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Copper-Catalyzed Electrophilic Amination of Heteroarenes via C–H Alumination

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Supporting Information



ABSTRACT: A highly efficient Cu-catalyzed electrophilic amination reaction of readily available heteroarenes with O-benzoyl hydroxylamines via a one-pot C–H alumination is reported. The reactions were catalyzed using 1 mol % of CuCl to afford various heteroaryl amines in good to excellent yields. The direct C–H lithiation/transalumination of heteroarenes and catalytic amination sequence can be performed in a single vessel on gram scales.

INTRODUCTION

Heteroaryl amines are ubiquitous scaffolds in many natural products, biologically active molecules, and pharmaceutical targets.¹ Among the versatile synthetic approaches to form heteroaromatic $C(sp^2)$ -N bonds, transition-metal-catalyzed amination reactions have emerged as a powerful protocol in recent decades.² These strategies include palladium-catalyzed Buchwald-Hartwig amination reactions³ and copper-catalyzed Ullmann and Goldberg coupling reactions,⁴ which involve heteroaryl halides, and direct oxidative C-H aminations of heteroarenes with amines in the presence of a metal catalyst and oxidants.⁵ Various primary and secondary amine reagents have been used as nucleophilic nitrogen sources for these catalytic nucleophilic aminations.

An important complementary approach involves the coppercatalyzed electrophilic amination reactions of organometallic reagents with O-benzoyl hydroxylamines (BzO-NR₂) as an electrophilic nitrogen source.⁶ In the past decade, this class of Cu catalytic systems has received great attention because of the use of low-cost and low-toxicity copper, easy handling and preparation of O-benzoyl hydroxylamines, and high reactivity of organocopper to electrophilic amines under mild conditions. In addition, various types of organometallic reagents based on organozinc,7 -magnesium,8 -boron,9 -silicon,10 and -aluminum11 can be aminated with high efficiency. Despite recent advances involving Cu-catalytic $C(sp^2)$ -N bond forming reactions with electrophilic amines, some important challenges still remain. For example, most of these methods are limited in the substrate scope to aryl amines, and the efficient synthesis of heteroaromatic amines has rarely been studied (Scheme 1). Furthermore, a practical method to prepare organometallic reagents is required; most precedents need extra manipulation and purification steps, which are derived from the metalhalogen exchange of organic halides. The use of poisonous

ligands with a high catalyst loading of Cu salt is also a challenging issue. In 2014, an example of the one-pot C-H zincation/Cu-catalyzed electrophilic amination with O-benzoyl hydroxylamines was reported by Wang and co-workers.¹² The reaction proceeds through the direct C-H zinc metalation of heteroaromatic compounds by using $Zn(tmp)_2$ (tmp = 2,2,6,6tetramethylpiperidine), which enabled the efficient synthesis of a range of heteroaryl amines. Nonetheless, there are compelling problems to be solved: the relatively high cost of the Zn reagent and the high catalyst loading (10 mol %). In addition, excess heteroarene substrates were required because one heteroaryl unit of diheteroaryl zinc reagents was not transferred. Very recently, Zhou and co-workers described Cu-catalyzed electrophilic amination with organoaluminum nucleophiles, affording (hetero)aryl amines in good yields (58–90%).¹¹ However, their limited substrate scope (aryls and heteroaryls of only thienyl and pyridyl), the use of aryl halides for the preparation of aluminum reagents, and relatively high catalyst loading (5 mol % of CuI) remained unresolved.

Herein, we demonstrate an efficient and practical route to a wide range of heteroaryl amines using the one-pot facile $C(sp^2)$ —H alumination of heteroarenes and Cu-catalyzed electrophilic amination reactions with O-benzoyl hydroxyl-amines (eq 2 in Scheme 1). A broad range of commercially available and readily accessible heteroarenes can be directly and selectively lithiated and transmetalated with inexpensive diethylaluminum chloride to efficiently generate heteroaryl aluminum reagents, which are used *in situ* without further purification or filtration.¹³ The corresponding aluminum reagents show significantly high reactivity toward electrophilic amination presumably due to high Lewis acidity of aluminums

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Scheme 1. Cu-Catalyzed C(sp²)-N Bond Formation with O-Benzoyl Hydroxylamines



b) This work: One-pot direct C-H lithiation/transalumination and electrophilic amination



High reactivitiy and selectivity
 Low catalyst loading and no external ligand
 Approaches to a wide range of heteroaryl amines

Table 1. Optimization of the Cu-Catalyzed Electrophilic Amination of Benzofuran 1a^a

	они <u>-78 °</u> 1а	$\begin{array}{c} \text{P-BuLi, THF} \\ \underline{C} \rightarrow 22 \text{ °C, 1 h;} \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \text{CIAIEt}_2, \\ C \rightarrow 22 \text{ °C, 1 h} \end{array} \qquad $	AIEt ₂ x mol % CuCl THF, 22 °C BzO-N(<i>i</i> -Pr) ₂ 3a	→ O 4aa	
entry	Cu salts	mol % of Cu	2a (equiv)	time	yield (%) ^b
1	CuCl	5	1.5	10 min	95
2	CuCl	3	1.5	10 min	93
3	CuCl	1	1.5	10 min	93
4	CuCl	1	1.2	10 min	93
5	no	0	1.2	10 min	<2
6	no	0	1.2	24 h	7
7	CuI	1	1.2	10 min	79
8	CuOAc	1	1.2	10 min	73
9	CuCN	1	1.2	10 min	85
10	$Cu(OAc)_2$	1	1.2	10 min	92
11	$Cu(OTf)_2$	1	1.2	10 min	85

