Nickel-Catalyzed Regioselective Hydroamination of Ynamides with Secondary Amines

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ABSTRACT: The first Ni(OTf)₂-catalyzed hydroamination of ynamides 2 was developed by reacting with secondary amines (1 and 4). This protocol features excellent regioselectivity, a broad substrate scope of secondary aryl amines, and good functional group tolerance for ynamides. Using this method, a variety of substituted ethene-1,1diamine compounds were prepared in moderate to excellent yields with high regioselectivities.



INTRODUCTION

The development of efficient synthetic methodologies has always been important and attractive to organic chemists,¹ due to their potential use in syntheses of natural products and pharmaceutical drugs.² In particular, hydroamination has attracted significant interest because of its utilization in the preparation of heterocyclic compounds,³ including depsipeptides,⁴ pharmaceuticals,⁵ and important natural products.⁶ Although hydroamination usually involves the challenging formation of enamine-containing heterocyclic compounds, the reaction process can overcome the intriguing selectivity of inter/intramolecular nucleophilic attack and demonstrate exceptional ability to activate π -conjugated systems. In the past few decades, numerous precious metals, lanthanides, and alkaline earth metals have been widely used to catalyze hydroamination of alkynes.⁷ Moreover, base-mediated hydroamination reactions have also been reported in recent years.⁸ However, the application of cheap metal Lewis acid remains to be explored for the catalysis of the hydroamination process.

Hydroamination of alkynes mostly used indole or substituted indoles as amine partners (Figure 1a),^{8b,c,9} and this strategy was further developed to a cascade process to form some valuable heterocyclic skeletons (Figure 1b).¹⁰ Another important type of hydroamination is the reaction of alkynes with amides, leading to an isoquinolin-1(2H)-one framework (Figure 1c).¹¹ Very recently, Esteruelas and co-workers established Ruthenium-catalyzed oxidative amidation of terminal alkynes with primary and secondary amines to afford the corresponding amides (Figure 1d).⁷⁰

Ynamides, known as nitrogen-substituted alkynes with an electron-withdrawing group at the nitrogen atom, have undoubtedly become one of the most popular synthons due to their high reactivity and high regio- and stereoselectivity.¹² In the past decade, ynamides were successfully applied in the syntheses of many important versatile skeletons, including functional indoles,¹³ quinolines,¹⁴ pyridines,¹⁵ pyrroles,¹⁶ pyroles,¹⁶ oxazoles,¹⁷ benzofurans,¹⁸ carbolines,¹⁹ amidines,²⁰ and

Typical model for hydroamination of alkynes with amine^{8b,8c,9}

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Tandem process of the Hydroamination-Cyclization¹⁰

Tandem Hydroamination-Cyclization of alkynes with amides¹¹

$$\begin{array}{c} & & \\ & &$$

Ruthenium-Catalyzed Oxidative Amidations^{7c}

$$R^{1}_{\text{H}}R^{2} + H \longrightarrow R \xrightarrow{\text{CpRuCl(PPh_{3})_{2}}}_{\text{4-picoline }N-oxide} \qquad R \xrightarrow{\text{V}}_{\text{R}^{2}}R^{1} \quad (d)$$

Figure 1. Hydroamination of amines with alkynes.

enamides.²¹ In addition, ynamide was studied for the hydroamination reaction, in which noble metal Au was used to catalyze the addition of primary amines to ynamides to

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afford enamines (Figure 2a).²² Later on, transition-metal-free hydroamination was developed, and indole substrates could

The Hydroamination of ynamides with primary amine²²



The Hydroamination of ynamides with indoles²³



Figure 2. Hydroamination of amines with ynamides.

undergo the addition to ynamides, producing (*Z*)-*N*-(2aminovinyl)-sulfonamide with excellent regioselectivity (Figure 2b).²³ To our best knowledge, such hydroamination with secondary amines other than indole and its analogues has not been reported. On the basis of our continuous efforts in Lewis acid-catalyzed chemical transformations of ynamides,²⁴ we envisioned the addition of amines to ynamides could occur under Lewis acid conditions. Herein we present our work on the first Ni(OTf)₂-catalyzed regioselective hydroamination of secondary amines with ynamides (Figure 2c).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Our investigation started with the reaction of N-methylaniline 1a with ynamide 2a. First, various inorganic bases including Na₂CO₃, K₃PO₄, ²⁵ NaO^tBu, ²³ and KOH^{8b,c} failed to promote the reaction (Table 1, entries 1-4). Then AuCl₃ and PPh₃AuCl/AgSbF₆^{24b} were examined, and both reactions were messy (Table 1, entries 5 and 6). Fortunately, $[Ph_{3}C][B(C_{6}F_{5})_{4}]^{26}$ could lead to the desired product **3aa** in 56% yield with moderate regioselectivity (E/Z = 10:1, Table 1, entry 7). BF3·Et2O^{24e} and TMSOTf^{24a} could effectively improve the regioselectivity (E/Z > 20.1), but the yields were still unsatisfactory (Table 1, entries 8 and 9). Next, a variety of Lewis acids, including a catalytic amount of $Sc(OTf)_3$, $Cu(OTf)_2$,^{24b} $Er(OTf)_3$, and $La(OTf)_3$, were examined. Although most of them could maintain or enhance E/Z selectivities, they failed to improve the yields of the desired product 3aa, and La(OTf)₃ could not catalyze this reaction at all (Table 1, entries 10–13). Fortunately, Ni(OTf)₂ could effectively catalyze this hydroamination reaction, and the desired product 3aa was obtained in 92% yield with excellent regioselectivity (E/Z > 20:1, Table 1, entry 14). It is worth noting that other nickel salts, NiBr2, Ni(acac)2, and $(Ph_3P)_2NiCl_2$, could not catalyze this reaction (Table 1, entries 15-17). The evaluation of reaction temperatures and solvents led to the best outcome when the reaction was conducted in toluene at 80 °C (Table 1, entries 18-23). Although the reaction could work in a halogenated solvent like

