



# Synthesis of novel benzenesulfonamide bearing 1,2,3-triazole linked hydroxy-trifluoromethylpyrazolines and hydrazones as selective carbonic anhydrase isoforms IX and XII inhibitors



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## ABSTRACT

A series of twenty four hydroxy-trifluoromethylpyrazoline-carbonyl-1,2,3-triazoles and four hydrazones bearing benzenesulfonamide moieties was obtained by condensation of carboxyhydrazides with substituted 1,3-diketones. All the newly synthesized compounds were investigated as inhibitors of physiologically and pharmacologically relevant human (h) carbonic anhydrase (CA, EC 4.2.1.1) cytosolic isoforms hCA I and II, as well as transmembrane tumor-associated isoforms hCA IX and XII. These compounds exhibited excellent CA inhibitory potency against the four CA isoenzymes as compared to clinically used reference drug acetazolamide (AAZ). Some compounds bearing bulkier group at C-5' position of 1,2,3-triazoles ring were weaker inhibitors of hCA I. Inhibition assay against hCA II indicates, that several derivatives exhibited upto 27-fold more effective inhibitory activity compared to AAZ. Five of the assayed compounds displayed low nanomolar potency ( $K_i \leq 10$  nM) against hCA IX, whereas five compounds were found to be endowed with excellent inhibitory potencies ( $K_i \leq 5$  nM) against hCA XII. The biological activity profile presented herein will be useful for designing new leads and provide candidates for preclinical investigations.

## 1. Introduction

Carbonic anhydrases (CA, EC 4.2.1.1) are metalloenzymes using the zinc ion as cofactor in the active site and generates hydrogencarbonate and a proton (or a hydronium cation) by catalyzing the reversible reaction between  $\text{CO}_2$  and water with rates approaching diffusion-controlled limits ( $k_{\text{cat}}/K_M \sim 10^8 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ) [1–3]. CAs are ubiquitous enzymes found in all organisms over the tree of life and are engaged in physiological functions including pH regulation, biosynthetic processes (ureagenesis, lipogenesis, gluconeogenesis),  $\text{CO}_2$  homeostasis, respiration, production of biological fluids, lung electrolyte secretion, calcification, chemosensing [4], and in metabolic/signaling pathways (e.g., sexual development in fungi) in many pathogens [5–7]. Indeed seven ( $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\zeta$ ,  $\eta$  and  $\theta$ -CAs) genetic families encoding CAs have involved in organisms all over the tree of life, assuring the homeostasis of  $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{H}^+$  and bicarbonate, which differ in their central metal active ion [8–10].  $\alpha$ -CAs is the prominent class in

vertebrates, with at least sixteen different hCAs isoforms encoded in their genome [11–13]. Out of the fifteen human isoforms (CA XV is not encoded in the primate genome), hCA I and II, the most abundant isozymes, are primarily involved in important physiologic processes such as respiration and regulation of the acid/base homeostasis, being drug targets in retinal pathologies, cerebral edema, glaucoma and epilepsy [14]. On the other hand, hCA IX and XII are multidomain proteins which contribute for creating the pH regulating system during tumor proliferation, producing an extracellular acidosis, thus helping the growth of tumor cells in hypoxic and acidic micro-environment [15–17]. Therefore, specifically targeting the transmembrane tumor-associated isozymes hCA IX and XII over the off-target hCA I and II is a promising strategy for designing effective and safer agents in the cancer therapy, with one such compound (SLC-0111) in Phase II clinical studies [18].

The tissue dependent expression of CA isozymes regulates variety of biological functions that makes them targets for developing the CA

**Abbreviations:** CA, carbonic anhydrase; hCA, human carbonic anhydrase; CAIs, carbonic anhydrase inhibitors; AAZ, acetazolamide;  $K_i$ , inhibition constant; nM, nanomolar

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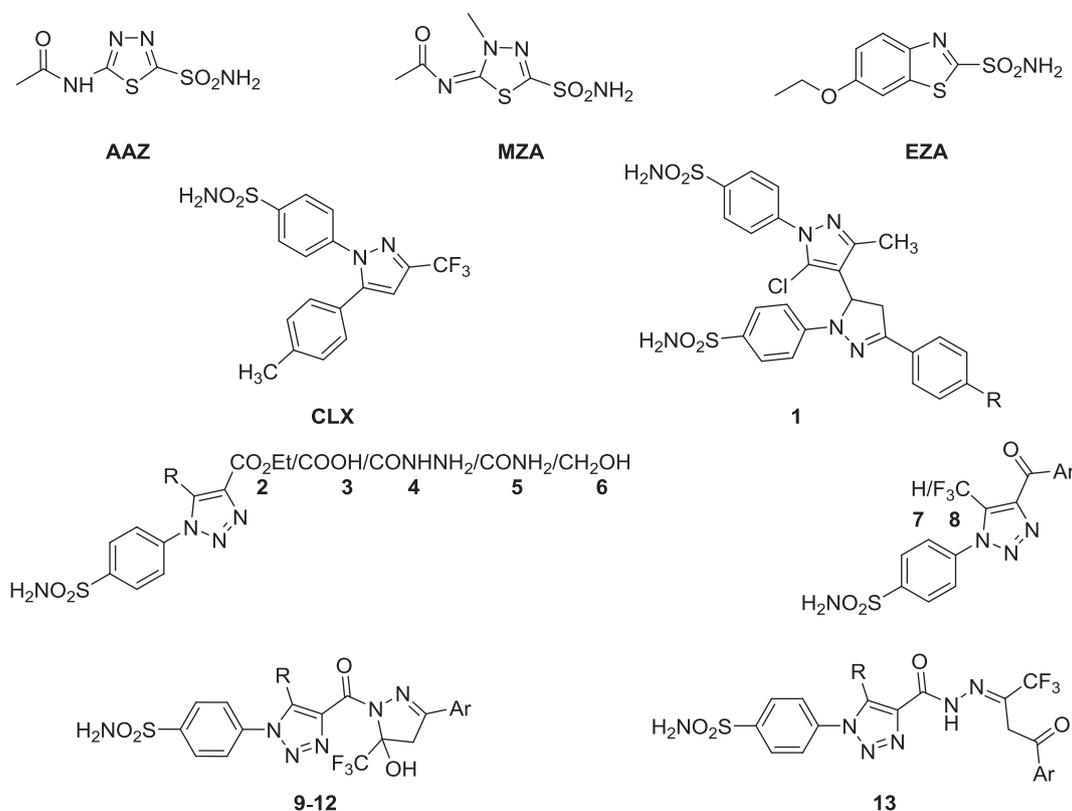
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**Fig. 1.** Chemical structures of the clinically used sulfonamide CA inhibitors and derivatives incorporating the pyrazoles, pyrazolines and 1,2,3-triazole ring 1–8, together with the newly designed sulfonamides 9–13.

inhibitor (CAI) based drugs. Primary sulfonamide based CAI drugs such as acetazolamide (AAZ), methazolamide (MZA), ethoxzolamide (EZA), celecoxib (CLX), etc. (Fig. 1) are clinically used for decades to treat several diseases such as glaucoma, edema and also for the management of osteoporosis, idiopathic intracranial hypertension, etc. [19,20]. Sulfonamide inhibits CA activity by swapping water molecule from the zinc coordination sphere. The binding of sulfonamide to metal active site is irreversible and the removal of water molecule from the active site of metal inhibits all the reactions responsible for the activity of CA, which is crucial for catalysis [21,22].

