

# Synthesis of polyfluoroalkylated bicyclic and tricyclic heterocyclic compounds

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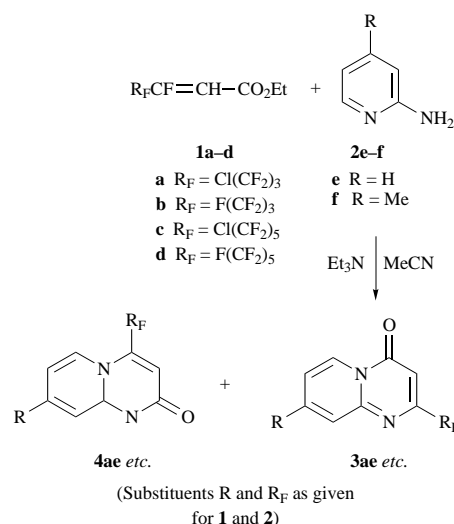
In the presence of base, ethyl 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoates **1** are converted into polyfluoroalkylated pyrido[1,2-*a*]pyrimidines **3**, **4** by reactions with 2-aminopyridine derivatives **2** and into polyfluoroalkylated pyrimido[2,1-*b*]benzothiazole **8** or thiazolo[3,2-*a*]pyrimidine **10**, **11** derivatives using 2-aminobenzothiazole **7** or 2-amino-1,3-thiazole **9** derivatives in moderate to good yields. Under different basic conditions, polyfluoroalkenylimidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine derivatives **5** or polyfluoroalkylated 1,3-thiazino[3,2-*a*]benzimidazol-4-one **14** are formed, respectively, from the reaction of 2-aminopyridine derivatives **2** or 2-mercaptobenzimidazole **12** with ethyl polyfluoroalk-2-enoates **1** in moderate yields.

## Introduction

Recently, much attention has been focused on the synthesis of fluorine-containing organic compounds particularly in the fields of medicinal and agricultural chemistry and of material science. The replacement of hydrogen by a polyfluoroalkyl group in organic compounds may profoundly influence their physical and biological properties.<sup>1</sup> Consequently, considerable efforts have been devoted to the development of new methodologies for the synthesis of fluorine-containing compounds. Various 2*H*-pyrido[1,2-*a*]pyrimidin-2-ones, 4*H*-pyrido[1,2-*a*]pyrimidin-4-ones and imidazo[1,2-*a*]pyrimidines have been reported to possess significant biological activity, such as hypotensive, analgesic, CNS stimulant and bactericidal, amongst others;<sup>2,3,4</sup> thiazolo[3,2-*a*]pyrimidine and pyrimido[2,1-*b*]benzothiazole derivatives have also shown remarkable fungicidal, analgesic, anti-inflammatory, anticonvulsant and pesticidal activity *etc.*<sup>5-8</sup> However, to the best of our knowledge, there has been little work on the synthesis of fluoroalkylated derivatives of these heterocycles except for the reported preparation of trifluoromethyl substituted imidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridines.<sup>9</sup> In an earlier study, we developed a new efficient method for the preparation of ethyl 2,2-dihydropolyfluoroalkanoates from readily available polyfluoroalkyl iodides.<sup>10</sup> We found that in the presence of base, the former eliminated HF readily to give the corresponding 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoates, which are versatile intermediates for the synthesis of fluoroalkylated heterocycles. Upon treatment with 2-aminopyridine, 2-amino-1,3-thiazole or 2-amino-1,3-benzothiazole derivatives, which are known to possess nucleophilic centres on both nitrogen atoms of the molecule, or 2-mercaptobenzimidazole, with the nucleophilic centre on the mercapto or nitrogen atom of the molecule, the corresponding heterocycles were formed in moderate to good yields. In the case of the 2-aminopyridine derivatives, the reaction products depend on the base used. The detailed results are reported herein.

## Results and discussion

In the presence of triethylamine, ethyl 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoates **1** were allowed to react with >2 equiv. of 2-aminopyridine in acetonitrile at 90 °C for *ca.* 50 h. Spectral examination of the reaction products revealed that two isomeric heterocyclic compounds **3** and **4**, separable by column chromatography, were formed with the latter as the major product. Taking compounds **3ae** and **4ae** as examples: the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of compound **3ae** revealed the presence of

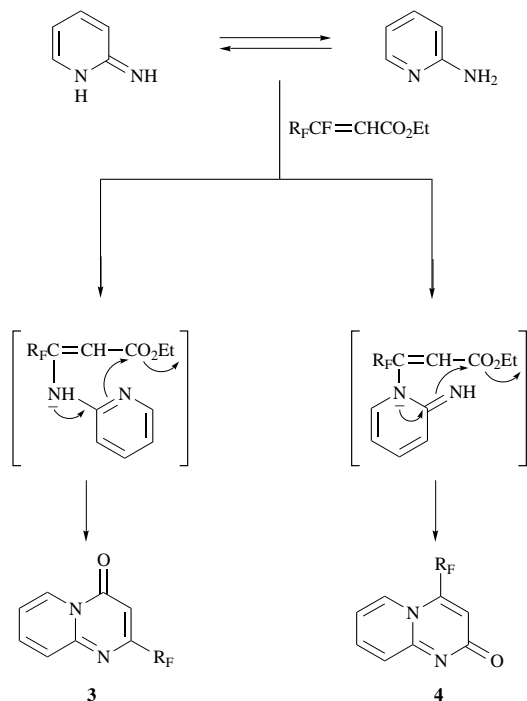


Scheme 1

three CF<sub>2</sub> resonances at δ 66.2, 113.9 and 118.9 while that of compound **4ae** showed resonances at δ 66.8, 106.2 and 116.9, suggesting a 3-chlorohexafluoropropyl chain in both cases. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum showed only the presence of five aromatic or ethylenic protons and the absence of an ethoxy group, which indicated that both compounds were intramolecular cyclization products. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR of compound **3ae** showed resonances at δ 6.81 (s, 1 H, 3-H), 7.30 (m, 1 H), 7.87 (m, 2 H) and 9.12 (d, J<sub>HH</sub> 7.2, 6-H). The downfield chemical shift of 6-H is the characteristic proton signal for these 4-oxo compounds, attributable to the anisotropic effect of the carbonyl group.<sup>11</sup> The other product **4ae** showed resonances at δ 7.05 (s, 1 H, 3-H) and 6.92–8.06 (m, 4 H, ArH). The mass spectrum of both compounds **3ae** and **4ae** showed *m/z* 330 (M<sup>+</sup>), 302 (M<sup>+</sup> – CO) and 167 (M<sup>+</sup> – CO – C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>4</sub>Cl). Furthermore, by comparison with the IR carbonyl absorption of a nonfluoro analogue,<sup>3,4,11</sup> we assigned compound **3ae** (ν<sub>max</sub> 1710 cm<sup>-1</sup>) as 4-oxo and compound **4ae** (ν<sub>max</sub> 1640 cm<sup>-1</sup>) as 2-oxo isomers (see Scheme 1 and Experimental section).

