

Synthesis of Trimethylstannyl Arylboronate Compounds by Sandmeyer-Type Transformations and Their Applications in Chemoselective Cross-Coupling Reactions

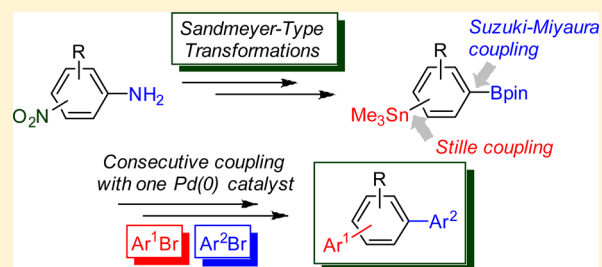
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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: A synthetic method based on Sandmeyer-type reactions to access both tin- and boron-substituted arenes from nitroaniline derivatives is described. This transformation can be applied to the synthesis of a series of functionalized trimethylstannyl arylboronates. In addition, the chemoselective reaction of the Stille and Suzuki–Miyaura cross-coupling reactions is explored, and a series of *m*- and *p*-terphenyl derivatives have been synthesized by conducting consecutive one-pot Stille and Suzuki–Miyaura cross-coupling reactions.



INTRODUCTION

The transition-metal-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction has been well-established as a powerful method for the formation of C–C bonds.¹ In particular, the Stille² and Suzuki–Miyaura³ cross-coupling reactions have shown widespread applications in natural product synthesis, medicinal chemistry, organic materials, and other fields. To further explore the synthetic applications of transition-metal-catalyzed coupling reactions, the iterative cross-coupling reactions have attracted attention in recent years. This strategy, which explores the different reactivities of electrophilic and nucleophilic cross-coupling partners, allows for multiple C–C bond formations in a “controlled” manner to rapidly construct functional molecules with complex structures.⁴

In general, the relative reactivity of different electrophilic coupling partners decreases in the order of I > OTf > Br ≫ Cl.^{3c} Based on this order, some electrophile-selective cross-coupling reactions have been reported.⁵ In contrast, nucleophile-selective cross-coupling reactions have rarely been developed, presumably due to the difficulty in accessing the substrates containing multiple nucleophilic coupling sites.⁶ To date, there are only a few examples in which the synthesis of aryl compounds containing both tin and boron substituents in the same aromatic ring and their applications in stepwise chemoselective cross-coupling reactions have been reported.^{6a} Consequently, the development of a practical synthetic method for stannyl arylboronates is the linchpin in this area.

The reported synthetic methods for both tin- and boron-substituted benzene and thiophene start from bromophenyl boronic acid^{6a} and bis(stannyl) thiophene,^{6b,d} respectively (Scheme 1, paths a and b). Both of these routes involve

lithiation under cryogenic reaction conditions, followed by nucleophilic attack to tin or boron electrophiles. The drawbacks of these two methods are (1) the use of much valued starting materials, (2) the need for protection and deprotection steps in some cases, and (3) the use of lithium reagents, which results in low functional-group compatibility. Inspired by our recently reported metal-free approaches toward arylboronate and arylstannane syntheses,^{7,8} we envisaged that stannyl arylboronates could be accessed by simple combination of two Sandmeyer-type transformations^{9,10} by starting from diamino arenes or their surrogates. In view of the operational simplicity, we chose nitro-substituted anilines as the starting materials, which are in many cases inexpensive and commercially available. Our previous study has shown that the conversion of the amino group of nitro-substituted aniline into a boronate group is highly efficient.⁷ Moreover, the reaction conditions for nitro reduction are expected compatible with boronate substituents. Thus, a new synthetic scenario has been conceived as shown in Scheme 1(c).

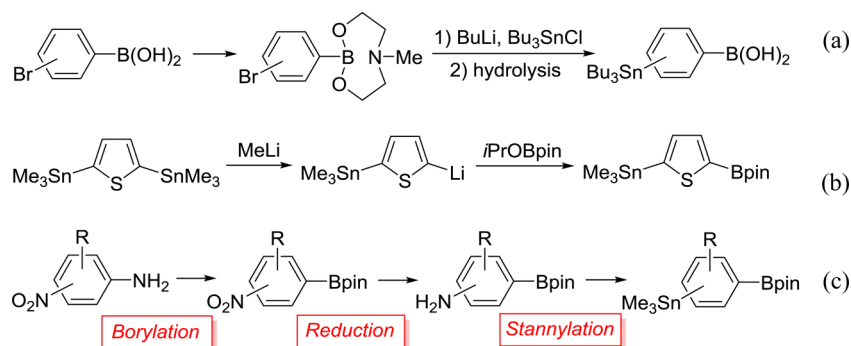
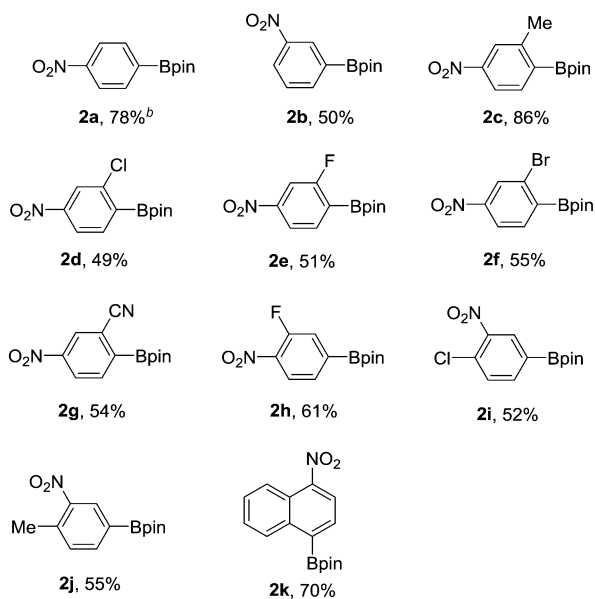
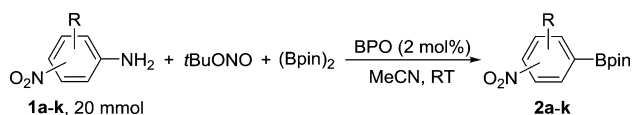
RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

We started our investigation by first converting a series of nitro anilines into nitro arylboronates by our previously reported methodology.^{7a,b} As shown in Scheme 2, the metal-free borylation proceeded smoothly at room temperature in moderate to good yields (49–86%) on gram scale. A broad range of functional groups, including halogen and cyano groups, which are not compatible with the lithium reagent in

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Scheme 1. Synthesis of Tin- and Boron-Substituted Arenes

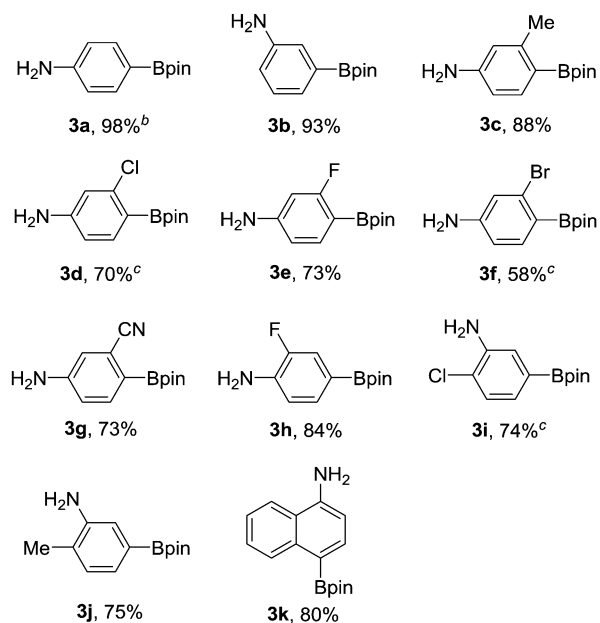
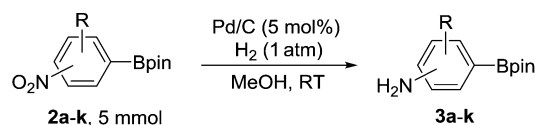
Scheme 2. Metal-Free Borylation of Nitro Anilines^a

^aReaction conditions: arylamine (20 mmol), *t*-BuONO (30 mmol, 1.5 equiv), (Bpin)₂ (20 mmol, 1 equiv), BPO (0.4 mmol, 2 mol %), MeCN (50 mL), room temperature, 4 h. ^bIsolated yield.

previously reported lithiation-based methods,⁶ are tolerated in this transformation. In addition, it is noteworthy to point out that the yield of some *ortho*-substituted anilines was improved as compared to our previous studies,^{7a,b} most likely due to the nitro group substituted on the *para* position (**2c–g**).

