## **Supplementary Material**

# Fluorous 1,2,3-Triazol-4-ylmethyl Amines and Amine Derivatives for Novel Surfactant Applications

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#### Reaction of amides 14 and 15 with 2-(2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy)ethanol 17



Reagents & conditions: i. MeO(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>3</sub>H 17, base, THF, ambient or reflux, 16 h

| Chloroamide | Alcohol 17 | Base        | Reaction<br>Temperature | Products (Isolated Yield) |                 |
|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
|             | /molequiv  | (mol equiv) |                         | Substitution              | + Elimination   |
| 14          | 1.1        | KHMDS (1.5) | r.t.                    | <b>18</b> (43%)           | _               |
| 14          | 1.1        | KHMDS (1.5) | reflux                  | <b>18</b> (28%)           | _               |
| 15          | 1.1        | KHMDS (1.1) | r.t.                    | _                         | <b>20</b> (48%) |
| 15          | 1.0        | KHMDS (2.0) | r.t.                    | _                         | <b>20</b> (48%) |
| 15          | 2.0        | DMAP (1.0)  | r.t.                    | <b>19</b> (55%)           | <b>20</b> (3%)  |
| 15          | 2.0        | DMAP (1.0)  | reflux                  | <b>19</b> (22%)           | <b>20 (</b> 3%) |

#### Scheme 1

Dry 2-(2-(2-methoxy)ethoxy)ethoxy)ethanol **17** was dissolved in dry THF (10 mL), the solution stirred under nitrogen at 0°C for 15 min then base (6.07 mL of a 0.5 M solution in toluene of either KHMDS or DMAP) was added dropwise by syringe over 0.5 min, and the mixture was allowed to warm to r.t. After 40 mins, the reaction mixture was transferred by syringe over 0.5 min into a solution of amide in dry THF (10 mL) at 0°C under nitrogen. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to r.t. and stirred at ambient temperature or at reflux for 16 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (20 mL) and the resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 50 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (2 x 50 mL), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was flash chromatographed on reverse-phase fluorous silica gel using a H<sub>2</sub>O:MeOH – MeOH gradient.

Compounds **18** and **19** were obtained from fluorous silica gel, but could not be made pure. The acrylate **20** was obtained after chromatography on fluorous silica gel as a fine solid that was characterised by accurate mass measurement through HR-MS (ESI) (see the Experimental section in the main text).

#### **Reaction of amine 10 with mesylate 21**



Reagents & conditions: i. 1 equiv MeO(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>Me 21, base, conditions as below.

| Solvent         | Conditions                     | Base             | Ratio 10 : 22 : 23 |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| MeCN            | r.t. (2 h), then reflux (16 h) | $K_2CO_3$        | 1:2:1              |
| Perfluorohexane | r.t. (16 h)                    | NEt <sub>3</sub> | 1:2:1              |
| DMF             | 40ºC (16 h)                    | $K_2CO_3$        | 1:2:1              |

#### Scheme 2

Base ( $K_2CO_3$  (0.48 g) or NEt<sub>3</sub> (0.37 mL), 2.70 mmol) and amine **10** (1.20 g, 2.70 mmol) were stirred together in solvent (20 mL) at r.t. for 30 min, before the dropwise addition of a solution of the mesylate **21** (0.58 g, 2.70 mmol) in solvent (5 mL) over a period of 1 min. The reaction mixture was either (i) stirred at r.t. for 2 h, then heated at reflux for an additional 16 h, (ii) stirred at r.t. for 16 h or (iii) stirred at 40°C for 16 h before quenching the reaction with brine (25 mL). The product was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 20 mL), and the combined organic layers were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give a pale yellow powder, which was identified as a mixture of primary amine **10**, secondary

amine 22 and tertiary amine 23 using <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy. The outcome was independent of the conditions used.

#### Reaction of alcohol 31 with various oxidants



| Oxidant <sup>a</sup>                             | Solvent <sup>b</sup> | Conditions   | Conversion <sup>c</sup>       |
|--|----------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| PDC  | $CH_2CI_2$           | r.t. (16 h)  | 0                             |
| PDC  | BTF                  | r.t. (16 h)  | 0                             |
| CrO <sub>3</sub> /H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> | $CH_3COCH_3$         | 0ºC (30 min) | 20% <b>34</b> , 58% <b>35</b> |
| DMP  | DMSO                 | 60°C (16 h)  | 55% <b>35</b>                 |
| MnO <sub>2</sub>                                 | MeCN                 | r.t. (16 h)  | 7% <b>34</b>                  |
| MnO <sub>2</sub>                                 | BTF                  | r.t. (48 h)  | 16% <b>34</b>                 |
| MnO <sub>2</sub>                                 | BTF                  | 85°C (16 h)  | 19% <b>34</b>                 |
| MnO <sub>2</sub>                                 | BTF                  | 103°C (16 h) | 100% <b>34</b> <sup>d</sup>   |

Reagents & conditions: i. as listed below.

