral, antibacterial, antihypertensive, and antiinflammatory agents [4]. Intensive high-throughput screening has also revealed a number of compounds I efficiently blocking calcium channels [5] and inhibiting KSP [6] and FATP4 [7]. Great pharmacological promise is also shown by fused 3,4-dihydroazinones, e.g., 3,4-dihydroquinazolones bearing a trifluoromethyl group and an alkynyl substituent at position 4 of the heterocycle which exhibit anti-HIV activity [8].

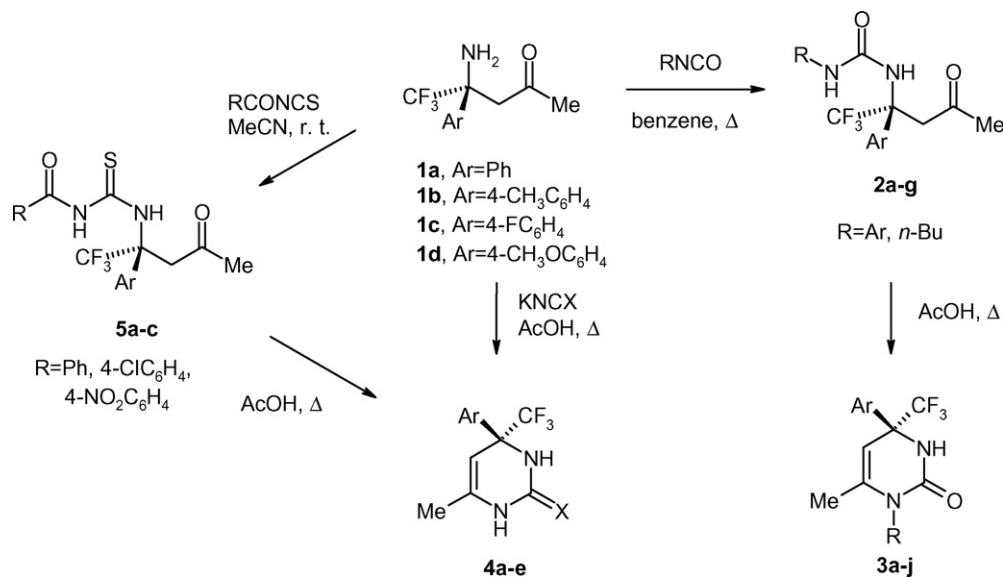


Structures I and II contain a quaternary endocyclic chiral centre giving rise to optical isomerism. Much recent attention has been paid to enantioselective preparation of 3,4-dihydroazinones, because their bioactive derivatives in various enantiomeric forms and racemic mixtures were shown to have very different and sometimes opposite effects on the corresponding biological targets [9]. However, it was not until very recently that the first asymmetric syntheses of Biginelli compounds were reported [10] and new methods to obtain highly optically pure 4-trifluoromethyl-4-alkynyl-3,4-dihydroquinazolones (HIV RT inhibitors) were found [11]. The synthesis of chiral 1,3-oxazin-4-one derivatives can be exemplified by catalytic enantioselective Mannich reactions [12] affording highly functionalized 3,4-dihydrobenzoxazinones [12].

Lantzsch and Arlt were the first to use  $\beta$ -aminoketones as bifunctional reagents in the synthesis of dihydroazinones [14]. Starting from 4-methyl-4-aminopentan-2-one and phosgene, they prepared 4-methyl-4-isocyanatopentan-2-one which was further reacted with amines to give the corresponding ureas at room temperature and 1-substituted 4,4,6-trimethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-ones on heating. As noted, heating the thus obtained ureas in acetic acid provides the same dihydropyrimidones, whereas the ketoisocyanate itself can thermally cyclize to 4,4,6-trimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,3-oxazin-2-one. An alternative approach, though not studied systematically, was applied at one of the stages in the conversion of chiral  $\beta$ -alkoxycarbonylketones to 1-benzyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-ones: it involves the initial reaction

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Scheme 1.

of  $\beta$ -aminoketones with isocyanates followed by heterocyclization of intermediately formed ureas [10b].

With regard to the fact that fluorine atoms substantially affect physical, chemical, and hence biological properties of compounds [13], it is especially challenging to find a convenient pathway to dihydroazinones I and II of high enantiopurity which would contain a trifluoromethyl group at the chiral centre. Optically active 4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-ones **1** formerly described by us are easily accessible compounds; they are conveniently obtained by the *L*-proline-catalyzed asymmetric reaction of aryl trifluoromethyl ketimines with acetone [15]. To explore the potentialities of **1** as building blocks in the above-mentioned synthetic schemes, we have studied their reactions with various heterocumulenes and triphosgene which furnish pharmacologically promising trifluoromethyl-substituted enantiomerically enriched 3,4-dihydroazin-2-ones with a quaternary endocyclic chiral centre.

## 2. Results and discussions

### 2.1. Reaction of *S*(+)-4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-ones **1** with heterocumulenes

When boiled with aryl isocyanates in dry benzene, *S*(+)-4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-ones **1a–c** provide, in high yields, disubstituted ureas **2a–g** (see Scheme 1 and Table 1). The latter cyclize to *S*(–)-4-aryl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-ones **3a–e, h, i** on boiling in glacial acetic acid. Heterocyclic products **3f, g** were isolated instead of the corresponding ureas on long boiling of the reagents in dry benzene. Likewise, compound **3j** was formed by the reaction of aminoketone **1a** with *n*-butyl isocyanate.

1-Unsubstituted dihydropyrimidones **4a, b** were obtained by heating aminoketones **1** with potassium cyanate in glacial acetic acid. With potassium rhodanide, the reaction afforded 4-aryl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-thiones **4c–e** in 75%–96% yields (see Table 2).

Though aminoketones **1** are unreactive towards alkyl(aryl) isothiocyanates, they readily react with more electrophilic aryl isothiocyanates in dry acetonitrile at room temperature to give arylthioureas **5a–c**. By heating compounds **5** in glacial acetic acid,

dihydropyrimidinethiones **4c, d** are formed in high yields, evidently as a result of aroyl group hydrolysis from the initially formed *N*-aroyl-substituted products.