^{*a*}Reactions were performed on a 0.12 mmol scale of **3a** in THF (0.3 M) under N₂. Conditions: 1.2–1.5 equiv of **2a** (1a/n-BuLi/ClAlEt₂ = 1:1:1.1), 1.0 equiv of BZONR₂ **3a** and Cu salts. ^{*b*}Determined by the ¹H NMR spectrum analysis using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard.

compared to organozincs, borons, and silicons.¹¹ Therefore, only 1 mol % of the CuCl catalyst was required to complete the amination at room temperature even in 10 min, which produced structurally diverse and synthetically useful heteroaryl amines including an indole, thiophene, furan, thiazole, pyrrole, or pyridine moiety with high efficiency (up to 99% yield).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

We selected O-benzoyl-N,N-diisopropylhydroxylamine **3a** and benzofuran **1a** as the model substrates to develop the reaction conditions of the copper-catalytic electrophilic amination reaction with heteroarenes (Table 1). To our delight, when benzofuran **1a** was treated with *n*-BuLi at -78 °C in tetrahydrofuran with subsequent addition of diethylaluminum chloride, the corresponding aluminum reagent **2a** was generated *in situ* and subsequently reacted with **3a** in the presence of CuCl to produce the desired heteroaryl amine **4aa**. The summarized data in Table 1 illustrate the ability of CuCl as a catalyst to promote the electrophilic amination with the aluminum reagent **2a**. With 1 mol % of CuCl, the reaction of 1.2 equiv of **2a** at room temperature proceeded to complete conversion in 10 min, affording **4aa** with 93% yield (entry 4).

However, when CuCl was not used, no benzofuryl amine product 4aa was observed in 10 min (7% yield of 4aa after 24 h, entries 5–6). A screening of copper salts shows that CuCl represents the optimum catalyst for the amination reaction (entries 7–11). Additionally, we examined the amination of 3a with a benzofuryl lithium reagent as an intermediate of 2a, which was prepared from the direct C–H lithiation of 1a with *n*-BuLi. In the case of amination with the organolithium reagent, 3a was not converted to the desired product 4aa even when the Cu catalyst was used in a longer reaction time (40% conversion for 24 h with <2% yield of 4aa). These findings indicate that the combination of heteroaryl aluminums with CuCl is effective for the generation of suitable heteroaryl copper species.

Under the optimized reaction conditions, various O-benzoyl hydroxylamines with acyclic and cyclic N-alkyl substituents were applied to the Cu-catalyzed electrophilic amination with benzofuran 1a or benzothiophene 1b (Table 2). All transformations are rapid and highly efficient; >98% conversion was observed in 10 min–2 h with 1 mol % CuCl, which afforded the desired heteroaryl amines 4aa-4bd in good to excellent yields. As shown in entries 1–5 in Table 2, O-benzoyl

Table 2. Cu-Catalyzed Electrophilic Amination Reactions with Various O-Benzoyl Hydroxylamines^a

	X 1) <i>n</i> -BuLi, THF	⁼ , -78 °C – 78 °C → 22	→ 22 °C, 1 h; 2 °C, 1 h	
1a X = 0 1b X = S		il, BzO-NR 3	► 2, THF, 22 °C	4
entry	product		time (h)	yield $(\%)^b$
1	V-Pr i-Pr	4aa	10 min	88
2	O N Ph	4ab	10 min	91
3		4ac	30 min	92
4	N Me	4ad	20 min	92
5	N Me	4ae	15 min	63 ^{<i>c</i>}
6		4af	10 min	78^c
7		4ag	1	98
8		4ah	1	97
9	N_S	4ai	1	81
10	S NH	4bj	1.5	63
11	S NBoc	4bh	2	91
12	S N O	4bg	1.5	85
13	S Me	4bd	2	91

^{*a*}Reactions typically run on a 0.4–0.5 mmol scale of **3**. Conditions: 1.2 equiv of heteroaryl-Al reagent (1.2 equiv of heteroarenes **1**, 1.2 equiv of *n*-BuLi, and 1.3 equiv of ClAlEt₂), CuCl (1 mol %), 1.0 equiv of BZONR₂ **3**, and THF (0.3 M) under N₂. ^{*b*}Yields of the isolated products. ^{*c*}Yields after acid/base workup.

hydroxylamines, which were derived from N,N-diisopropyl 3a, N,N-dibenzyl 3b, N,N-diallyl 3c, N-benzyl-N-methyl 3d, and Nn-butyl-N-methyl 3e amines, were smoothly converted to resulting benzofuryl amines 4aa-4ae in 63-92% yields. The six-membered cyclic amines 3f-3i bearing a piperidine, morpholine, N-Boc-protected piperazine, and thiomorpholine moiety are compatible to the reaction conditions (78-98% yields in entries 6-9). An O-benzoyl hydroxylamine 3j, which is prepared from primary tert-butylamine, can also be utilized in this protocol to furnish the desired compound 4bj, albeit in lower yield (63% yield, entry 10). The low yield of 4bj is presumably because 3j was decomposed by the deprotonation of N-H bond on 3j with the aluminum reagents. In addition, various benzothiophenyl-substituted amines 4bh-4bd were efficiently synthesized with high yields (85-91% yield, entries 11-13). It is noteworthy that the allyl- and Boc-protecting groups are tolerated in this catalytic process, providing valuable protected amine intermediates, which can be further functionalized after deprotection.