Table 1. Optimization of Reaction Conditions



entry ^a	catalyst	solvent	yield (%) ^b	E/Z^{c}
1^d	Na ₂ CO ₃	DMF	NR	
2 ^d	K ₃ PO ₄	DMF	NR	
3 ^d	NaO ^t Bu	DMF	NR	
4 ^{<i>d</i>}	КОН	DMF	NR	
5	AuCl ₃	toluene	complex	
6	PPh ₃ AuCl/AgSbF ₆	toluene	complex	
7	$[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$	toluene	56	10:1
8	$BF_3 \cdot Et_2O$	toluene	58	>20:1
9	TMSOTf	toluene	46	>20:1
10	Sc(OTf) ₃	toluene	66	10:1
11	$Cu(OTf)_2$	toluene	53	>20:1
12	$Er(OTf)_3$	toluene	45	>20:1
13	$La(OTf)_3$	toluene	trace	
14	$Ni(OTf)_2$	toluene	92	>20:1
15	NiBr ₂	toluene	NR	
16	$Ni(acac)_2$	toluene	NR	
17	(Ph ₃ P) ₂ NiCl ₂	toluene	NR	
18 ^e	$Ni(OTf)_2$	toluene	43	>20:1
19 ^f	$Ni(OTf)_2$	toluene	91	>20:1
20 ^e	$Ni(OTf)_2$	THF	NR	
21	$Ni(OTf)_2$	DCE	68	>20:1
22	Ni(OTf) ₂	DMF	NR	
23	Ni(OTf) ₂	MeCN	NR	
24 ^g	Ni(OTf) ₂	toluene	86	>20:1

^{*a*}The reactions were performed with **1a** (0.4 mmol), **2a** (0.6 mmol), and the catalyst (0.04 mmol) in dry solvent (2 mL) at 80 °C for 15 min to 1 h. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. NR = no reaction. ^{*c*}*E*/*Z* was determined by ¹H NMR and HPLC. ^{*d*}0.8 mmol of the base was used. ^{*e*}The reaction temperature was 60 °C. ^{*f*}The reaction temperature was 110 °C. ^{*g*}The reaction was performed with **1a** (2.8 mmol), **2a** (4.2 mmol), and Ni(OTf)₂ (0.28 mmol) in anhydrous toluene (14 mL) at 80 °C for 1h.

DCE, the yield was reduced. Polar solvents, such as THF, DMF, and MeCN, were unsuitable for this hydroamination reaction. Notably, a gram-scale reaction was performed under optimal reaction conditions, and the desired product **3aa** was obtained in 86% yield with excellent regioselectivity (E/Z > 20:1, Table 1, entry 24).

Next, we turned to investigate the scope and limitation of such hydroamination of secondary amines 1a-1x with ynamides 2 (Scheme 1). First, the reactions of TsNBn-type ynamides with N-substituted (alkyl, allyl, and benzyl) anilines 1a-1f were surveyed under the optimized conditions, and the results were summarized in Scheme 1. N-Methyl- and N-ethyl-substituted anilines 1a and 1b could smoothly react with ynamide 2a, producing the desired products 3aa-3ba in excellent yields with high regioselectivities. N-Allyl and N-benzyl-substituted anilines could give corresponding products 3ca and 3da in moderate yields, together with excellent regioselectivities. Larger substitutions like N-cyclopropyl and N-cyclohexyl groups were also tolerated, albeit with a slight

Scheme 1. Reactions of Secondary Amines with $Y_{namides}^{a,b,c}$



^{*a*}The reaction was performed with 1 (0.4 mmol), 2 (0.6 mmol), and Ni(OTf)₂ (0.04 mmol) in anhydrous toluene (2 mL) for 15 min to 1 h at 80 °C. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^{*c*}E/Z was determined by ¹H NMR and HPLC.