The optical purity of the heterocycles obtained has been determined by <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectroscopy using the chiral lanthanide shift reagent, *tris*(3-heptafluorobutyryl-*d*-camphorato)europium

**Table 1**  
Analytical data of compounds **2** and **3**.

Compound	Ar	R	Yield, (%) <sup>a</sup>	Mp, C <sup>b</sup>	Ee (%)
<b>2a</b>	Ph	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	60	168–170	76
<b>2b</b>	Ph	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	75	178–180	76
<b>2c</b>	Ph	3,4-Cl <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	80	165–167	75
<b>2d</b>	Ph	3-CF <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	81	149–151	77
<b>2e</b>	Ph	4-CH <sub>3</sub> -3-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	62	145–147	76
<b>2f</b>	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> -3-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	75	166–168	80
<b>2g</b>	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4- <sup>t</sup> BuC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	70	95–97	78
<b>3a</b>	Ph	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	88	149–151	75
<b>3b</b>	Ph	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	88	260–262	77
<b>3c</b>	Ph	3,4-Cl <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	81	272–275	76
<b>3d</b>	Ph	3-CF <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	79	132–134	76
<b>3e</b>	Ph	4-CH <sub>3</sub> -3-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	71	135–137	74
<b>3f</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	78	106–108	70
<b>3g</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	3,4-Cl <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	75	190–192	71
<b>3h</b>	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> -3-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	91	127–129	77
<b>3i</b>	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4- <sup>t</sup> BuC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	90	197–199	78
<b>3j</b>	Ph	<i>n</i> -Bu	77	69–70	75

<sup>a</sup> All compounds are white solids.

<sup>b</sup> Melting points are not corrected.

**Table 2**  
Analytical data of compounds **4** and **5**.

Compound	Ar	R	X	Yield, (%) <sup>a</sup>	Mp, C <sup>b</sup>	Ee (%)
<b>4a</b>	Ph	–	O	73	–	75
<b>4b</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	–	O	71	–	70
<b>4c</b>	Ph	–	S	75	202–204	74
<b>4d</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	–	S	91	154–156	71
<b>4e</b>	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	–	S	96	192–194	76
<b>5a</b>	Ph	Ph	–	83	121–123	76
<b>5b</b>	Ph	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	–	75	155–157	72
<b>5c</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-NO <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	–	74	174–176	70

<sup>a</sup> All compounds are white solids excepting **4a, b** which are colorless oils.

<sup>b</sup> Melting points are not corrected.

(III). The analytically pure samples of compounds **3** and **4** prepared by us have much the same enantiomeric excess (*ee*) as starting aminoketones **1** (75–90%), since the chiral centre is not involved in the reactions.

### 2.2. Reaction of 4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-ones **1** with triphosgene

To synthesize isocyanates **6** from the corresponding  $\beta$ -aminoketones **1**, we studied their reactions with triphosgene [16] in inert solvents in the presence of basic catalysts. It was found that 85–90% conversion of compounds **1** afforded products **6** in satisfactory yields when we used ethyl acetate as a solvent and triethylamine as a catalyst (see Scheme 2). The by-products of the reaction, symmetric bis-ureas and 3,4-dihydro-1,3-oxazin-2-ones **7**, were difficult to remove from resulting isocyanates **6**, so that the latter were further reacted as obtained (70–80% pure). If conducted in butyl acetate, the reaction leads to a mixture of difficult-to-separate products, whereas acylation does not occur at all in toluene or chlorobenzene. At the same time, reacting  $\beta$ -aminoketones **1** with triphosgene in ethyl acetate in the presence of a stronger base, DBU, yields solely oxazines **7** which can thus be isolated in a pure state (Table 3). It is likely that DBU favours the

**Table 3**

Analytical data of compounds **7**.

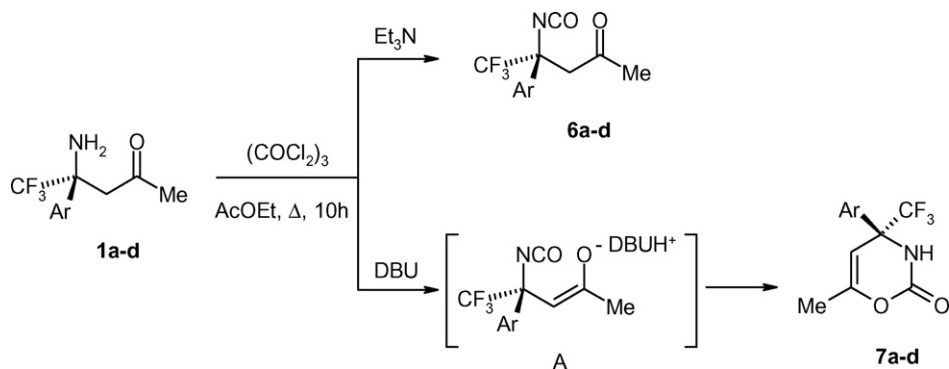
Compound	Ar	Yield (%) <sup>a</sup>	Ee (%)
<b>7a</b>	Ph	48	80
<b>7b</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	63	75
<b>7c</b>	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	69	79
<b>7d</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	62	75

<sup>a</sup> All compounds are colorless oils.