Our new amination strategy greatly contributes to the efficient synthesis of a wide range of heteroaryl amines using readily accessible heteroarenes such as indole, thiazole, pyrrole, thiophene, and pyridine derivatives, as illustrated in Table 3. When the indole compounds 5a-b, which belong to a rarely examined category of substrates for electrophilic amination, were used, the selective C–H alumination/amination reaction in the presence of 1 mol % CuCl successfully occurred within 3

Table 3. Substrate Scope of the Cu-Catalyzed Electrophilic Amination a

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X, Y	= C, NMe 5				
	entry	product		time (h)	yield $(\%)^b$
	1	N Me Me	6ad	1	99
	2	N NBoc Me	6ah	3	86
	3		6bh	3	98
	4		6cf	6	86
	5		6ch	24	93
	6	S N Ph	6cb	24	68
	7		6dh	20	96
	8		6ef	24	95
	9	N Me NBoc	6fh	6	89
	10	S N NBoc	6gh	24	97
	11		6hf	1	97
	12	BocN N CI	6hh	1	92
	13	OMe NBoc	6ih	0.3	87
	14		6jh	24	85
	15^c		6kk	6	76

^{*a*}Reactions typically run on 0.4–0.5 mmol scale of **3**. Conditions: 1.2 equiv of heteroaryl-Al reagent (1.2 equiv of heteroarenes **5**, 1.2 equiv of *n*-BuLi and 1.3 equiv of ClAlEt₂), CuCl (1 mol %), 1.0 equiv of BZONR₂ **3**, and THF (0.3 M) under N₂. ^{*b*}Yields of the isolated products. ^cDiamination conditions: benzofuran **1a** (1.5 mmol), *O*-benzoyl hydroxylamine **3k** (0.5 mmol), CuCl (1 mol %), THF (0.15 M).

Scheme 2. Gram-Scale Synthesis of Heteroaromatic Amine 4ac



h to furnish the indole amines 6ad-6bh with excellent yields (86-99%, entries 1-3). It should be noted that 5-chloroindole 5b is compatible in this reaction and produced synthetically useful intermediate 6bh, which can be used for Pd-catalyzed cross-coupling.¹⁴ Benzothiazole 5c and thiazoles 5d-e were aluminated in situ for the subsequent reaction with O-benzoyl hydroxylamines in the presence of 1 mol % CuCl. The corresponding heteroaryl amines 6cf-6ef were obtained in good to excellent yields, although a longer reaction time was required (6-24 h, entries 4-8). To our delight, 2chlorothiazole 5e can be selectively transformed to the C-5 aminated product 6ef with a 95% yield instead of 2-amino thiazole, which is typically generated from the reaction of 5e with a nucleophilic amine.¹⁵ The Cu-catalyzed electrophilic aminations of pyrrole 5f and thiophene 5g with 3h also smoothly occurred (entries 9-10). The presence of chloro- and fluoro-substituents on pyridine 5h did not diminish the amination activity of 5h, and it produced the selective C-6 aminated products 6hf and 6hh in 97% and 92% yields, respectively (entries 11 and 12). In addition to the Cucatalyzed electrophilic amination with heteroarenes, we explored the functionalized arene substrates. As the data in entries 13 and 14 illustrate, the present Cu catalytic process can be used for the C-H amination of anisole 5i and pentafluorobenzene 5j to prepare aromatic amines 6ih and 6jh with high efficiency.¹⁶ Next, the one-pot double electrophilic amination reaction of O-dibenzoyl hydroxylamine 3k was evaluated. When 3k was treated with the in situ generated benzofuryl aluminum reagent 2a from 3 equiv of benzofuran 1a, the reaction was efficiently promoted by 1 mol % of CuCl to afford the diaminated heteroaromatic compound 6kk in 76% yield (entry 15). However, this protocol did not enable access to a benzoxazole-substituted amine (data are not shown).

The utility of this methodology is highlighted by the one-pot, gram scale synthetic procedure, as shown in Scheme 2. The direct C-H lithiation of benzofuran 1a with *n*-BuLi and subsequent transmetalation with diethylaluminum chloride generated *in situ* aluminum reagent 2a, which was directly treated with 1 mol % CuCl and 1.06 g of O-benzoyl hydroxylamine 3c at room temperature for 30 min. The amine 4ac was obtained in 93% yield, which was comparable to the yield of 4ac on a smaller scale (vs 92%, entry 3 in Table 2). Even with 0.1 mol % CuCl, the reaction effectively proceeded and produced 4ac in 91% yield. The straightforward one-pot process constitutes an important practical feature of this method.

CONCLUSIONS

In summary, the present studies introduce highly efficient and straightforward Cu-catalytic synthesis methods to obtain new versatile heteroaromatic amines such as furan, thiophene, indole, thiazole, pyrrole, and pyridine derivatives, which have been known to be inefficient in electrophilic amination. The corresponding amines were obtained through the one-pot electrophilic amination reactions using O-benzoyl hydroxylamines and the readily accessible heteroarenes with only 1 mol % CuCl via the direct C–H lithiation and transalumination. Further application of this methodology to other classes of C– N bond formation is in progress.

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded in reciprocal centimeters (cm⁻¹). Bands are characterized as broad (br), strong (s), medium (m), and weak (w). ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on a 400 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane, with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl₂: δ 7.27 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constants (Hz), and integration. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a 100 MHz spectrometer with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl₃: δ 77.26 ppm). High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained using an electron ionization (EI) or an electrospray ionization (ESI) time-of-flight mass spectrometer. Melting points were determined using a melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out with distilled solvents under an atmosphere of dry N₂ in oven-dried (130 °C) glassware. Tetrahydrofuran was purified by distillation from sodium benzophenone ketyl immediately prior to use unless otherwise specified. All workup and purification procedures were carried out with reagent grade solvents in air. A variety of N,N-dialkyl-O-benzoyl hydroxylamines were prepared according to reported experimental procedures.