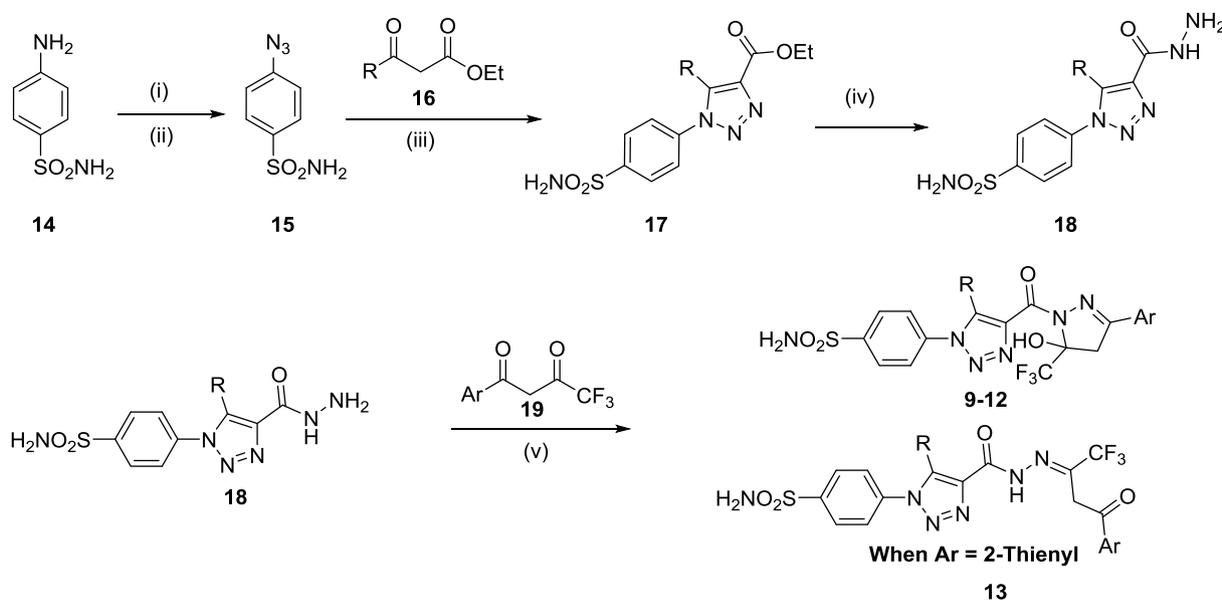
Many contributions in the literature survey revealed that the pyrazolines and 1,2,3-triazoles [23–25] represent an integral biological architecture in medicinal chemistry associated with a diverse array of activities such as anti-inflammatory [26], antimicrobial [27], antitumor [28–30], antifungal [31], antiproliferative [32], anti-tubercular [33] and CAI activities [23–25]. In a previous study from our group, some pyrazolylpyrazolines bearing benzenesulfonamide **1** have been reported to show selective inhibition of hCA IX and XII [34]. Recently, some 4-functionalized 1,5-diaryl-1,2,3-triazoles containing benzenesulfonamide **2–8** have also been reported from our group acting as strong inhibitors of human carbonic anhydrase I, II, IV and IX [35–37]. These results indicate that pyrazoline and 1,2,3-triazole scaffolds are promising entities for exploring molecules of interest as CAIs.

To study the combined effect of these moieties on biological activity and continuing our interest in the field of designing benzenesulfonamide bearing heterocyclic compounds as CAIs, [34–38] we report herein synthesis and biological evaluation of hydroxy-trifluoromethylpyrazoline-carbonyl-1,2,3-triazoles **9–12** and trifluoromethylhydrazone-carbonyl-1,2,3-triazoles **13** bearing benzenesulfonamide as carbonic anhydrase hCA I, II, IX and XII inhibitors (Fig. 1).

## 2. Results and discussion

### 2.1. Chemistry

The synthetic pathway employed for the synthesis of targeted sulfonamides is depicted in Scheme 1. Carboxylic acid hydrazides of 1,2,3-triazole bearing benzenesulfonamide **18**, required for the synthesis of target molecules, were prepared by the diazotization of commercially available sulfanilamide (**14**) which upon subsequent reaction with sodium azide at 0 °C yielded 4-azidobenzenesulfonamide (**15**) [39]. Compound **15** was subsequently treated with differently substituted  $\beta$ -ketoesters **16**, to afford 1,5-diaryl-1,2,3-triazole carboxylates **17**, which on further reaction with hydrazinehydrate yielded carboxylic acid hydrazides of 1,2,3-triazole **18** [35]. Various substituted 1,3-diketones **19** were prepared by the reaction of corresponding acetophenones with ethyl trifluoroacetate by using sodium ethoxide as a base in dry benzene [40]. First of all, it was attempted to synthesize single product by conventional method of refluxing carboxylic acid hydrazides of 1,2,3-triazole bearing benzenesulfonamide **18** and 1,3-diketones **19** in ethanol containing a few drops of conc. HCl for 5–6 hrs but it resulted into a mixture of products. NMR of the isolated solid product confirmed the presence of a mixture of hydroxypyrazolines and pyrazoles. For getting the single desired product, different reaction conditions were unsuccessfully attempted leading to a mixture of products. Finally, reaction in DMF with catalytic amount of conc. HCl, stirring for 5 hrs at 50 °C followed by addition of few drops of conc. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> at 90 °C followed by further stirring for 8–9 hrs, afforded a solid product on workup with water, which was purified by recrystallization. However under the same reaction conditions, carboxylic acid hydrazides of 1,2,3-triazole bearing benzenesulfonamide **18** on reacting with thienyl substituted 1,3-diketones **19** afforded unexpected hydrazone derivatives **13**. Attempts to further cyclize the hydrazones **13** under variety of different conditions did not yield the desired results. Postulated



	Ar									
	16	17	18	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Naphthyl	2-Pyridyl	2-Thienyl
<b>19</b>	-	-	-	<b>19a</b>	<b>19b</b>	<b>19c</b>	<b>19d</b>	<b>19e</b>	<b>19f</b>	<b>19g</b>
<b>R</b> CH <sub>3</sub>	<b>16a</b>	<b>17a</b>	<b>18a</b>	<b>9a</b>	<b>9b</b>	<b>9c</b>	<b>9d</b>	<b>9e</b>	<b>9f</b>	<b>13a</b>
C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	<b>16b</b>	<b>17b</b>	<b>18b</b>	<b>10a</b>	<b>10b</b>	<b>10c</b>	<b>10d</b>	<b>10e</b>	<b>10f</b>	<b>13b</b>
4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	<b>16c</b>	<b>17c</b>	<b>18c</b>	<b>11a</b>	<b>11b</b>	<b>11c</b>	<b>11d</b>	<b>11e</b>	<b>11f</b>	<b>13c</b>
4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	<b>16d</b>	<b>17d</b>	<b>18d</b>	<b>12a</b>	<b>12b</b>	<b>12c</b>	<b>12d</b>	<b>12e</b>	<b>12f</b>	<b>13d</b>

**Scheme 1.** Synthesis of target compounds 9–13. Reaction conditions: (i) HCl, NaNO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, 0 °C; (ii) NaN<sub>3</sub>, 0 °C; (iii) Piperidine, DMSO, 70 °C; (iv) NH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, EtOH, Reflux; (v) DMF, H<sup>+</sup>.

structures of the newly prepared sulfonamides were in full agreement with their spectral data (IR, <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR, <sup>19</sup>F NMR and HRMS). In IR spectra of 9–13 the absorption frequencies due to O–H and NH<sub>2</sub> groups appeared in the region 3656–3533 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 3394–3194 cm<sup>-1</sup> respectively while absorption band corresponding to C=O and SO<sub>2</sub> appeared in the range of 1690–1643 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1358–1142 cm<sup>-1</sup> respectively. On the other hand hydrazones 13 showed extra peak for C=O absorption at 1720–1705 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> of compounds 9–13 revealed singlet at δ 8.58–8.34 ppm for O–H, while free SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> group resonated around δ 7.63–7.54 ppm as singlet integrating for two protons. Two characteristic doublets at δ 4.15–3.65 ppm and δ 3.80–3.46 ppm for CH<sub>2</sub> confirm the formation of hydroxypyrazolines 9–12. At the same time, singlet at δ 4.78–4.72 ppm for the CH<sub>2</sub> group and another singlet at δ 11.90–11.81 ppm for NH confirm the formation of hydrazones 13.

