

## Supporting Information

# Alkyl Levulinates and 2-Methyltetrahydrofuran: Possible Biomass-Based Solvents in Palladium-Catalyzed Aminocarbonylation

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**Table S1:** Optimization study of the aminocarbonylation of iodobenzene (**1**) with morpholine (**a**)<sup>a)</sup>

Entry	Solvent	Ligand	Temp.	R. Time	pco	Conv. <sup>b)</sup>	Ratio of the carbonylated products <sup>b)</sup>	
							[°C]	[h]
1	MetLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	6	1	29	59	41
2	MetLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	24	1	63	65	35
3	MetLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	70	6	1	62	88	12
4	MetLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	70	24	1	86	89	11
5	MetLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	6	40	63	5	95
6	MetLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	24	40	79	5	95
7	MetLev	XantPhos	50	6	1	99	100	0
8	MetLev	XantPhos	50	24	1	100	100	0
9	EtLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	6	1	46	68	32
10	EtLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	24	1	76	75	25
11	EtLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	70	6	1	69	91	9
12	EtLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	70	24	1	90	93	7
13	EtLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	6	35	78	8	92
14	EtLev	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	24	35	90	7	93
15	EtLev	XantPhos	50	6	1	98	100	0
16	EtLev	XantPhos	50	24	1	100	100	0
17	2-MeTHF	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	6	1	9	84	16
18	2-MeTHF	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	24	1	11	100	0
19	2-MeTHF	PPh <sub>3</sub>	70	6	1	20	82	18
20	2-MeTHF	PPh <sub>3</sub>	70	24	1	66	96	4
21	2-MeTHF	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	6	40	31	14	86
22	2-MeTHF	PPh <sub>3</sub>	50	24	40	35	14	86
23	2-MeTHF	XantPhos	50	6	1	87	100	0
24	2-MeTHF	XantPhos	50	24	1	100	100	0

a) Reaction conditions: 0.5 mmol of iodobenzene, 0.75 mmol of morpholine, 0.0125 mmol of Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, 0.025 mmol of PPh<sub>3</sub> or 0.0125 mmol of XantPhos, 0.25 mL of triethylamine and 5 mL of solvent under CO atmosphere.

b) The conversion and the ratio of the carbonylated products were determined by GC using dodecane as an internal standard.

**Table S2:** Palladium-catalyzed aminocarbonylation of iodobenzene (**1**) with different amines (**b-h**)<sup>a)</sup>

**1** + NH<sub>2</sub>-R' / R'' → **1aa** + **1ab**

Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> / Ligand  
Et<sub>3</sub>N / Solvent / CO  
- [Et<sub>3</sub>N] · HI  
50 °C

**HNR'R'':** b: tert-butylamine; c: pyrrolidine; d: cyclohexylamine; e: aniline; f: AlaOMe; g: ProOMe; h: 4-picolyamine.

Entry	Amines	R. Time	pCO	Conv	Conv	Conv
				[h]	[bar]	[%]
1	tBuNH <sub>2</sub> ( <b>b</b> )	6	1	92	99	35
2	tBuNH <sub>2</sub> ( <b>b</b> )	24	1	100	100	86
3	Pyrrolidine ( <b>c</b> )	6	1	100	100	100
4	Pyrrolidine ( <b>c</b> )	24	1	100	100	100
5	Cyclohexylamine ( <b>d</b> )	6	1	100	100	100
6	Cyclohexylamine ( <b>d</b> )	24	1	100	100	100
7	Aniline ( <b>e</b> )	6	1	46	70	5
8	Aniline ( <b>e</b> )	24	1	100	96	22
9	AlaOMe ( <b>f</b> )	6	1	66	87	9
10	AlaOMe ( <b>f</b> )	24	1	100	100	47
11	ProOMe ( <b>g</b> )	6	1	84	90	6
12	ProOMe ( <b>g</b> )	24	1	100	100	26
13	4-picolyamine ( <b>h</b> )	6	1	66	95	100
14	4-picolyamine ( <b>h</b> )	24	1	100	100	100

a) Reaction conditions: 0.5 mmol of iodobenzene, amine nucleophile (1.5 mmol of tert-butylamine, 0.75 mmol of pyrrolidine, 0.75 mmol of cyclohexylamine, 1.0 mmol of aniline, 0.55 mmol of amino acid methyl esters (AlaOMe, ProOMe), 0.75 mmol of 4-picolyamine), 0.0125 mmol of Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, 0.0125 mmol of XantPhos, 0.25 mL of triethylamine and 5 mL of solvent at 50 °C under 1 bar of CO.

b) The conversion was determined by GC using dodecane as an internal standard.