Representative Experimental Procedures for Cu-Catalyzed Electrophilic Amination of Heteroarenes with N,N-Dialkyl-Obenzoyl Hydroxylamines via the Direct C-H Lithiation/ Transalumination. General procedure A: Benzofuran 1a (536 μ L, 5.00 mmol) and THF (6 mL) were added to a 25 mL round-bottom flask under N_2 gas. The solution was allowed to cool to -78 °C (dry ice/acetone bath), and then n-BuLi (2.5 M in hexanes, 2.00 mL, 5.00 mmol) was added slowly via a syringe. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stir for 1 h. After that time, the solution was allowed to cool to -78 °C (dry ice/acetone bath) and diethylaluminum chloride (690 μ L, 5.50 mmol) was added slowly. After stirring at room temperature for 1 h, the resulting benzofuryl aluminum reagent 2a (0.542 M) was directly used without further filtration and purification. To a solution of tert-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h) (149 mg, 0.487 mmol) and CuCl (0.500 mg, 0.00490 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was added benzofuran-2yldiethylaluminum solution 2a (0.542 M, 1.10 mL, 0.584 mmol) slowly under N_2 gas. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 1 h. After that time, the reaction was quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO3 (1 mL) and then with a saturated aqueous solution of Rochelle's salt (1 mL). The resulting solution was allowed to stir vigorously for 10 min and washed with

EtOAc (3×2 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes = 1:5) to afford the desired *tert*-butyl 4-(benzofuran-2-yl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (**4ah**) (143 mg, 0.473 mmol, 97%) as a white solid.

General procedure B: Benzothiazole 5c (545 µL, 5.00 mmol) and THF (9 mL) were added to a 25 mL round-bottom flask under N₂ gas. The solution was allowed to cool to -78 °C (dry ice/acetone bath) and then n-BuLi (2.5 M in hexanes, 2.00 mL, 5.00 mmol) was added slowly via a syringe. The mixture was allowed to stir at -78 °C for 1 h. After that time, the solution was allowed to cool to -78 °C (dry ice/ acetone bath) and diethylaluminum chloride (690 μ L, 5.50 mmol) was added slowly. After stirring at room temperature for 1 h, the resulting benzothiazoly aluminum reagent (0.409 M) was directly used without further filtration and purification. To a solution of tert-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h) (149 mg, 0.487 mmol) and CuCl (0.500 mg, 0.00490 mmol) in THF (0.2 mL) was added benzo[d]thiazol-2-yldiethylaluminum solution (0.409 M, 1.43 mL, 0.584 mmol) slowly under N2 gas. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 24 h. After that time, the reaction was quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₂ (1 mL) and then with a saturated aqueous solution of Rochelle's salt (1 mL). The resulting solution was allowed to stir vigorously for 10 min and washed with EtOAc $(3 \times 2 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes = 1:3) to afford the desired tert-butyl 4-(benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (6ch) (145 mg, 0.454 mmol, 93%) as a greenish solid.

N,*N*-Diisopropylbenzofuran-2-amine (4aa). Compound 4aa was synthesized according to general procedure A using *O*-benzoyl-*N*,*N*-diisopropylhydroxylamine (3a, 0.453 mmol) as a white solid in 88% yield (86.7 mg, 0.399 mmol). This compound has been previously reported, and the spectra data match has been described.^{9a} ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.25 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (ddd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (ddd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.36 (s, 1H), 3.77 (hept, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.32 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 12H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 160.3, 150.3, 131.2, 122.5, 119.0, 117.0, 109.2, 79.1, 48.1, 21.1.

N,*N*-Dibenzylbenzofuran-2-amine (4ab). Compound 4ab was synthesized according to general procedure A using *O*-benzoyl-*N*,*N*-dibenzylhydroxylamine (3b, 0.453 mmol) as a white solid in 91% yield (129 mg, 0.411 mmol). Mp 85–87 °C; **IR** (neat): 3124 (w), 3063 (s), 3028 (s), 2920 (m), 2858 (m), 1952 (w), 1871 (w), 1809 (w), 1759 (w), 1608 (s), 1493 (s), 1365 (s), 1323 (s), 1254 (s), 1196 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.34–7.23 (m, 12H), 7.11 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02–7.00 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 4.50 (s, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 160.5, 150.4, 137.3, 131.7, 128.7, 127.8, 127.4, 122.9, 119.5, 117.5, 109.5, 77.6, 52.0; HRMS (EI) *m*/*z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₂₂H₁₉NO 313.1467, Found 313.1438.

N,*N*-Diallylbenzofuran-2-amine (4ac). Compound 4ac was synthesized according to general procedure A using *N*,*N*-diallyl-*O*-benzoylhydroxylamine (3c, 0.427 mmol) as a yellow oil in 92% yield (83.9 mg, 0.393 mmol). IR (neat): 3086 (m), 3012 (m), 2928 (m), 1812 (w), 1720 (s), 1636 (s), 1454 (s), 1207 (s), 1157 (m), 995 (m), 930 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.26 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.95–5.86 (m, 2H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 5.30–5.23 (m, 4H), 3.98 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 160.1, 150.4, 133.5, 131.6, 122.7, 119.3, 117.5, 117.4, 109.4, 77.1, 51.2; HRMS (EI) *m*/*z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₄H₁₅NO 213.1154, Found 213.1124.

N-Benzyl-N-methylbenzofuran-2-amine (4ad). Compound **4ad** was synthesized according to general procedure A using *O*-benzyl-*N*-benzyl-*N*-methylhydroxylamine (**3d**, 0.500 mmol) as an orange oil in 92% yield (109 mg, 0.460 mmol). **IR** (neat): 3128 (w), 3059 (w), 3028 (w), 2928 (w), 2808 (w), 1608 (s), 1458 (s), 1246 (m), 1188 (w), 1099 (w), 1007 (w), 914 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.38–7.29 (m, 7H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 7,7 Hz, 1H), 5.36 (s, 1H), 4.58 (s, 2H), 2.92 (s, 3H);

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 160.9, 150.5, 137.2, 131.5, 128.5, 127.6, 127.3, 121.6, 119.3, 117.3, 109.3, 76.5, 54.7, 36.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₁₆NO 238.1232, Found 238.1232.