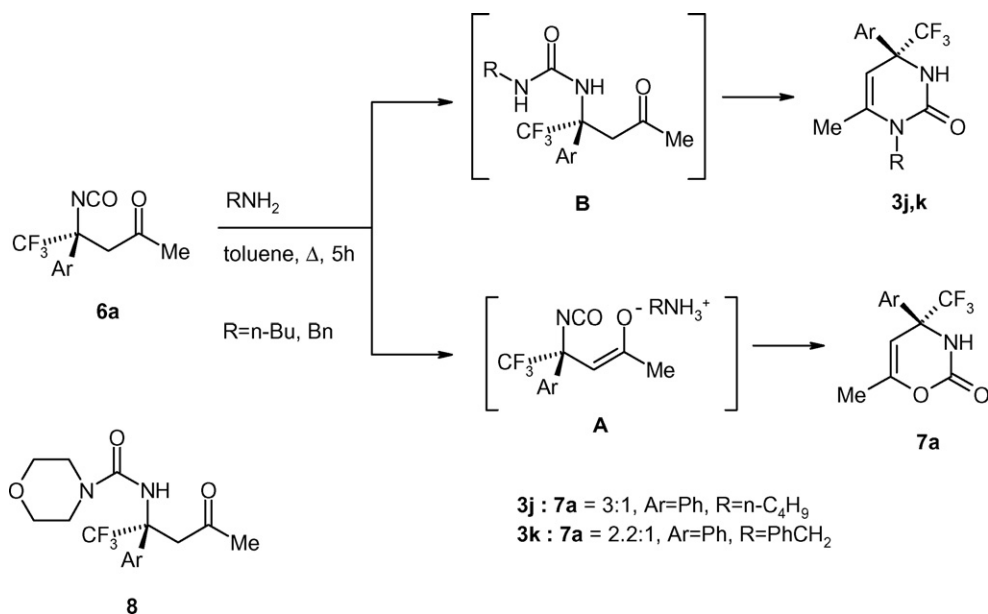
intramolecular cyclization of isocyanates **6** which is intermediated by isocyanato-substituted enolates **A**.

### 2.3. Reaction of isocyanates **6** with amines

Heating crude isocyanates **6** with primary aliphatic amines in dry toluene furnishes mixtures of 1-alkyl-substituted dihydropyrimidones **3** and dihydrooxazinones **7** in the respective ratios 2:1 to 3:1 (see Scheme 3). Importantly, compounds **3** appear to result from intramolecular cyclocondensation of intermediate ureas **B** which, as mentioned in Section 2.1, are labile under the conditions used. This conjecture about the conversion pathway is supported by the formation of urea **8** and dihydrooxazinone **7a** when isocyanate **6a** is reacted with a secondary amine (morpholine). Dihydrooxazinones **7** are probably produced by a competing



Scheme 2.



Scheme 3.

reaction, the base-catalyzed cyclization of compounds **6** (see also above in Section 2.2).

#### 2.4. Spectral properties of compounds 2–4 and 7

The compounds synthesized have been structurally determined by a combination of physicochemical techniques. The IR spectra of solid-state ureas **2** show two types of bands in the C=O group absorption region, at 1660 and 1720 cm<sup>-1</sup>, and also the band of associated NH groups at 3345 cm<sup>-1</sup>. These data suggest that ureas **2** form so-called “fork” hydrogen bonds in which the carboxamide carbonyl oxygen atom of one molecule is bonded to two NH protons of another [17]. On the contrary, the ketone carbonyl group is not involved in hydrogen bonding. Pyrimidines **3** and **4**, and oxazines **7** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> solutions give rise to the <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals of the CH and NH groups in the respective regions 4.9–5.3 and 5.8–8.0 ppm; compounds **4** also exhibit the characteristic resonances of the protons at position 1 of the heterocycle in the region 7.9–8.1 ppm. The typical features of the <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra of the products obtained provide firm evidence for their cyclic structure. The signal from the carbon atom of the CF<sub>3</sub> group appears in the region 124.6–127.5 ppm as a quartet with a spin-spin coupling constant *J* of 285.2–287.9 Hz, whereas the quaternary endocyclic carbon atom also causes a quartet in the region 62.1–63.2 ppm with *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 26.4–30.1 Hz. Likewise, the <sup>19</sup>F NMR resonances of the CF<sub>3</sub> group observed in the region 79.2–79.9 ppm are characteristic of the structural moieties N–C(CF<sub>3</sub>)(Ar)–NH and O–C(CF<sub>3</sub>)(Ar)–NH [18].

### 3. Conclusion

In conclusion, we have shown experimentally that chiral β-trifluoromethyl-β-aminoketones **1** can be successfully applied in the synthesis of optically active heterocycles containing a quaternary endocyclic chiral centre, e.g., trifluoromethyl-substituted 3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-(thi)ones **3–5** and 3,4-dihydro-1,3-oxazin-2-ones **7**. As found, the most convenient synthetic route to pyrimidines **3–5** involves the reaction of β-aminoketones **1** with alkyl(aryl) isocyanates or potassium cyanate (rhodanide) followed by cyclization of intermediate ureas **2**. Depending on the conditions used, the reaction of compounds **1** with triphosgene results in isocyanates **6** or dihydrooxazinones **7**. If reacted with primary aliphatic amines, isocyanates **6** produce mixtures of dihydropyrimidones **3** and dihydrooxazinones **7**.

### 4. Experimental part

IR spectra were measured with a UR-20 spectrometer in KBr. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian-Gemini instrument at 299.94 and 188.14 MHz, respectively, with TMS (<sup>1</sup>H) and CCl<sub>3</sub>F (<sup>19</sup>F) as internal standards. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Arano DRX-500 spectrometer (125.75 MHz), with TMS as internal standard. Elemental analysis was performed in the Analytical Laboratory of the Institute of Organic Chemistry, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine.

#### 4.1. General procedure for preparation of *S*(–)-*N*-aryl-*N'*-[(1-aryl-3-oxo-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]ureas (**2a–g**) and *S*(–)-1,4-diaryl-6-methyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (**3f,g,j**)

To a solution of *S*(+)-4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-one **1a–c** (0.02 mol) in dry benzene or toluene (40 ml), aryl(alkyl) isocyanate (0.02 mol) was added, followed by heating at 80 °C for 5 h. The resulting precipitate was filtered off and recrystallized from a benzene:hexane mixture (1:2).

