## Supporting Information

# $N$-Arylations of Sulfoximines with 2-Arylpyridines by Copper-Mediated Dual N-H/C-H Activation 

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## General information

All reagents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich, Acros or Alfa Aesar and were used without further purification. The substituted 2-phenylpyridines were prepared by following the literature procedure for the Suzuki coupling of the corresponding aryl boronic acid with 2-bromopyridine. ${ }^{[\mathrm{S} 1]}$ Sulfoximines were prepared according to literature procedures by treating sulfoxides with sodium azide and concentrated sulfuric acid. ${ }^{[52]}$

All product mixtures were analyzed by thin layer chromatography using aluminum foil backed silica TLC plates with a fluorescent indicator from Merck. UV-active compounds were detected with a UV lamp $(\lambda=254 \mathrm{~nm})$. For flash column chromatography, silica gel was used as the stationary phase. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra were recorded either on a Varian V-NMRS 600, Varian V-NMRS 400 in deuterated chloroform at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Chemical shifts (d) are reported in ppm, and spin-spin coupling constants $(J)$ are given in Hz , while multiplicities are abbreviated by br s (broad singlet), s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet) and m (multiplet). High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Thermo Scientific LTQ Orbitrap XL spectrometer [electrospray ionisation (ESI) in positive ion mode]. Analytical high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) measurements for the determination of enantiomers were performed with an Agilent 1100 -series system and a chiral stationary phase (Chiralcel AD-H: $250 \mathrm{~mm} \times 4.6 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) from Chiral Technologies Inc. Melting points (M.P.) were determined in open-end capillary tubes on a Büchi B-540 melting point apparatus.

## Specific Experimental:

Table S1. Reaction condition screening for oxidative coupling between 2-phenylpyridine and sulfoximine

|  |  |  <br> 5a |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Entry ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Metal (Equiv) | Oxidant | Solvent | Temp. $\left({ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | Additive (Equiv) | Yield (\%) |
| 1 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | air | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 130 | - | 26 |
| 2 | $\mathrm{CuBr}_{2}(1.0)$ | air | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 130 | - | - |
| 3 | $\mathrm{CuCl}_{2}(1.0)$ | air | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 130 | - | trace |
| 4 | $\mathrm{Pd}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2}(0.10)$ | air | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 130 | - | - |
| 5 | $\mathrm{Pd}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2}(0.10)$ | $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{8}$ | DCE | 130 | - | - |
| 6 | CuBr (0.10) | $t$-BuO-Ot-Bu | PhMe | 120 | - | - |
| 7 | CuBr (0.10) | $t$-BuO-Ot-Bu | neat | 130 | - | - |
| 8 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | air | DMF | 130 | - | trace |
| 9 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | air | DMSO | 130 | - | trace |
| 10 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | air | 1,4-dioxane | 130 |  | trace |
| 11 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | air | PhMe | 130 | - | trace |
| 12 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | air | xylene | 145 | - | trace |
| 13 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | air | anisole | 160 | - | trace |
| 14 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 130 | - | 38 |
| 15 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CN}$ | 150 | - | 55 |
| 16 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CN}$ | 150 | pyridine (1.0) | - |
| 17 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.0)$ | $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathbf{C N}$ | 150 | $\mathrm{AcOH}(0.5)$ | 80 |
| 18 | $\mathbf{C u}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(\mathbf{1 . 0})$ | $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathbf{C N}$ | 150 | 2-nitrobenzoic acid (0.5) | 74 |
| 19 | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(0.20)$ | $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CN}$ | 150 | $\mathrm{AcOH}(0.5)$ | 22 |

$a$ Reactions were performed on a 0.5 mmol scale.