The purified nitro arylboronates **2a–k** were then converted to the amino-substituted arylboronates by Pd-catalyzed hydrogenation (Scheme 3). In general, the amino-substituted arylboronates were isolated in good to excellent yields. Low yields observed for bromo- or chloro-substituted substrates (**3d,f,i**) in the hydrogenation reaction could be improved by changing the solvent to DCE (1,2-dichloroethane). Under the hydrogenation conditions, the reduction of the cyano group was observed, which resulted in a lower yield of product **3g**.

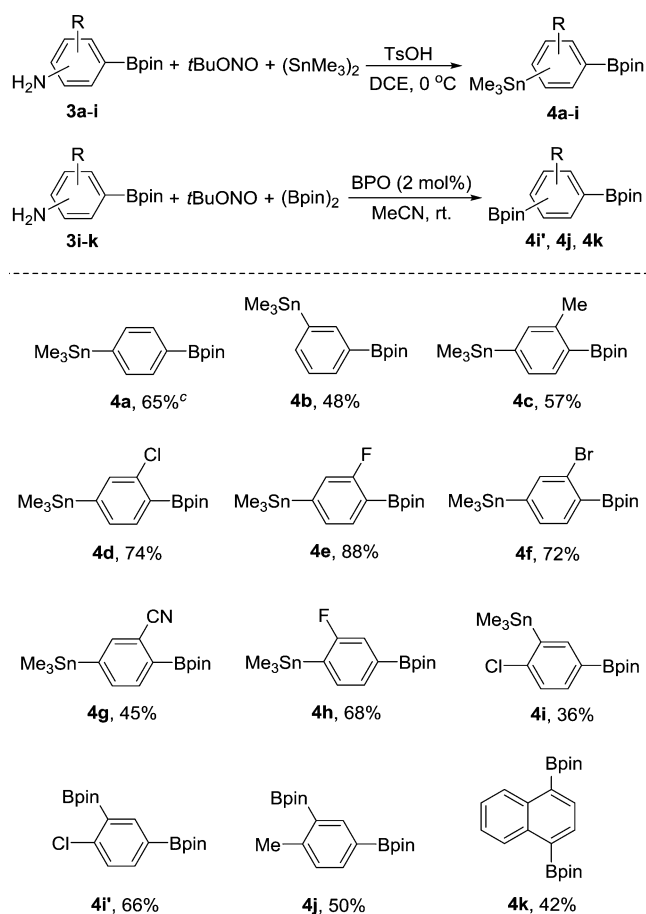
Subsequently, typical Sandmeyer-type stannylation conditions converted the boron-substituted aniline derivatives **3a–k** to the corresponding stannylation products **4a–k** in moderate

Scheme 3. Reduction of Nitro-Substituted Arylboronic Esters^a

^aReaction conditions: nitro arylboronates **2a–k** (5 mmol), Pd/C (0.25 mmol, 5 mol %), H₂ (1 atm, balloon), MeOH (25 mL), room temperature, 4 h. ^bIsolated yield. ^c1,2-Dichloroethane used as the solvent (25 mL).

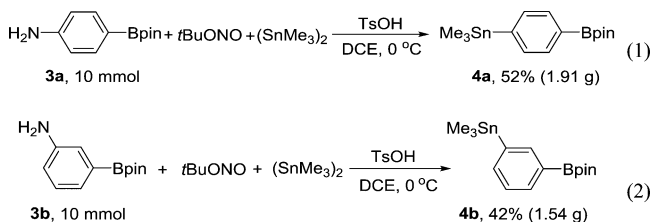
to good yields (Scheme 4). Compared with *p*-boron-substituted anilines, the *meta*-substituted substrate afforded the stannylation product in slightly lower yield (**4b**). The low yield of **4i** might be due to the steric bulkiness of the *o*-chloro substituent. Similarly, the substrate with methyl in the *ortho* position (**3j**) only gave a trace of stannylation product. In the case of **3k**, the hydrodeamination occurred and the expected product was not produced. Thus, in these cases, instead of the stannylation we have carried out borylation, and the corresponding diboronates were obtained in moderate yields (**4i',j,k**).

To demonstrate the practical application of this synthetic method, we have conducted gram-scale experiments, with substrates **3a** and **3b** as examples. As shown in eqs 1 and 2, the

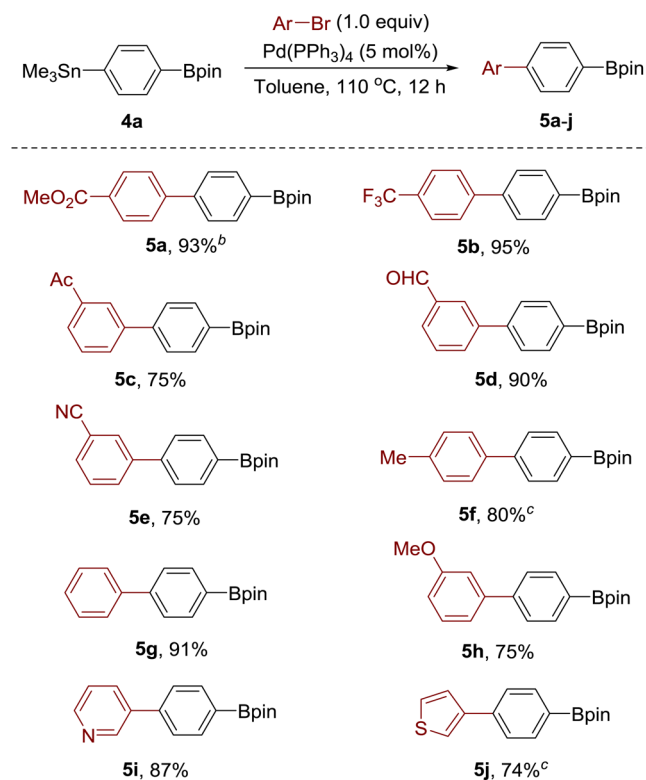
Scheme 4. Stannylation and Borylation of Boron-Substituted Aniline Derivatives 3a–k^{a,b}

^aFor stannylation reaction conditions: boron-substituted arylamine (0.3 mmol), *t*-BuONO (0.36 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (SnMe_3)₂ (0.33 mmol, 1.1 equiv), TsOH (0.36 mmol, 1.2 equiv), DCE (1.5 mL), 0 °C, 4 h. ^bFor borylation reaction conditions: boron-substituted arylamine (0.3 mmol), *t*-BuONO (0.45 mmol, 1.5 equiv), (Bpin)₂ (0.33 mmol, 1.1 equiv), BPO (0.006 mmol, 2 mol %), MeCN (1 mL), room temperature, 4 h. ^cIsolated yield.

gram-scale stannylation reactions afforded the corresponding products **4a** and **4b** in moderate yields, respectively.



With these stannylation arylboronate compounds in hand, we then turned our attention to investigate the chemoselective reactivity of **4a** under Stille cross-coupling reaction conditions. By using a series of aryl bromides as electrophilic coupling partners, the corresponding biphenyl boronates were obtained in good to excellent yields (Scheme 5). This coupling reaction has good tolerance to both electron-donating (**5f**) and electron-withdrawing groups (**5a–e**) on the aromatic rings of aryl bromides. Furthermore, heteroaromatic halides were also subjected to this reaction with good results (**5i,j**).