N-Butyl-N-methylbenzofuran-2-amine (4ae). Compound 4ae was synthesized according to general procedure A using O-benzoyl-Nbenzyl-N-methylhydroxylamine (3e, 0.500 mmol). The resulting reaction product was purified by acid/base workup. The crude product was diluted with Et₂O (1 mL) and acidified with 1 N HCl (3 × 1 mL). The aqueous layers were combined, basified with 1 N NaOH (3 mL), and washed with Et_2O (3 × 3 mL). Then the organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO4, and concentrated to afford a yellow oil in 63% yield (64.0 mg, 0.315 mmol). IR (neat): 3128 (w), 3055 (w), 2958 (s), 2931 (s), 2870 (m), 1608 (s), 1461 (s), 1423 (m), 1373 (m), 1246 (s), 1011 (m), 906 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 7.28 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (dd, J = 8.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dd, J = 8.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (s, 1H), 3.37 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.98 (s, 3H), 1.67–1.60 (m, 2H), 1.45–1.36 (m, 2H), 1.00 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 161.3, 150.6, 131.8, 122.6, 119.0, 117.1, 109.2, 76.0, 50.9, 36.2, 29.1, 20.0, 13.8; HRMS (EI) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₃H₁₇NO 203.1310, Found 203.1318.

1-(Benzofuran-2-yl)piperidine (4af). Compound 4af was synthesized according to general procedure A using piperidin-1-yl benzoate (**3f**, 0.488 mmol). The resulting reaction product was purified by acid/base workup. The crude product was diluted with Et₂O (1 mL) and acidified with 1 N HCl (3×1 mL). The aqueous layers were combined, basified with 1 N NaOH (3 mL), and washed with Et₂O (3×3 mL). Then the organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated to afford a pale yellow solid in 78% yield (76.7 mg, 0.381 mmol). This compound has been previously reported, and spectra data match has been described. ^{10b} ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.28 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (ddd, J = 8.0, 8.0, 0.9 Hz 1H), 7.01–6.97 (m, 1H), 5.4 (s, 1H), 3.27 (dd, J = 5.5, 5.5 Hz, 4H), 1.72–1.67 (m, 4H), 1.63–1.59 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 161.9, 150.7, 131.1, 122.6, 119.9, 117.8, 109.5, 78.8, 48.2, 24.8, 24.1.

4-(Benzofuran-2-yl)morpholine (4ag). Compound 4ag was synthesized according to general procedure A using *O*-benzoyl-*N*-benzyl-*N*-methylhydroxylamine (**3g**, 0.487 mmol) as a white solid in 98% yield (96.5 mg, 0.475 mmol). This compound has been previously reported, and spectra data match has been described.^{12a} ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 4H), 3.30 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 161.4, 151.2, 130.8, 123.1, 121.0, 118.7, 110.0, 80.0, 66.4, 47.7.

tert-Butyl 4-(Benzofuran-2-yl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (4ah). Compound 4ah was synthesized according to general procedure A using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h, 0.487 mmol) as a white solid in 97% yield (143 mg, 0.473 mmol). Mp 93 °C; **IR** (neat): 3124 (w), 3059 (w), 2978 (m), 2928 (m), 2862 (m), 1697 (s), 1601 (s), 1458 (s), 1419 (s), 1250 (s), 1169 (s), 1126 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.32 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 3.60 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 5.1 Hz, 4H), 3.26 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 5.1 Hz, 4H), 1.51 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 160.8, 154.6, 150.8, 130.4, 122.8, 120.6, 118.3, 109.6, 80.1, 80.0, 47.1, 43.2, 28.3; HRMS (EI) *m*/*z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₂₂N₂O₃ 302.1630, Found 302.1628.

4-(Benzofuran-2-yl)thiomorpholine (4ai). Compound **4ai** was synthesized according to general procedure A using thiomorpholino benzoate (**3i**, 0.500 mmol) as a white solid in 81% yield (88.8 mg, 0.405 mmol). Mp 91 °C; **IR** (neat): 3117 (w), 3055 (w), 2951 (w), 2908 (m), 2854 (m), 1604 (s), 1462 (s), 1389 (m), 1288 (m), 1261 (m), 1199 (m), 1176 (m), 976 (m), 949 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7,5 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 3.67 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 5.1 Hz, 4H), 2.76 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 5.1 Hz, 4H); ¹³C **NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 160.4, 150.7, 130.7, 122.8, 120.4, 118.1, 109.6, 79.6, 49.4, 26.1; **HRMS** (EI) *m*/*z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₂H₁₃NOS 219.0718, Found 219.0715.

N-(*tert*-Butyl)benzo[b]thiophen-2-amine (4bj). Compound 4bj was synthesized according to general procedure A using *O*-benzoyl-*N*-(*tert*-butyl)hydroxylamine (3j, 0.534 mmol) as a yellowish oil in 63% yield (69.2 mg, 0.337 mmol). IR (neat): 3387 (br), 3063 (w), 2970 (s), 1713 (w), 1566 (s), 1539 (s), 1443 (s), 1365 (s), 1215 (s), 1068 (w), 1018 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.33 (s, 1H), 3.84 (brs, 1H), 1.38 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 150.9, 140.1, 133.5, 124.3, 121.5, 121.4, 120.8, 104.3, 53.2, 29.4; HRMS (EI) *m*/*z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₂H₁₅NS 205.0925, Found 205.0926.

tert-Butyl 4-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (4bh). Compound 4bh was synthesized according to general procedure A using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h, 0.487 mmol) as a slightly pink solid in 91% yield (141 mg, 0.444 mmol). Mp 106–107 °C; IR (neat): 2978 (w), 2854 (w), 1697 (s), 1535 (m), 1423 (m), 1365 (w), 1250 (m), 1173 (m), 1126 (m), 999 (w), 825 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 7.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.24 (s, 1H), 3.61 (t, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 4H), 3.23 (t, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 4H), 1.50 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 157.5, 154.6, 140.4, 132.9, 124.6, 121.7, 121.6, 121.1, 100.2, 80.2, 50.8, 42.4, 28.3; HRMS (EI) *m*/*z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₂₂N₂O₂S 318.1402, Found 318.1414.