MS analysis of the reaction mixture prior to work-up:


General Procedure A: To a 20 mL sealable reaction tube with a magnetic stirring bar was added $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(100 \mathrm{mg}, 0.50 \mathrm{mmol})$ and the reaction tube was back filled with molecular oxygen. To this reaction vessel was then added a solution containing the substituted 2 -aryl pyridine ( 0.50 mmol ), the sulfoximine ( 1.0 mmol ), glacial acetic acid ( $15 \mathrm{mg}, 0.25 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and propanenitrile $(1 \mathrm{~mL})$. The tube was sealed and heated to $150{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 24 h . After this time, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and diluted with $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(15 \mathrm{~mL})$ The organic phase was washed with $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{~S}(10 \mathrm{~mL}$, saturated aqueous solution) and separated. The aqueous phase was then extracted with additional $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(2 \times 15 \mathrm{~mL})$. The combined organic phases were filtered over a short pad of celite, and the solvent then concentrated under vacuum. Purification by silica gel column chromatography afforded the arylated sulfoximine 6 .

General Procedure B: As General Procedure A, but with the use of 2-nitrobenzoic acid ( $42 \mathrm{mg}, 0.25$ $\mathrm{mmol})$ instead of glacial acetic acid.

## $N$-(2-Pyridinylphenyl)-S-methyl- $S$-phenylsulfoximine (6a)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $123 \mathrm{mg}(80 \%)$, colorless viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(600 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=8.72$ $(\mathrm{s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.78-7.70(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.61(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.53(\mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.43(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.25-7.11(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.03(\mathrm{t}, J=$ $7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.07$ (s, 3H) ppm; ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $150 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta=158.6,149.1$, $142.3,139.4,135.1,133.1,130.7,129.3,129.1,128.4,125.5,123.3,122.4,121.3$, 45.0 ppm ; ESI-HRMS $(\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z})\left[\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 309.1056, Found 309.1064.

Following General Procedure A with enantiopure (S)-5a afforded optically active 6a, $\left\{[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{20}=-149.4\right.$ (sample of 10.0 mg in $2 \mathrm{mLCHCl}_{3}$ )\} in a comparable yield to that reported for the reaction of racemic 5a. HPLC: $t_{\mathrm{r}}=12.6 \mathrm{~min}$ (minor), $t_{\mathrm{r}}=14.9 \mathrm{~min}$ (major); Chiralcel AD-H, $0.8 \mathrm{~mL} / \mathrm{min}$, $n$-heptane/isopropanol $=85 / 15, \lambda=254 \mathrm{~nm}, 20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; e.r. $=>99.5: 0.5$

## $N$-(2-Pyridinylphenyl)-S-ethyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (6b)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $116 \mathrm{mg}(72 \%)$, colorless viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=8.73$ (d, $J=4.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.05(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.76-7.70(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.60(\mathrm{dd}, J=$ $7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.53(\mathrm{tt}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.43(\mathrm{t}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}$, 2H), $7.25-7.20$ (m, 1H), 7.15 (dd, $J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 7.08 (td, $J=7.8$ $\mathrm{Hz}, J=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.99(\mathrm{td}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.20(\mathrm{q}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $2 \mathrm{H}), 1.12(\mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{ppm} ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=158.6,149.1,142.5,137.1,134.9$, 134.7, 133.1, 130.6, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 125.7, 122.8, 122.0, 121.2, 51.8, 7.8 ppm ; ESI-HRMS ( $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z}$ ) $\left[\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 323.1213, Found 323.1223.

## $N$-(2-Pyridinylphenyl)-S,S-diphenylsulfoximine (6c)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $127 \mathrm{mg}(69 \%)$, white solid, m.p. $120-121{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} .{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta=8.82-8.78(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.05(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.87-7.82(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.78(\mathrm{td}, J$ $=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.58(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.43(\mathrm{tt}, J=7.6$ $\mathrm{Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.38-7.32(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.31-7.27(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.23(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.6$ $\mathrm{Hz}, J=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.08(\mathrm{td}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.99(\mathrm{td}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J$ $=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{ppm} ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=158.9,149.2,142.1,140.8,135.2,135.1,132.5$, $130.5,129.1,128.5,125.9,123.2,122.2,121.4 \mathrm{ppm}$; ESI-HRMS $(m / z)\left[\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 371.1213, Found 371.1222.