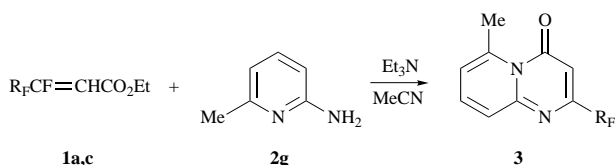
Formation of the isomeric 2- and 4-oxo compounds was the result of Michael addition of the ring nitrogen atom or the amino nitrogen atom on the fluorinated ester, followed by intramolecular cyclization, respectively (see Scheme 2).

2-Amino-4-methylpyridine reacted similarly whereas 2-amino-6-methylpyridine **2g** yielded only the 4-oxo product in



**Scheme 2** Substituent  $\text{R}_F$  as given in Scheme 1

moderate yield apparently due to the steric effect of the 6-methyl group which hindered the Michael addition of the ring nitrogen to the unsaturated esters **1**.

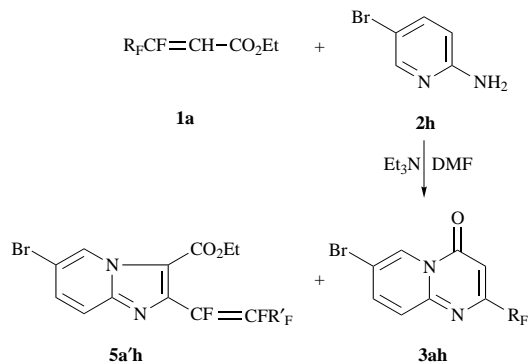


**Scheme 3** Substituent  $\text{R}_F$  as given in Scheme 1

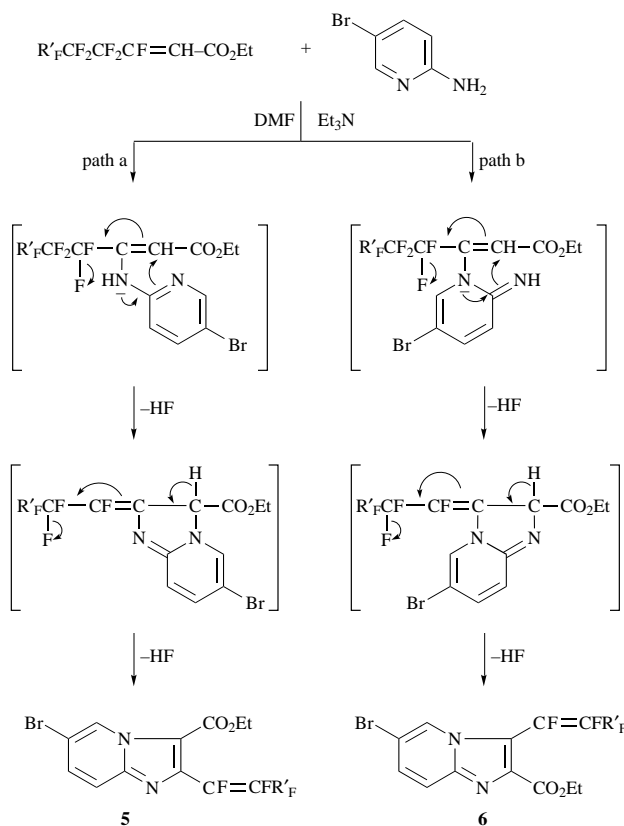
In the case of 2-amino-5-bromopyridine, because of its low solubility in acetonitrile, the reaction was carried out in *N,N*-dimethylformamide at 90 °C for 60 h; 4*H*-pyrido[1,2-*a*]pyridin-4-one was formed as expected in moderate yield, accompanied by a small amount of a by-product **5**. The structure of **5** was established through comparison of its  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum with that of a known analogous compound reported in the literature<sup>4b,4d</sup> and the examination of its spectra. Taking compound **5a'h** as an example, its  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum revealed resonances at  $\delta$  55.5 (m, 2 F,  $\text{CF}_2\text{Cl}$ ), 135.6 (d,  $J_{\text{FF}}$  141, 1 F) and 148.9 (d,  $J_{\text{FF}}$  141, 1 F) which suggested a 3-chlorotetrafluoropropenyl chain. The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum showed the presence of an ethoxy group with resonances at  $\delta$  1.36 (3 H, t,  $J_{\text{HH}}$  7.1,  $\text{CH}_3$ ) and 4.42 (2 H, q,  $J_{\text{HH}}$  7.1,  $\text{CH}_2$ ) and three aromatic protons at  $\delta$  7.55 (2 H, AB,  $J_{\text{AB}}$  8.6, 7,8-H) and 8.13 (1 H, s, 5-H). The mass spectrum showed  $m/z$  416 ( $\text{M}^+ + 2$ ), 414 ( $\text{M}^+$ ) and 385 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{OEt}$ ). The IR spectrum showed a carbonyl absorption at  $1730\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (see Experimental section), so we assigned it to be an imidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine derivative.

The formation of the imidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine derivative may be depicted as shown in Scheme 5.

No cyclic nitrogen addition product **4** or **6** was obtained during the reaction, possibly because of the electronic effect of the bromo substituent. Further study showed that by employing  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  in place of  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  as the base, the reaction of 2-aminopyridine and ethyl 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoate took place smoothly and gave imidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine derivative **5** as the sole product in moderate yields. The detailed results are shown in Table 1.



**Scheme 4** Substituent  $\text{R}_F$  as given in Scheme 1 and  $\text{R}'_F$  as given in Scheme 6



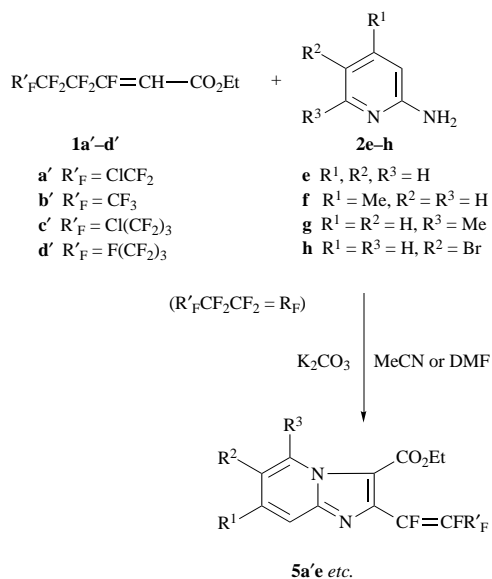
**Scheme 5** Substituent  $\text{R}'_F$  as given in Scheme 6

For the synthesis of polyfluoroalkenylimidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine, the reaction could be greatly accelerated by ultrasonic irradiation. In the presence of  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$ , a mixture of 1 equiv. of 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoates and 3 equiv. of 2-aminopyridine in acetonitrile was subjected to ultrasonic irradiation (125 W) for 2 h, after which in all cases the reaction was complete and gave a similar product to that in the thermal reactions. The detailed results are shown in Table 2.

Acetonitrile and *N,N*-dimethylformamide (DMF) are the solvents of choice. Furthermore, a substituent on the pyridine ring seems to have no effect.

It is noteworthy that the concentration of nucleophiles plays an important role in these reactions. Only when more than 2 equiv. of nucleophiles were used could the reaction proceed smoothly with later recovery of the excess reagents.