#### 4.1.1. *S*(–)-*N*-(4-Fluorophenyl)-*N'*-[(3-oxo-1-phenyl-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]urea (**2a**)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 2.18 (s, 3H), 3.48 (d, 1H, *J* = 17.0 Hz), 3.81 (d, 1H, *J* = 17.0 Hz), 6.23 (s, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.87–6.98 (m, 2H), 7.18–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.34–7.40 (m, 5H), 7.45 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: –75.45 (s, 3F). IR (KBr): ν 3345, 3420 (N–H), 1660, 1720 (C=O). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –7.54 (*c* = 0.66; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 58.70; H, 4.38; N, 7.61%. Found: C, 58.48; H, 4.24; N, 7.77%.

#### 4.1.2. *S*(–)-*N*-(4-Chlorophenyl)-*N'*-[(3-oxo-1-phenyl-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]urea (**2b**)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 2.19 (s, 3H), 3.51 (d, 1H, *J* = 17.5 Hz), 3.76 (1H, *J* = 17.5 Hz), 6.38 (s, 1H), 7.18 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.27–7.55 (m, 7H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: –75.43 (s, 3F). IR (KBr): ν 3340, 3440 (N–H), 1660, 1715 (C=O). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –37.69 (*c* = 0.26; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 56.19; H, 4.19; N, 7.28%. Found: C, 56.47; H, 4.14; N, 7.57%.

#### 4.1.3. *S*(–)-*N*-(4-Dichlorophenyl)-*N'*-[(3-oxo-1-phenyl-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]urea (**2c**)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 2.26 (s, 3H), 3.56 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.5 Hz), 3.78 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.5 Hz), 6.42 (s, 1H), 6.95 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.18 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.38–7.49 (m, 6H), 7.55 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: –75.43 (s, 3F). IR (KBr): ν 3330, 3440 (N–H), 1655, 1715 (C=O). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –47.55 (*c* = 1.2; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 51.57; H, 3.61; N, 6.68%. Found: C, 51.77; H, 3.49; N, 6.57%.

#### 4.1.4. *S*(–)-*N*-[(3-Oxo-1-phenyl-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]-*N'*-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]urea (**2d**)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 2.25 (s, 3H), 3.52 (d, 1H, *J* = 17.5 Hz), 3.78 (d, 1H, *J* = 16 Hz), 6.29 (s, 1H), 7.20–7.36 (m, 7H), 7.49 (s, 3H), 7.87 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: –61.77 (s, 3F), –75.45 (s, 3F). IR (KBr): ν 3420, 3350 (N–H), 1665, 1720 (C=O). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –3.28 (*c* = 0.10; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 54.55; H, 3.85; N, 6.69%. Found: C, 54.78; H, 3.99; N, 6.58%.

#### 4.1.5. *S*(–)-*N*-(3-Chloro-4-methylphenyl)-*N'*-[(3-oxo-1-phenyl-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]urea (**2e**)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 2.20 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 3.53 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.5 Hz), 3.80 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.5 Hz), 6.30 (s, 1H), 6.90–7.06 (m, 2H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.27–7.47 (m, 6H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: –75.18 (s, 3F). IR (KBr): ν 3340, 3360 (N–H), 1660, 1720 (C=O). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –46.52 (*c* = 0.44; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 57.22; H, 4.55; N, 7.02%. Found: C, 57.57; H, 4.49; N, 7.09%.

#### 4.1.6. *S*(–)-*N*-(3-Chloro-4-methylphenyl)-*N'*-[(1-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-oxo-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]urea (**2f**)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 2.12 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 3.65 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 4.03 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 6.93–7.00 (m, 2H), 7.12–7.21 (m, 3H), 7.56–7.61 (m, 3H), 8.84 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: –75.87 (s, 3F); –114.79 (s, 1F). IR (KBr): ν 3335, 3370 (N–H), 1660, 1720 (C=O). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –18.98 (*c* = 0.43; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClF<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 54.75; H, 4.11; N, 6.72%. Found: C, 54.49; H, 4.19; N, 6.59%.

#### 4.1.7. *S*(–)-*N*-(4-Tert-Butylphenyl)-*N'*-[(1-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-oxo-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]urea (**2g**)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 1.25 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 3.65 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.5 Hz), 4.06 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.5 Hz), 6.93–7.00 (m, 2H), 7.12–7.21 (m, 3H), 7.56–7.61 (m, 3H), 8.84 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: –75.87 (s, 3F); –114.79 (s, 1F). IR (KBr): ν 3355, 3430 (N–H), 1663, 1723 (C=O). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –10.33 (*c* = 0.92; MeOH). Anal. calculated for

$C_{22}H_{23}F_4N_2O_2$ : C, 62.55; H, 5.25; N, 6.63%. Found: C, 62.29; H, 5.13; N, 6.51%.

4.1.8. *S*(-)-1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-(methylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3f)

$^1H$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 1.63 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 5.71 (s, 1H), 7.16 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 7.26 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 7.39 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.0$  Hz), 7.43 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.0$  Hz).  $^{19}F$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : -79.92 (s, 3F).  $^{13}C$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 19.74 (CH $_3$ ), 20.49 (CH $_3$ ), 62.18 (q,  $J_{CF} = 28.9$  Hz), 95.25 (C-5), 126.24, 128.79, 128.97, 131.58, 132.41, 135.23, 136.44, 137.50 (C $_{arom.}$ ), 127.50 (q,  $J_{CF} = 285.4$  Hz), 137.77 (C-6), 151.64 (C-2). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3100, 3215 (N-H), 1674, 1697 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -124.17$  ( $c = 1$ ; MeOH). Anal. calculated for  $C_{19}H_{16}ClF_3N_2O$ : C, 59.93; H, 4.24; N, 7.36%. Found: C, 60.16; H, 4.33; N, 7.54%.