As there is a possibility of formation of two regioisomers 9a and 9a' (Fig. 2.), <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy had been used to identify the position of CF<sub>3</sub> group. In the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra, the observed signal from C-5 was a quartet at δ 91.84 ppm (<sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 33.7 Hz) and the C-3 atom gave a singlet at δ 153.3 ppm. This supports 9a for the structure was 9a', the signal for the sp<sup>2</sup>-hybridised C-3 atom would be a quartet with a significant downfield shift around δ 141 ppm rather than the value observed at δ 91.84 ppm, i.e. the CF<sub>3</sub> group is attached to an sp<sup>3</sup>-hybridised carbon rather than the C=N carbon atom and also appearance of quartet for CF<sub>3</sub> around δ 123 ppm (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 284.0 Hz) confirmed the

formation of structure 9a with position of CF<sub>3</sub> group at C-5 of 5-hydroxypyrazoline [41–45]. Finally, the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum gave further evidence to structure 9a as it displayed a signal at δ -76.8 ppm, which is typical for a C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub> of 5-hydroxypyrazoline rather than a C<sub>3</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub> which should be at around δ -67 ppm [42–45]. Further hydrazones 13 exhibited a peak at δ 185 ppm in their <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra for carbonyl group which was at around δ 160 ppm in case of pyrazolines.

## 2.2. CA inhibition studies

The CA inhibitory profile of all the newly synthesized 28 compounds 9–13 was evaluated in vitro for their ability to inhibit physiologically relevant hCA isoforms I and II (cytosolic) as well as hCA IX and XII (transmembrane, tumor-associated isoforms) by means of the stopped-flow CO<sub>2</sub> hydration assay [46] and their activities were compared to the standard reference drug acetazolamide (AAZ). The following structure activity relationship can be compiled from the inhibition data (Table 1).

1. The slow cytosolic isoforms hCA I was inhibited by the compounds 9–13 with K<sub>i</sub>'s ranging between 41.4 and 947.7 nM. Compounds 9a–9f, 10a–10c, 10f and 12a showed excellent inhibition activity (K<sub>i</sub> ≤ 100 nM) as compared to standard drug AAZ (K<sub>i</sub> = 250 nM) against hCA I. Among these, compounds 9d, 9e, 10a and 10f emerged as the most efficient hCAI inhibitors with K<sub>i</sub> values of 41.4,

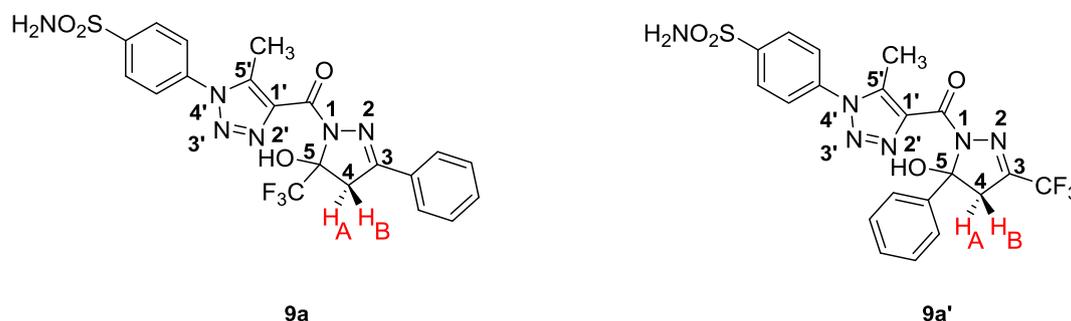


Fig. 2. Proposed structure for product 9a and 9a'.

Table 1

Inhibition data of human CA isoforms hCA I, II, IX and XII with sulfonamides 9–13 reported here and the standard sulfonamide inhibitor acetazolamide (AAZ) by a stopped flow CO<sub>2</sub> hydrase assay [46].

Compounds	R	Ar	K <sub>i</sub> (nM) <sup>a</sup>			
			hCA I	hCA II	hCA IX	hCA XII
9a	CH <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	58.0	0.42	16.3	8.7
9b	CH <sub>3</sub>	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	68.8	0.43	90.5	21.7
9c	CH <sub>3</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	72.9	0.93	20.8	55.9
9d	CH <sub>3</sub>	4-BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	41.4	0.46	24.0	8.9
9e	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-Naphthyl	55.5	1.7	79.9	64.2
9f	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-Pyridyl	86.4	23.5	26.5	88.1
10a	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	53.1	0.57	22.8	42.1
10b	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	82.6	6.3	28.2	8.7
10c	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	70.2	22.8	161.2	9.0
10d	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	4-BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	265.5	7.9	24.5	7.6
10e	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	2-Naphthyl	172.4	27.8	28.3	10.2
10f	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	2-Pyridyl	41.5	1.9	9.9	0.87
11a	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	151.5	3.6	31.2	73.9
11b	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	501.8	24.5	206.9	52.1
11c	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	709.1	53.3	48.9	98.0
11d	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	774.0	30.6	33.2	60.4
11e	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Naphthyl	947.7	48.3	134.3	4.2
11f	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Pyridyl	555.9	38.6	6.0	31.8
12a	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	84.8	0.90	6.1	4.2
12b	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	240.4	78.2	27.0	6.0
12c	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	518.0	7.2	14.4	5.1
12d	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	541.9	8.4	23.6	56.9
12e	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Naphthyl	661.2	94.3	25.6	9.0
12f	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Pyridyl	692.1	2.5	0.7	24.1
13a	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-Thienyl	69.8	0.47	12.5	7.7
13b	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	2-Thienyl	69.0	2.4	11.6	1.2
13c	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Thienyl	91.1	9.5	26.8	34.7
13d	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Thienyl	65.2	6.1	1.4	2.4
AAZ	–	–	250	12	25	5.7

AAZ = acetazolamide, reference compound, a standard sulfonamide CAI, is also provided for comparison.

<sup>a</sup> Mean from 3 different assays, by a stopped flow technique (errors were in the range of ± 5–10% of the reported values).

55.5, 53.1 and 41.5 nM respectively, with more than 4-fold increased activity than AAZ. Some of the compounds 11b–11f and 12c–12f were weak inhibitors of off-targeted hCA I. Trifluoromethylhydrazone-carbonyl-1,2,3-triazole 13 emanate better inhibition potential than hydroxy-trifluoromethylpyrazoline-carbonyl-1,2,3-triazole 9–12 against hCA I. In terms of SAR, inhibition potency against hCA I of tested compounds in general decreases as the substituent size increases at C-5' of 1,2,3-triazole ring.

2. The dominant cytosolic isoform hCA II was effectively inhibited by most of the compounds 9a–9e, 10a, 10b, 10d, 10f, 11a, 12a, 12c, 12d, 12f and 13a–13d with K<sub>i</sub> in the range of sub-nanomolar to single digit nanomolar 0.42–9.5 nM. Inhibition constant decreases by expanding the substituent on aryl group at C-5' of 1,2,3-triazole ring. Overall comparison of the hydroxy-trifluoromethylpyrazoline-carbonyl-1,2,3-triazoles 9–12 with trifluoromethylhydrazone-

carbonyl-1,2,3-triazoles 13 showed that the hydrazones 13 were better inhibitors of hCA II.