This reaction was also applied to a series of 2-aminobenzothiazole derivatives. Generally, in the presence of a base (*e.g.*  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  or triethylamine), a mixture of 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoates (1 mmol) and a 2-aminobenzothiazole derivative (1.5 mmol) was heated in acetonitrile or DMF for 12 h and the



**Scheme 6**

**Table 1** Synthesis of 4-polyfluoroalkylated 2*H*-pyrido[1,2-*a*]pyrimidin-2-ones, 2-polyfluoroalkylated 4*H*-pyrido[1,2-*a*]pyrimidin-4-ones and polyfluoroalkenylimidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine

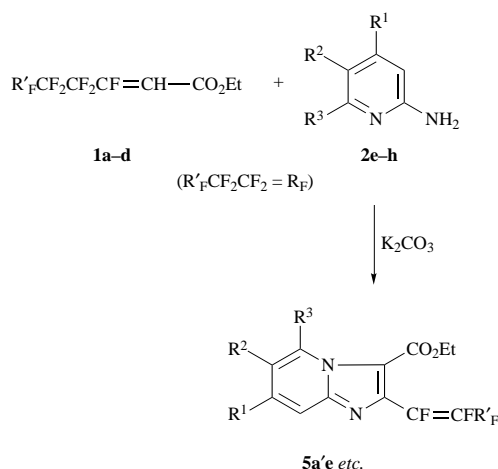
$R_F$	$R^1$	$R^2$	$R^3$	Base	Isolated yields of the products (%) <sup>a</sup>		
					<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>1a</b>	H	H	H	Et <sub>3</sub> N	<b>3ae</b> , 18	<b>4ae</b> , 50	
<b>1b</b>	H	H	H	Et <sub>3</sub> N	<b>3be</b> , 16	<b>4be</b> , 54	
<b>1c</b>	H	H	H	Et <sub>3</sub> N	<b>3ce</b> , 23	<b>4ce</b> , 42	
<b>1d</b>	H	H	H	Et <sub>3</sub> N	<b>3de</b> , 16	<b>4de</b> , 43	
<b>1a</b>	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	H	Et <sub>3</sub> N	<b>3af</b> , 18	<b>4af</b> , 53	
<b>1c</b>	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	H	Et <sub>3</sub> N	<b>3cf</b> , 25	<b>4cf</b> , 39	
<b>1a</b>	H	H	CH <sub>3</sub>	Et <sub>3</sub> N	<b>3ag</b> , 42		<b>5a'h</b> , 8
<b>1c</b>	H	H	CH <sub>3</sub>	Et <sub>3</sub> N	<b>3cg</b> , 47		<b>5a'e</b> , 63
<b>1a</b>	H	Br	H	Et <sub>3</sub> N	<b>3ah</b> , 44		<b>5b'e</b> , 57
<b>1a</b>	H	H	H	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>			<b>5c'e</b> , 55
<b>1b</b>	H	H	H	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>			<b>5a'f</b> , 57
<b>1c</b>	Me	H	H	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>			<b>5b'f</b> , 58
<b>1b</b>	Me	H	H	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>			<b>5c'f</b> , 51
<b>1c</b>	Me	H	H	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>			<b>5a'g</b> , 40
<b>1a</b>	H	H	CH <sub>3</sub>	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>			<b>5a'h</b> , 32
<b>1a</b>	H	Br	H	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>			<b>5c'h</b> , 30
<b>1c</b>	H	Br	H	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>			

<sup>a</sup> Isolated yields after chromatography based on **1**.

mixture was then worked up to give exclusively products **8** in good yield.

Under similar conditions, the reaction of 2-amino-1,3-thiazole with 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoate gave two isomers **10** and **11** separable by column chromatography. Their structure was established through <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>19</sup>F NMR and mass spectra and elemental analyses. The detailed results are shown in Table 3.

Since 2-mercaptobenzimidazole possesses a similar structure to 2-aminothiazole, the possibility of the synthesis of polyfluoroalkylated[1,3]thiazino[3,2-*a*]benzimidazol-4-one by this reaction sparked our interest. In the presence of triethylamine, the reaction of 1.5 equiv. of 2-mercaptobenzimidazole with 1 equiv. of 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoates resulted in a complex mixture, presumably as a result of the enhanced nucleophilicity of the mercapto group in the presence of triethylamine. When NaHCO<sub>3</sub> was used as the base in place of triethylamine, the reaction mixture was first heated at 50 °C for 6 h and then at 90 °C for 10 h. Upon monitoring the reaction by <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectroscopy, we found that only one product was formed, the

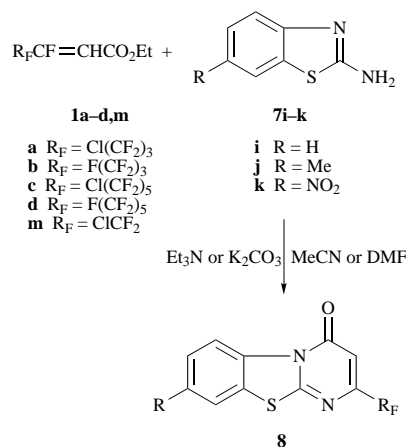


**Scheme 7**  $R_F$  as given in Scheme 1 and  $R'_F$  as given in Scheme 6;  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  are given in Table 1 together with **a'**, **b'**, **c'**

**Table 2** Synthesis of polyfluoroalkenylimidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine by ultrasonic irradiation

$R_F$	Nucleophile	Reaction time ( <i>t</i> /min)	Isolated yield of the products (%) <sup>a</sup>	
<b>1a</b>	<b>2e</b>	40	<b>5a'e</b>	53
<b>1b</b>	<b>2e</b>	60	<b>5b'e</b>	59
<b>1b</b>	<b>2f</b>	60	<b>5b'f</b>	48
<b>1a</b>	<b>2g</b>	70	<b>5a'g</b>	46
<b>1c</b>	<b>2h</b>	120	<b>5c'h</b>	33

<sup>a</sup> Isolated yield based on **1** after chromatography.



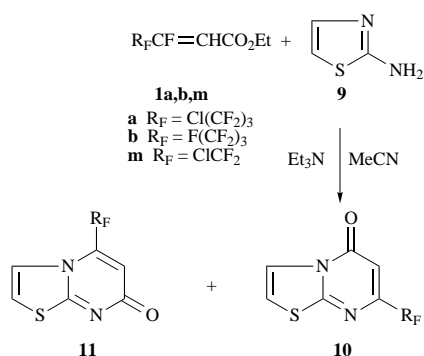
**Scheme 8**

structure of which was established as 2-polyfluoroalkyl[1,3]-thiazino[3,2-*a*]benzimidazol-4-one **14c** upon the basis of its <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>19</sup>F NMR, IR and mass spectra together with its elemental analysis.