## $N$-(2-Pyridinylphenyl)-S-methyl- $S$-(4-methylphenyl)sulfoximine (6d)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $124 \mathrm{mg}(77 \%)$, colorless viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=$ $8.73-8.70(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.01(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.72(\mathrm{td}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 7.65-7.58(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.25-7.15(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.13(\mathrm{td}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 7.02(\mathrm{td}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.05(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.37(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{ppm} ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta=158.6,149.1,144.0,142.5,136.3,135.0,134.9$, $130.6,129.9,129.1,128.4,125.6,123.3,122.3,121.3,45.2,21.5 \mathrm{ppm} ;$ ESI-HRMS $(m / z)\left[\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 323.1213, Found 323.1222.

## $N$-(2-Pyridinylphenyl)-S-methyl- $S$-(4-chlorophenyl)sulfoximine (6e)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $140 \mathrm{mg}(82 \%)$, pale yellow viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(600 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=$ $8.73-8.70(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.94(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.73(\mathrm{td}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 7.68$ (d, $J=9.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.58(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.39(\mathrm{~d}, J=$ $9.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.26-7.22(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.20-7.13(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.05(\mathrm{td}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=$ $1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.08(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{ppm} ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $150 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta=158.6,149.1$, $141.9,139.9,137.9,135.2,135.1,130.7,129.9,129.6,129.2,125.4,123.3$, 122.7, 121.4, 45.1 ppm ; ESI-HRMS $(\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z})\left[\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{ClOS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 343.0666, Found 343.0678.

## $N$-(2-Pyridinylphenyl)-S-methyl-S-(4-methoxyphenyl)sulfoximine (6f)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $103 \mathrm{mg}(61 \%)$, pale yellow viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=8.73(\mathrm{~d}, J=4.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.01(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.73(\mathrm{td}, J=$ $7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.68(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.61(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=$ $1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.25-7.11(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.03(\mathrm{td}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.68(\mathrm{~d}$, $J=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.82(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.06(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{ppm} ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=163.3,158.6,149.1,142.6,135.1,134.9,130.6,130.5,129.1$, $125.5,123.3,122.3,121.3,114.5,55.6,45.4 \mathrm{ppm}$; ESI-HRMS $(m / z)\left[\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~S}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 339.1162 , Found 339.1169 .

## $N$-(2-Pyridinylphenyl)-S,S-dimethylsulfoximine (6g)



General procedure B was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $68 \mathrm{mg}(55 \%)$, colorless viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=8.64$ (d, $J=4.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.82(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.70-7.60(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.32-7.25(\mathrm{~m}$, 2H), $7.21-7.10(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.96(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{ppm}$; ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta=$ $158.4,149.0,142.2,135.4,135.2,130.8,129.3,125.1,124.3,123.1,121.3,41.8$ ppm; ESI-HRMS $(m / z)\left[\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 247.0900, Found 247.0905.

## $N$-(2-Pyridinyl-5-methylphenyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (6h)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $119 \mathrm{mg}(74 \%)$, colorless viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=8.71(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.99(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.79-7.68(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.56$ $-7.49(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.43(\mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.25-7.19(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.04(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $6.86(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.07(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.24(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=158.6,149.0,142.0,139.5,139.2,135.1,133.1,132.2,130.5,129.2,128.3,125.5,124.1$, 123.5, 121.1, 44.8, 21.2 ppm ; ESI-HRMS $(\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z})\left[\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 323.1213, Found 323.1226.

## $N$-(2-Pyridinyl-5-methoxyphenyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (6i)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $108 \mathrm{mg}(64 \%)$, pale yellow viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=8.69(\mathrm{~d}, J=4.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.02(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.79-7.75$ (m, 2H), 7.70 (td, $J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.59(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.57-7.50(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.44(\mathrm{t}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.21-7.16(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.77(\mathrm{~d}$, $J=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.61(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.72(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.09(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{ppm} ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $(100$ $\left.\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=160.1,158.2,149.0,143.4,139.3,135.0,133.1,131.6,129.3,128.3,127.9,125.3$, 120.8, 108.6, 108.5, 55.2, 45.0 ppm ; ESI-HRMS $(\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z})\left[\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~S}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 339.1162, Found 339.1169 .