- The inhibition potential against tumor associated hCA IX isoform of all newly synthesized compounds 9–13 investigated here, was in the range of K<sub>i</sub> = 0.7–206.9 nM. Furthermore twelve compounds 9a, 9c, 9d, 10a, 10d, 10f, 11f, 12a, 12c, 12d, 13a, 13b showed better inhibition with K<sub>i</sub> ≤ 24.5 nM for hCA IX as compared to reference drug AAZ (K<sub>i</sub> = 25 nM). Indeed, two compounds 12f and 13d were found to be respectively 35 and 17-fold more effective than the standard drug AAZ.
- Tumor associated isoform hCA XII was inhibited by all the synthesized 28 novel compounds 9–13 with K<sub>i</sub> values 0.87–98.0 nM. Amongst all the tested compounds, two analogues 10f (K<sub>i</sub> = 0.87 nM), and 13b (K<sub>i</sub> = 1.2 nM) displayed inhibitory potential approximately 5-fold superior than the AAZ (K<sub>i</sub> = 5.7 nM). It can be concluded from the table that the trend of CA inhibitory potential against hCA XII was found to be 10f < 13b < 13d < 11e = 12a < 12c with K<sub>i</sub> ≤ 5.1 nM from the most effective to the least effective compound.
- In general hydrazones 13a–13d showed excellent inhibiting potential against hCA I, II, IX and XII except, compound 13c in which tolyl substituent is present at C-5' position of 1,2,3-triazole ring. It can be concluded that bulkier group at C-5' position of 1,2,3-triazole ring in general reduces the CAI activity in the newly synthesized compounds.
- The selectivity ratio for inhibiting the tumor-associated isoforms hCA IX and XII over the off-targeted cytosolic isoforms hCA I and II has been presented in Table 2. It is evident that the compounds didn't show a consistent behavior in their property against all the four tested isoforms (hCA I, II, IX and XII). It can be observed that some of the investigated derivatives showed promising levels of selective inhibition of the transmembrane over the cytosolic isoforms. It was also observed that the compounds which showed excellent inhibition of isoform hCA IX and XII were also shown to be highly selective. Compound 12b and 12e showed maximum inhibition selectivity ratio for hCA IX and XII over hCA II and 12c showed over hCA I. All other compounds of this series that is 12c–12f were also shown to be excellently selective for hCA IX over hCA I having selectivity ratio more than 10. Thus, the biological activity of these sulfonamides constitute an interesting precursor for exploring in more detail the hydroxy-trifluoromethylpyrazoline-carbonyl-1,2,3-triazoles 9–12 and trifluoromethylhydrazone-carbonyl-1,2,3-triazoles 13 incorporating benzenesulfonamide, for designing isoform-selective metalloenzyme inhibitors.

### 3. Conclusions

In summary, this study reports the synthesis and unambiguous characterization of twenty four novel hydroxy-trifluoromethylpyrazoline-carbonyl-1,2,3-triazoles and four hydrazones. In light of the CA inhibition profile, it can be concluded that synthesized sulfonamide compounds investigated as inhibitors of four hCA isoforms, the

**Table 2**  
Selectivity ratios for inhibiting the tumor-associated isoforms hCA IX and XII over cytosolic isoforms hCA I and II, with AAZ and compounds 9–13.

Compounds	R	Ar	Selectivity ratio <sup>a</sup>			
			I/IX	II/IX	I/XII	II/XII
9a	CH <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	3.558	0.026	6.667	0.048
9b	CH <sub>3</sub>	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	0.760	0.005	3.171	0.020
9c	CH <sub>3</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	3.505	0.045	1.304	0.017
9d	CH <sub>3</sub>	4-BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	1.725	0.019	4.652	0.052
9e	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-Naphthyl	0.695	0.021	0.864	0.026
9f	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-Pyridyl	3.260	0.887	0.981	0.267
10a	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	2.329	0.025	1.261	0.014
10b	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2.929	0.223	9.494	0.724
10c	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	0.435	0.141	7.800	2.533
10d	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	4-BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	10.837	0.322	34.934	1.039
10e	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	2-Naphthyl	6.092	0.982	16.902	2.725
10f	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	2-Pyridyl	4.192	0.192	47.701	2.184
11a	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	4.856	0.115	2.050	0.049
11b	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2.425	0.118	9.631	0.470
11c	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	14.501	1.090	7.236	0.544
11d	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	23.313	0.922	12.815	0.507
11e	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Naphthyl	7.057	0.360	225.643	11.500
11f	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Pyridyl	92.650	6.433	17.481	1.214
12a	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	13.902	0.148	20.190	0.214
12b	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	8.904	2.896	40.067	13.033
12c	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	35.972	0.500	101.569	1.412
12d	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	22.962	0.356	9.524	0.148
12e	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Naphthyl	25.828	3.684	73.467	10.478
12f	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Pyridyl	988.714	3.571	28.718	0.104
13a	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-Thienyl	5.584	0.038	9.065	0.061
13b	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	2-Thienyl	5.948	0.207	57.500	2.000
13c	4-H <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Thienyl	3.399	0.354	2.625	0.274
13d	4-FC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-Thienyl	46.571	4.357	27.167	2.542
AAZ	–	–	10.000	0.480	43.860	2.105

AAZ = acetazolamide, reference compound, a standard sulfonamide CAI, is also provided for comparison.

<sup>a</sup> The K<sub>i</sub> ratios are indicative of isozyme selectivity: a weak selective inhibitor is characterized by a low value ratio.

cytosolic CA I and II, as well as the transmembrane, tumor-associated CA IX and XII, interesting inhibitory activities were observed against almost all these isoforms. The most active inhibitors in both the series were found to be the compounds **9d** and **10f**, which had K<sub>i</sub> value of around 41.5 nM for hCA I (involved in edema), and compound **9a**, **9b**, **9d** and **13a** with K<sub>i</sub> value of around 0.45 nM for hCA II (an anti-glaucoma drug target). Compound **12f** showed the most effective inhibitory action for the tumor associated isoform hCA IX (an isoform involved in tumors) (K<sub>i</sub> = 0.7 nM) being a better inhibitor compared to the reference drug AAZ (K<sub>i</sub> = 25 nM). Compound **10f** K<sub>i</sub> = 0.87 nM was found to be the most effective inhibitor against hCA XII. Our findings identify the advantage of using compounds with flexible smaller substituents at the C-5 of 1,2,3-triazole ring may provide an avenue to overcome CA isoform specificity, as they may unveil both nanomolar affinity and preferential binding for the tumor associated membrane bound isoforms.

## 4. Experimental protocols

### 4.1. General

All the chemicals were purchased from Alfa Aesar, Himedia and used as received without further purification. Melting points were determined in open glass capillaries in an electrical melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out on Merck silica gel F-254 aluminium plates using a mixture of chloroform and methanol as eluent while UV lamp was used to visualize the spots. Compounds were named following IUPAC rules as applied by ChemDraw Professional 17.0. IR spectra were measured on ABB MB 3000 DTGS IR instrument using the KBr pellet technique. <sup>1</sup>H

NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance III 400 MHz, 100 MHz and 282.4 MHz respectively, using deuterated dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) as solvent, and tetramethylsilane (TMS) as internal standard at room temperature. Chemical shifts are expressed at δ (ppm) values relative to Me<sub>4</sub>Si (TMS). The apparent resonance multiplicity is described as: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), dd (doublet of doublets), td (triplet of doublets) and m (multiplet) for NMR assignments and strong (s), medium (m) for IR assignments. The coupling constants in NMR are expressed in hertz (Hz). High resolution mass spectra were obtained from Xevo G2-S QToF UPLC/MS spectrometer.