**Table S3:** Palladium-catalyzed aminocarbonylation of *para*-substituted iodobenzene derivatives (**2-9**)<sup>a)</sup>

Entry	Substrate	R. Time [h]	p <sub>CO</sub> [bar]	Conv. [%]	Conv. [%]	Conv. [%]
1	4-iodophenol ( <b>2</b> )	2	1	96	84	22
2	4-iodophenol ( <b>2</b> )	6	1	100	100	68
3	4-iodophenol ( <b>2</b> )	24	1	-	-	100
4	4-idoanisole ( <b>3</b> )	2	1	76	46	10
5	4-idoanisole ( <b>3</b> )	6	1	100	92	35
6	4-idoanisole ( <b>3</b> )	24	1	-	-	94
7	4-iodotoluene ( <b>4</b> )	2	1	89	67	68
8	4-iodotoluene ( <b>4</b> )	6	1	99	98	100
9	1-fluoro-4-iodobenzene ( <b>5</b> )	2	1	48	59	15
10	1-fluoro-4-iodobenzene ( <b>5</b> )	6	1	98	91	44
11	1-fluoro-4-iodobenzene ( <b>5</b> )	24	1	-	-	100
12	1-bromo-4-iodobenzene ( <b>6</b> )	2	1	57	46	11
13	1-bromo-4-iodobenzene ( <b>6</b> )	6	1	98	100	32
14	1-bromo-4-iodobenzene ( <b>6</b> )	24	1	-	-	92
15	methyl 4-ido-benzoate ( <b>7</b> )	2	1	82	66	45
16	methyl 4-ido-benzoate ( <b>7</b> )	6	1	100	99	100
17	4-iodobenzotrifluoride ( <b>8</b> )	2	1	58	67	11
18	4-iodobenzotrifluoride ( <b>8</b> )	6	1	100	97	24
19	4-iodobenzotrifluoride ( <b>8</b> )	24	1	-	-	78
20	4-iodobenzonitrile ( <b>9</b> )	2	1	67	55	13
21	4-iodobenzonitrile ( <b>9</b> )	6	1	100	100	39
22	4-iodobenzonitrile ( <b>9</b> )	24	1	-	-	100

a) Reaction conditions: 0.5 mmol of *para*-substituted iodobenzene, 0.75 mmol of morpholine, 0.0125 mmol of Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, 0.0125 mmol of XantPhos, 0.25 mL of triethylamine and 5 mL of solvent under 1 bar of CO

b) The conversion was determined by GC using dodecane as an internal standard.

**Table S4:** Palladium-catalyzed aminocarbonylation of substituted iodobenzenes (**10-14**) with morpholine (**a**)<sup>a)</sup>

Entry	Substrate	R. Time [h]	pCO [bar]	Conv. [%]	Conv. [%]	Conv. [%]
1	2-iodoanisole ( <b>10</b> )	2	1	36	31	17
2	2-iodoanisole ( <b>10</b> )	6	1	57	60	33
3	2-iodoanisole ( <b>10</b> )	23	1	83	80	58
4	2-iodoanisole ( <b>10</b> )	48	1	84	80	63
5	3-iodotoluene ( <b>11</b> )	2	1	55	49	9
6	3-iodotoluene ( <b>11</b> )	6	1	96	94	26
7	3-iodotoluene ( <b>11</b> )	24	1	-	100	97
8	3-iodobenzonitrile ( <b>12</b> )	2	1	33	36	6
9	3-iodobenzonitrile ( <b>12</b> )	6	1	71	84	16
10	3-iodobenzonitrile ( <b>12</b> )	23	1	100	99	60
11	3-iodobenzonitrile ( <b>12</b> )	48	1	-	-	86
12	1-ido-3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)benzene ( <b>13</b> )	2	1	16	11	3
13	1-ido-3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)benzene ( <b>13</b> )	6	1	37	31	6
14	1-ido-3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)benzene ( <b>13</b> )	24	1	93	88	16
15	5-ido-1,2,3-trimethoxybenzene ( <b>14</b> )	2	1	17	14	7
16	5-ido-1,2,3-trimethoxybenzene ( <b>14</b> )	6	1	46	50	21
17	5-ido-1,2,3-trimethoxybenzene ( <b>14</b> )	23	1	100	100	65
18	5-ido-1,2,3-trimethoxybenzene ( <b>14</b> )	48	1	-	-	100

