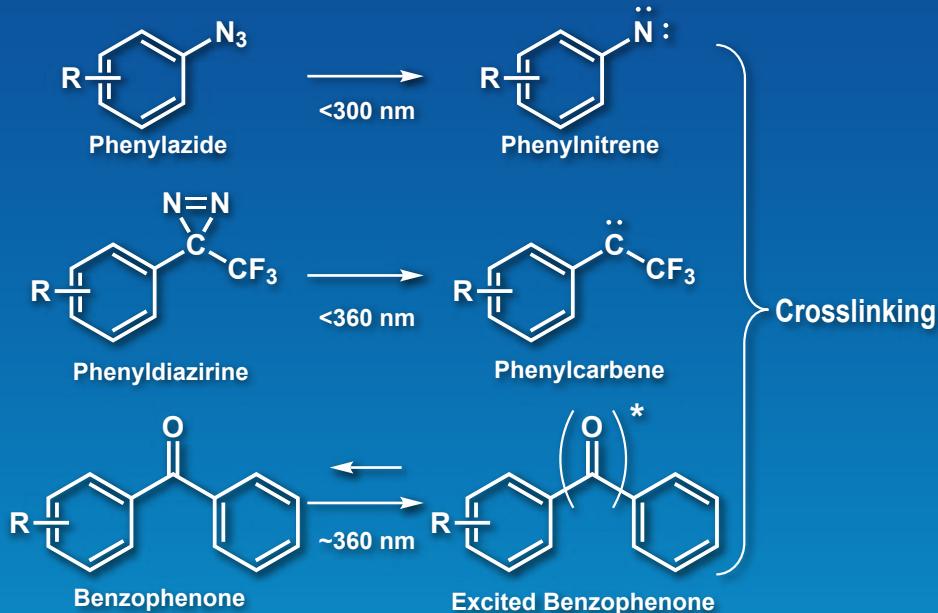
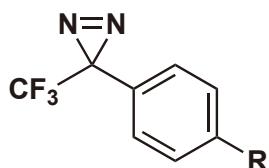


# Photo-reactive Crosslinkers



Some functional groups can be induced to react with target molecules by exposure to UV light. Photoreactive groups such as azides and diazirines are readily decomposed by UV light irradiation, resulting in highly reactive intermediates and the formation of covalent bonds with neighboring molecules. Within the context of molecular biology, photoaffinity labeling has prolific use in preparing ligands with photo-reactive units enabling the direct probing of target proteins.

## Diazirines



Diazirines generate a carbene unit by UV irradiation ( $<360\text{ nm}$ ). Carbenes can crosslink by short-time irradiation due to higher reactivity than nitrenes. Carbenes react with water when neighboring target molecules are absent, and thus do not lead to non-specific crosslinking.

**R = CH<sub>2</sub>OH**

**R = CH<sub>2</sub>Br**

**R = COOH**

**R = CH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>·HCl**

**4-[3-(Trifluoromethyl)-3H-diazirin-3-yl]benzyl Alcohol**

200mg / 1g [T2818]

**4-[3-(Trifluoromethyl)-3H-diazirin-3-yl]benzyl Bromide**

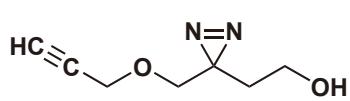
200mg / 1g [T2819]

**4-[3-(Trifluoromethyl)-3H-diazirin-3-yl]benzoic Acid**

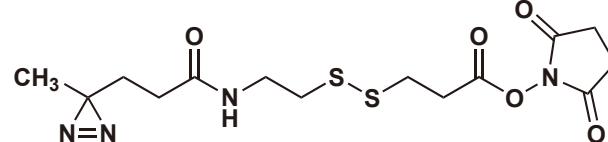
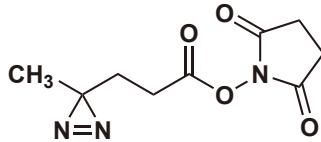
200mg / 1g [T2820]

**4-[3-(Trifluoromethyl)-3H-diazirin-3-yl]benzylamine Hydrochloride**

200mg / 1g [T3448]



100mg [P2843]



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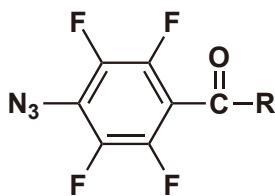
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## Phenylazides



R = OH

R = NHS

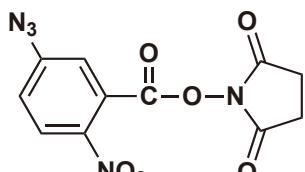
**Phenylazide generates a nitrene by UV irradiation (<300 nm). It is noted that azido groups tend to have less harmful effect on target analyte. Activation of the nitrene requires a shorter wavelength of UV light, and potential protein denaturation during long-period irradiation should be taken into consideration.**

**4-Azido-2,3,5,6-tetrafluorobenzoic Acid**

1g [A2674]

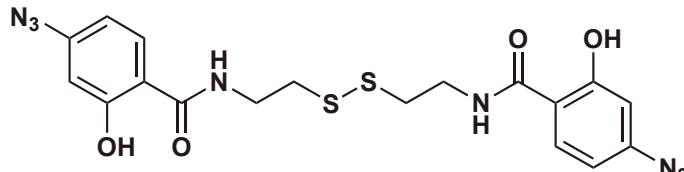
**4-Azido-2,3,5,6-tetrafluorobenzoic Acid N-Succinimidyl Ester**

200mg / 1g [S0952]



**5-Azido-2-nitrobenzoic Acid  
N-Succinimidyl Ester**

10mg [S0860]



**Bis[2-(4-azidosalicylamido)ethyl]  
Disulfide**

10mg [B3790]

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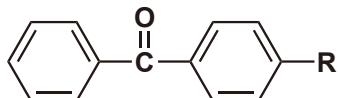
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## Benzophenones



**Benzophenones excited by UV irradiation (near 360 nm) induce hydrogen abstraction from target molecules. The reaction efficiency remains high despite this due to the reversability of the excited state. Additionally, photoexcited benzophenones is not water-reactive.**

R = COOH

R = CO-NHS

R = maleimide

R = NH<sub>2</sub>

**4-Benzoylbenzoic Acid**

5g / 25g [B1164]

**4-Benzoylbenzoic Acid N-Succinimidyl Ester**

200mg / 1g [S0863]

**4-(N-Maleimido)benzophenone**

50mg / 250mg [M3259]

**4-Aminobenzophenone**

5g / 25g [A1140]

## Applications

### Photoaffinity labeling

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