4.1.9. *S*(-)-1-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-(methylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3g)

$^1H$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 1.62 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 5.30 (s, 1H), 7.20–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.55–7.68 (m, 4H), 8.73 (s, 1H).  $^{19}F$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : -77.86 (s, 3F).  $^{13}C$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 19.65 (CH $_3$ ), 20.49 (CH $_3$ ), 62.21 (q,  $J_{CF} = 28.9$  Hz), 95.44 (C-5), 126.25, 128.95, 130.24, 130.52, 130.78, 131.02, 131.97, 135.13, 137.15, 137.46 (C $_{arom.}$ ), 125.12 (q,  $J_{CF} = 276.6$  Hz), 137.78 (C-6), 151.64 (C-2). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3105, 3220 (N-H), 1675, 1703 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -18.12$  ( $c = 0.46$ ; MeOH). Anal. calculated for  $C_{19}H_{15}Cl_2F_3N_2O$ : C, 54.96; H, 3.64; N, 6.75%. Found: C, 55.19; H, 3.47; N, 6.54%.

4.1.10. *S*(-)-1-*n*-Butyl-6-methyl-4-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3j)

$^1H$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 0.83 (t, 3H,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 1.30 (m, 4H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 2.81 (m, 2H), 3.48 (m, 2H), 5.04 (s, 1H), 7.34 (t, 1H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 7.38 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 7.57 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz).  $^{19}F$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : -79.93 (s, 3F).  $^{13}C$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 14.00 (CH $_3$ ), 18.90 (CH $_3$ ), 31.93 (CH $_2$ ), 32.69 (CH $_2$ ), 41.75 (CH $_2$ ), 62.18 (q,  $J_{CF} = 28.6$  Hz), 94.97 (C-5), 125.05 (q,  $J_{CF} = 276.6$  Hz), 126.77, 128.63, 128.80, 138.28 (C $_{arom.}$ ), 138.73 (C-6), 152.45 (C-2). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3100, 3215 (N-H), 1675, 1700 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -138.76$  ( $c = 0.9$ ; MeOH). Anal. calculated for  $C_{16}H_{19}F_3N_2O$ : C, 61.53; H, 6.13; N, 8.97%. Found: C, 61.50; H, 6.06; N, 9.00%.

4.2. General procedure for preparation of *S*(-)-1,4-diaryl-6-methyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (3a–e, h, i)

A solution of *S*(-)-*N*-aryl-*N'*-(1-aryl-3-oxo-1-trifluoromethyl)-butyl]urea **2a–g** (0.001 mol) in acetic acid (10 ml) was refluxed for 4 h. After evaporating the solvent, water (5 ml) was added to the residue. The solid product was filtered off, air-dried, and recrystallized from a methanol:water mixture (2:1).

4.2.1. *S*(-)-1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3a)

$^1H$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 1.63 (s, 3H), 5.00 (s, 1H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 7.07–7.10 (m, 2H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 7.39–7.43 (m, 3H), 7.58 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.0$  Hz).  $^{19}F$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : -79.67 (s, 3F); -114.02 (s, 1F).  $^{13}C$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 20.45 (CH $_3$ ), 63.16 (q,  $J_{CF} = 30.18$  Hz), 96.28 (C-5), 116.01, 116.19, 125.93, 128.77, 128.90, 131.29, 133.17 (C $_{arom.}$ ), 125.13 (q,  $J_{CF} = 286.7$  Hz), 138.23 (C-6), 152.61 (C-2), 162.27 (d,  $J = 248.94$  Hz). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3090, 3210 (N-H), 1680, 1695 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -151.3$  ( $c = 1.31$ ; MeOH). Anal. calculated for  $C_{18}H_{14}F_4N_2O$ : C, 61.72; H, 4.03; N, 7.80%. Found: C, 61.95; H, 4.11; N, 7.59%.

4.2.2. *S*(-)-1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3b)

$^1H$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 1.64 (s, 3H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 7.15 (s, 2H), 7.40–7.43 (m, 5H), 7.57 (s, 2H).  $^{19}F$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : -79.72 (s,

3F).  $^{13}C$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 20.45 (CH $_3$ ), 63.18 (q,  $J_{CF} = 28.9$  Hz), 96.45 (C-5), 125.11 (q,  $J_{CF} = 287.9$  Hz), 125.92, 125.93, 128.80, 128.92, 129.40, 130.92, 134.38, 135.79 (C $_{arom.}$ ), 137.99 (C-6), 152.39 (C-2). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3095, 3210 (N-H), 1675, 1695 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -101.76$  ( $c = 0.55$ , MeOH). Anal. calculated for  $C_{18}H_{14}F_3ClN_2O$ : C, 58.95; H, 3.85; N, 7.34%. Found: C, 59.24; H, 4.01; N, 7.51%.

4.2.3. *S*(-)-1-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3c)

$^1H$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 1.67 (s, 3H), 5.03 (s, 1H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 7.03–7.10 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.56 (m, 7H).  $^{19}F$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : -79.65 (s, 3F).  $^{13}C$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 19.64 (CH $_3$ ), 62.47 (q,  $J_{CF} = 26.4$  Hz), 125.01 (q,  $J_{CF} = 271.6$  Hz), 126.32, 128.37, 128.42, 130.22, 130.52, 130.80, 131.08, 131.85, 137.30, 137.43 (C $_{arom.}$ ), 138.06 (C-6), 151.60 (C-2). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3105, 3210 (N-H), 1675, 1700 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -158.76$  ( $c = 0.43$ ; MeOH). Anal. calculated for  $C_{18}H_{13}F_3Cl_2N_2O$ : C, 53.89; H, 3.27; N, 6.98%. Found: C, 54.14; H, 3.11; N, 6.71%.