a) Reaction conditions: 0.5 mmol of substrate, 0.75 mmol of morpholine, 0.0125 mmol of Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, 0.0125 mmol of XantPhos, 0.25 mL of triethylamine and 5 mL of solvent under 1 bar of CO.

b) The conversion was determined by GC using dodecane as an internal standard.

**Table S5:** Palladium-catalyzed aminocarbonylation of iodo heteroaromatic substrates (**15-19**) with morpholine (**a**)<sup>a)</sup>

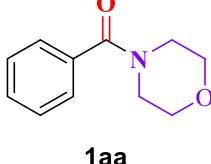
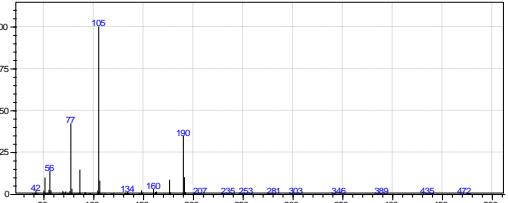
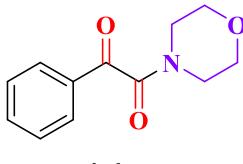
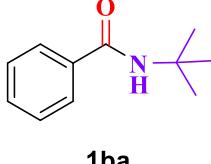
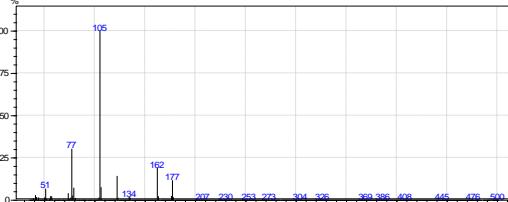
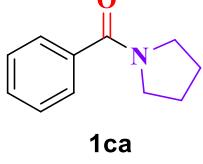
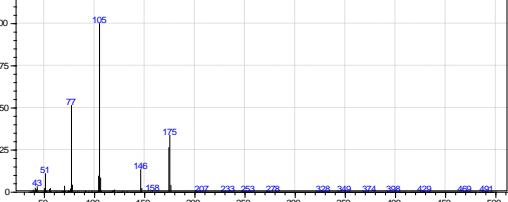
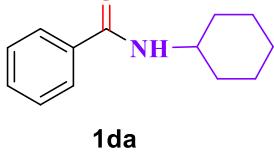
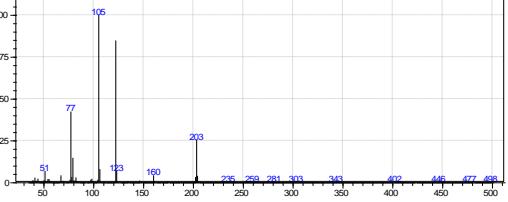
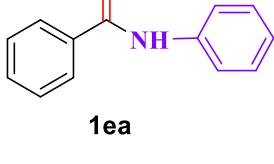
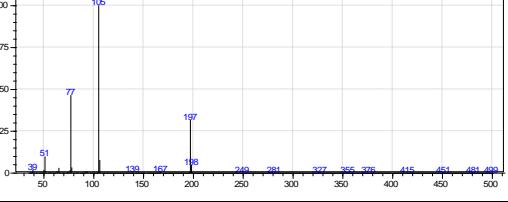
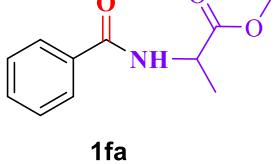
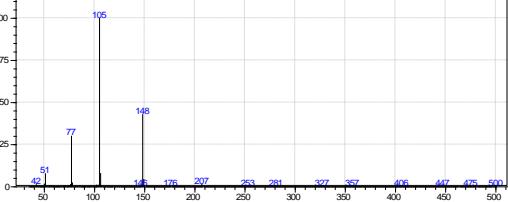
The reaction scheme illustrates the palladium-catalyzed aminocarbonylation of iodo heteroaromatic substrates (15-19) with morpholine (a). The reaction conditions are  $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$  / XantPhos,  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  / Solvent /  $\text{CO}$ ,  $-[\text{Et}_3\text{N}] \cdot \text{HI}$ ,  $50^\circ\text{C}$ . The products are labeled as **15aa-19aa**.

