

## Correction to: Regioselective synthesis of pyridines by redox alkylation of pyridine *N*-oxides with malonates

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The original version of this article unfortunately contained mistakes. In section “General procedure” some numbers were missing. The corrected text is given below.

### General procedure

All flasks and stirrer bars were flame dried before use. To the *N*-oxide (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), dissolved in 2 cm<sup>3</sup> dichloromethane was added Tf<sub>2</sub>O (0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) at 0 °C. In another flask, a suspension of NaH (0.7 mmol, 3.5 equiv.) in 1 cm<sup>3</sup> tetrahydrofuran was cooled to 0 °C and the malonate (0.7 mmol, 3.5 equiv.) was added. After 15 min, the malonate solution was added to the activated *N*-oxide solution and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction was quenched with NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution and the aqueous phase was extracted with dichloromethane. The combined organic layers were washed with brine before being dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. The solvents were removed under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by column chromatography.

*Dibenzyl 2-(2,6-dimethylpyridin-4-yl)malonate* (**6a**, C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>) The product was prepared according to the general procedure. Purification by column chromatography (EtOAc:heptane = 1:1) yielded the product (41.0 mg,

53%) as a pale yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 7.28–7.20 (m, 10H), 6.88 (s, 2H), 5.11 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 18.1 Hz, 4H), 4.56 (s, 1H), 2.43 (s, 6H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 167.0, 158.4, 141.5, 135.1, 128.7, 128.7, 128.4, 120.9, 67.9, 57.3, 24.6 ppm; IR:  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3064, 3033, 2955, 2922, 1732, 1605, 1569, 1497, 1453, 1375, 1297, 1140 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 390.1700, found 390.1701.

*Diethyl 2-(2,6-dimethylpyridin-4-yl)-2-fluoromalonate* (**6b**, C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>18</sub>FNO<sub>4</sub>) The product was prepared according to the general procedure. Purification by column chromatography (EtOAc:heptane = 1:3) yielded the product (34.3 mg, 61%) as a pale yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 7.19 (s, 2H), 4.33 (q, *J* = 7.1, 4H), 2.56 (s, 6H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 164.9 (d, *J* = 25.0 Hz), 158.3, 142.4 (d, *J* = 22.4 Hz), 116.8 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 93.2 (d, *J* = 202.9 Hz), 63.4, 24.8, 14.0 ppm; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (659 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): – 165.2 ppm; IR:  $\bar{\nu}$  = 2983, 2927, 1753, 1604, 1569, 1445, 1412, 1369, 1270, 1230, 1174, 1105, 1044, 1010 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 284.1293, found 284.1292.

*Diethyl 2-(2-cyanoethyl)-2-(2,6-dimethylpyridin-4-yl)malonate* (**6c**, C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) The product was prepared according to the general procedure. Purification by column chromatography (EtOAc:heptane = 1:1) yielded the product (48.4 mg, 76%) as a pink liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 6.90 (s, 2H), 4.32–4.24 (m, 4H), 2.61–2.57 (m, 2H), 2.54 (s, 6H), 2.37–2.33 (m, 2H), 1.28 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 168.8, 158.6, 145.0, 119.0, 118.9, 62.6, 61.3, 32.0, 24.8, 14.0, 13.5 ppm; IR:  $\bar{\nu}$  = 2982, 2937, 2249, 1728, 1603, 1564, 1445, 1368, 1254, 1188, 1079, 1016 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 319.1652, found 319.1651.

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**Diethyl 2-(2,6-dimethylpyridin-4-yl)-2-methylmalonate (6d, C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>)** The product was prepared according to the general procedure. Purification by column chromatography (EtOAc:heptane = 1:1) yielded the product (33.6 mg, 60%) as a pale yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 6.94 (s, 2H), 4.25 (m, 4H), 2.52 (s, 6H), 1.81 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 170.7, 157.9, 147.8, 119.1, 62.1, 58.6, 24.8, 22.2, 14.1 ppm; IR:  $\bar{\nu}$  = 2982, 1728, 1604, 1564, 1447, 1414, 1377, 1253, 1181, 1105, 1017 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 280.1543, found 280.1543.

**Diethyl 2-allyl-2-(2,6-dimethylpyridin-4-yl)malonate (7a, C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>)** The product was prepared according to the general procedure. Purification by column chromatography (EtOAc:heptane = 1:3) yielded the product (43.6 mg, 71%) as a pale yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 7.01 (s, 2H), 5.75–5.64 (m, 1H), 5.08 (m, 1H), 5.04 (s, 1H), 4.29–4.16 (m, 4H), 3.00 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (s, 6H), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.1, 6H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 169.5, 157.8, 146.3, 132.5, 119.7, 119.4, 62.4, 62.0, 40.3, 24.8, 14.1 ppm; IR:  $\bar{\nu}$  = 2981, 2926, 1729, 1602, 1563, 1443, 1414, 1367, 1295, 1270, 1230, 1196, 1162 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 306.1700, found 306.1703.

**Diethyl 2-allyl-2-(4-methylpyridin-2-yl)malonate (7b, C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>)** The product was prepared according to the general procedure. Purification by column chromatography (EtOAc:heptane = 1:10) yielded the product (48.8 mg, 84%) as a pale yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 8.39 (dd, *J* = 0.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (app t, *J* = 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.01–6.99 (m, 1H), 5.82–5.75 (m, 1H), 5.04–4.99 (m, 2H), 4.27–4.20 (m, 4H), 3.12 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.24 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 169.9, 156.6,

148.6, 147.1, 133.6, 124.8, 123.5, 118.6, 65.3, 61.7, 40.4, 21.4, 14.1 ppm; IR:  $\bar{\nu}$  = 2980, 2936, 1729, 1601, 1444, 1298, 1195 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 292.1543, found 292.1543.

**Diethyl 2-allyl-2-(4-phenylpyridin-2-yl)malonate (7c, C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>)** The product was prepared according to the general procedure. Purification by column chromatography (EtOAc:heptane = 1:10) yielded the product (48.0 mg, 68%) as a pale yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 8.59 (dd, *J* = 0.7, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (dd, *J* = 0.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.65–7.63 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.41 (m, 4H), 5.86–5.79 (m, 1H), 5.06–5.02 (m, 2H), 4.30–4.24 (m, 4H), 3.17 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 169.8, 157.2, 149.2, 148.5, 138.6, 133.3, 129.2, 129.1, 127.3, 122.4, 120.7, 119.0, 65.5, 61.8, 40.5, 14.2 ppm; IR:  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3062, 2980, 2935, 1729, 1594, 1547, 1467, 1225, 1036 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 354.1700, found 354.1699.

**Diethyl 2-allyl-2-(4-cyanopyridin-2-yl)malonate (7d, C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>)** The product was prepared according to the general procedure. Purification by column chromatography (EtOAc:heptane = 1:10) yielded the product (10.3 mg, 17%) as a pale yellow liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 8.72 (dd, *J* = 0.9, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (app t, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (dd, *J* = 1.3, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 5.74–5.63 (m, 1H), 5.04–5.01 (m, 2H), 4.29–4.22 (m, 4H), 3.12 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 169.0, 158.5, 149.6, 132.4, 126.5, 124.0, 120.5, 119.7, 116.8, 65.3, 62.2, 40.3, 14.1 ppm; IR:  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3077, 2981, 2933, 2239, 1730, 1594, 1467, 1299, 1168, 1044 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> 325.1159, found 325.1157.

The original article has been corrected.