4.2.4. *S*(-)-6-Methyl-4-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-1-(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3d)

$^1H$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 1.64 (s, 3H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 7.41–7.58 (m, 8H), 7.65 (d, 1H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz).  $^{19}F$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : -63.77 (s, 3F); -79.64 (s, 1F).  $^{13}C$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 20.45 (CH $_3$ ), 63.12 (q,  $J_{CF} = 28.9$  Hz), 96.91 (C-5), 125.36, 125.88, 126.66, 128.88, 128.97, 129.73, 133.17, 137.66, 137.85, 137.89 (C $_{arom.}$ ), 124.61 (q,  $J_{CF} = 245.2$  Hz), 131.78 (q,  $J = 32.6$  Hz), 125.41 (q,  $J = 272.8$  Hz), 137.89 (C-6), 152.11 (C-2). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3100, 3220 (N-H), 1675, 1700 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -157.6$  ( $c = 0.15$ ; MeOH). Anal. calculated for  $C_{18}H_{13}F_3Cl_2N_2O$ : C, 53.89; H, 3.27; N, 7.00%. Found: C, 57.26; H, 3.43; N, 6.88%.

4.2.5. *S*(-)-1-(3-Chloro-4-methylphenyl)-6-methyl-4-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3e)

$^1H$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 1.66 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.22–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.39–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.57 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz).  $^{19}F$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : -79.75 (s, 3F).  $^{13}C$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 19.75 (CH $_3$ ), 20.75 (CH $_3$ ), 63.20 (q,  $J_{CF} = 28.9$  Hz), 96.35 (C-5), 125.90, 127.82, 128.77, 128.91, 130.10, 131.19, 134.62, 135.79, 136.73, 138.01 (C $_{arom.}$ ), 125.07 (q,  $J_{CF} = 286.7$  Hz), 138.06 (C-6), 152.73 (C-2). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3090, 3220 (N-H), 1680, 1700 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -90.73$  ( $c = 0.23$ ; MeOH). Anal. calculated for  $C_{19}H_{15}F_4ClN_2O$ : C, 57.23; H, 3.79; N, 7.03%. Found: C, 57.46; H, 3.53; N, 6.84%.

4.2.6. *S*(-)-1-(3-Chloro-4-methylphenyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3h)

$^1H$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 1.66 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 5.01 (s, 1H), 5.89 (s, 1H), 7.09 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.4$  Hz), 7.26 (d, 3H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 7.44 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 7.50 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.4$  Hz).  $^{19}F$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : -79.96 (s, 3F), -114.10 (s, 3F).  $^{13}C$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 19.68 (CH $_3$ ), 20.39 (CH $_3$ ), 62.84 (q,  $J_{CF} = 28.9$  Hz), 95.97 (C-5), 115.80, 127.80, 128.05, 130.07, 131.17, 134.01, 134.59, 135.74, 136.74 (C $_{arom.}$ ), 124.98 (q,  $J_{CF} = 286.7$  Hz), 138.30 (C-6), 152.48 (C-2), 162.73 (q,  $J = 248.9$  Hz). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3115, 3240 (N-H), 1675, 1698 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -106.6$  ( $c = 0.36$ ; MeOH). Anal. calculated for  $C_{22}H_{21}F_4N_2O$ : C, 65.18; H, 5.22; N, 6.91%. Found: C, 65.39; H, 5.47; N, 6.74%.

4.2.7. *S*(-)-1-(4-Tert-Butylphenyl)-6-methyl-4-(4-methylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3i)

$^1H$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 1.32 (s, 9H), 1.63 (s, 3H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 5.72 (s, 1H), 7.09–7.15 (m, 4H), 7.40 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 7.56 (d, 3H).  $^{19}F$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : -79.91 (s, 3F); -114.24 (s, 1F).  $^{13}C$  NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$ : 20.45 (CH $_3$ ), 31.34 (3CH $_3$ ), 34.69 (C(CH $_3$ )), 62.83 (q,  $J_{CF} = 31.4$  Hz), 95.48 (C-5), 115.64, 115.82, 126.09, 128.07, 128.84, 134.22, 134.40

(C<sub>arom.</sub>), 125.09 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 286.7 Hz), 138.99 (C-6), 151.36 (C-2), 162.69 (q, C<sub>arom.</sub>,  $J$  = 248.9 Hz). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3130, 3265 (N–H), 1680, 1695 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = –103.3 ( $c$  = 0.32; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>ClO: C, 57.23; H, 3.79; N, 7.02%. Found: C, 57.45; H, 3.67; N, 6.84%.

#### 4.3. General procedure for preparation of *S*(–)-4-aryl-6-methyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-(thi)ones (4a–e)

To a solution of *S*(+)-4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-one **1a–d** (0.001 mol) in acetic acid (10 ml), potassium cyanate or rhodanide (0.003 mol) was added and the reaction mixture was boiled for 2 h. After evaporating the solvent, a 10% solution of sodium hydrocarbonate (5 ml) was added to the residue, followed by extracting with dichloromethane (2 × 20 ml). The organic layer was dried over sodium sulfate and evaporated. Solid products were recrystallized from a methanol:water mixture (1:3) and oily products were chromatographed on a silica gel column eluted with an ethyl acetate-hexane mixture (2:1).

##### 4.3.1. *S*(–)-6-Methyl-4-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one (4a)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 1.64 (s, 3H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 7.41–7.58 (m, 8H), 7.65 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : –79.64 (s, 3F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 20.45 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 63.12 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 28.9 Hz), 96.91 (C-5), 125.36, 125.88, 126.66, 128.88, 128.97, 129.73, 133.17, 137.66, 137.85, 137.89 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 124.61 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 245.2 Hz), 131.78 (q,  $J$  = 32.6 Hz), 125.41 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 272.8 Hz), 137.89 (C-6), 152.11 (C-2). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  2950, 3210 (N–H) 1700 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = –108.93 ( $c$  = 0.5; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O: C, 56.25; H, 4.33; N, 10.93%. Found: C, 56.40; H, 4.26; N, 10.89%.

##### 4.3.2. *S*(–)-6-Methyl-4-(4-methylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one (4b)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO/CCl<sub>4</sub>, 2:1)  $\delta$ : 1.76 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 4.71 (s, 1H), 7.18 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz), 7.40 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz), 7.96 (s, 1H), 8.70 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO/CCl<sub>4</sub>, 2:1)  $\delta$ : –79.62 (s, 3F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ : 18.27 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.61 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 64.38 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 28.9 Hz), 93.31 (C-5), 125.75, 128.25, 128.97, 129.44 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 124.65 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 247.7 Hz), 135.26 (C-6), 138.54 (C-5), 153.28 (C=S). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  2950, 3200 (N–H) 1705 (C=O).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = –157.26 ( $c$  = 0.26; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O: C, 57.78; H, 4.85; N, 10.37%. Found: C, 57.70; H, 4.87; N, 10.30%.