Scheme 5. Stille Cross-Coupling Reaction with **4a**^a

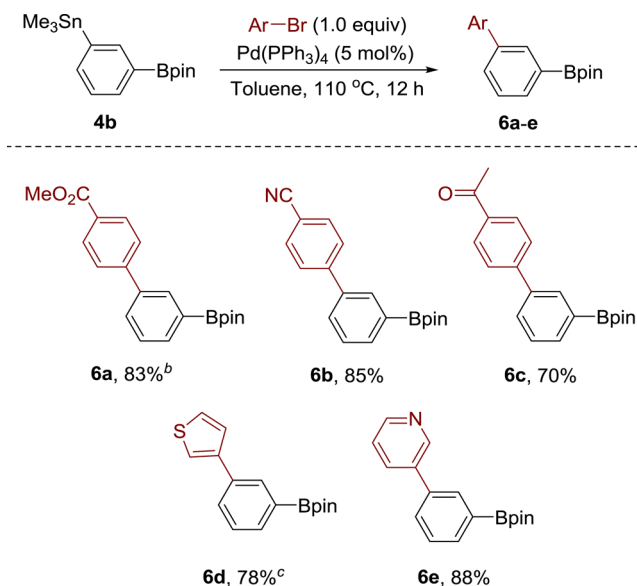
^aReaction condition: **4a** (0.5 mmol), ArBr (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.025 mmol, 5 mol %), toluene (3 mL), 110 °C, 12 h. ^bIsolated yield. ^cReaction condition: **4a** (0.5 mmol), ArBr (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.025 mmol, 5 mol %), P(*o*-tol)₃ (0.1 mmol, 20 mol %), toluene (3 mL), 110 °C, 12 h.

Similarly, we have taken *m*-tin-substituted arylboronate **4b** as the substrate and performed the chemoselective Stille cross-coupling reaction with aryl bromides (Scheme 6). In all cases of aryl (**6a–c**), thiophenic (**6d**), and pyridine halides (**6e**), the coupling reaction afforded the corresponding biphenyl products in high yields, with the retention of the boron group.

Finally, to further demonstrate the usefulness of stannylation arylboronates, we carried out consecutive one-pot cross-coupling reactions to synthesize *m*-terphenyl and *p*-terphenyl compounds by using **4a** and **4b** as the coupling partners (Scheme 7).^{7c} Thus, the Stille cross-coupling was first performed with Pd(PPh₃)₄ catalyst and ArBr. Upon completion of the Stille coupling, Suzuki–Miyaura coupling was performed with Ar'Br and the same Pd(0) catalyst, without purification of the intermediates. This one-pot coupling reaction afforded *m*-terphenyl (**7a–e**) and *p*-terphenyl derivatives (**7f–j**) in moderate to good yields (Scheme 7).

CONCLUSION

In summary, we have developed a synthetic method for arene derivatives bearing both tin and boron substituents by a two sequential Sandmeyer-type transformations. This approach is under transition-metal-free conditions and affords highly functionalized building blocks for cross-coupling reactions in three steps from commercially available starting materials. These stannylation arylboronates can be subjected to chemoselective Stille coupling reactions with good to excellent yields. As shown by the one-pot synthesis of *p*-terphenyl and *m*-terphenyl

Scheme 6. Stille Cross-Coupling Reaction with **4b**^a

^aReaction conditions: **4b** (0.5 mmol), ArBr (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.025 mmol, 5 mol %), toluene (3 mL), 110 °C, 12 h. ^bIsolated yield. ^cReaction conditions: **4a** (0.5 mmol), ArBr (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.025 mmol, 5 mol %), P(*o*-tol)₃ (0.1 mmol, 20 mol %), toluene (3 mL), 110 °C, 12 h.

derivatives bearing various functional groups, the stannyl arylboronates are highly useful in organic synthesis.

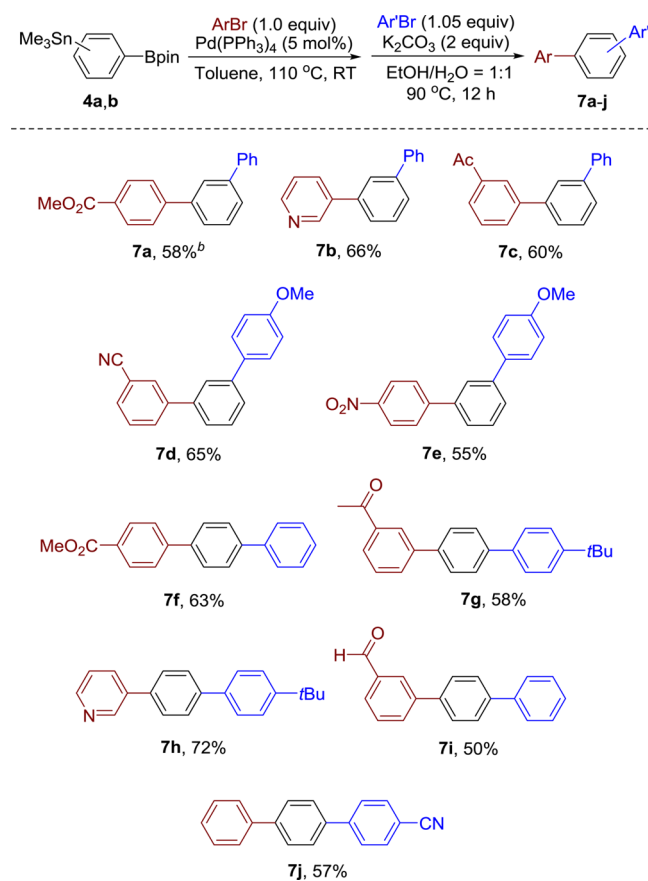
EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Methods. The solvents were all distilled prior to use. MeCN, DCE, and toluene were distilled from calcium hydride. For flash column chromatography, 200–300 mesh silica gels were used. Chemical shifts for ¹H NMR (400 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) spectra are reported relative to the chemical shift of tetramethylsilane (TMS). IR spectra are reported in wavenumbers, cm⁻¹. For HRMS measurements, the mass analyzer is FT-ICR.

Typical Procedure for the Borylation Reactions. 4-Nitroaniline (**1a**, 2.76 g, 20 mmol), (Bpin)₂ (20 mmol, 5.08 g), and BPO (0.4 mmol, 97 mg) were weighed in a 250 mL round-bottom flask. MeCN (60 mL) and *t*-BuONO (30 mmol, 3.09 g) were then added in succession. The resulting clear reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 4 h at room temperature (nitrogen gas evolution completed within 1 h). The mixture was then concentrated under reduced pressure, and the crude residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 500:1) and afforded 4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**2a**) (3.88 g, 78%) as a yellow solid:^{7a} mp = 109–110 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 1.37 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.8, 135.6, 122.3, 84.6, 24.8; IR (film) 2975, 1788, 1518, 1363, 1349, 1147, 860, 851, 697 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 249 (M⁺, 18), 234 (100), 163 (85), 150 (43), 149 (22), 104 (22), 85 (23), 58 (46), 43 (46), 42 (59).

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(3-nitrophenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2b**).**^{7a} The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 500:1) afforded **2b** (2.49 g, 50%): yellow solid; mp = 74–76 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.64 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.31–8.28 (m, 1H), 8.10 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.56–7.52 (m, 1H), 1.37 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.8, 140.6, 129.4, 128.7, 125.8, 84.6, 24.9; IR (film) 2980, 1530, 1362, 1344, 1145, 1123, 852, 694 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 249 (M⁺, 8), 234 (100), 163 (35), 150 (85), 147 (46), 121 (75), 85 (30), 57 (26).