### 4.2. General procedure for the synthesis of 4-(4-(5-hydroxy-3-aryl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-alkyl/aryl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (9–12) and 4-(5-alkyl/aryl-4-(2-(1,1,1-trifluoro-4-oxo-4-(thiophen-2-yl)butan-2-ylidene)hydrazine-1-carbonyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (13)

To a solution of Carboxylic acid hydrazides of 1,2,3-triazole bearing benzenesulfonamide **18** (1.1 mmol) and substituted 1,3-diketones **19** (1.1 mmol) in DMF (15 ml), added conc. HCl (1 ml) and then stirred at 50 °C for 5 hrs. Thereafter, few drops of conc. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> were added and the reaction mixture was further stirred at 90 °C in silicon oil bath for 9–12 hrs. The reaction was monitored through TLC and after completion, the reaction mixture was allowed to cool and poured into ice cold water to obtain a solid which was filtered and dried to afford crude solid. Crude product thus obtained was recrystallized in appropriate solvent. It is pertinent to mention here that under the same reaction conditions thienyl substituted 1,3-diketones **19** on reacting with Carboxylic acid hydrazides of 1,2,3-triazole bearing benzenesulfonamide **18** afforded corresponding hydrazone-carbonyl-1,2,3-triazoles **13**.

#### 4.2.1. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-phenyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-methyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (9a)

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 68%; Colour: Pale Yellow; mp: 210–212 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.63 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) (ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3618 (s, O–H), 3356, 3263 (m, N–H stretch), 1666 (s, C=O stretch), 1342, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> (ppm): 8.39 (s, 1H, OH), 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.77 (dd, *J* = 7.6 Hz, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.63 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.51–7.46 (m, 3H, Ar), 4.02 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.67 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.44 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> (ppm): 159.83, 152.68, 145.00, 140.03, 137.71, 136.21, 130.73, 129.92, 128.78, 127.08, 126.69, 125.79, 123.20 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 284.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 91.84 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 33.7 Hz, C-5), 44.20, 9.79; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz) –δ 76.05 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS) *m/z* 495.1057 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 495.1062.

#### 4.2.2. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-(*p*-tolyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-methyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (9b)

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 66%; Colour: White; mp: 185–187 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.64 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) (ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3626 (s, O–H), 3364, 3286 (m, N–H stretch), 1643 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1149 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> (ppm): 8.34 (s, 1H, OH), 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.62 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.97 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.64 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.43 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.35 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> (ppm): 159.75, 152.61, 144.98, 140.66, 140.07, 137.70, 136.15, 129.34, 127.18, 127.07, 126.65, 125.77, 123.21 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 284.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 91.62 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 33.1 Hz, C-5), 44.24, 20.96, 9.78; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz) –δ 76.06 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS) *m/z* 509.1212

(M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 509.1219.

**4.2.3. 4-(4-(3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-hydroxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-methyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (9c)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 72%; Colour: Brown; mp: 205–207 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.64 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) (ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3636 (s, O–H), 3340, 3248 (m, N–H stretch), 1690 (s, C=O stretch), 1342, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> (ppm): 8.41 (s, 1H, OH), 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.62 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 4.03 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.67 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.44 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> (ppm): 160.38, 152.30, 145.58, 140.47, 138.24, 136.95, 135.88, 129.43, 129.02, 127.63, 126.33, 123.69 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 284.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 92.60 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 33.9 Hz, C-5), 44.66, 10.33; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz) –δ 75.99 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS) *m/z* 529.0668 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 531.0638 (M + H + 2)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 529.0672

**4.2.4. 4-(4-(3-(4-Bromophenyl)-5-hydroxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-methyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (9d)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 64%; Colour: White; mp: 216–218 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.65 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) (ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3644 (s, O–H), 3333, 3240 (m, N–H stretch), 1690 (s, C=O stretch), 1350, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> (ppm): 8.42 (s, 1H, OH), 8.09 (dd, *J* = 8.8 Hz, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.96 (dd, *J* = 8.8 Hz, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.73–7.67 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.62 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 4.03 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.67 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.44 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> (ppm): 160.38, 152.40, 145.59, 140.46, 138.24, 136.97, 132.35, 129.77, 129.20, 127.64, 126.33, 124.73, 123.83 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 284.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 92.60 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 33.4 Hz, C-5), 44.61, 10.34; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz) –δ 75.98 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS) *m/z* 573.0159 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 575.0141 (M + H + 2)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>BrF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 573.0167.

**4.2.5. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-methyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (9e)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 66%; Colour: Pale Yellow; mp: 237–239 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.64 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) (ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3618 (s, O–H), 3364, 3271 (m, N–H stretch), 1659 (s, C=O stretch), 1335, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> (ppm): 8.45 (s, 1H, OH), 8.31 (s, 1H, Ar), 8.11–8.09 (m, 2H, Ar), 8.03–7.91 (m, 6H, Ar), 7.63–7.60 (m, 4H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, Ar), 4.15 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.80 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.48 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> (ppm): 160.38, 153.28, 145.57, 140.58, 138.29, 136.96, 134.25, 133.08, 129.03, 128.95, 128.60, 128.09, 127.65, 127.44, 126.39, 123.33 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 284.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 123.20, 92.57 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 34.4 Hz, C-5), 44.79, 10.39; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz) –δ 75.97 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS) *m/z* 545.1212 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 545.1219.

**4.2.6. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-(pyridin-2-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-methyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (9f)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 62%; Colour: Off White; mp: 204–206 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.63 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) (ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3533 (s, O–H), 3348, 3256 (m, N–H stretch), 1674 (s, C=O stretch), 1342, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> (ppm): 8.69–8.67 (m, 1H, Ar) 8.48 (s, 1H, OH), 8.10–8.07 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.98–7.95 (m, 3H, Ar), 7.91 (td, *J* = 7.6 Hz, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.62 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.53–7.50 (m, 1H, Ar), 3.97 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub>

= 19.6 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.68 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.6 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.45 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> (ppm): 159.89, 153.48, 149.54, 148.92, 145.02, 139.79, 137.67, 137.09, 136.48, 127.06, 125.80, 125.23, 123.12 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 284.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 120.81, 91.99 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 33.3 Hz, C-5), 44.07, 9.82; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz) –δ 76.16 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS) *m/z* 496.1006 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 496.1015.

**4.2.7. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-phenyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-phenyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (10a)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 72%; Colour: Yellow; mp: 208–210 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.64 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) (ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3622 (s, O–H), 3394, 3271 (m, N–H stretch), 1659 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1173 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> (ppm): 8.40 (s, 1H, OH), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.57 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.45–7.34 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.30–7.26 (m, 5H, Ar), 3.75 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.50 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> (ppm): 159.46, 152.26, 144.84, 140.44, 137.90, 137.53, 130.61, 129.57, 129.37, 129.15, 128.45, 128.39, 126.82, 126.66, 126.30, 125.58, 123.08 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 284.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 91.43 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 33.4 Hz, C-5), 44.00; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz) –δ 76.28 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS) *m/z* 557.1212 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 557.1219.

**4.2.8. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-(*p*-tolyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-phenyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (10b)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 67%; Colour: Yellow; mp: 190–192 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.65 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) (ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3656 (s, O–H), 3356, 3256 (m, N–H stretch), 1674 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> (ppm): 8.35 (s, 1H, OH), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.57 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.28 (s, 5H, Ar), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.71 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.46 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.30 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> (ppm): 159.39, 152.21, 144.83, 140.51, 137.90, 137.48, 129.57, 129.14, 128.96, 128.44, 126.82, 126.68, 126.64, 126.29, 123.10, (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 283.4 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 91.32 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 33.78 Hz, C-5), 44.07, 20.93; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz) –δ 76.26 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS) *m/z* 571.1365 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>21</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 571.1375.