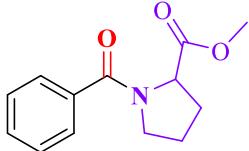
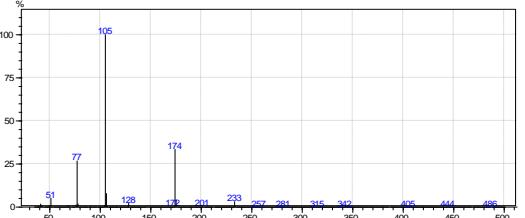
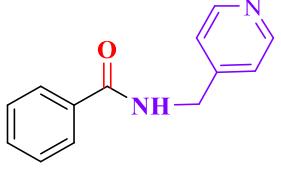
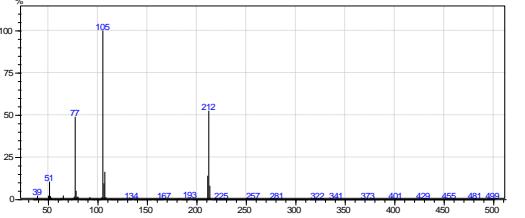
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1	2-iodopyridine ( <b>15</b> )	2	1	100	100	20
2	2-iodopyridine ( <b>15</b> )	6	1	-	-	82
3	2-iodopyridine ( <b>15</b> )	24	1	-	-	100
4	3-iodopyridine ( <b>16</b> )	2	1	43	47	11
5	3-iodopyridine ( <b>16</b> )	6	1	88	92	36
6	3-iodopyridine ( <b>16</b> )	23	1	100	100	98
7	2-iodothiophene ( <b>17</b> )	2	1	60	82	5
8	2-iodothiophene ( <b>17</b> )	6	1	96	97	7
9	2-iodothiophene ( <b>17</b> )	24	1	-	-	27
10	1-iodoisooquinoline ( <b>18</b> )	2	1	100	100	9
11	1-iodoisooquinoline ( <b>18</b> )	6	1	-	-	25
12	1-iodoisooquinoline ( <b>18</b> )	24	1	-	-	100
13	6-iodoquinoline ( <b>19</b> )	2	1	80	83	7
14	6-iodoquinoline ( <b>19</b> )	6	1	100	100	14
15	6-iodoquinoline ( <b>19</b> )	24	1	-	100	67

a) Reaction conditions: 0.5 mmol of substrate, 0.75 mmol of morpholine, 0.0125 mmol of  $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ , 0.0125 mmol of XantPhos, 0.25 mL of triethylamine and 5 mL of solvent under 1 bar of  $\text{CO}$ .