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(2-methyl-4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2c**).**¹¹ The typical procedure was followed, and flash column

Scheme 7. Consecutive One-Pot Stille and Suzuki–Miyaura Cross-Coupling Reactions^a

^aReaction conditions for the first step: **4a** or **4b** (0.5 mmol), ArBr (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.025 mmol, 5 mol %), toluene (3 mL), 110 °C, 12 h; second step: Ar'¹Br (0.525 mmol, 1.05 equiv), K₂CO₃ (1.0 mmol, 2 equiv), EtOH/H₂O (1 mL/1 mL), 90 °C, 12 h. ^bIsolated yield.

chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1) afforded **2c** (4.52 g, 86%) as a yellow solid: mp = 56–57 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.2, 146.5, 136.6, 123.8, 119.2, 84.1, 24.8, 22.0; IR (film) 2980, 1520, 1338, 1288, 1143, 1064, 814, 721 cm⁻¹. EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 263 (M⁺, 4), 248 (100), 206 (79), 177 (13), 164 (69), 117 (22), 59 (23).

2-(2-Chloro-4-nitrophenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2d**).** The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 200:1) afforded **2d** (2.80 g, 49%) as a yellow solid: mp = 66–67 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.7, 140.5, 137.0, 124.1, 120.4, 84.9, 24.8; IR (film) 2981, 1525, 1384, 1341, 1143, 1037, 890, 732 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 283 (M⁺, 2), 268 (29), 248 (100), 206 (42), 184 (26), 85 (15), 59 (14); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₂H₁₆B³⁵ClNO₄ [M + H]⁺ 284.0858, found 284.0859.

2-(2-Fluoro-4-nitrophenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2e**).**¹² The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 500:1) afforded **2e** (2.72 g, 51%) as a yellow solid: mp = 63–64 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (dd, *J* = 5.7, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 1.38 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.6 (d, *J* = 255.5 Hz), 150.9 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 137.7 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 118.3 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 110.9 (d, *J* = 29.4 Hz), 84.7,

24.8; IR (film) 1726, 1529, 1416, 1346, 1143, 817, 733 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 267 (M^+ , 8), 252 (100), 208 (25), 205 (19), 183 (15), 168 (17), 121 (17), 85 (18), 59 (21).

2-(2-Bromo-4-nitrophenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2f). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 200:1) afforded **2f** (3.64 g, 55%) as a yellow solid: mp = 61–63 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.39 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (dd, J = 2.0, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.4, 136.8, 128.1, 127.2, 120.8, 85.1, 24.8; IR (film) 2981, 1524, 1373, 1340, 1143, 1124, 850, 731 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 328 (M^+ , 5), 312 (21), 248 (100), 228 (25), 206 (70), 160 (22), 85 (22), 75 (24); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrNO}_4$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 328.0353, found 328.0363.

5-Nitro-2-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)-benzotrile (2g). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1) afforded **2g** (2.96 g, 54%) as a yellow oil: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.54 (s, 1H), 8.49 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 1.26 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 148.2, 137.5, 127.5, 127.2, 116.5, 114.1, 83.4, 25.0; IR (film) 2980, 2232, 1533, 1352, 1143, 1124, 1059, 909, 734 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 274 (M^+ , 13), 259 (100), 233 (84), 216 (66), 186 (18), 175 (47), 129 (42), 102 (43), 59 (47); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{BN}_2\text{O}_4$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 275.1200, found 275.1198.

2-(3-Fluoro-4-nitrophenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2h). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1, then 50:1) afforded **2h** (3.26 g, 61%) as a yellow solid: mp = 85–87 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.01 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.70–7.69 (m, 1H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 1.36 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.8 (d, J = 265.4 Hz), 139.0 (d, J = 7.3 Hz), 130.5 (d, J = 4.4 Hz), 125.1 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 124.1 (d, J = 19.1 Hz), 84.9, 24.8; IR (film) 2981, 1728, 1595, 1527, 1410, 1348, 1143, 837 cm^{-1} . EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 267 (M^+ , 8), 252 (100), 224 (12), 181 (73), 168 (13), 151 (10), 122 (16), 57 (20); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{15}\text{BFNNaO}_4$ [$M + \text{Na}$] $^+$ 290.0973, found 290.0973.

2-(4-Chloro-3-nitrophenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2i).^{7b} The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 200:1, then 100:1) afforded **2i** (2.95 g, 52%) as a yellow liquid: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.25 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dd, J = 1.3, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 147.8, 138.9, 131.3, 131.2, 129.5, 84.8, 24.8; IR (film) 2980, 2922, 1538, 1390, 1349, 1143, 1097, 852, 732 cm^{-1} . EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 283 (M^+ , 8), 268 (85), 223 (27), 197 (36), 181 (77), 155 (100), 137 (31), 85 (42), 75 (39), 58 (50).

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2j). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 200:1) afforded **2j** (2.89 g, 55%) as a yellow solid: mp = 71–73 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.2, 138.8, 136.2, 132.2, 130.6, 84.4, 24.8, 20.5; IR (film) 2980, 1620, 1530, 1362, 1346, 1149, 1109, 853, 732 cm^{-1} . EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 263 (M^+ , 19), 248 (78), 203 (27), 177 (27), 164 (100), 147 (27), 135 (63), 117 (71); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{19}\text{BNO}_4$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 264.1404, found 264.1398.

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(4-nitronaphthalen-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2k). The typical procedure was followed, and flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 200:1, then 50:1) afforded **2k** (4.20 g, 70%) as an orange solid: mp = 166–168 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.87 (dd, J = 2.0, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 8.42 (dd, J = 2.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69–7.65 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.1, 138.0, 133.5, 128.9, 128.6, 127.6, 124.4, 122.8, 121.8, 84.5, 24.9; IR (film) 2981, 1765, 1518, 1346, 1329, 1141, 765 cm^{-1} . EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 299 (M^+ , 100), 284 (32), 255 (24), 213 (34), 196 (38), 153 (66), 141 (51), 83 (57); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{19}\text{BNO}_4$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 300.1405, found 300.1403.

Typical Procedure for the Pd/C-Catalyzed Hydrogenation Reactions.

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**2a**, 5 mmol, 1.245 g) and Pd/C (265 mg, 0.25 mmol, [Pd/C] 10 wt %) were weighed in a 100 mL reaction tube. MeOH (25 mL) was then added in succession. The resulting reaction solution was stirred for 4 h at room temperature with a H_2 balloon (1 atm). The reaction system was filtered through silica gel eluting with dichloromethane, and then the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (PE/EA = 15:1) to give 4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)aniline (**3a**)^{7b} in 98% isolated yield (1.071 g) as a pale yellow solid: mp = 148–150 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.65 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (br, 2H), 1.32 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.3, 136.4, 114.0, 83.2, 24.8; IR (film) 3450, 3358, 2927, 1628, 1359, 1182, 1143, 860, 738 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 219 (M^+ , 65), 204 (16), 161 (13), 133 (22), 120 (77), 119 (100).

3-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)aniline (3b).¹³ The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1, then 5:1) afforded **3b** (1.02 g, 93%) as a white solid: mp = 89–91 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.22–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.13 (m, 1H), 6.79–6.76 (m, 1H), 3.62 (br, 2H), 1.33 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 145.7, 128.7, 124.8, 121.0, 117.9, 83.6, 24.8; IR (film) 3466, 3377, 2981, 1628, 1444, 1359, 1142, 852, 706 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 219 (M^+ , 85), 204 (19), 146 (11), 133 (37), 119 (100), 92 (13).

3-Methyl-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)aniline (3c). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20:1, then 10:1) afforded **3c** (1.03 g, 88%) as a yellow solid: mp = 56–57 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.46–6.44 (m, 2H), 3.73 (br, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 148.9, 146.9, 137.8, 116.1, 111.3, 82.8, 24.8, 22.2; IR (film) 3375, 2977, 1601, 1380, 1348, 1310, 1146, 1128, 1061, 860 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 233 (M^+ , 67), 218 (9), 175 (13), 160 (12), 148 (10), 133 (100), 106 (10); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{21}\text{BNO}_2$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 234.1662, found 234.1656.