**4.2.9. 4-(4-(3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-hydroxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-phenyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (10c)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 69%; Colour: Yellow; mp: 212–214 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.64 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) (ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3618 (s, O–H), 3356, 3263 (m, N–H stretch), 1682 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> (ppm): 8.43 (s, 1H, OH), 7.93 (dd, *J* = 8.8 Hz, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.69 (dd, *J* = 8.8 Hz, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.57 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.47–7.41 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.28 (s, 5H, Ar), 3.75 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.47 (d, *J*<sub>HA-HB</sub> = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> (ppm): 159.41, 151.29, 144.86, 140.31, 137.87, 137.70, 135.21, 129.60, 129.16, 128.49, 128.27, 126.83, 126.28, 125.61, 123.02 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 283.2 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 91.61 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 34.0 Hz, C-5), 44.89; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz) –δ 76.23 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS) *m/z* 591.0826 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 593.0801 (M + H + 2)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 591.0829.

**4.2.10. 4-(4-(3-(4-Bromophenyl)-5-hydroxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-phenyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (10d)**

Recrystallized from ethanol/THF; Yield 68%; Colour: Pale Yellow; mp: 215–217 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.63 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v

$\nu$ ); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3634 (s, O–H), 3356, 3263 (m, N–H stretch), 1682 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1165 (s,  $\text{SO}_2$  stretch);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (ppm): 8.41 (s, 1H, OH), 7.94 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.68 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.58–7.55 (m, 4H,  $\text{SO}_2\text{NH}_2$ , Ar), 7.38 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.28 (s, 5H, Ar), 3.75 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.2$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.48 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.2$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (ppm): 159.41, 151.40, 144.86, 140.31, 137.86, 137.70, 131.40, 129.60, 129.16, 128.61, 128.48, 126.82, 126.29, 125.60, 124.10, 123.01 (q,  $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 285.0$  Hz,  $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ), 91.61 (q,  $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 33.7$  Hz, C-5), 43.84;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.22 ( $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  635.0317 ( $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ) $^+$ , 637.0300 ( $\text{M} + \text{H} + 2$ ) $^+$ ,  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrF}_3\text{N}_6\text{O}_4\text{SH}^+$ , calcd 635.0324.

**4.2.11. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-phenyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (10e)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 71%; Colour: Pale Yellow; mp: 229–231 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.65 ( $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ , 90:10,  $\nu/\nu$ ); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3610 (s, O–H), 3317, 3256 (m, N–H stretch), 1659 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1173 (s,  $\text{SO}_2$  stretch);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (ppm): 8.44 (s, 1H, OH), 8.05 (s, 1H, Ar), 7.96–7.90 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.84 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.72 (dd,  $J = 6.8$  Hz,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.59–7.53 (m, 5H,  $\text{SO}_2\text{NH}_2$ , Ar), 7.34 (dd,  $J = 8.0$  Hz,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.29–7.22 (m, 3H, Ar), 3.87 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.2$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.64 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.2$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (ppm): 159.43, 152.25, 144.85, 140.40, 137.94, 137.70, 133.58, 132.26, 129.56, 129.20, 128.46, 128.40, 127.86, 127.73, 127.58, 127.43, 126.96, 126.83, 126.34, 125.66, 124.48 (q,  $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 284.0$  Hz,  $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ), 122.98, 122.89, 91.54 (q,  $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 34.1$  Hz, C-5), 44.04;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.19 ( $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  607.1368 ( $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ) $^+$ ,  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{N}_6\text{O}_4\text{SH}^+$ , calcd 607.1375.

**4.2.12. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-(pyridin-2-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-phenyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (10f)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 62%; Colour: White; mp: 210–212 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.64 ( $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ , 90:10,  $\nu/\nu$ ); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3618 (s, O–H), 3348, 3214 (m, N–H stretch), 1682 (s, C=O stretch), 1335, 1173 (s,  $\text{SO}_2$  stretch);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (ppm): 8.56–8.54 (m, 1H, Ar), 8.49 (s, 1H, OH), 7.94 (dd,  $J = 8.4$  Hz,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.78 (td,  $J = 8.0$  Hz,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.70 (dd,  $J = 8.4$  Hz,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.57 (s, 2H,  $\text{SO}_2\text{NH}_2$ ), 7.53 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.44–7.41 (m, 1H, Ar), 7.31–7.24 (m, 5H, Ar), 3.65 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.6$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.47 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.6$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (ppm): 159.49, 152.97, 149.23, 148.31, 144.87, 140.19, 137.89, 137.84, 136.58, 129.55, 129.18, 128.45, 126.81, 126.32, 125.62, 125.13, 123.0 (q,  $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 284.3$  Hz,  $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ), 120.93, 91.55 (q,  $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 33.9$  Hz, C-5), 43.84;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.41 ( $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  558.1162 ( $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ) $^+$ ,  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{18}\text{F}_3\text{N}_7\text{O}_4\text{SH}^+$ , calcd 558.1171.

**4.2.13. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-phenyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-(p-tolyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (11a)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 65%; Colour: White; mp: 220–222 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.64 ( $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ , 90:10,  $\nu/\nu$ ); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3600 (s, O–H), 3333, 3256 (m, N–H stretch), 1690 (s, C=O stretch), 1350, 1165 (s,  $\text{SO}_2$  stretch);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (ppm): 8.40 (s, 1H, OH), 7.94 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.68 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.58 (s, 2H,  $\text{SO}_2\text{NH}_2$ ), 7.47–7.36 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.16 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.09 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.80 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.2$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.52 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.2$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.16 (s, 3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (ppm): 160.14, 152.91, 145.37, 140.89, 139.86, 138.55, 138.07, 131.18, 130.07, 129.64, 128.98, 127.42, 127.20, 126.85, 125.34 (q,

$^1J_{\text{CF}} = 284.0$  Hz,  $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ), 123.15, 92.04 (q,  $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 34.4$  Hz, C-5), 44.59, 21.22;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.30 ( $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  571.1369 ( $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ) $^+$ ,  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_3\text{N}_6\text{O}_4\text{SH}^+$ , calcd 571.1375.

**4.2.14. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-(p-tolyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-(p-tolyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (11b)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 67%; Colour: Pale Yellow; mp: 208–210 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.65 ( $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ , 90:10,  $\nu/\nu$ ); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3552 (s, O–H), 3364, 3263 (m, N–H stretch), 1674 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1165 (s,  $\text{SO}_2$  stretch);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (ppm): 8.34 (s, 1H, OH), 7.94 (dd,  $J = 8.4$  Hz,  $J = 2.0$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.68 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.56 (s, 2H,  $\text{SO}_2\text{NH}_2$ ), 7.36 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.19–7.15 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.10 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.77 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.2$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.49 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.2$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.31 (s, 3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.17 (s, 3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (ppm): 159.54, 152.32, 144.80, 140.53, 140.40, 139.30, 138.00, 137.45, 129.07, 129.04, 128.99, 126.86, 126.82, 126.61, 126.27, 123.11 (q,  $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 283.7$  Hz,  $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ), 91.40 (q,  $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 34.0$  Hz, C-5), 122.58, 44.09, 20.93, 20.67;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.29 ( $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  585.1523 ( $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ) $^+$ ,  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{N}_6\text{O}_4\text{SH}^+$ , calcd 585.1532.