In summary, a convenient new one-step method for the selective synthesis of new 2-polyfluoroalkyl-4*H*-pyrido[1,2-*a*]pyrimidin-4-ones **3**, 4-polyfluoroalkyl-2*H*-pyrido[1,2-*a*]pyrimidin-2-ones **4**, 2-fluoroalkenylimidazo[1,2-*a*]pyrimidines **5**, 2-fluoroalkyl-4*H*-pyrimido[2,1-*b*]benzothiazol-4-ones **8**, 7-fluoroalkyl-5*H*-1,4-thiazolo[3,2-*a*]pyrimidin-5-ones **10**, 5-fluoroalkyl-7*H*-thiazolo[3,2-*a*]pyrimidin-7-ones **11** and 2-polyfluoroalkyl-[1,3]thiazino[3,2-*a*]benzimidazol-4-one **14** derivatives directly from ethyl 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoates is described. The simplicity of the experimental procedure and the readily availability of the starting materials make this synthetic method a practical one.

## Experimental

All mps are uncorrected. IR Spectra were recorded on an

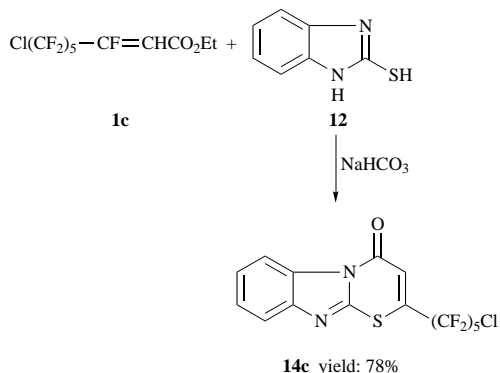


Scheme 9

**Table 3** Synthesis of 7-fluoroalkyl-5H-1,4-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-5-ones, 5-fluoroalkyl-7H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-7-ones and 2-fluoroalkyl-4H-pyrimido[2,1-b]benzothiazol-4-ones

$R_f$	Substrate *	Isolated yield (%) <sup>†</sup>		
		8	10	11
1a	7i	8ai, 67		
1b	7i	8bi, 70		
1d	7i	8di, 70		
1m	7i	8mi, 74		
1a	7i	8aj, 83		
1c	7j	8cj, 82		
1m	7j	8mj, 73		
1a	7k	8ak, 71		
1d	7k	8dk, 73		
1a	9		10a, 22	11a, 49
1b	9		10b, 13	11b, 64
1m	9		10m, 15	11m, 39

\* Compounds 7i,j,k are given in Scheme 8. <sup>†</sup> Isolated yields based on 1 after chromatography.



Scheme 10

IR-440 spectrometer, using KBr pellets or  $\text{CCl}_4$  liquid films.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectra were measured on FX-90Q (90 MHz), Bruker AM 300 (300 MHz) or AMX-600 (600 MHz) machines and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were measured on an AMX-600 (600 MHz) spectrometer, using  $\text{SiMe}_4$  as internal standard.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR Spectra were recorded on a Varian EM-360L spectrometer (56.4 MHz) using  $\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$  (TFA) as external standard. In  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectra, chemical shifts (in ppm) were positive for upfield shifts and the values are reported as  $\delta(\text{CFCl}_3)$  [ $\delta(\text{CFCl}_3) = \delta(\text{TFA}) + 76.8$ ].  $J$  Values are recorded in Hz. Mass spectra were taken on a Finnegan GC-MS 4021 spectrometer. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel H, particle size 10–40  $\mu\text{m}$ .

#### Preparation of 4-polyfluoroalkyl-2H-pyrido[1,2-a]pyrimidin-2-ones and 2-polyfluoroalkyl-4H-pyridol[1,2-a]pyrimidin-4-ones

**Typical procedure.** A mixture of 2-hydroxypolyfluoroalk-2-

enoate **1** (1 mmol), 2-aminopyridine derivative **2** (3 mmol), triethylamine (5 mmol) and acetonitrile (5 ml) was stirred at 90 °C for 50 h to give a black reaction product, which was then adsorbed on silica (particle size 100–200 mesh; 5 g) and air dried at 50 °C. The whole mass was then purified by column chromatography using light petroleum–ethyl acetate (8 : 1, v/v) as eluent to give 2-polyfluoroalkyl-4H-pyrido[1,2-a]pyrimidin-4-one. After that, elution with light petroleum ether–ethyl acetate (2 : 1, v/v) gave first the excess of 2-aminopyridine derivatives **2**, followed by light petroleum–ethyl acetate (1 : 1) as eluent to give 4-polyfluoroalkyl-2H-pyrido[1,2-a]pyrimidin-2-one as a solid.

**Compound 3ac.** Mp 134–136 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1710 (C=O) and 1100–1200 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.81 (s, 1 H), 7.30 (m, 1 H), 7.87 (m, 2 H) and 9.12 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.2, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  66.2 (s, 2 F), 113.9 (s, 2 F) and 118.9 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  330 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 43.5%), 302 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO}$ , 20.2) and 167 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 40.2; H, 1.3; N, 8.6; F, 34.1.  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_5\text{ClF}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires C, 40.0; H, 1.5; N, 8.5; F, 34.5%).

**Compound 4ae.** Mp 115–117 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1640 (C=O) and 1110–1210 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  7.05 (s, 1 H) and 6.92–8.06 (m, 4 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  66.8 (s, 2 F), 106.2 (s, 2 F) and 116.9 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  330 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 28.3%), 302 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO}$ , 13.1) and 167 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 40.2; H, 1.5; N, 8.55; F, 34.8.  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_5\text{ClF}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires C, 40.0; H, 1.5; N, 8.5; F, 34.5%).

**Compound 3be.** Mp 117–119 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1720 (C=O) and 1120–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.81 (s, 1 H), 7.31 (m, 1 H), 7.88 (m, 2 H) and 9.12 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.2, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  79.6 (s, 3 F), 116.4 (s, 2 F) and 125.4 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  314 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 74.0%), 286 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO}$ , 32.4) and 167 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_5$ , 100) (Found: C, 41.95; H, 1.5; N, 8.8; F, 42.5.  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_5\text{F}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires C, 42.1; H, 1.6; N, 8.9; F, 42.3%).

**Compound 4be.** Mp 104–106 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1640 (C=O) and 1120–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.82–7.97 (m, 4 H) and 7.02 (s, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  79.2 (s, 3 F), 107.7 (s, 2 F) and 122.8 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  314 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 63.0%), 286 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO}$ , 28.0) and 167 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_5$ , 100) (Found: C, 42.25; H, 1.5; N, 8.8; F, 42.0.  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_5\text{F}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires C, 42.1; H, 1.6; N, 8.9; F, 42.3%).

**Compound 3ce.** Mp 118–120 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1710 (C=O) and 1110–1220 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.82 (s, 1 H), 7.31 (m, 1 H), 7.87 (m, 2 H) and 9.12 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.1, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$ : 67.1 (s, 2 F), 115.0 (s, 2 F) and 119.9 (m, 6 F);  $m/z$  430 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 28.3%), 402 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO}$ , 11.5) and 167 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_4\text{F}_8\text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 36.25; H, 1.2; N, 6.55; F, 43.8.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_5\text{ClF}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires C, 36.3; H, 1.2; N, 6.5; F, 44.1%).