4-(Benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)morpholine (4bg). Compound 4bg was synthesized according to general procedure A using using *O*-benzoyl-*N*-benzyl-*N*-methylhydroxylamine (3g, 0.487 mmol) as a white solid in 85% yield (90.5 mg, 0.413 mmol). This compound has been previously reported, and spectra data match has been described.^{12a} ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 8.1, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (ddd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6, 1.2 Hz 1H), 6.24 (s, 1H), 3.88 (t, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 4H), 3.26 (t, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 157.8, 140.4, 132.7, 124.6, 121.7, 121.6, 121.1, 99.5, 66.3, 50.9.

N-Benzyl-N-methylbenzo[b]thiophen-2-amine (4bd). Compound **4bd** was synthesized according to general procedure A using *O*-benzyl-*N*-methylhydroxylamine (**3d**, 0.500 mmol) as a slightly pink solid in 91% yield (116 mg, 0.456 mmol). Mp 179–180 °C; **IR** (neat): 3063 (w), 3028 (w), 2885 (w), 2804 (w), 1952 (w), 1890 (s), 1809 (w), 1774 (w), 1543 (s), 1454 (s), 1419 (s), 1362 (m), 1304 (m), 1065 (m), 1018 (w), 926 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.8, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37–7.32 (m, 5H), 7.23 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 3.00 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 157.2, 141.6, 137.3, 132.1, 128.9, 127.5, 127.5, 124.6, 121.4, 120.4, 120.1, 96.4, 59.2, 39.5; HRMS (EI) *m*/*z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₁₅NS 253.0925, Found 253.0925.

N-Benzyl-*N*,1-dimethyl-1*H*-indol-2-amine (6ad). Compound 6ad was synthesized according to general procedure A using *O*-benzyl-*N*-benzyl-*N*-methylhydroxylamine (3d, 0.420 mmol) as a slightly pink solid in 99% yield (105 mg, 0.419 mmol). Mp 45–46 °C; **IR** (neat): 3055 (w), 3028 (w), 2951 (w), 2839 (w), 2796 (w), 1551 (s), 1469 (s), 1335 (m), 1311 (m), 1092 (m), 1011 (w), 949 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.57 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47–7.41 (m, 4H), 7.38–7.35 (m, 1H), 7.32–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.22 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (ddd, *J* = 7.3, 7.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.04 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.76 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 151.0, 137.8, 135.4, 128.5, 128.4, 127.7, 127.4, 120.1, 119.5, 119.2, 108.7, 87.7, 60.8, 41.1, 29.2; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₁₉N₂ 251.1548, Found 251.1543.

tert-Butyl 4-(1-Methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (6ah). Compound 6ah was synthesized according to general procedure A using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h, 0.426 mmol) as a white solid in 86% yield (115 mg, 0.366 mmol). Mp 142 °C; IR (neat): 3055 (w), 2978 (m), 2928 (w), 2862 (w), 2827 (w), 1697 (s), 1551 (m), 1473 (m), 1423 (m), 1365 (m), 1250 (s), 1173 (s), 1130 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.5, 1H), 7.20 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (s, 1H), 3.68–3.67 (m, 7H), 3.02 (t, *J* = 4.9, 4H), 1.57 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 154.8, 149.8, 135.2, 127.4, 120.4, 119.6, 119.4, 108.7, 87.1, 79.9, 52.2, 43.2, 28.7, 28.3; HRMS (EI) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₅N₃O₂ 315.1947, Found 315.1938.

tert-Butyl 4-(5-Chloro-1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)piperazine-1carboxylate (6bh). Compound 6bh was synthesized according to general procedure A using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1carboxylate (3h, 0.487 mmol) as a slightly yellow solid in 98% yield (167 mg, 0.476 mmol). Mp 132–133 °C; **IR** (neat): 2978 (m), 2924 (w), 2858 (w), 1697 (s), 1547 (s), 1473 (s), 1423 (s), 1250 (s), 1173 (s), 1130 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.14–7.07 (m, 2H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 3.64–3.61 (m, 4H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 2.97 (t, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 4H), 1.50 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 154.8, 151.0, 133.8, 128.6, 125.3, 120.5, 118.8, 109.7, 87.0, 80.1, 52.2, 43.2, 29.2, 28.4; **HRMS** (EI) *m*/*z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄ClN₃O₂ 349.1557, Found 349.1562.

2-(Piperidin-1-yl)benzo[d]thiazole (6cf). Compound 6cf was synthesized according to general procedure B using piperidin-1-yl benzoate (3f, 0.488 mmol) as a green solid in 86% yield (91.8 mg, 0.420 mmol). This compound has been previously reported, and spectra data match has been described.¹⁷ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (dd, J = 8.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (m, 4H), 1.65 (brs, 6H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 168.9, 153.0, 130.6, 125.8, 121.0, 120.5, 118.7, 49.5, 25.1, 24.1.

tert-Butyl 4-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (6ch). Compound 6ch was synthesized according to general procedure B using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h, 0.487 mmol) as a greenish solid in 93% yield (145 mg, 0.454 mmol). This compound has been previously reported, and spectra data match has been described.^{12a} ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.62 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.33–7.27 (m, 1H), 7.10 (dd, J = 8.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 8H), 1.45 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 168.7, 154.6, 152.6, 130.7, 126.1, 121.7, 120.7, 119.3, 80.3, 48.1, 42.9, 28.3.