<sup>a</sup>PDC = pyridinium dichromate, DMP = Dess-Martin periodinane <sup>b</sup>BTF = benzene trifluoride

<sup>c</sup>Remainder was unreacted **31**, which could be recovered quantitatively in first two cases. <sup>d</sup>Isolated yield = 89%

#### Scheme 3

To a mixture of alcohol **31** (8.39 g, 18.9 mmol) in the solvent specified (50 mL) was added the oxidant (*ca*. 5 eq.). The reaction mixture was treated as outlined above, filtered through Celite in the case of the MnO<sub>2</sub> reactions, and the solvent evaporated under reduced pressure. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic analysis of the crude reaction mixtures was used to determine the extent of conversion, particularly noting signals at *d* 8.0 (**31**), 8.06 (**34**) and 8.18 (**35**). For the case where 100% conversion of the starting material was noted, recrystallization of the crude material from EtOAc/hexane (1:19) gave *1-(2perfluorohexyl)ethyl-1*H-*1,2,3-triazole-4-carbaldehyde* **34** as a white powder (7.39 g, 89%). See main text for full characterisation.

### Reaction of aldehyde 34 with amine 36 in the presence of various reductants



Reagents & conditions: as decribed below

$$36 \quad H_2 N \left( \bigcirc O \right)_3^{Me}$$

| Reductant (mol equiv)        | Reagents & conditions   | Yield of 39 / % |
|------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| NaBH(OAc) <sub>3</sub> (1.4) | i) THF, <b>36</b> , reductant, reflux, 16 h                       | 0 <sup>a</sup>  |
| NaBH(OAc) <sub>3</sub> (1.4) | i) THF, <b>36</b> , reductant, r.t., 48 h                         | 0 <sup>a</sup>  |
|                              | i) THF, <b>36</b> , r.t., 16 h, N <sub>2</sub>                    |                 |
| NaBH(OAc) <sub>3</sub> (1.4) | ii) reductant, 0°C, 15 min, N <sub>2</sub>                        | 0 <sup>b</sup>  |
|                              | iii) reflux, 16 h, N <sub>2</sub>                                 |                 |
|                              | i) THF, <b>36</b> , AcOH (3 equiv) reflux, 30 min, N <sub>2</sub> |                 |
| NaBH(OAc) <sub>3</sub> (1.4) | ii) reductant, 0°C, 15 min, N <sub>2</sub>                        | 0 <sup>b</sup>  |
|                              | iii) reflux, 16 h, N <sub>2</sub>                                 |                 |
|                              | i) THF, <b>36</b> , reflux, 1 h                                   |                 |
| NaBH(OAc) <sub>3</sub> (1.4) | ii) reductant, 0°C, 15 min  | 0 <sup>b</sup>  |
|                              | iii) r.t., 16 h   |                 |
|                              | i) THF, <b>36</b> , reflux, 1 h                                   |                 |
| NaBH <sub>4</sub> (2.0)      | ii) reductant, 0°C, 15 min  | 0 <sup>c</sup>  |
|                              | iii) r.t., 16 h   |                 |
|                              | i) EtOH, <b>36</b> , reflux, 1 h                                  |                 |
| NaBH <sub>4</sub> (2.0)      | ii) reductant, 0°C, 15 min  | 100             |
|                              | iii) r.t., 16 h   |                 |
|                              | i) EtOH, <b>36</b> , reflux, 1 h                                  |                 |
| NaBH <sub>4</sub> (0.5)      | ii) reductant, 0°C, 15 min  | 67              |
|                              | iii) r.t., 16 h   |                 |
|                              | i) EtOH, <b>36</b> , reflux, 1 h                                  |                 |
| NaBH <sub>4</sub> (1.0)      | ii) reductant, 0°C, 15 min  | 100             |
|                              | iii) r.t., 16 h   |                 |

<sup>a</sup>Only reduction of aldehyde **34** to the corresponding alcohol **31** was noted. <sup>b</sup>Inseparable mixture of the imine **38** and the desired amine **39**. <sup>c</sup>Imine **38** was noted.

Scheme 4

<sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR and mass spectra of reported compounds





Low resolution MS (MeOH)





Low resolution MS (MeOH)





Low resolution MS (MeOH)



<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Low resolution MS (MeOH)



<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Low resolution MS (MeOH)







Low resolution MS (MeOH)





High resolution MS (MeOH)











<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)



High resolution MS (MeOH)



<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



High resolution MS (MeOH)



<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)











<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)















High resolution MS (MeOH)



<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



High resolution MS (MeOH)











<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)







<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



High resolution MS (MeOH)



<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



High resolution MS (MeOH)



























<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)





High resolution MS (MeOH)



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)





High resolution MS (MeOH)