**Compound 4ce.** 107–109 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1640 (C=O) and 1140–1230 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.92 (td,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  1.1,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.4, 1 H), 7.02 (s, 1 H), 7.43 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  9.1, 1 H), 7.63 (dt,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  1.1,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  9.1, 1 H) and 8.02 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.4, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  67.4 (s, 2 F), 106.8 (s, 2 F) and 118.9 (m, 6 F);  $m/z$  430 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 11.8%), 395 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 10.1) and 167 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_4\text{F}_8\text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 36.15; H, 1.0; N, 6.4; F, 43.7.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_5\text{ClF}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires C, 36.3; H, 1.2; N, 6.5; F, 44.1%).

**Compound 3de.** Mp 97–99 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1720 (C=O) and 1150–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.81 (s, 1 H), 7.30 (m, 1 H), 7.83 (m, 2 H) and 9.12 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.2, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  80.2 (s, 3 F), 115.3 (s, 2 F), 121.2 (m, 4 F) and 125.4 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  414 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 41.5%), 386 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO}$ , 15.5) and 167 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_4\text{F}_9$ , 100) (Found: C, 37.8; H, 1.1; N, 7.05; F, 50.8.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_5\text{F}_{11}\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires C, 37.7; H, 1.2; N, 6.8; F, 50.5%).

**Compound 4de.** Mp 146–148 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1640 (C=O) and 1140–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.82 (m, 1 H), 7.02 (s, 1 H), 7.44 (m, 2 H) and 8.01 (m, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  80.1 (s, 3 F), 106.0 (s, 2 F), 118.0 (s, 2 F), 120.6 (s, 2 F) and 124.3 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  414 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 27.8%), 386 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO}$ , 14.8) and 167 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_4\text{F}_9$ , 100) (Found: C, 37.8; H, 1.2; N, 6.9.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_5\text{F}_{11}\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires C, 37.7; H, 1.2; N, 6.8%).

**Compound 3af.** Mp 87–89 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1710 (C=O) and 1130–1200 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  2.54 (s, 3 H), 6.73 (s, 1 H), 7.13 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.2, 1 H), 7.62 (s, 1 H) and 9.00 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.2, 1 H);

$\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 66.5 (s, 2 F), 114.7 (s, 2 F) and 119.6 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  344 (M<sup>+</sup>, 45.3%), 316 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO, 23.3) and 181 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO - C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>Cl, 100) (Found: C, 42.0; H, 1.9; N, 8.1; F, 32.2. C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>7</sub>ClF<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 41.8; H, 2.05; N, 8.1; F, 33.1%).

**Compound 4af.** Mp 168–170 °C (blackens);  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1640 (C=O) and 1110–1200 (CF);  $\delta_H$ ([<sup>2</sup>H<sub>6</sub>]acetone) 2.44 (s, 3 H), 6.86 (s, 1 H), 6.95 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.2, 1 H), 7.09 (s, 1 H) and 8.09 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.2, 1 H);  $\delta_F$ ([<sup>2</sup>H<sub>6</sub>]acetone) 68.4 (s, 2 F), 107.6 (s, 2 F) and 118.6 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  344 (M<sup>+</sup>, 14.6%), 316 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO, 9.5) and 181 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO - C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>Cl, 100) (Found: C, 41.6; H, 1.9; N, 8.2; F, 33.2. C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>7</sub>ClF<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 41.8; H, 2.05; N, 8.1; F, 33.1%).

**Compound 3cf.** Mp 116–118 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1710 (C=O) and 1150–1210 (CF);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.53 (s, 3 H), 6.72 (s, 1 H), 7.09 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.2, 1 H), 7.59 (s, 1 H) and 8.96 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.2, 1 H);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 67.4 (s, 2 F), 115.4 (s, 2 F) and 120.5 (m, 6 F);  $m/z$  444 (M<sup>+</sup>, 25.4%), 416 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO, 11.2) and 181 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO - C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>8</sub>Cl, 100) (Found: C, 38.1; H, 1.6; N, 6.3; F, 42.5. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>7</sub>ClF<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 37.8; H, 1.6; N, 6.3; F, 42.7%).

**Compound 4cf.** Mp 149–151 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1650 (C=O) and 1140–1200 (CF);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.41 (s, 3 H), 6.73 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.5, 1 H), 6.97 (s, 1 H), 7.18 (s, 1 H) and 7.90 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.5, 1 H);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 68.4 (s, 2 F), 106.9 (s, 2 F) and 119.1 (m, 6 F);  $m/z$  444 (M<sup>+</sup>, 14.2%), 416 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO, 6.8) and (M<sup>+</sup> - CO - C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>8</sub>Cl, 100) (Found: C, 37.7; H, 1.4; N, 6.2; F, 43.1. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>7</sub>ClF<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 37.8; H, 1.6; N, 6.3; F, 42.7%).

**Compound 3ag.** Mp 66–68 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1710 (C=O) and 1110–1190 (CF);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.06 (s, 3 H), 6.60 (s, 1 H), 6.75 (m, 1 H) and 7.52 (m, 2 H);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 66.7 (s, 2 F), 115.2 (s, 2 F) and 119.6 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  344 (M<sup>+</sup>, 32.0%), 316 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO, 30.4) and 181 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO - C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>Cl, 100) (Found: C, 41.9; H, 1.9; N, 8.1; F, 33.0. C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>7</sub>ClF<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 41.8; H, 2.05; N, 8.1; F, 33.1%).

**Compound 3cg.** Mp 51–53 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1720 (C=O) and 1110–1220 (CF);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.06 (s, 3 H), 6.62 (s, 1 H), 6.79 (m, 1 H) and 7.56 (m, 2 H);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 67.3 (s, 2 F), 115.8 (s, 2 F) and 120.4 (m, 6 F);  $m/z$  444 (M<sup>+</sup>, 27.5%), 416 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO, 28.8) and 181 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO - C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>8</sub>Cl, 100) (Found: C, 38.3; H, 1.6; N, 6.4; F, 42.0. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>7</sub>ClF<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 37.8; H, 1.6; N, 6.3; F, 42.7%).

#### Reaction of 2-amino-5-bromopyridine with ethyl 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoates

A mixture of ethyl 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoate (1 mmol), 2-amino-5-bromopyridine (3 mmol), triethylamine (5 mmol) and *N,N*-dimethylformamide (5 ml) was stirred at 100 °C for 50 h after which the mixture was cooled and extracted with ethyl acetate. The extract was washed with water and saturated brine, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporated. The residue was purified by column chromatography using light petroleum-ethyl acetate (10:1) as eluent to give 7-bromo-2-fluoroalkyl-4*H*-pyrido[1,2-*a*]pyrimidin-4-one and 6-bromo-2-fluoroalkenyl-3-(ethoxycarbonyl)imidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine, respectively.

**Compound 3ah.** Mp 145–147 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1710 (C=O) and 1100–1180 (CF);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.84 (s, 1 H), 7.70 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 9.4, 1 H), 7.92 (dt, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 9.4, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 1.8, 1 H) and 9.22 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 1.8, 1 H);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 66.5 (s, 2 F), 114.6 (s, 2 F) and 119.3 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  410 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2, 57.0%), 408 (M<sup>+</sup>, 40.8), 380 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO, 25.6), 247 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2 - CO - C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>Cl, 100) and 245 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO - C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>Cl, 95.4) (Found: C, 32.3; H, 0.8; N, 6.9; F, 27.8. C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>4</sub>BrClF<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 32.3; H, 1.0; N, 6.8; F, 27.8%).