N,*N*-Dibenzylbenzo[d]thiazol-2-amine (6cb). Compound 6cb was synthesized according to general procedure B using *O*-benzoyl-*N*,*N*-dibenzylhydroxylamine (3b, 0.453 mmol) as a yellowish solid in 68% yield (101 mg, 0.307 mmol). Mp 119–120 °C; **IR** (neat): 3055 (w), 2984 (w), 1539 (m), 1442 (m), 1267 (s), 1207 (w), 893 (w), 733 (s), 703 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.63–7.60 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.30 (m, 11H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (s, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 169.2, 153.1, 136.3, 131.1, 128.8, 127.8, 127.8, 126.1, 121.3, 120.7, 119.0, 53.2; **HRMS** (ESI) *m*/*z*: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₁₀N₂S 331.1269, Found 331.1266.

tert-Butyl 4-(Thiazol-2-yl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (6dh). Compound 6dh was synthesized according to general procedure B using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h, 0.487 mmol) as a slightly yellow solid in 96% yield (126 mg, 0.469 mmol). Mp 111–113 °C; IR (neat): 2974 (w), 2931 (w), 2858 (w), 1697 (s), 1520 (m), 1419 (m), 1365 (w), 1234 (s), 1169 (s), 1138 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.21 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.56–3.54 (m, 4H), 3.48–3.45 (m, 4H), 1.47 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 172.2, 154.7, 139.6, 107.8, 80.2, 48.4, 42.7, 28.3; HRMS (EI) *m*/*z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₂H₁₉N₃O₂S 269.1198, Found 269.1199.

2-Chloro-5-(piperidin-1-yl)thiazole (6ef). Compound **6ef** was synthesized according to general procedure B using piperidin-1-yl benzoate (**3f**, 0.488 mmol) as slightly yellow solid in 95% yield (93.9 mg, 0.463 mmol). Mp 37–38 °C; **IR** (neat): 2939 (w), 2858 (w), 2820 (w), 1527 (w), 1450 (w), 1385 (w), 1238 (w), 1034 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.64 (s, 1H), 3.04 (t, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 4H), 1.73–1.67 (m, 4H), 1.60–1.54 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 156.9, 138.3, 119.9, 53.2, 25.0, 23.4; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₈H₁₂ClN₂S 203.0410, Found 203.0408.

tert-Butyl 4-(1-Methyl-1*H*-pyrrol-2-yl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (6fh). Compound 6fh was synthesized according to general procedure A using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h, 0.487 mmol) as a slightly yellow solid in 89% yield (115 mg, 0.434 mmol). Mp 62–63 °C; IR (neat): 3055 (w), 2974 (w), 2923 (w), 2854 (w), 1697 (s), 1551 (m), 1462 (m), 1419 (m), 1365 (m), 1250 (s), 1173 (s), 1126 (m), 999 (w), 768 (w), 744 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.41–6.40 (m, 1H), 6.04 (dd, *J* = 3.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 5.68–5.67 (m, 1H), 3.54 (t, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 4H), 3.51 (s, 3H), 2.82 (t, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 4H), 1.49 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 154.8, 142.8, 117.1, 105.9, 94.9, 79.7, 53.0, 43.4, 31.7, 28.3; HRMS (EI) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₄H₂₃N₃O₂ 265.1790, Found 265.1777.

tert-Butyl 4-(Thiophen-2-yl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (6gh). Compound 6gh was synthesized according to general procedure A using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h, 0.487 mmol) as a white solid in 97% yield (127 mg, 0.474 mmol). Mp 51–53 °C; **IR** (neat): 2974 (w), 2823 (w), 1697 (s), 1531 (m), 1419 (m), 1365 (w), 1246 (m), 1169 (m), 1126 (w), 833 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.80 (dd, *J* = 5.4, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (t, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 4H), 3.10 (t, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 4H), 1.48 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 159.1, 154.6, 126.0, 113.1, 106.4, 79.9, 51.7, 43.3, 28.3; **HRMS** (EI) *m/z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₃H₂₀N₂O₂S 268.1245, Found 268.1233.

6-Chloro-3-fluoro-2-(piperidin-1-yl)pyridine (6hf). Compound **6hf** was synthesized according to general procedure B using piperidin-1-yl benzoate (**3f**, 0.488 mmol) as a colorless oil in 97% yield (101 mg, 0.471 mmol). **IR** (neat): 2939 (m), 2854 (w), 1597 (s), 1493 (s), 1450 (w), 1385 (w), 1250 (m), 1223 (m), 1099 (w), 953 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (t, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 4H), 1.72–1.64 (m, 6H); ¹³C **NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 151.9, 149.5, 147.5 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz), 147.2 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 136.9 (d, *J* = 28.1 Hz), 111.5 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 49.8 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 25.4, 24.0; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₀H₁₃ClFN₂ 215.0751, Found 215.0748.