3-Chloro-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)aniline (3d). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20:1, then 10:1) afforded **3d** (887 mg, 70%) as a yellow solid: mp = 108–110 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.52 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (dd, J = 1.7, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (br, 2H), 1.33 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.9, 141.1, 138.2, 115.3, 112.3, 83.4, 24.7; IR (film) 3381, 2979, 2925, 1601, 1352, 1311, 1142, 1107, 907, 732 cm^{-1} . EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 253 (M^+ , 41), 238 (11), 217 (25), 153 (100), 118 (8), 91 (13); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{B}^{35}\text{ClNO}_2$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 254.1116, found 254.1114.

3-Fluoro-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)aniline (3e).¹⁴ The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20:1, then 10:1) afforded **3e** (861 mg, 73%) as a pale yellow solid: mp = 134–135 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.50 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.29 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (br, 2H), 1.32 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.8 (d, J = 248.9 Hz), 151.6 (d, J = 11.5 Hz), 137.9 (d, J = 10.6 Hz), 110.2 (d, J = 1.9 Hz), 101.0 (d, J = 27.6 Hz), 83.2, 24.7; IR (film) 1629, 1442, 1357, 1329, 1133, 908, 731 cm^{-1} . EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 237 (M^+ , 37), 222 (10), 177 (10), 164 (8), 152 (11), 137 (100), 92 (9); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{BFNO}_2$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 238.1411, found 238.1409.

3-Bromo-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)aniline (3f). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20:1, then 10:1) afforded **3f** (860 mg, 58%) as a yellow solid: mp = 76–77 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.46 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (br, 2H), 1.33 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.7, 138.2, 129.6, 118.7, 112.8, 83.6, 24.7; IR (film) 3372, 2979, 1599, 1352, 1310, 1142, 1104, 733 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 297 (M^+ , 47), 282 (12), 218

(31), 197 (100), 176 (25), 118 (45), 91 (44), 57 (33); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{12}H_{18}B^{79}BrNO_2$ [$M + H$]⁺ 298.0610, found 298.0607.

5-Amino-2-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)benzotrile (3g). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20:1, then 5:1) afforded **3g** (891 mg, 73%) as a yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (dd, *J* = 2.3, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (br, 2H), 1.35 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.1, 137.5, 119.2, 118.8, 118.4, 117.4, 84.1, 24.7; IR (film) 3369, 2980, 2232, 1602, 1452, 1355, 1330, 1145, 1121, 853 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 244 (M⁺, 50), 229 (18), 201 (65), 186 (10), 144 (100), 118 (22), 91 (17); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{13}H_{18}BN_2O_2$ [$M + H$]⁺ 245.1458, found 245.1454.

2-Fluoro-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)aniline (3h). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20:1, then 10:1) afforded **3h** (995 mg, 84%) as a pale yellow solid: mp = 96–98 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41–7.39 (m, 2H), 6.74 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (br, 2H), 1.32 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.1 (d, *J* = 239.2 Hz), 137.5 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz), 131.5 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 121.0 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz), 115.9 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 83.6, 24.8; IR (film) 3376, 2979, 1629, 1428, 1353, 1313, 1142, 855, 730 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 237 (M⁺, 53), 222 (18), 151 (20), 138 (50), 137 (100), 136 (20); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{12}H_{18}BFNO_2$ [$M + H$]⁺ 238.1411, found 238.1405.

2-Chloro-5-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)aniline (3i). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20:1, then 10:1) afforded **3i** (938 mg, 74%) as a yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (br, 2H), 1.33 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.3, 128.8, 125.2, 122.0, 115.3, 83.9, 24.8; IR (film) 3380, 2980, 1615, 1418, 1356, 1144, 1090, 853, 732 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 253 (M⁺, 46), 238 (12), 167 (25), 153 (100), 117 (10), 91 (15), 65 (10), 57 (14); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{12}H_{18}B^{35}ClNO_2$ [$M + H$]⁺ 254.1116, found 254.1109.

2-Methyl-5-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)aniline (3j). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20:1, then 10:1) afforded **3j** (874 mg, 75%) as a pale yellow solid: mp = 107–108 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (br, 2H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.0, 129.9, 125.8, 125.2, 121.0, 83.5, 24.8, 17.5; IR (film) 3422, 3353, 2978, 1380, 1353, 1140, 856, 686 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 233 (M⁺, 100), 218 (14), 174 (10), 160 (20), 147 (36), 133 (95), 132 (70), 106 (12); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{13}H_{21}BNO_2$ [$M + H$]⁺ 234.1662, found 234.1655.

4-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)naphthalen-1-amine (3k). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20:1, then 10:1) afforded **3k** (1.08 g, 80%) as a pink solid: mp = 142–143 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.80 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (br, 2H), 1.38 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.4, 138.2, 137.2, 129.2, 126.4, 124.4, 123.0, 120.5, 108.6, 83.2, 24.9; IR (film) 3379, 2979, 1335, 1291, 1271, 1125, 856, 762 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 269 (M⁺, 100), 254 (3), 210 (10), 196 (40), 184 (8), 169 (85), 141 (23), 127 (14), 115 (23); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{16}H_{21}BNO_2$ [$M + H$]⁺ 270.1663, found 270.1660.

Typical Procedure for the Stannylation Reactions. Under a nitrogen atmosphere, 4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)aniline (**3a**, 0.3 mmol, 66 mg) and TsOH·H₂O (0.36 mmol, 68 mg) were weighed in a 10 mL reaction tube. DCE (1.5 mL), *t*-BuONO (0.36 mmol, 37 mg), and (SnMe₃)₂ (0.33 mmol, 108 mg, 68 μL) were then added in succession. The resulting reaction solution was stirred for 4 h at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was then concentrated under reduced pressure, and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (PE/EA = 100:1). Trimethyl(4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-

1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)stannane (**4a**)^{7c} was obtained (71 mg, 65%) as a pale yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.34 (s, 12H), 0.28 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.6, 135.2, 134.0, 83.6, 24.8, -9.6; IR (film) 2980, 1594, 1359, 1144, 1056, 908, 859, 732 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 368 (M⁺, 1), 353 (100), 352 (59), 351 (82), 350 (48), 349 (50), 323 (11), 253 (10), 223 (11).

Trimethyl(3-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)stannane (4b). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1) afforded **4b** (53 mg, 48%) as a yellow liquid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37–7.33 (m, 1H), 1.35 (s, 12H), 0.29 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.1, 141.4, 138.7, 134.7, 127.4, 83.7, 24.8, -9.5; IR (film) 2980, 2361, 1588, 1354, 1310, 1145, 1096, 910, 862, 753 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 368 (M⁺, 2), 353 (100), 351 (80), 349 (48), 323 (12), 265 (5), 253 (11), 237 (5), 223 (13); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{14}H_{22}BO_2^{120}Sn$ [$M - CH_3$]⁺ 353.0734, found 353.0729.

Trimethyl(2-methyl-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)stannane (4c). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether, then petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1) afforded **4c** (65 mg, 57%) as a yellow solid: mp = 92–94 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.31–7.29 (m, 2H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 12H), 0.27 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.9, 144.0, 137.3, 135.1, 132.2, 83.3, 24.9, 22.2, -9.7; IR (film) 2979, 1587, 1373, 1344, 1313, 1145, 1060, 909, 792 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 367 ([$M - 15$]⁺, 100), 337 (13), 267 (15), 235 (17), 207 (6), 134 (10), 117 (8), 57 (9); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{16}H_{27}BNaO_2^{120}Sn$ [$M + Na$]⁺ 405.1024, found 405.1013.

(3-Chloro-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)trimethylstannane (4d). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether, then petroleum ether/EtOAc = 50:1) afforded **4d** (89 mg, 74%) as a yellow solid: mp = 67–69 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 12H), 0.32 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.0, 139.5, 136.2, 135.7, 133.0, 84.0, 24.8, -9.5; IR (film) 2980, 1583, 1366, 1344, 1320, 1143, 1037, 908, 733 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 387 ([$M - 15$]⁺, 100), 385 (75), 384 (38), 287 (10), 257 (7), 165 (7), 135 (8); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{15}H_{24}B^{35}ClNaO_2^{120}Sn$ [$M + Na$]⁺ 425.0470, found 425.0481.