**Compound 5a'h.** Mp 123–125 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1730 (C=O) and 1160–1240 (CF);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.36 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 3 H), 4.42 (q, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 2 H), 7.55 (AB, *J*<sub>AB</sub> 8.6, 2 H) and 8.13 (s, 1 H);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 55.5 (m, 2 F), 135.6 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, 1 F) and 148.9 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 1, 41, 1 F);  $m/z$  416 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2, 40.0%), 414 (M<sup>+</sup>, 30.6), 387 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2 - OEt, 48.5), 385 (M<sup>+</sup> - OEt, 36.0), 353 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2 - CO - C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>Cl, 35.7), 351 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO - Cl, 35.1), 303 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2 - CO - CF<sub>2</sub>Cl, 100) and 301 (M<sup>+</sup> - CO - Cl, 93.7)

(Found: C, 37.5; H, 1.8; N, 6.8; F, 18.4. C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>8</sub>BrClF<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> requires C, 37.6; H, 1.9; N, 6.7; F, 18.3%).

#### Preparation of polyfluoroalkenylimidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine derivatives 5

**Typical procedure.** A mixture of ethyl 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoate **1** (1 mmol), a 2-aminopyridine derivative (3 mmol) and acetonitrile (5 ml) was heated at 90 °C for 60 h. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The extract was washed with saturated brine, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporated. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography using light petroleum-ethyl acetate (10:1) as eluent to give the products.

**Compound 5a'e.** Mp 123–125 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1730 (C=O), 1640 (C=C) and 1170–1280 (CF);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.45 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 3 H), 4.50 (q, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 2 H), 7.11 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 6.8, 1 H), 7.47 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 8.9, 1 H), 7.83 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 8.9, 1 H) and 8.09 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 6.8, 1 H);  $\delta_C$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 14.07 (s, 1 C), 61.77 (s, 1 C), 113.27 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> 114, 1 C), 115.53 (s, 1 C), 120.09 (m, 1 C), 119.52 (s, 1 C), 125.03 (s, 1 C), 128.16 (s, 1 C), 138.35 (s, 1 C), 139.77 (m, 1 C), 143.29 (m, 1 C), 146.31 (s, 1 C) and 161.54 (s, 1 C);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 55.3 (s, 2 F), 134.5 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 142, 1 F) and 150.5 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 142, 1 F);  $m/z$  336 (M<sup>+</sup>, 37.0%), 307 (M<sup>+</sup> - Et, 48.7), 291 (M<sup>+</sup> - OEt, 15.9) and 223 (M<sup>+</sup> - 113, 100) (Found: C, 46.0; H, 2.5; N, 8.2; F, 21.7. C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClF<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> requires C, 46.4; H, 2.7; N, 8.3; F, 22.6%).

**Compound 5b'e.** Mp 119–121 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1730 (C=O) and 1140–1220 (C-F);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.35 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.2, 3 H), 4.40 (q, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.2, 2 H), 7.01 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 6.7, 1 H), 7.38 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 8.0, 1 H), 7.74 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 8.0, 1 H) and 8.01 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 6.7, 1 H);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 67.5 (s, 3 F), 136.5 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, 1 F) and 156.7 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, 1 F);  $m/z$  320 (M<sup>+</sup>, 31.2%), 291 (M<sup>+</sup> - Et, 65.6), 275 (M<sup>+</sup> - OEt, 18.7) and 78 (M<sup>+</sup> - 242, 100) (Found: C, 49.4; H, 3.0; N, 9.3; F, 29.1. C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>9</sub>F<sub>5</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> requires C, 48.8; H, 2.8; N, 8.75; F, 29.7%).

**Compound 5c'e.** Mp 51–53 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1730 (C=O) and 1120–1240 (CF);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.44 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 3 H), 4.50 (q, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 2 H), 7.11 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 6.7, 1 H), 7.47 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 8.5, 1 H), 7.84 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 8.5, 1 H) and 8.04 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 6.7, 1 H);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 67.4 (s, 2 F), 115.9 (s, 2 F), 121.3 (s, 2 F), 133.4 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, 1 F) and 153.2 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, 1 F);  $m/z$  436 (M<sup>+</sup>, 31.8%), 407 (M<sup>+</sup> - Et, 29.3), 39.1 (M<sup>+</sup> - OEt, 14.8), 251 (M<sup>+</sup> - C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>6</sub>Cl, 15.1) and 223 (M<sup>+</sup> - 213, 100) (Found: C, 41.0; H, 1.9; N, 6.4; F, 34.6. C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClF<sub>8</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> requires C, 41.3; H, 2.1; N, 6.4; F, 34.8%).

**Compound 5a'f.** 94–96 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1730 (C=O) and 1170–1240 (CF);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.43 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.2, 3 H), 2.47 (s, 3 H), 4.47 (q, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 2 H), 6.91 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.0, 1 H), 7.54 (s, 1 H) and 7.96 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.0, 1 H);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 56.1 (dd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 28, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 15, 2 F), 134.8 (dt, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 28, 1 F) and 160.7 (dt, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 15, 1 F);  $m/z$  350 (M<sup>+</sup>, 58.1%), 321 (M<sup>+</sup> - Et, 100) and 305 (M<sup>+</sup> - OEt, 19.1) (Found: C, 47.8; H, 3.0; N, 7.9; F, 21.6%. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>11</sub>ClF<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> requires C, 47.95; H, 3.2; N, 8.0; F, 21.7%).

**Compound 5b'f.** Mp 122–124 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1730 (C=O) and 1140–1220 (CF);  $\delta_H$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.42 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 3 H), 2.47 (s, 3 H), 4.47 (q, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 2 H), 6.91 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.0, 1 H), 7.55 (s, 1 H) and 7.96 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.0, 1 H);  $\delta_F$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 67.0 (s, 3 F), 135.7 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, 1 F) and 156.5 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, 1 F);  $m/z$  334 (M<sup>+</sup>, 38.0%), 305 (M<sup>+</sup> - Et, 100) and 289 (M<sup>+</sup> - OEt, 17.4) (Found: C, 49.6; H, 3.3; N, 7.9; F, 27.9. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>11</sub>F<sub>5</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> requires C, 50.3; H, 3.3; N, 8.4; F, 28.4%).

**Compound 5c'f.** Mp 85–87 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1740 (C=O) and 1140–1240 (CF);  $\delta_H$ ([<sup>2</sup>H<sub>6</sub>]acetone) 1.40 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 3 H), 2.49 (s, 3 H), 4.40 (q, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 7.1, 2 H), 7.11 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 6.5, 1 H), 7.54 (s, 1 H) and 8.29 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> 6.5, 1 H);  $\delta_F$ ([<sup>2</sup>H<sub>6</sub>]acetone) 68.9 (s, 2 F), 116.8 (s, 2 F), 122.5 (s, 2 F), 133.3 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, 1 F) and 156.8 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>FF</sub> 141, 1 F);  $m/z$  450 (M<sup>+</sup>, 36.0%), 421 (M<sup>+</sup> - Et, 38.7), 405 (M<sup>+</sup> - OEt, 15.6) and 92 (100) (Found: C, 42.2; H, 2.3; N, 5.8; F, 33.3. C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>ClF<sub>8</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> requires C, 42.6; H, 2.5; N, 6.2; F, 33.7%).