tert-Butyl-4-(6-chloro-3-fluoropyridin-2-yl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (6hh). Compound 6hh was synthesized according to general procedure B using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h, 0.487 mmol) as a white solid in 92% yield (142 mg, 0.450 mmol). Mp 121–122 °C; IR (neat): 2978 (w), 2931 (w), 2862 (w), 1697 (s), 1597 (s), 1493 (m), 1419 (m), 1246 (s), 1169 (s), 1126 (m), 953 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (t, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 4H), 3.27 (t, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 4H), 1.48 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 154.6, 152.0, 149.5, 147.4 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 147.0 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz), 137.2 (d, *J* = 28.1 Hz), 111.8 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 80.3, 48.4 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 43.4, 28.3; HRMS (EI) *m/z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₄H₁₉ClFN₃O₂ 315.1150, Found 315.1122.

tert-Butyl 4-(2-Methoxyphenyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (6ih). Compound 6ih was synthesized according to general procedure A using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h, 0.487 mmol) as a white solid in 87% yield (124 mg, 0.425 mmol). Mp 68–69 °C; **IR** (neat): 3063 (w), 2974 (s), 2927 (m), 2862 (m), 2816 (m), 1687 (s), 1593 (m), 1501 (s), 1458 (s), 1419 (s), 1365 (m), 1242 (s), 1173 (s), 1122 (s), 1030 (s), 1003 (m), 922 (m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.06–7.01 (m, 1H), 6.96–6.88 (m, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.62 (t, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 4H), 3.01 (brs, 4H), 1.49 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 154.8, 152.3, 141.1, 123.3, 121.0, 118.3, 111.2, 79.6, 55.3, 50.6, 43.3, 28.3. **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₂₅N₂O₃ 293.1865, Found 293.1861.

tert-Butyl 4-(Perfluorophenyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (6jh). Compound 6jh was synthesized according to general procedure B using *tert*-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)piperazine-1-carboxylate (3h, 0.487 mmol) as a white solid in 85% yield (145 mg, 0.412 mmol). Mp 96–98 °C; **IR** (neat): 2997 (w), 2928 (w), 2901 (w), 2862 (w), 1678 (s), 1520 (m), 1504 (m), 1431 (m), 1261 (m), 1176 (m), 1130 (w), 991 (s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 3.55 (t, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 4H), 3.14 (brs, 4H), 1.49 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 154.7, 143.5 (dm, *J* = 248.8 Hz), 138.1 (dm, *J* = 249.2 Hz), 137.5 (dm, *J* = 248.3 Hz), 125.9 (tt, *J* = 12, 4.2 Hz) 80.0, 50.9, 44.2, 28.3; **HRMS** (EI) *m/z*: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₁₅H₁₇F₅N₂O₂ 352.1210, Found 352.1204.

1,4-Di(benzofuran-2-yl)piperazine (6kk). Compound 6kk was synthesized according to general procedure A using piperazine-1,4-diyl dibenzoate (3k, 0.487 mmol) as a slightly yellow solid in 76% yield (118 mg, 0.372 mmol). Mp 203–204 °C; **IR** (neat): 2854 (w), 1601 (m), 1454 (w), 1381 (w), 1338 (w), 1257 (w), 1207 (w), 1153 (w), 1041 (w), 972 (w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35 (d, *J* =

8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H) 7.15 (ddd, J = 8.0, 8.0, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 7.09–7.05 (m, 2H), 5.55 (d, J = 0.7 Hz, 2H), 3.48 (s, 8H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 160.5, 150.6, 130.1, 122.6, 120.5, 119.4, 118.1, 80.1, 46.2; HRMS (EI) m/z: [M]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₁₈N₂O₂ 318.1368, Found 318.1364.

Experimental Procedure for the Synthesis of Piperazine-1,4diyl Dibenzoate (3k):⁷ Benzoyl peroxide (1.00 g, 4.13 mmol), K₂HPO₄ (982 mg, 5.64 mmol), piperazine (162 mg, 1.88 mmol), and DMF (10 mL) were added to a 25 mL round-bottom flask under N₂ gas. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 7 h. After that time, the solution was quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (5 mL), diluted with water (5 mL), and washed with EtOAc (3×5 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO₄₁ filtered, and concentrated. After purification of the crude product by triturating with Et₂O, the desired white powder product was obtained (239 mg, 0.734 mmol, 39%). Mp 143-144 °C; IR (neat): 3066 (w), 2982 (w), 2862 (m), 1740 (s), 1501 (w), 1454 (m), 1261 (s), 1180 (w), 1088 (m), 1045 (m) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.04 (brs, 4H), 7.60 (dd, J = 7.4, 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.47 $(dd, J = 7.6, 7.5 Hz, 4H), 3.49 (brs, 6H), 3.29 (brs, 2H); {}^{13}C NMR$ (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 164.4, 133.2, 129.3, 128.4, 54.2, 52.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ Calcd for $C_{18}H_{18}N_2O_4$ 326.1267, Found 326.1255.

One-Pot, Gram Scale Cu-Catalyzed Electrophilic Amination **Reaction.** Benzofuran 1a (632 μ L, 5.86 mmol) and THF (7 mL) were added to a 25 mL round-bottom flask under N2 gas. Then, n-BuLi (2.5 M in hexane, 2.30 mL, 5.86 mmol) was added slowly at -78 °C (dry ice/acetone bath). The reaction solution was allowed to warm to room temperature and stir for 1 h and then cooled to -78 °C (dry ice/acetone bath) again. Diethylaluminum chloride (0.810 mL, 6.45 mmol) was added slowly to the solution, which was allowed to stir at room temperature for 1 h. Afterward, copper chloride (4.80 mg, 0.0488 mmol) was added at 0 °C, followed by addition of N,N-diallyl-O-benzoyl hydroxylamine 3c (1.06 g, 4.88 mmol) and THF (7 mL). The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min. After that time, the reaction was quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (7 mL) and washed with EtOAc (3×7 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes = 1:10) to afford the desired product N,N-diallylbenzofuran-2-amine 4ac as a colorless oil (971 mg, 4.55 mmol, 93% yield).

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