(3-Fluoro-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)trimethylstannane (4e). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 50:1) afforded **4e** (102 mg, 88%) as a yellow solid: mp = 64–65 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73–7.70 (m, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 1.38 (s, 12H), 0.33 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.7 (d, *J* = 255.4 Hz), 150.0 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 135.9 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz), 130.9 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 122.1 (d, *J* = 20.5 Hz), 83.8, 24.8, -9.5; IR (film) 2980, 1728, 1605, 1384, 1352, 1137, 1054, 908, 733 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 371 ([$M - 15$]⁺, 100), 341 (9), 271 (10), 241 (10), 165 (9), 134 (11); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{15}H_{25}BF_2O_2^{120}Sn$ [$M + H$]⁺ 387.0953, found 387.0961.

(3-Bromo-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)trimethylstannane (4f). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 50:1) afforded **4f** (96 mg, 72%) as a yellow solid: mp = 70–71 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 12H), 0.32 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.2, 139.3, 135.7, 133.4, 128.6, 84.2, 24.8, -9.5; IR (film) 2980, 1578, 1363, 1344, 1319, 1144, 1027, 859, 771 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 446 (M⁺, 2), 431 (100), 401 (6), 331 (13), 301 (7), 199 (11), 165 (9), 135 (8); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{15}H_{25}B^{79}BrO_2^{120}Sn$ [$M + H$]⁺ 447.0142, found 447.0155.

2-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)-5-(trimethylstannyl)benzotrile (4g). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 50:1) afforded **4g** (53 mg, 45%) as a yellow liquid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81–7.79 (m, 2H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz,

1H), 1.38 (s, 12H), 0.33 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.3, 140.5, 138.8, 134.6, 116.7, 84.6, 24.8, -9.5; IR (film) 2930, 2228, 1373, 1288, 1138, 909, 734 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 393 (M⁺, 2), 378 (100), 376 (75), 374 (46), 278 (10), 245 (10), 134 (9); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₅BNO₂¹²⁰Sn [M + H]⁺ 394.1000, found 394.1003.

(2-Fluoro-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)trimethylstannane (**4h**). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 50:1) afforded **4h** (79 mg, 68%) as a yellow solid: mp = 90–91 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56–7.53 (m, 1H), 7.42–7.40 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 12H), 0.34 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.2 (d, *J* = 234.1 Hz), 131.0 (d, *J* = 26.5 Hz), 136.3 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz), 130.1 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 119.6 (d, *J* = 25.6 Hz), 84.0, 24.8, -9.2; IR (film) 2980, 1727, 1389, 1355, 1144, 908, 734 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 371 ([M - 15]⁺, 100), 369 (79), 368 (46), 269 (13), 225 (15), 169 (13), 135 (21); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₄BFNaO₂¹²⁰Sn [M + Na]⁺ 409.0772, found 409.0780.

(2-Chloro-5-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)trimethylstannane (**4i**). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 50:1) afforded **4i** (43 mg, 36%) as a yellow liquid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 1.4, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 1.33 (s, 12H), 0.37 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.0, 143.3, 141.8, 136.5, 127.6, 83.9, 24.8, -8.3; IR (film) 2982, 1597, 1394, 1360, 1145, 1095, 734 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 387 ([M - 15]⁺, 100), 287 (22), 255 (17), 217 (30), 185 (52), 155 (35), 135 (26), 59 (33); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₄B³⁵ClNaO₂¹²⁰Sn [M + Na]⁺ 425.0470, found 425.0487.

2,2'-(4-Chloro-1,3-phenylene)bis(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane) (**4i'**). The typical procedure of borylation was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 200:1, then 50:1) afforded **4i'** (72 mg, 66%) as a yellow solid: mp = 70–71 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 1.7, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 1.37 (s, 12H), 1.34 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.8, 142.6, 138.1, 128.7, 84.1, 83.9, 24.8; IR (film) 2980, 1593, 1358, 1328, 1143, 1113, 848, 732 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 364 (M⁺, 15), 349 (28), 329 (100), 265 (51), 249 (30), 165 (34), 83 (36), 59 (46); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₈H₂₈B₂³⁵ClO₄ [M + H]⁺ 365.1864, found 365.1858.

2,2'-(4-Methyl-1,3-phenylene)bis(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane) (**4j**). The typical procedure of borylation was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 500:1, then 100:1) afforded **4j** (52 mg, 50%) as a white solid: mp = 102–103 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 24H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.2, 142.3, 137.3, 129.2, 83.6, 83.4, 24.9, 24.8, 22.5; IR (film) 2918, 1603, 1361, 1323, 1142, 908, 732 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 344 (M⁺, 37), 329 (49), 287 (100), 258 (31), 245 (78), 229 (57), 145 (64), 83 (41), 59 (41); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₉H₃₁B₂O₄ [M + H]⁺ 345.2409, found 345.2416.

1,4-Bis(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)naphthalene (**4k**). The typical procedure of borylation was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 200:1, then 100:1) afforded **4k** (48 mg, 42%) as an orange solid: mp = 162–163 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.75 (dd, *J* = 3.4, 6.4 Hz, 2H), 8.02 (s, 2H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 3.4, 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.42 (s, 24H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.5, 134.3, 128.6, 125.8, 83.8, 24.9; IR (film) 2978, 2925, 1726, 1461, 1339, 1260, 1135, 909, 733 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 380 (M⁺, 100), 365 (13), 295 (14), 280 (24), 265 (22), 194 (19), 180 (28), 101 (23), 83 (30), 59 (40); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₂H₃₁B₂O₄ [M + H]⁺ 381.2410, found 381.2408.

Typical Procedure for the Chemoselective Stille Cross-Coupling Reactions. Under a nitrogen atmosphere, trimethyl(4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)stannane (**4a**, 0.5 mmol, 184 mg), methyl 4-bromobenzoate (0.5 mmol, 108 mg), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.025 mmol, 29 mg), and toluene (3 mL) were weighed in a 10 mL round-bottom flask. The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 h at 110 °C. The solution was then cooled down to room temperature

and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 50:1) to give methyl 4'-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)biphenyl-4-carboxylate (**5a**) in 93% isolated yield (158 mg) as a white solid: mp 123–124 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.9, 145.4, 142.5, 135.3, 130.1, 129.1, 127.1, 126.5, 83.9, 52.1, 24.9; IR (film) 2976, 1718, 1610, 1361, 1288, 1273, 1148, 1093, 737 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 338 (M⁺, 100), 323 (45), 307 (15), 252 (79), 239 (78), 207 (58), 178 (27), 152 (20); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₀H₂₄BO₄ [M + H]⁺ 339.1766, found 339.1762.

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(4'-(trifluoromethyl)biphenyl-4-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**5b**). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 200:1, then 50:1) afforded **5b** (165 mg, 95%) as a white solid: mp = 96–98 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.62–7.59 (m, 4H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 1.28 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.5, 142.3, 135.4, 129.6 (q, *J* = 32.4 Hz), 127.5, 126.5, 125.7 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 124.0 (q, *J* = 27.0 Hz), 83.9, 24.9; IR (film) 2980, 1361, 1325, 1144, 1126, 1071, 824 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 348 (M⁺, 63), 333 (48), 262 (78), 248 (100), 229 (13), 201 (9), 178 (9), 153(8); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₉H₂₁BF₃O₂ [M + H]⁺ 349.1585, found 349.1592.

1-(4'-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)biphenyl-3-yl)ethanone (**5c**). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1, then 15:1) afforded **5c** (121 mg, 75%) as a yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (s, 1H), 7.94–7.90 (m, 3H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.9, 142.7, 141.5, 137.6, 135.3, 131.7, 129.0, 127.4, 126.9, 126.4, 83.8, 26.7, 24.8; IR (film) 2979, 1686, 1610, 1397, 1360, 1234, 1144, 1093, 733 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 322 (M⁺, 100), 307 (57), 236 (88), 223 (64), 207 (77), 179 (34), 152 (22); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₀H₂₄BO₃ [M + H]⁺ 323.1817, found 323.1822.