## $N$-(2-Pyridinyl-5-chlorophenyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (6j)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: 139 mg ( $81 \%$ ), pale yellow viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 600 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=8.72(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.99(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.78-7.71(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.59$ - 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.46 (t, $J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.26-7.13$ (m, 1H), 7.20 (d, $J=$ $1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.00(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.11(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{ppm} ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $150 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta=157.5,149.2,143.6,138.9,135.3,134.4,133.4,133.3,131.6,129.5$, 128.3, 125.4, 122.8, 122.4, 121.6, 45.3 ppm ; ESI-HRMS $(m / z)\left[\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{ClN}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 343.0666, Found 343.0677.

## $N$-(2-Pyridinyl-5-fluorophenyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (6k)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $138 \mathrm{mg}(85 \%)$, pale yellow viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H} \mathrm{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ) $\delta=8.71(\mathrm{~d}, J=4.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.99(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.79-7.70(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, $7.62-7.53$ (m, 2H), 7.45 (t, $J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.26-7.20(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.91$ (dd, $J$ $=10.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.71(\mathrm{td}, J=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.11(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$ ppm; ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=164.1,161.6,157.7,149.1,144.0$,
143.9, 138.9, 135.2, 133.4, 131.9, 131.8, 131.1, 131.0, 129.4, 128.3, 125.4, 121.3, 109.8, 109.6, 109.3, 109.0, 45.4 ppm ; ESI-HRMS $(\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z})\left[\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{FN}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 327.0962, Found 327.0972.

## $N$-(2-Pyridinyl-3-methylphenyl)-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (61)



General procedure B was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $92 \mathrm{mg}(57 \%)$, colorless viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(600 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=8.79$ (d, $J=4.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.87(\mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.67(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.54(\mathrm{t}, J=$ $7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.48(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.43(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.36(\mathrm{t}, J=5.4 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 7.12-7.06(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.90(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.01(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.09(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{ppm} ;$ ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $150 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta=159.0,148.1,143.0,139.6,137.1,133.0,129.2$, 128.9, 128.4, 126.3, 124.1, 121.6, 120.4, 44.1, 20.2 ppm ; ESI-HRMS $(m / z)\left[\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 323.1213, Found 323.1226.

## $N$-[2-(4-Methylpyridinyl)phenyl]-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (6m)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $116 \mathrm{mg}(72 \%)$, colorless viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(600 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=$ $8.59(\mathrm{~d}, J=4.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.83-7.79(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.60-7.53(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.45(\mathrm{t}, J=$ $7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.22(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.16(\mathrm{td}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.09(\mathrm{~d}, J=4.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.04(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.07(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.43(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$ $\mathrm{ppm} ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C} \operatorname{NMR}\left(150 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=158.3,148.7,146.2,142.2,139.5$, 135.1, 133.1, 130.7, 129.3, 129.1, 128.4, 126.4, 123.4, 122.5, 122.4, 44.6, 21.2;

ESI-HRMS $(m / z)\left[\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 323.1213, Found 323.1225.

## $N$-[2-(5-Methylpyridinyl)phenyl]-S-methyl-S-phenylsulfoximine (6n)



General procedure A was followed using ethyl acetate/pentane (1:1) as eluent; yield: $121 \mathrm{mg}(75 \%)$, colorless viscous oil. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 600 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta=8.56(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.91(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.79(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $7.60-7.52(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.44(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.17(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.2$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.12(\mathrm{td}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.02(\mathrm{td}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J=1.2$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.09(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.41(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{ppm} ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $150 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta=155.6,149.3,142.3,139.4$, $135.9,133.1,130.7,130.6,129.3,129.0,128.4,124.9,123.2,122.4,45.1,18.3 \mathrm{ppm}$; ESI-HRMS $(\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{z})$ $\left[\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$Calcd. 323.1213, Found 323.1222.

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