**Compound 5a'g.** Mp 70–72 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 1730 (C=O)

and 1170–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  1.43 (t,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.0, 3 H), 2.76 (s, 3 H), 4.47 (q,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.0, 2 H), 6.78 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.2, 1 H), 7.37 (m, 1 H) and 7.68 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  8.9, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  155.9 (m, 2 F), 111.6 (d,  $^3J_{\text{FF}}$  141, 1 F) and 148.3 (d,  $^3J_{\text{FF}}$  141, 1 F);  $m/z$  350 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 63.4%), 321 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Et}$ , 100) and 305 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{OEt}$ , 14.5) (Found: C, 47.7; H, 3.1; N, 7.9; F, 20.9.  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClF}_4\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$  requires C, 47.95; H, 3.2; N, 8.0; F, 21.7%).

**Compound 5c'h.** Mp 115–116 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1730 (C=O) and 1130–1220 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  1.43 (t,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.0, 3 H), 4.48 (q,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  7.0, 2 H), 7.59 (AB,  $J_{\text{AB}}$  8.8, 2 H) and 8.13 (s, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  67.3 (s, 2 F), 115.5 (s, 2 F), 121.0 (s, 2 F), 134.1 (d,  $^3J_{\text{FF}}$  141, 1 F) and 151.8 (d,  $^3J_{\text{FF}}$  141, 1 F);  $m/z$  516 ( $\text{M}^+ + 2$ , 26.7%), 514 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 21.3), 487 ( $\text{M}^+ + 2 - \text{Et}$ , 26.6), 485 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Et}$ , 19.9), 459 ( $\text{M}^+ + 2 - \text{OEt}$ , 15.5) and 303 ( $\text{M}^+ - 156$ , 100) (Found: C, 34.9; H, 1.3; N, 5.6; F, 29.7.  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_8\text{ClBrF}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$  requires C, 34.9; H, 1.6; N, 5.4; F, 29.5%).

#### Synthesis of 2-polyfluoroalkyl-4H-pyrimido[2,1-b]benzothiazol-4-ones

**Typical procedure.** A mixture of 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoate **1** (1 mmol), 2-aminobenzothiazole derivative **7i,j** (1.5 mmol), triethylamine (5 mmol) and acetonitrile (5 ml) was stirred at 90 °C for 12 h to give a black reaction product, which was then adsorbed onto silica (particle size 100–200 mesh; 5 g) and air dried at 50 °C. The whole mass was then purified by column chromatography using light petroleum–ethyl acetate (10:1, v/v) as eluent to give 2-polyfluoroalkyl-4H-pyrimido[2,1-b]benzothiazol-4-one.

**Compound 8ai.** Mp 156–158 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1690 (C=O) and 1100–1200 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.77 (s, 1 H), 7.61 (m, 3 H) and 9.06 (m, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  66.6 (s, 2 F), 114.5 (s, 2 F) and 119.4 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  386 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 85.3%), 351 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 16.1) and 223 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 40.3; H, 1.3; N, 7.1; F, 29.7.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_5\text{ClF}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires C, 40.4; H, 1.3; N, 7.2; F, 29.5%).

**Compound 8bi.** Mp 147–149 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1680 (C=O) and 1130–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.79 (s, 1 H), 7.62 (m, 3 H) and 9.07 (m, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  79.6 (s, 3 F), 116.3 (s, 2 F) and 125.4 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  370 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 100%), 351 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{F}$ , 16.1) and 223 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_5$ , 88.7) (Found: C, 41.9; H, 1.3; N, 7.5; F, 36.1.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_5\text{F}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires C, 42.2; H, 1.4; N, 7.8; F, 35.9%).

**Compound 8di.** Mp 134–136 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1700 (C=O) and 1140–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.74 (s, 1 H), 7.53 (m, 2 H), 7.69 (m, 1 H) and 9.03 (m, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  80.4 (s, 3 F), 115.4 (s, 2 F), 121.3 (s, 4 F) and 125.6 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  470 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 77.5%), 451 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 10.3) and 223 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_4\text{F}_9$ , 100) (Found: C, 38.0; H, 0.9; N, 6.0; F, 44.3.  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_5\text{F}_{11}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires C, 38.3; H, 1.1; N, 6.0; F, 44.4%).

**Compound 8mi.** Mp 176–177 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1690 (C=O) and 1100–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.63 (s, 1 H), 7.49 (m, 2 H), 7.66 (m, 1 H) and 8.97 (m, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  58.1 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  286 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 100%), 351 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 26.5) and 223 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{Cl}$ , 98.9) (Found: C, 46.0; H, 1.5; N, 9.9; F, 13.3.  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_5\text{ClF}_2\text{N}_2\text{SO}$  requires C, 46.1; H, 1.8; N, 9.8; F, 13.25%).

**Compound 8aj.** Mp 199–201 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1680 (C=O) and 1120–1200 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  2.44 (s, 3 H), 6.70 (s, 1 H), 7.30 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  8.6, 1 H), 7.47 (s, 1 H) and 8.87 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  8.6, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  66.5 (s, 2 F), 114.5 (s, 2 F) and 119.4 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  400 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 68.9%), 365 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 12.0) and 237 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 41.9; H, 1.55; N, 7.0; F, 28.8.  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_7\text{ClF}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires C, 42.0; H, 1.8; N, 7.0; F, 28.45%).

**Compound 8cj.** Mp 166–168 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1680 (C=O) and 1100–1200 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  2.41 (s, 3 H), 6.68 (s, 1 H), 7.27 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  8.7, 1 H), 7.44 (s, 1 H) and 8.82 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  8.6, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  67.3 (s, 2 F), 115.1 (s, 2 F) and 120.0 (m, 6 F);  $m/z$  500 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 59.3%), 465 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 11.6) and 237 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_4\text{F}_8\text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 38.4; H, 1.2; N, 5.55; F, 38.5.  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_7\text{ClF}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires C, 38.4; H, 1.4; N, 5.6; F, 37.9%).

**Compound 8mj.** Mp 188–190 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1680 (C=O) and 1140–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  2.49 (s, 3 H), 6.67 (s, 1 H), 7.31 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  9.0, 1 H), 7.49 (s, 1 H) and 8.87 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  8.6, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  58.2 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  300 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 81.1%), 265 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 22.2) and 237 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 47.95; H, 2.0; N, 9.5; F, 12.8.  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{ClF}_2\text{N}_2\text{OS}$  requires C, 47.9; H, 2.35; N, 9.3; F, 12.6%).

#### Preparation of compounds 8ak, 8dk

A mixture of 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoate **1** (1 mmol), 2-amino-6-nitrobenzothiazole **7k** (1.5 mmol), triethylamine (5 mmol) and DMF (3 ml) was stirred at 90 °C for 12 h to give a black reaction mixture from which DMF was distilled under reduced pressure. The residue, dissolved in ethyl acetate, was adsorbed on silica (particle size 100–200 mesh; 5 g) and air dried at 50 °C. The whole mass was then purified by column chromatography using light petroleum–ethyl acetate (20:1, v/v) as eluent to give the products.