4'-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)biphenyl-3-carbaldehyde (**5d**). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1, then 25:1) afforded **5d** (139 mg, 90%) as a yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.08 (s, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.88–7.85 (m, 2H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 1.37 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.2, 142.2, 141.9, 136.9, 135.4, 133.0, 129.5, 128.8, 128.2, 126.3, 83.9, 24.8; IR (film) 2978, 1700, 1610, 1398, 1360, 1144, 1093, 859 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 308 (M⁺, 100), 293 (52), 222 (100), 209 (81), 208 (81), 207 (67), 179 (31), 152 (24); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₉H₂₂BO₃ [M + H]⁺ 309.1660, found 309.1661.

4'-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)biphenyl-3-carbonitrile (**5e**). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1, then 40:1) afforded **5e** (115 mg, 75%) as a yellow oil: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.55–7.52 (m, 1H), 1.37 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.2, 141.3, 135.5, 131.5, 130.9, 130.7, 129.6, 126.3, 118.7, 113.0, 84.0, 24.8; IR (film) 2979, 2231, 1728, 1611, 1361, 1144, 1093, 733 cm⁻¹; EI-MS (*m/z*, relative intensity) 305 (M⁺, 63), 290 (62), 219 (88), 205 (100), 177 (19), 151 (11), 85 (10), 59 (100); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₉H₂₁BNO₂ [M + H]⁺ 306.1663, found 306.1668.

2-(Biphenyl-4-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**5f**).^{7b} The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 500:1, then 50:1) afforded **5f** (128 mg, 91%) as a yellow solid: mp = 104–106 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 4H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.36 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.9, 141.0, 135.2, 128.7, 127.5, 127.2, 126.4, 83.8, 24.9; IR (film) 2978, 1609, 1398, 1360, 1144, 1092, 766,

697 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 280 (M^+ , 67), 265 (21), 194 (60), 181 (74), 180 (100), 152 (18).

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(4'-methylbiphenyl-4-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (5g). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 500:1, then 200:1) afforded **5g** (117 mg, 80%) as a pale yellow solid: mp = 93–95 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 143.8, 138.1, 137.3, 135.2, 129.4, 127.0, 126.2, 83.7, 24.8, 21.0; IR (film) 2978, 1609, 1399, 1360, 1145, 1092, 810 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 294 (M^+ , 100), 279 (22), 208 (50), 195 (72), 194 (89), 165 (22), 152 (11); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{BO}_2$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 295.1867, found 295.1864.

2-(3'-Methoxybiphenyl-4-yl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (5h). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 500:1, then 100:1) afforded **5h** (116 mg, 75%) as a white solid: mp = 38–40 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.88 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dd, J = 2.4, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.9, 143.7, 142.5, 135.2, 129.7, 126.5, 119.7, 113.0, 112.9, 83.8, 55.3, 24.9; IR (film) 2978, 2360, 1607, 1396, 1360, 1213, 1144, 1092, 733 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 310 (M^+ , 100), 295 (21), 224 (47), 211 (72), 210 (89), 209 (19), 180 (13), 167 (17), 141 (13); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{BO}_3$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 311.1816, found 311.1822.

3-(4-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)pyridine (5i).¹⁵ The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 50:1, then 5:1) afforded **5i** (123 mg, 87%) as a yellow liquid: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.85 (s, 1H), 8.58 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (m, 1H), 1.36 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 148.4, 148.1, 140.2, 136.5, 135.4, 134.4, 126.3, 123.5, 83.9, 24.8; IR (film) 2979, 1610, 1360, 1144, 1093, 859, 732 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 281 (M^+ , 75), 266 (38), 195 (67), 182 (81), 181 (100), 180 (40), 154 (16), 128 (11); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{BNO}_2$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 282.1663, found 282.1656.

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(4-(thiophen-3-yl)phenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (5j).¹⁶ The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 500:1, then 200:1) afforded **5j** (106 mg, 74%) as a pale yellow solid: mp = 90–92 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.84 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (dd, J = 1.3, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd, J = 1.3, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (dd, J = 2.8, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 142.2, 138.4, 135.3, 126.3, 126.2, 125.6, 120.9, 83.8, 24.9; IR (film) 2979, 1609, 1359, 1268, 1144, 1093, 860, 738 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 286 (M^+ , 68), 271 (19), 200 (41), 187 (65), 186 (100), 185 (22), 141 (14).

Methyl 3'-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)biphenyl-4-carboxylate (6a). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1, then 60:1) afforded **6a** (140 mg, 83%) as a yellow solid: mp = 107–109 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.10–8.07 (m, 3H), 7.84 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.73–7.68 (m, 3H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.0, 145.6, 139.3, 134.5, 133.5, 130.0, 123.0, 128.8, 128.3, 127.1, 83.9, 52.0, 24.9; IR (film) 1724, 1609, 1358, 1276, 1140, 1105, 771, 733, 708 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 338 (M^+ , 98), 323 (34), 307 (12), 252 (100), 239 (77), 207 (62), 178 (29), 152 (22); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{BO}_4$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 339.1766, found 339.1762.

3'-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)biphenyl-4-carbonitrile (6b). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1, then 50:1) afforded **6b** (130 mg, 85%) as a yellow solid: mp = 88–90 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.04 (s, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (s, 4H), 7.68–7.66 (m, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 1.36 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 145.6, 138.4, 135.0, 133.5, 132.4, 129.9, 128.4, 127.7, 118.9, 110.8, 84.0, 24.8; IR (film) 2978,

2228, 1727, 1607, 1359, 1143, 846, 707 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 305 (M^+ , 62), 290 (48), 219 (100), 206 (80), 205 (82), 177 (15), 151 (10), 85 (10); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{BNO}_2$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 306.1663, found 306.1665.

1-(3'-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)biphenyl-3-yl)ethanone (6c). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1, then 50:1) afforded **6c** (113 mg, 70%) as a yellow solid: mp = 83–85 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.20 (s, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 7.72–7.70 (m, 1H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.1, 141.7, 139.5, 137.6, 134.2, 133.5, 131.9, 130.0, 128.9, 128.3, 127.1, 127.0, 83.9, 26.8, 24.9; IR (film) 2979, 1687, 1357, 1144, 908, 732 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 322 (M^+ , 100), 307 (48), 236 (87), 223 (39), 207 (61), 179 (26), 152 (17); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{BO}_3$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 323.1817, found 323.1816.

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(3-(thiophene-3-yl)phenyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (6d). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 500:1, then 250:1) afforded **6d** (111 mg, 78%) as a yellow solid: mp = 84–86 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05 (s, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.44–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.38–7.35 (m, 1H), 1.36 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 142.3, 135.2, 133.5, 132.8, 129.3, 128.2, 126.5, 126.0, 120.4, 83.9, 24.9; IR (film) 2979, 1372, 1350, 1143, 855, 776, 707 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 286 (M^+ , 100), 271 (20), 200 (65), 187 (67), 186 (93), 185 (27), 141 (13); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{BO}_2\text{S}$ [$M + \text{H}$] $^+$ 287.1275, found 287.1269.

3-(3-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)pyridine (6e).¹⁷ The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1, then 5:1) afforded **6e** (124 mg, 88%) as a yellow solid: mp = 89–91 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.86 (s, 1H), 8.58 (s, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (m, 1H), 1.37 (s, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 148.1, 137.1, 134.7, 134.6, 134.5, 133.5, 129.9, 128.4, 123.5, 84.0, 24.8; IR (film) 2979, 1357, 1143, 908, 864, 794, 731 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 281 (M^+ , 96), 266 (48), 238 (10), 224 (10), 195 (100), 182 (100), 181 (97), 154 (18), 128 (14).