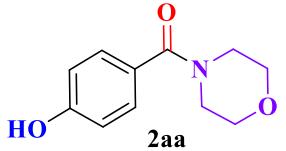
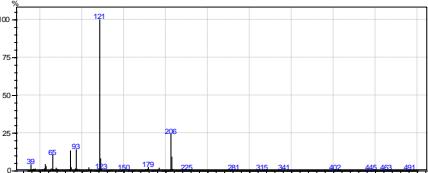
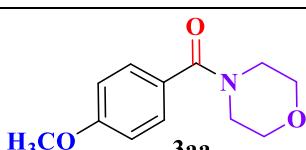
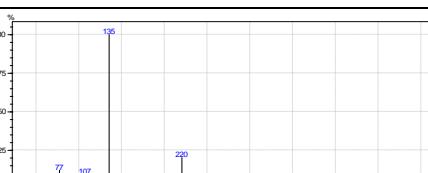
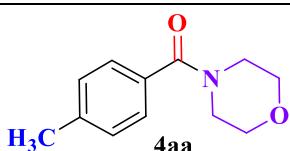
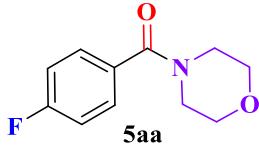
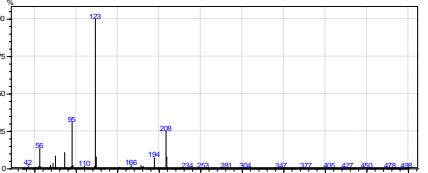
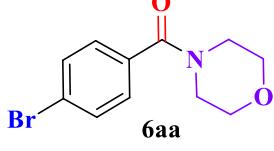
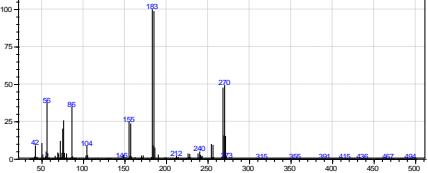
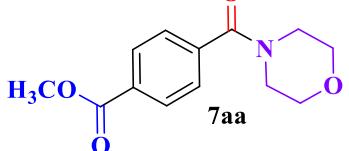
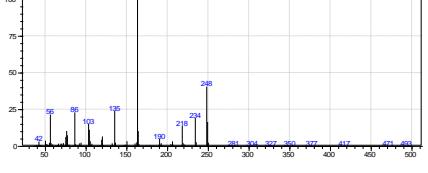
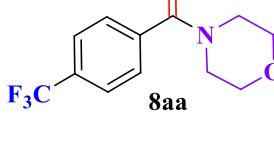
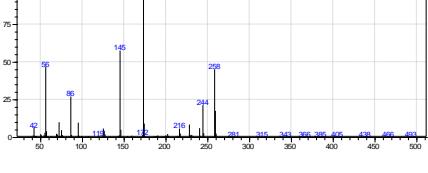
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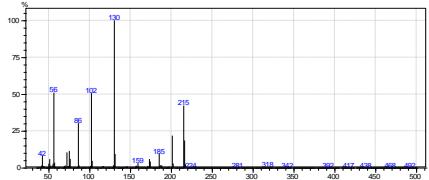
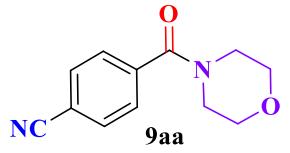
**Table S6:** Palladium-catalyzed aminocarbonylation of iodobenzene (**1**) with different primary and secondary amines (**a-h**).

Product	MS m/z (rel. int.)
 <b>1aa</b>	 191 (10, M <sup>+</sup> ), 190 (35), 176 (9), 105 (100), 86 (15), 77 (42), 56 (14), 51 (10)
 <b>1ab</b>	 219 (3, M <sup>+</sup> ), 114 (18), 105 (100), 86 (5), 77 (26), 70 (27), 51 (6), 42 (6)
 <b>1ba</b>	 177 (12, M <sup>+</sup> ), 162 (19), 122 (14), 105 (100), 77 (30), 73 (4), 51 (7)
 <b>1ca</b>	 175 (34, M <sup>+</sup> ), 174 (26), 146 (13), 105 (100), 77 (52), 70 (4), 56 (2), 51 (11), 43 (3)
 <b>1da</b>	 203 (25, M <sup>+</sup> ), 160 (4), 122 (85), 105 (100), 79 (15), 77 (42), 67 (4), 51 (7), 41 (3)
 <b>1ea</b>	 197 (31, M <sup>+</sup> ), 106 (8), 105 (100), 77 (46), 65 (3), 51 (10)
 <b>1fa</b>	 207 (1.68, M <sup>+</sup> ), 148 (43), 106 (8), 105 (100), 77 (30), 51 (8)