**Compound 8ak.** Mp 132–134 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1710 (C=O) and 1130–1180 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.74 (s, 1 H), 8.28 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  8.7, 1 H), 8.53 (s, 1 H) and 9.14 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  8.7, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  66.6 (s, 2 F), 115.7 (s, 2 F) and 120.4 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  431 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 84.1%), 385 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{NO}_2$ , 17.9) and 268 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{Cl} - \text{CO}$ , 100) (Found: C, 36.2; H, 0.7; N, 9.9; F, 26.6.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_4\text{ClF}_6\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}$  requires C, 36.2; H, 0.9; N, 9.7; F, 26.4%).

**Compound 8dk.** Mp 150–152 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1690 (C=O) and 1140–1220 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.90 (s, 1 H), 8.46 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  9.08, 1 H), 8.68 (s, 1 H) and 9.29 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  9.0, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  80.2 (s, 3 F), 115.2 (s, 2 F), 121.3 (m, 4 F) and 125.3 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  515 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 84.5%), 496 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{F}$ , 13.0), 469 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{NO}_2$ , 18.4) and 268 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_4\text{F}_9$ , 100) (Found: C, 34.9; H, 0.6; N, 8.3; F, 40.8.  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_4\text{F}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}$  requires C, 34.9; H, 0.8; N, 8.2; F, 40.6%).

#### Synthesis of 7-polyfluoroalkyl-5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-5-ones and 7-polyfluoroalkyl-7H-thiazolo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-7-ones

**Typical procedure.** A mixture of 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoate **1** (1 mmol), 2-amino-1,3-thiazole **9** (1.5 mmol), triethylamine (5 mmol) and acetonitrile (5 ml) was stirred at 90 °C for 50 h to give a black reaction product, which was then adsorbed onto silica (particle size 100–200 mesh; 5 g) and air dried at 50 °C. The whole mass was then purified by column chromatography using light petroleum–ethyl acetate (8:1, v/v) as eluent to give 7-polyfluoroalkyl-5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-5-ones. After that, elution first with light petroleum–ethyl acetate (2:1, v/v) gave the excess of 2-amino-1,3,4-thiadiazole **9**, and then with light petroleum–ethyl acetate (1:1) gave 5-polyfluoroalkyl-7H-thiazolo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-7-ones.

**Compound 10a.** Mp 63–65 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1710 (C=O) and 1100–1200 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.62 (s, 1 H), 7.16 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H) and 8.01 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  66.5 (s, 2 F), 114.0 (s, 2 F) and 119.3 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  336 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 75.1%), 301 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 20.0) and 173 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 32.4; H, 0.9; N, 8.3; F, 34.0.  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_3\text{ClF}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires C, 32.1; H, 0.9; N, 8.3; F, 33.9%).

**Compound 11a.** Mp 138–140 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1650 (C=O) and 1130–1190 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.63 (s, 1 H), 7.09 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H) and 7.37 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  66.7 (s, 2 F), 110.9 (s, 2 F) and 118.3 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  336 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 45.7%), 301 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 14.4) and 173 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 32.0; H, 0.85; N, 8.4; F, 33.75.  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_3\text{ClF}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires C, 32.1; H, 0.9; N, 8.3; F, 33.9%).

**Compound 10b.** Mp 54–56 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$  1700 (C=O) and 1130–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.63 (s, 1 H), 7.15 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H) and 8.02 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  80.1 (s, 3 F), 116.1 (s, 2 F) and 125.6 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  320 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 100%), 301 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{F}$ , 12.8) and 173 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_5$ , 82.5) (Found: C, 33.7; H, 0.95; N, 9.05; F, 42.4.  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_3\text{F}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires C, 33.8; H, 0.9; N, 8.75; F, 41.5%).

**Compound 11b.** Mp 181–183 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/ $\text{cm}^{-1}$  1650 (C=O) and 1130–1240 (CF);  $\delta_{\text{H}}$ ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 6.71 (s, 1 H), 6.96 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H) and 7.38 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}$ ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 79.4 (s, 3 F), 112.3 (s, 2 F) and 124.1 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  320 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 78.0%), 301 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{F}$ , 8.8) and 173 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_2\text{F}_5$ , 100) (Found: C, 33.8; H, 0.8; N, 8.9; F, 40.9.  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_3\text{F}_7\text{N}_2\text{OS}$  requires C, 33.8; H, 0.9; N, 8.75; F, 41.5%).

**Compound 10m.** Mp 47–49 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/ $\text{cm}^{-1}$  1700 (C=O) and 1130–1230 (C–F);  $\delta_{\text{H}}$ ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 6.60 (s, 1 H), 7.20 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H) and 8.03 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}$ ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 58.0 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  236 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 82.4%), 201 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 36.5) and 173 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 35.2; H, 6.9; N, 12.2; F, 16.6.  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_3\text{ClF}_2\text{N}_2\text{OS}$  requires C, 35.5; H, 1.3; N, 11.8; F, 16.1%).

**Compound 11m.** Mp 159–161 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/ $\text{cm}^{-1}$  1640 (C=O) and 1100–1200 (C–F);  $\delta_{\text{H}}$ ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 6.65 (s, 1 H), 7.23 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H) and 7.54 (d,  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  4.9, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}$ ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 56.3 (s, 2 F);  $m/z$  236 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 64.7%) and 173 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{Cl}$ , 100) (Found: C, 35.9; H, 1.3; N, 11.8; F, 16.5.  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_3\text{ClF}_2\text{N}_2\text{OS}$  requires C, 35.5; H, 1.3; N, 11.8; F, 16.1%).

#### Synthesis of 2-polyfluoroalkyl[1,3]thiazino[3,2-*a*]benzimidazol-4-ones

A mixture of 2-hydropolyfluoroalk-2-enoate **1** (1 mmol), 2-mercaptobenzimidazole **12** (1.5 mmol),  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  (5 mmol) and acetonitrile (5 ml) was stirred at 50 °C for 6 h, and then at 90 °C for 10 h with continued stirring to give a brown reaction product. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The extract was washed with saturated brine, dried ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ) and evaporated. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography using light petroleum–ethyl acetate (10:1) as eluent to give 2-polyfluoroalkyl[1,3]thiazino[3,2-*a*]benzimidazol-4-one **14** (78%).

**Compound 14c.** Mp 148–150 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$ (KBr)/ $\text{cm}^{-1}$  1690 (C=O) and 1120–1240 (C–F);  $\delta_{\text{H}}$ ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 7.06 (s, 1 H), 7.48 (m, 2 H), 7.81 (m, 1 H) and 8.52 (m, 1 H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}$ ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 67.6 (s, 2 F), 109.2 (s, 2 F) and 119.4 (m, 6 F);  $m/z$  486 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 100%), 451 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl}$ , 14.5), 251 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{C}_4\text{F}_8\text{Cl}$ , 6.6) and 223 ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{CO} - \text{C}_4\text{F}_8\text{Cl}$ , 55.6) (Found: C, 36.9; H, 0.9; N, 5.5; F, 38.2.  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_3\text{ClF}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{OS}$  requires C, 37.0; H, 1.0; N, 5.8; F, 39.0%).

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