Typical Procedure for the One-Pot Stille and Suzuki–Miyaura Cross-Coupling Reactions. Under a nitrogen atmosphere, trimethyl(3-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)stannane (**4b**, 0.5 mmol, 184 mg), methyl 4-bromobenzoate (0.5 mmol, 108 mg), $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$ (0.025 mmol, 29 mg), and toluene (3 mL) were weighed in a 25 mL round-bottom flask. The resulting reaction solution was stirred for 12 h at 110 °C. Then under nitrogen atmosphere, K_2CO_3 (138 mg, 1 mmol), $\text{EtOH-H}_2\text{O}$ (1 mL/1 mL), and PhBr (86 mg, 0.55 mmol) were directly added in succession. The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 h at 90 °C. The reaction system was then cooled and filtered through a short silica gel column eluting with dichloromethane. The solution was concentrated under reduced pressure to leave a crude residue, which was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 500:1) to give methyl *m*-terphenyl-4-carboxylate (**7a**)¹⁸ in 58% isolated yield (84 mg) as a white solid: mp = 115–117 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.12 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.9, 145.5, 142.0, 140.9, 140.5, 130.1, 129.3, 129.0, 128.8, 127.5, 127.2, 127.1, 127.1, 126.9, 126.2, 52.1; IR (film) 2989, 1719, 1282, 1109, 1066, 756, 701 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 288 (M^+ , 100), 277 (6), 257 (73), 228 (28), 207 (25), 129 (14), 114 (10).

3-([1,1'-Biphenyl]-3-yl)pyridine (7b).¹⁹ The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1, then 15:1) afforded **7b** (76 mg, 66%) as a pale yellow liquid: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.91 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.62 (dd, J = 1.3, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (m, 1H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.65–7.63 (m, 3H), 7.56–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.40–7.36 (m,

2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 148.5, 148.3, 142.2, 140.8, 138.4, 136.7, 134.6, 129.5, 128.9, 127.6, 127.3, 127.0, 126.1, 126.1, 123.6; IR (film) 2926, 1726, 1599, 1469, 1286, 1075, 1024, 907, 757 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 231 (M^+ , 100), 230 (24), 202 (12), 152 (10).

1-([1,1':3',1''-Terphenyl]-3-yl)ethan-1-one (7c). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 200:1, then 100:1) afforded 7c (82 mg, 60%) as a pale yellow oil: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.22 (s, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.84–7.81 (m, 2H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.0, 142.0, 141.7, 140.9, 140.7, 137.7, 131.8, 129.3, 129.1, 128.8, 127.5, 127.3, 127.0, 126.6, 126.1, 26.7; IR (film) 1684, 1598, 1356, 1268, 1226, 908, 758 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 272 (M^+ , 92), 257 (100), 229 (38), 228 (37), 202 (15), 152 (10), 113 (10); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$ 273.1274, found 273.1268.

4'-Methoxy[1,1':3',1''-terphenyl]-3-carbonitrile (7d). The typical procedure was followed, and flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 250:1) afforded 7d (93 mg, 65%) as a yellow oil: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.84 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.59–7.57 (m, 2H), 7.56–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.46 (m, 2H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.4, 142.4, 141.8, 139.3, 133.1, 131.5, 130.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.2, 126.7, 125.5, 125.3, 118.8, 114.3, 112.9, 55.3; IR (film) 2230, 1610, 1517, 1291, 1246, 1181, 908, 778, 732 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 285 (M^+ , 100), 270 (21), 242 (22), 240 (13), 227 (10), 214 (5), 143 (6); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$ 286.1226, found 286.1224.

4-Methoxy-4'-nitro-1,1':3',1''-terphenyl (7e). The typical procedure was followed, and flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 250:1, then 100:1) afforded 7e (83 mg, 55%) as a pale yellow solid: mp = 128–130 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.29 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.77–7.75 (m, 3H), 7.56–7.57 (m, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.53–7.52 (m, 2H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.5, 147.6, 147.1, 141.8, 139.3, 133.0, 129.5, 128.2, 127.9, 127.2, 125.8, 125.6, 124.1, 114.3, 55.3; IR (film) 1597, 1519, 1347, 1256, 1018, 906, 797, 730 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 305 (M^+ , 100), 290 (14), 275 (7), 262 (7), 215 (21), 189 (7), 95 (5); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_3$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$ 306.1125, found 306.1122.

Methyl [1,1':4',1''-Terphenyl]-4-carboxylate (7f). The typical procedure was followed, and flash chromatography (petroleum ether, then petroleum ether–EtOAc = 20:1) afforded 7f (91 mg, 63%) as a yellow solid: mp = 188–190 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.13 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.73–7.71 (m, 6H), 7.66–7.64 (m, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.0, 145.1, 141.0, 140.4, 138.8, 132.3, 130.9, 130.1, 128.8, 127.6, 127.5, 127.0, 126.9, 52.1; IR (film) 2927, 2855, 1720, 1282, 1114, 907, 758 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 288 (M^+ , 100), 257 (62), 228 (33), 202 (15), 152 (14); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$ 289.1223, found 289.1220.

1-(4'-tert-Butyl[1,1':4',1''-terphenyl]-3-yl)ethan-1-one (7g). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (petroleum ether, then petroleum ether–EtOAc = 100:1) afforded 7g (95 mg, 58%) as a white solid: mp = 136–138 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.22 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (s, 4H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 2.65 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.9, 150.5, 141.2, 140.5, 138.6, 137.6, 137.5, 131.5, 129.0, 127.4, 127.1, 126.7, 126.6, 125.7, 34.5, 31.3, 26.7; IR (film) 2964, 1679, 1599, 1356, 1238, 908, 731 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 328 (M^+ , 55), 314 (27), 313 (100), 285 (13), 226 (10), 149 (10); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$ 329.1900, found 329.1906.

3-(4'-tert-Butyl[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)pyridine (7h). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (petroleum ether–ethyl acetate = 100:1, then petroleum ether–EtOAc =

20:1) afforded 7h (103 mg, 72%) as a pale yellow solid: mp = 144–146 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.91 (s, 1H), 8.59 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.38–7.35 (m, 1H), 1.37 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 150.6, 148.2, 147.9, 140.8, 137.3, 136.2, 134.2, 127.5, 127.3, 126.6, 125.7, 123.5, 34.5, 31.3; IR (film) 2956, 1728, 1475, 1391, 1277, 1238, 908, 731 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 287 (M^+ , 52), 272 (100), 244 (17), 231 (10), 122 (15); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$ 288.1747, found 288.1740.

[1,1':4',1''-Terphenyl]-3-carbaldehyde (7i). The typical procedure was followed, and flash column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether, then petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1) afforded 7i (65 mg, 50%) as a white solid: mp = 148–149 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 10.09 (s, 1H), 8.14 (s, 1H), 7.90–7.85 (m, 2H), 7.70 (s, 4H), 7.65–7.59 (m, 3H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.2, 141.6, 140.9, 140.4, 138.5, 137.0, 132.8, 129.5, 128.8, 128.7, 128.0, 127.7, 127.5, 127.0; IR (film) 2927, 1703, 1585, 1481, 1379, 1183, 908 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 258 (M^+ , 100), 257 (16), 229 (22), 228 (27), 152 (11), 113 (10); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$ 259.1117, found 259.1118.

[1,1':4',1''-Terphenyl]-4-carbonitrile (7j).²⁰ The typical procedure was followed, and flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/EtOAc = 100:1, then 20:1) afforded 7j (73 mg, 57%) as a white solid: mp = 188–190 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71–7.62 (m, 10H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 145.1, 141.5, 140.1, 137.9, 132.6, 128.9, 127.7, 127.7, 127.5, 127.5, 127.0, 118.9, 110.9; IR (film) 2925, 2231, 1603, 1483, 1435, 1104, 907 cm^{-1} ; EI-MS (m/z , relative intensity) 255 (M^+ , 100), 254 (12), 253 (11), 152 (10), 113 (8).

■ ASSOCIATED CONTENT

● Supporting Information

Copies of ^1H and ^{13}C spectra for all products. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.

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