 <b>1ga</b>		233 (3, M <sup>+</sup> ), 174 (34), 128 (2), 106 (8), 105 (100), 77 (27), 51 (5), 41 (2)
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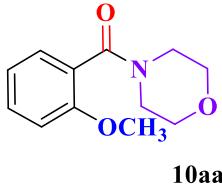
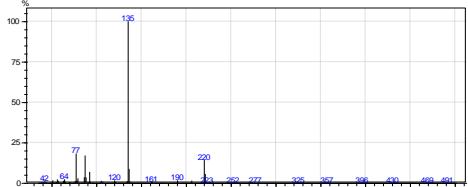
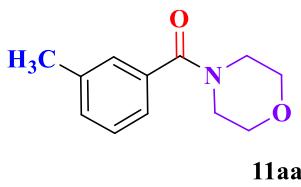
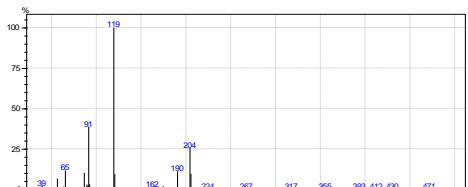
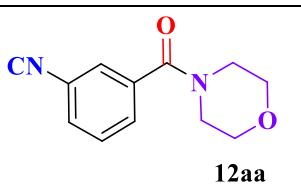
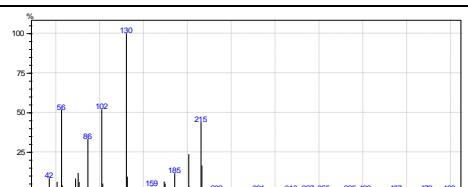
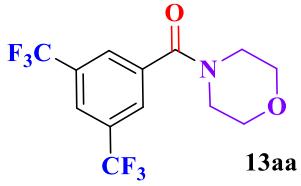
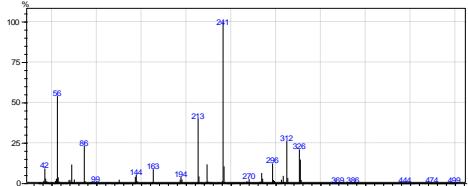
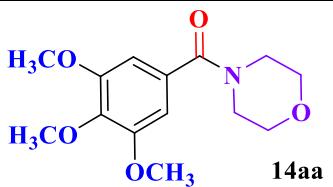
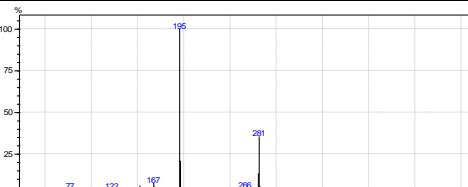
**Table S7:** Palladium-catalyzed aminocarbonylation of *para*-substituted iodobenzene derivatives (2-9) with morpholine (**a**).

Product	MS m/z (rel. int.)
	 207 (9, M <sup>+</sup> ), 206 (25), 192 (2), 179 (2), 122 (8), 121 (100), 93 (14), 86 (13), 65 (11), 56 (4), 39 (4)
	 221 (9, M <sup>+</sup> ), 220 (20), 193 (2), 135 (100), 107 (10), 92 (7), 77 (12), 64 (3), 56 (2)
	 205 (8, M <sup>+</sup> ), 204 (22), 190 (9), 193 (2), 120 (9), 119 (100), 91 (29), 86 (6), 65 (10), 56 (4), 39 (2)
	 209 (8, M <sup>+</sup> ), 208 (25), 194 (7), 124 (8), 123 (100), 95 (31), 86 (11), 75 (9), 56 (14), 42 (2)
	 270 / 268 (49 / 48 M <sup>+</sup> ), 256 / 254 (10), 185 / 183 (99 / 100), 157 / 155 (24 / 25), 104 (9), 86 (35), 76 (26), 56 (38), 42 (9)
	 249 (16, M <sup>+</sup> ), 248 (40), 234 (19), 218 (14), 190 (5), 163 (100), 135 (24), 103 (15), 86 (23), 76 (10), 56 (22), 42 (3)
	 259 (17, M <sup>+</sup> ), 258 (45), 244 (21), 216 (6), 173 (100), 145 (58), 125 (6), 95 (10), 86 (27), 72 (10), 56 (47), 42 (6)