**4.2.15. 4-(4-(3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-hydroxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-(p-tolyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (11c)**

Recrystallized from chloroform/THF; Yield 73%; Colour: White; mp: 206–208 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.63 ( $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ , 90:10,  $\nu/\nu$ ); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3642 (s, O–H), 3371, 3271 (m, N–H stretch), 1674 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1165 (s,  $\text{SO}_2$  stretch);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (ppm): 8.41 (s, 1H, OH), 7.94 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.67 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.56 (s, 2H,  $\text{SO}_2\text{NH}_2$ ), 7.48–7.42 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.15 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.09 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.80 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.2$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.50 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.2$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.16 (s, 3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (ppm): 159.52, 151.38, 144.82, 140.21, 139.32, 137.96, 135.21, 129.09, 129.07, 128.49, 128.41, 126.85, 126.25, 123.04 (q,  $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 283.7$  Hz,  $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ), 122.61, 91.67 (q,  $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 34.0$  Hz, C-5), 43.91, 20.64;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.25 ( $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  605.1075 ( $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ) $^+$ , 607.1047 ( $\text{M} + \text{H} + 2$ ) $^+$ ,  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{ClF}_3\text{N}_6\text{O}_4\text{SH}^+$ , calcd 605.0985.

**4.2.16. 4-(4-(3-(4-Bromophenyl)-5-hydroxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-(p-tolyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (11d)**

Recrystallized from ethanol/THF; Yield 67%; Colour: Pale Yellow; mp: 207–209 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.64 ( $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ , 90:10,  $\nu/\nu$ ); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3564 (s, O–H), 3348, 3263 (m, N–H stretch), 1674 (s, C=O stretch), 1342, 1165 (s,  $\text{SO}_2$  stretch);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (ppm): 8.41 (s, 1H, OH), 7.93 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.67 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.59–7.56 (m, 4H,  $\text{SO}_2\text{NH}_2$ , Ar), 7.39 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.15 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.09 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.79 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.6$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.49 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}} = 19.6$  Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.16 (s, 3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (ppm): 160.09, 152.06, 145.38, 140.77, 139.89, 138.52, 138.23, 131.99, 129.65, 129.32, 129.15, 127.41, 126.82, 124.64, 123.58 (q,  $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 284.6$  Hz,  $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ), 123.16, 92.25 (q,  $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 33.9$  Hz, C-5), 44.42, 21.20;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.25 ( $\text{C}_5\text{-CF}_3$ ); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  649.0472 ( $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ) $^+$ , 651.4555 ( $\text{M} + \text{H} + 2$ ) $^+$ ,  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{BrF}_3\text{N}_6\text{O}_4\text{SH}^+$ , calcd 649.0498.

**4.2.17. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-(p-tolyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (11e)**

Recrystallized from  $\text{CHCl}_3/\text{THF}$ ; Yield 68%; Colour: White; mp:

230–232 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.65 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3644 (s, O–H), 3364, 3263 (m, N–H stretch), 1666 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 8.45 (s, 1H, OH), 8.07 (s, 1H, Ar), 7.96–7.91 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.86 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.71 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.58–7.54 (m, 5H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, Ar), 7.20 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.08 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.92 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.64 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.09 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 159.56, 152.37, 144.81, 140.30, 139.28, 138.03, 137.64, 133.59, 132.29, 129.09, 128.38, 127.89, 127.72, 127.60, 127.42, 127.09, 126.86, 126.76, 123.14 (q, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 284.7 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.83, 122.65, 91.60 (q, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 34.0 Hz, C-5), 44.06, 20.60; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.22 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  621.1526 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>23</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 621.1532.

**4.2.18. 4-(4-(5-Hydroxy-3-(pyridin-2-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-(*p*-tolyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (11f)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 59%; Colour: Off White; mp: 209–211 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.65 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3604 (s, O–H), 3350, 3286 (m, N–H stretch), 1690 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1157 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 8.58 (dd,  $J$  = 4.0 Hz,  $J$  = 0.8 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.49 (s, 1H, OH), 7.94 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.79 (td,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.69 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.57 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.52 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.43 (dd,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.16 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.06 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.69 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.50 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.13 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 160.15, 153.62, 149.82, 149.00, 145.40, 140.64, 139.88, 138.50, 138.44, 137.16, 129.63, 127.41, 126.87, 125.69, 123.60 (q, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 284.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 123.19, 121.47, 92.19 (q, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 33.7 Hz, C-5), 44.41, 21.18; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.43 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  572.1325 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 572.1328.

**4.2.19. 4-(5-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4-(5-hydroxy-3-phenyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (12a)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 66%; Colour: Brown; mp: 208–210 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.64 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3618 (s, O–H), 3356, 3271 (m, N–H stretch), 1674 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 8.39 (s, 1H, OH), 7.94 (dd,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz,  $J$  = 1.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.70 (dd,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz,  $J$  = 1.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.57 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.49–7.47 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.44–7.42 (m, 1H, Ar), 7.39–7.34 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.16–7.11 (m, 2H, Ar), 3.80 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.50 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 162.46 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 246.4 Hz) 159.31, 152.38, 144.87, 140.47, 137.77, 136.85, 131.70 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 8.8 Hz) 130.67, 129.36, 128.42, 126.85, 126.67, 126.31, 123.06 (q, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 283.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.17 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 3.2 Hz), 115.63 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 21.9 Hz), 91.48 (q, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 33.6 Hz, C-5), 43.98; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.28 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 110.93 (F); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  575.1118 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>4</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 575.1124.

**4.2.20. 4-(5-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4-(5-hydroxy-3-(*p*-tolyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (12b)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 64%; Colour: Yellow; mp: 210–212 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.64 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3618 (s, O–H), 3350, 3210 (m, N–H stretch), 1674 (s, C=O stretch), 1335, 1173 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 8.34 (s, 1H, OH), 7.94 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.70 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.56 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.39–7.34 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.19–7.12 (m, 4H, Ar), 3.75 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.47

(d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 2.31 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 162.47 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 246.7 Hz) 159.25, 152.34, 144.86, 140.57, 140.52, 127.77, 136.80, 131.70 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 8.8 Hz) 129.00, 126.85, 126.65, 126.29, 123.11, (q, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 284.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.17 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 3.3 Hz), 115.61 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 21.9 Hz), 91.36 (q, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 33.7 Hz, C-5), 44.04, 20.94; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.27 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 110.92 (F); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  589.1276 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>4</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 589.1281.

**4.2.21. 4-(4-(3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-hydroxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (12c)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 68%; Colour: White; mp: 215–217 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.66 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3605 (s, O–H), 3356, 3263 (m, N–H stretch), 1674 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 8.43 (s, 1H, OH), 7.95 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.70 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.58 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.50 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.44 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.38–7.34 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.15 (t,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.80 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.49 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 162.49 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 246.7 Hz) 159.29, 151.42, 144.89, 140.366, 137.74, 136.99, 135.28, 131.72 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 8.8 Hz) 128.54, 128.44, 128.25, 126.87, 126.29, 123.04 (q, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 283.5 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.18 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 3.2 Hz), 115.69 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 21.9 Hz), 91.67 (q, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 33.8 Hz, C-5), 43.89; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.22 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 110.87 (F); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  609.0726 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 611.0701 (M + H + 2)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClF<sub>4</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 609.0735.

**4.2.22. 4-(4-(3-(4-Bromophenyl)-5-hydroxy-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (12d)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 69%; Colour: Off White; mp: 207–209 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.63 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3610 (s, O–H), 3368, 3256 (m, N–H stretch), 1682 (s, C=O stretch), 1350, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 8.58 (s, 1H, OH), 7.95 (dd,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.68 (dd,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.59–7.57 (m, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, 2H, Ar), 7.42 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.37–7.33 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.15 (t,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.80 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.49 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 162.33 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 249.6 Hz), 159.26, 151.54, 144.87, 140.34, 137.73, 137.00, 131.73 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 8.8 Hz), 131.45, 129.64, 127.86, 126.29, 123.17 (q, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 284.5 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.17 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 3.3 Hz), 115.66 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 21.9 Hz), 91.65 (q, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 33.2 Hz, C-5), 43.82; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.22 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 110.88 (F); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  653.0225 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 655.0208 (M + H + 2)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>17</sub>BrF<sub>4</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SH<sup>+</sup>, calcd 653.0229.