##### 4.3.3. *S*(–)-6-Methyl-4-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-thione (4c)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO/CCl<sub>4</sub>, 2:1)  $\delta$ : 1.81 (s, 3H), 4.95 (s, 1H), 7.34–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.52 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 9.58 (s, 1H), 10.19 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO/CCl<sub>4</sub>, 2:1)  $\delta$ : –77.03 (s, 3F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ : 17.47 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 63.34 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 27.7 Hz), 94.16 (C-5), 125.63, 126.18, 128.30, 128.39 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 129.2 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 285.4 Hz), 134.24 (C-6), 138.53 (C-5), 175.00 (C=S). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  2900, 3200 (N–H) 1655 (C=S).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = –23.33 ( $c$  = 0.40; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>S: C, 52.93; H, 4.07; N, 10.29%. Found: C, 52.83; H, 4.01; N, 10.30%.

##### 4.3.4. *S*(–)-6-Methyl-4-(4-methylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-thione (4d)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO/CCl<sub>4</sub>, 2:1)  $\delta$ : 1.80 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 4.91 (s, 1H), 7.20 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz), 7.39 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz), 9.51 (s, 1H), 10.16 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO/CCl<sub>4</sub>, 2:1)  $\delta$ : –77.04 (s, 3F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ : 17.47 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.37 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 63.10 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 28.9 Hz), 94.18 (C-5), 125.94, 127.91, 128.61, 133.92 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 126.7 (q,

$J_{CF}$  = 286.7 Hz), 135.62 (C-6), 137.44 (C-5), 174.80 (C=S). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  2995, 3200 (N–H) 1665 (C=S).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = –76.77 ( $c$  = 0.33; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>S: C, 54.53; H, 4.58; N, 9.78%. Found: C, 54.66; H, 4.54; N, 9.72%.

##### 4.3.5. *S*(–)-4-(4-Fluorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-thione (4e)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO/CCl<sub>4</sub>, 2:1)  $\delta$ : 1.81 (s, 3H), 4.97 (s, 1H), 7.16–7.33 (m, 2H), 7.56–7.59 (m, 2H), 9.58 (s, 1H), 10.22 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO/CCl<sub>4</sub>, 2:1)  $\delta$ : –77.17 (s, 3F), –114.31 (s, 1F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ : 17.55 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 62.85 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 28.9 Hz), 93.76 (C-5), 115.06, 128.01, 128.54, 134.31 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 124.4 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 287.9 Hz), 134.66 (C-6), 162.76 (C-5), 174.83 (C=S). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  2998, 3210 (N–H) 1655 (C=S).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = –31.38 ( $c$  = 0.29; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>F<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>S: C, 49.65; H, 3.47; N, 9.65%. Found: C, 49.64; H, 3.50; N, 9.65%.

#### 4.4. General procedure for preparation of *S*(–)-*N*-aroyl-*N'*-[(1-aryl-3-oxo-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]thioureas (5a–c)

To a solution of *S*(+)-4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-one **1a–b** (0.02 mol) in dry acetonitrile (40 ml), aroyl isothiocyanate (0.02 mol) was added, followed by stirring the mixture at room temperature for 6 h. The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with acetonitrile, and dried.

##### 4.4.1. *S*(–)-*N*-Benzoyl-*N'*-[(3-oxo-1-phenyl-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]thiourea (5a)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 2.28 (s, 3H), 3.79 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 16.5 Hz), 4.50 (s, 1H,  $J$  = 16.5 Hz), 7.26–7.65 (m, 8H), 7.90 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 12 Hz), 9.07 (s, 1H), 12.23 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : –77.07 (s, 3F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 31.30 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 41.76 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 65.65 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 27.6 Hz), 126.23 (q,  $J_{CF}$  = 245.9 Hz), 127.13, 127.67, 128.57, 128.96, 129.16, 131.37, 133.81, 134.40 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 167.33 (C=O), 179.87 (C=O), 201.50 (C=O). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3400, 3010 (N–H) 1665, 1710 (C=O), 1555 (C=S).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = –66.84 ( $c$  = 0.75; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S: C, 57.86; H, 4.34; N, 7.10%. Found: C, 57.81; H, 4.32; N, 7.13%.

##### 4.4.2. *S*(–)-*N*-(4-Chlorobenzoyl)-*N'*-[(3-oxo-1-phenyl-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]thiourea (5b)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ : 2.21 (s, 3H), 3.96 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 17.4 Hz), 4.45 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 17.4 Hz), 7.37–7.57 (m, 7H), 8.04 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz), 11.60 (s, 1H), 12.42 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ : –75.73 (s, 3F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ : 30.71 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 41.52 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 64.67 (q,  $J$  = 27.2 Hz), 126.30 ( $J_{CF}$  = 245.9 Hz), 127.15, 128.28, 128.49, 128.57, 128.62, 130.72, 134.54, 138.21 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 168.29 (C=O), 180.00 (C=O), 201.91 (C=O). IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3400, 3015 (N–H) 1665, 1705 (C=O), 1565 (C=S).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = –49.76 ( $c$  = 0.15; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S: C, 53.21; H, 3.76; N, 6.53%. Found: C, 53.10; H, 3.75; N, 6.60%.

