



## Original Catalytic Approaches To Access Fluorinated Molecules

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The Organofluorine chemistry is a fascinating research field in rapid expansion. Beyond the strong interest that represents fluorinated molecules in materials science, pharmaceuticals and agrochemicals as well as modern drug design,<sup>1</sup> innovation is still required to push further the boundaries of knowledge in this appealing research field and to achieve new synthetic challenges.<sup>2</sup> Besides, the development of more sustainable transformations and among them, reactions based on transition metal catalyzed direct C-H bond functionalization have reshaped the field of organic chemistry over the last decade.<sup>3</sup> In that context, aiming at designing new tools to access original fluorinated molecules, our group developed approaches combining organofluorine chemistry and transition metal catalyzed C-H bond functionalization.<sup>4</sup> Such advances were possible thanks to the design of original reagents.<sup>5</sup>



Figure 1. Overview of our research interests

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