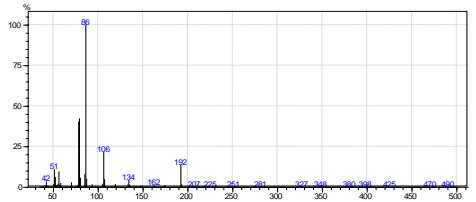
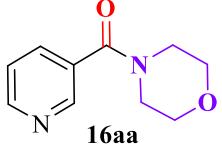
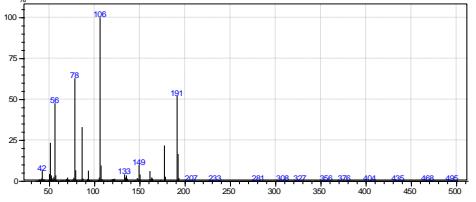
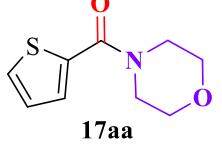
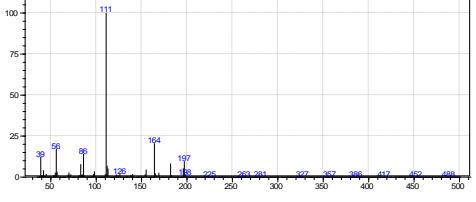
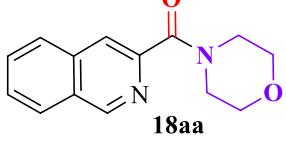
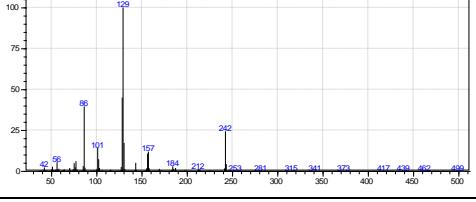
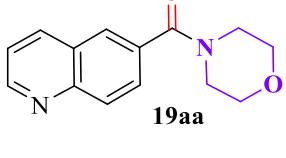
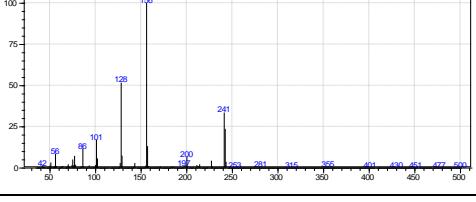


216 (18, M<sup>+</sup>), 215 (42),  
201 (22), 185 (10), 130  
(100), 102 (51), 86 (30),  
75 (11), 56 (51), 42 (8)

**Table S8:** Palladium-catalyzed aminocarbonylation of substituted iodobenzenes (**10-14**) with morpholine (**a**).

Product	MS m/z (rel. int.)
 <b>10aa</b>	 221 (6, M <sup>+</sup> ), 220 (14), 136 (9), 135 (100), 92 (7), 87 (17), 77 (18), 51 (2)
 <b>11aa</b>	 205 (10, M <sup>+</sup> ), 204 (26), 190 (11), 119 (100), 91 (39), 86 (10), 65 (12), 56 (6)
 <b>12aa</b>	 216 (17, M <sup>+</sup> ), 215 (44), 201 (24), 185 (11), 130 (100), 102 (52), 86 (33), 75 (12), 56 (52), 42 (8)
 <b>13aa</b>	 327 (15, M <sup>+</sup> ), 326 (21), 312 (26), 296 (12), 241 (100), 213 (40), 163 (9), 86 (23), 72 (12), 56 (54), 42 (9)
 <b>14aa</b>	 281 (35, M <sup>+</sup> ), 282 (6), 280 (13), 266 (4), 196 (21), 195 (100), 167 (7), 152 (6), 122 (4), 77 (4), 66 (3), 53 (2)

**Table S9:** Palladium-catalyzed aminocarbonylation of iodoheteroaromatic substrates (**15-19**) with morpholine (**a**)

Product	MS m/z (rel. int.)
 <b>15aa</b>	 192 (14, M <sup>+</sup> ), 134 (4), 106 (22), 86 (100), 79 (42), 78 (40), 56 (10), 51 (11), 42 (4)
 <b>16aa</b>	 192 (16, M <sup>+</sup> ), 191 (52), 177 (22), 149 (10), 106 (100), 86 (33), 78 (63), 56 (48), 51 (23)
 <b>17aa</b>	 197 (9, M <sup>+</sup> ), 182 (8), 164 (20), 155 (4), 111 (100), 86 (14), 83 (8), 56 (17), 39 (12)
 <b>18aa</b>	 242 (24, M <sup>+</sup> ), 157 (12), 156 (11), 143 (5), 129 (100), 128 (45), 101 (14), 86 (39), 77 (6), 56 (5)
 <b>19aa</b>	 242 (24, M <sup>+</sup> ), 241 (33), 227 (4), 200 (7), 156 (100), 157 (13), 101 (17), 86 (12), 77 (7), 75 (5), 56 (8)