**4.2.23. 4-(5-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4-(5-hydroxy-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (12e)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 67%; Colour: Brown; mp: 233–235 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.65 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3590 (s, O–H), 3387, 3294 (m, N–H stretch), 1666 (s, C=O stretch), 1335, 1173 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 8.44 (s, 1H, OH), 8.08 (s, 1H, Ar), 7.97–7.85 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.72 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.58–7.56 (m, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, 3H, Ar), 7.43–7.39 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.13 (t,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.92 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.61 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.2 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 163.03 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 245.9 Hz), 159.85, 152.97, 145.44, 141.01, 138.38, 137.55, 134.17, 132.85, 132.32 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 8.8 Hz), 128.99, 128.48, 128.35, 128.17, 128.03, 127.50, 127.42, 126.91, 123.42, 123.09 (q, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 282.5 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.77 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 3.2 Hz), 116.19 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 22.2 Hz), 92.16 (q, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\text{CF}}$  = 33.8 Hz, C-5), 44.60; <sup>19</sup>F NMR

(DMSO- $d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.18 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 110.94 (F); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  625.1275 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>4</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sup>+</sup>, calcd 625.1281.

**4.2.24. 4-(5-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4-(5-hydroxy-3-(pyridin-2-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (12f)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 60%; Colour: Brown; mp: 209–211 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.64 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3618 (s, O–H), 3364, 3263 (m, N–H stretch), 1682 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1165 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 8.57 (d,  $J$  = 4.8 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.48 (s, 1H, OH), 7.94 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.79 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.70 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.57 (s, 3H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, 1H, Ar), 7.44 (t,  $J$  = 6.2 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.38–7.35 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.11 (t,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 3.70 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.6 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline), 3.50 (d,  $J_{\text{HA-HB}}$  = 19.6 Hz, 1H, pyrazoline); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 162.34 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 249.4 Hz), 159.35, 153.13, 149.30, 148.33, 144.90, 137.72, 137.17, 136.65, 131.76 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 8.7 Hz), 126.84, 126.32, 125.18, 123.34 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 283.0 Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.20, 120.90 (d, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 3.2 Hz), 115.62, (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 22.0 Hz), 91.28 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 33.2 Hz, C-5), 43.74; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  76.40 (C<sub>5</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>), 110.90 (F); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  576.1069 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>4</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sup>+</sup>, calcd 576.1077.

**4.2.25. 4-(5-Methyl-4-(2-(1,1,1-trifluoro-4-oxo-4-(thiophen-2-yl)butan-2-ylidene)hydrazine-1-carbonyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (13a)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 76%; Colour: Off White; mp: 142–144 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.70 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3333, 3217 (m, N–H stretch), 1720, 1682 (s, C=O stretch), 1327, 1142 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 11.81 (s, 1H, NH), 8.16 (dd,  $J$  = 4.8 Hz,  $J$  = 0.8 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.13 (dd,  $J$  = 6.0 Hz,  $J$  = 6.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.07 (dd,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz,  $J$  = 1.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.89 (dd,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz,  $J$  = 1.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.61 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.35–7.34 (m, 1H, Ar), 4.78 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.59 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 185.44, 145.25, 145.06, 142.02, 138.53, 137.30, 135.95, 134.96, 128.89, 127.09, 125.85, 125.78 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 240.2 Hz), 34.70, 9.42; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  68.57 (CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  501.0616 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sup>+</sup>, calcd 501.0626.

**4.2.26. 4-(5-Phenyl-4-(2-(1,1,1-trifluoro-4-oxo-4-(thiophen-2-yl)butan-2-ylidene)hydrazine-1-carbonyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (13b)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 71%; Colour: Brown; mp: 149–151 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.69 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3310, 3194 (m, N–H stretch), 1705, 1659 (s, C=O stretch), 1350, 1173 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 11.90 (s, 1H, Ar), 8.13 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.90 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.60 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.54 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.47–7.38 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.34 (t,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.72 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 183.71, 145.03, 141.98, 137.74, 137.60, 134.90, 133.49, 130.08, 129.94, 128.88, 128.35, 126.83, 126.34, 126.12 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 240.0 Hz), 124.76, 114.50, 36.71; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  68.66 (CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  563.0776 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sup>+</sup>, calcd 563.0783.

**4.2.27. 4-(5-(p-Tolyl)-4-(2-(1,1,1-trifluoro-4-oxo-4-(thiophen-2-yl)butan-2-ylidene)hydrazine-1-carbonyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (13c)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 77%; Colour: Pale Yellow; mp: 145–147 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.71 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3343, 3256 (m, N–H stretch), 1713, 1643 (s, C=O stretch), 1358, 1157 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 11.89 (s, 1H, Ar), 8.13 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.91 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.59 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.55 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.34 (t,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.25–7.22 (m, 4H, Ar), 4.72 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.31 (s,

3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 185.86, 145.55, 142.54, 140.30, 138.23, 136.46, 135.48, 130.54, 129.53, 129.44, 127.42, 126.91, 125.84 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 237.8 Hz), 37.28, 21.39; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  68.64 (CF<sub>3</sub>); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  577.0932 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sup>+</sup>, calcd 577.0939.

**4.2.28. 4-(5-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-(2-(1,1,1-trifluoro-4-oxo-4-(thiophen-2-yl)butan-2-ylidene)hydrazine-1-carbonyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (13d)**

Recrystallized from ethanol; Yield 74%; Colour: Yellow; mp: 138–140 °C; silica gel F-254 TLC  $R_f$  0.70 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 90:10, v/v); IR (KBr) ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3364, 3271 (m, N–H stretch), 1705, 1643 (s, C=O stretch), 1358, 1157 (s, SO<sub>2</sub> stretch); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta_H$  (ppm): 11.90 (s, 1H, Ar), 8.13 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.90 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.59 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.54 (s, 2H, SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.44 (s, 2H, Ar), 7.34–7.25 (m, 3H, Ar), 4.73 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta_C$  (ppm): 185.97, 145.62, 142.54, 139.64, 138.02, 136.49, 135.49, 129.45, 127.44, 126.93, 125.40 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CF</sub> = 240.6 Hz), 116.20, 115.98, 96.73, 37.32; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 282.4 MHz)  $-\delta$  68.67 (CF<sub>3</sub>), 110.43 (F); HRMS (ESI-MS)  $m/z$  581.0785 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>4</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sup>+</sup>, calcd 581.0689.

## 5. CA inhibition assay

An SX.18MV-R Applied Photophysics (Oxford, UK) stopped-flow instrument has been used to assay the inhibition of various CA isozymes [47]. Phenol Red (at a concentration of 0.2 mM) has been used as an indicator, working at the absorbance maximum of 557 nm, with 10 mM Hepes (pH 7.4) as a buffer, 0.1 M Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> or NaClO<sub>4</sub> (for maintaining constant the ionic strength; these anions are not inhibitory in the used concentration), following the CA-catalyzed CO<sub>2</sub> hydration reaction for a period of 5–10 s. Saturated CO<sub>2</sub> solutions in water at 25 °C were used as substrate. Stock solutions of inhibitors were prepared at a concentration of 10 mM (in DMSO-water 1:1, v/v) and dilutions up to 0.01 nM done with the assay buffer mentioned above. At least 7 different inhibitor concentrations have been used for measuring the inhibition constant. Inhibitor and enzyme solutions were pre-incubated together for 10 min at room temperature prior to assay, in order to allow for the formation of the E-I complex. Triplicate experiments were done for each inhibitor concentration, and the values reported throughout the paper are the mean of such results. The inhibition constants were obtained by non-linear least-squares methods using the Cheng-Prusoff equation, as reported earlier, and represent the mean from at least three different determinations [47–49]. All CA isozymes used here were recombinant proteins obtained as reported earlier by our group.

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