##### 4.4.3. *S*(–)-*N*-(4-Nitrobenzoyl)-*N'*-[(1-(4-methylphenyl)-3-oxo-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]thiourea (5c)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ : 2.21 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 3.95 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 17.0 Hz), 4.41 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 17.0 Hz), 7.19 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 9.0 Hz), 7.33 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 9.0 Hz), 8.23 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz), 8.32 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz), 11.89 (s, 1H), 12.24 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ : –75.89 (s, 3F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ : 20.50 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.49 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 41.52 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 64.57 (q,  $J$  = 27.2 Hz), 126.24 ( $J_{CF}$  = 245.9 Hz), 123.08, 126.88, 128.68, 130.26, 131.39, 137.73, 149.80, 167.46 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 174.80 (C=O), 179.66 (C=O), 201.34 (C=O) IR (KBr):  $\nu$  3400, 3010 (N–H) 1665, 1705 (C=O), 1560 (C=S).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = –82.44 ( $c$  = 0.44; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S: C, 51.94; H, 3.67; N, 9.56%. Found: C, 52.13; H, 3.64; N, 9.49%.

#### 4.5. General procedure for preparation of 4-aryl-4-isocyanato-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-ones (6a–d)

To a solution of *S*(+)-4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-one **1a–d** (2.02 mmol) in dry ethyl acetate (10 ml), triphosgene (2.78 g, 1.02 mmol), along with three drops of dry triethylamine, was added. The reaction mixture was boiled for 15–20 h and the solvent was evaporated. The dry residue of the product (yield 85–90%) was converted further without additional purification.

#### 4.6. General procedure for preparation of *S*(–)-4-aryl-6-methyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,3-oxazin-2-ones (7a–d)

To a solution of *S*(+)-4-amino-4-aryl-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-one **1a–d** (2.02 mmol) in dry ethyl acetate (10 ml), triphosgene (2.78 g, 1.02 mmol), along with three drops of DBU, was added. The reaction mixture was boiled for 8–10 h and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column eluted with an ethyl acetate-hexane mixture (1:1).

##### 4.6.1. *S*(–)-6-Methyl-4-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,3-oxazin-2-one (7a)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 2.00 (s, 3H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 7.26–7.41 (m, 5H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: –79.25 (s, 3F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 18.72 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 63.20 (q, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 30.1 Hz), 95.25 (C-5), 124.33 (q, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 286.7 Hz), 125.90, 129.05, 129.19 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 136.43 (C-6), 149.92 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 150.62 (C-2). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –105.23 (*c* = 1.85; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 56.04; H, 3.92; N, 5.45%. Found: C, 55.92; H, 3.88; N, 5.50%.

##### 4.6.2. *S*(–)-6-Methyl-4-(4-methylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,3-oxazin-2-one (7b)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 1.99 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 6.95 (s, 1H), 7.23 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.38 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: –79.27 (s, 3F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 18.68 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.99 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 63.10 (q, *J* = 30.2 Hz), 95.37 (C-5), 124.42 (q, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 285.4 Hz), 125.80, 129.69, 133.54 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 139.18 (C-6), 149.93 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 150.47 (C-2). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –108.1 (*c* = 0.64; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 57.57; H, 4.46; N, 5.16%. Found: C, 57.58; H, 4.49; N, 5.11%.

##### 4.6.3. *S*(–)-4-(4-Fluorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,3-oxazin-2-one (7c)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 2.01 (s, 3H), 5.20 (s, 1H), 6.93 (s, 1H), 7.08–7.15 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.56 (m, 2H), 7.95 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: –79.48 (s, 3F), –113.31 (s, 1F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 18.71 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 63.00 (q, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 30.1 Hz), 95.03 (C-5), 116.11 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 124.40 (q, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 285.6 Hz), 128.12, 132.33, 149.90 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 150.86 (C-6), 161.93 (C-2). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –112.766 (*c* = 1.0; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>F<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 52.37; H, 3.30; N, 5.09. Found: C, 52.50; H, 3.26; N, 5.09%.

##### 4.6.4. *S*(–)-6-Methyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-trifluoromethyl-3,4-dihydro-1,3-oxazin-2-one (7d)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 1.99 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 6.93 (s, 1H), 6.93 (d, 2H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.35 (d, 2H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.47 (s, 1H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: –79.45 (s, 3F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 18.61 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 55.31 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 62.97 (q, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 28.92 Hz), 95.41 (C-5), 114.33 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 124.44 (q, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 285.5 Hz), 127.68, 128.47, 149.95 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 150.42 (C-6), 160.03 (C-2). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –106.1 (*c* = 0.40; MeOH). Anal.

calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>: C, 54.36; H, 4.21; N, 4.88%. Found: C, 54.33; H, 4.18; N, 4.96%.

#### 4.7. Reaction of 4-aryl-4-isocyanato-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-ones 6a,b with amines

To a solution of 4-aryl-4-isocyanato-5,5,5-trifluoropentan-2-one **6a,b** (0.002 mol) in dry toluene (10 ml), an amine, e.g., butylamine, benzylamine, or morpholine (0.002 mol) was added. The reaction mixture was boiled for 5 h and the solvent was evaporated to obtain a mixture of dihydropyrimidone **3j,k** and dihydrooxazinone **7a,b**. In the reaction with morpholine, the residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column eluted with an ethyl acetate-hexane mixture (2:1) to yield urea **8**.

##### 4.7.1. *S*(–)-*N*-[(3-Oxo-1-phenyl-1-trifluoromethyl)butyl]morpholinecarboxamide (8)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 2.22 c (s, 3H), 3.42–3.55 (m, 6H), 3.71 (m, 4H), 5.94 c (s, 1H), 7.06 (m, 2H), 7.43 (m, 2H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: –74.58 (s, 3F), –114.98 (s, 1F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 32.13 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 44.16, 44.41 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 63.20 (q, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 27.6 Hz), 66.51 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 115.38 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 125.42 (q, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 286.7 Hz), 127.88, 132.85 (C<sub>arom.</sub>), 156.14 (C=O), 162.47 (q, *J* = 247.7 Hz), 205.68 (C=O). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = –33.65 (*c* = 0.95; MeOH). Anal. calculated for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 55.81; H, 5.56; N, 8.14%. Found: C, 55.77; H, 5.58; N, 8.19%.

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