decrease in regioselectivity for 3fa. Then, various substitutions at the phenyl ring of N-methylaniline were investigated under the optimized conditions. The results showed that all these substituted N-methyl anilines 1g-1s could react with ynamide 2a, affording the desired products 3ga-3sa in excellent regioselectivities. The *para*-electron-withdrawing substitutions (1p-1s) generally led to slightly decreased yields. Diarylamines 1t-1x were also examined, and the desired products 3ta-3xa were produced in moderate yields with excellent regioselectivities. Finally, different substituted ynamides 2c-2jwere evaluated, and the desired products 3ac-3aj were pubs.acs.org/joc

obtained in moderate yields with excellent regioselectivities. The reaction of N-methylaniline 1a with the ynamide containing m-trifluoromethyl 21 is complex. We also tried the reaction of N-Methylaniline 1a and ynamides containing terminal alkyne 2m, but the result was complex. In addition, the replacement of the Ts group in ynamides with pchlorobenzenesulfonyl or oxazolidin-2-one also gave positive results under the optimized conditions, and the desired products 3ab and 3ak were obtained in moderate yields with satisfactory regioselectivities. It is worth noting that nonaromatic secondary amines such as N-methylpentane-1-amine and pyrrolidine were not suitable for this hydroamination reaction. The chemical structures of 3aa-3ak, 3ba-3xa were unambiguously confirmed by the result of X-ray crystallographic analysis of compound 3ua (see the Supporting Information).

Next, we turned our attention to investigate the hydroamination of bicyclic secondary amines 4 with ynamides 2 (Scheme 2). When indolines 4a and 4b were applied, the desired products **Sah** and **Sbl** were obtained in moderate yields with 10:1 E/Z selectivities (Scheme 2). Other ynamides 2g, 2i, and 2f also led to similar results. Notably, both 1*H*-indole and





5cl 64%, *E/Z* = 10:1 5ci 68%, *E/Z* = 10:1 5cf 61%, *E/Z* = 12:1

^{*a*}The reaction was performed with 4 (0.4 mmol), 2 (0.6 mmol), and Ni(OTf)₂ (0.04 mmol) in anhydrous toluene (2 mL) for 15 min to 1 h at 80 °C. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^{*c*}E/Z was determined by ¹H NMR and HPLC.

1,4-dihydroquinoline failed to obtain the desired products due to the complex reaction system. When tetrahydroquinoline 4cwas used, the desired 5ca-5cf were obtained in moderate yields and mostly with 10:1 E/Z selectivities. We think that steric hindrance and ring tension of bicyclic secondary amines have a significant effect on stereoselectivity. According to the experimental X-ray crystallographic analysis of compound **5b**l, the chemical structures of **5ah–5cf** were unambiguously determined (see the Supporting Information).

To verify this process, 2a was subjected to the standard reaction conditions with deuterated *N*-methylaniline 1a-D,²⁷ and the desired isotope-substituted product 3aa-D was isolated (Scheme 3). This showed that the proton for hydroamination came from secondary amines (see the Supporting Information).

Scheme 3. Deuterium Labeling Experiment^a



^aThe reaction was performed with **1a-D** (0.4 mmol), **2a** (0.6 mmol), and Ni(OTf)₂ (0.04 mmol) in anhydrous toluene (2 mL) for 1 h at 80 °C, 26% for **3aa-D**, 66% for **3aa**, E/Z > 20:1.

As shown in Figure 3, a plausible mechanism was proposed for this $Ni(OTf)_2$ -catalyzed transformation based on the above



Figure 3. Proposed reaction mechanism.

experimental results and the known ynamide chemistry.^{12,24} In brief, the activation of the alkyne bond in **2** led to a vinyl Ni(II) intermediate **int-1**, which was further attacked by secondary amines from the less steric side to give **int-2**. The subsequent protonation could readily afford the desired product, along with the release of Ni(OTf)₂ into the catalytic cycle.

CONCLUSIONS

In summary, a new method for the hydroamination of ynamides 2 with secondary amines (1 and 4) has been developed through the catalysis of Lewis acid $Ni(OTf)_2$. This facile and convenient process could afford substituted ethene-1,1-diamine compounds 3aa-3ak, 3ba-3xa, and 5ah-5cf in moderate to excellent yields with high regioselectivities.

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General. Toluene was dried with calcium chloride and distilled. THF was treated with sodium metal. All reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC). IR spectra were recorded using film on a Fourier transform infrared spectrometer. NMR spectra were tested at 400 or 600 MHz, and chemical shifts are reported in δ (ppm) referenced to the appropriate residual solvent peaks unless otherwise noted. HRMS were measured on an LTQ-Orbitrap-XL apparatus. The heat source was an oil bath. The secondary amines 1a-1x and 4a-4c, conventional solvents, and reagents are commercially available.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of Ynamides 2..^{24e,28} A solution of an amide (2 mmol), K_3PO_4 (4 mmol), $CuSO_4$ · SH_2O (0.2 mmol), and 1,10-phenanthroline (0.4 mmol) in dry toluene was added 1-bromoalkyne (2.2 mmol in toluene) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was stirred at 75 °C for 24 h. The heat source was an oil bath. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with EtOAc, and filtered through a pad of Celite, and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude products were purified by using column chromatography on silica gel to afford the desired ynamide.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of 3 and 5. To a solution of $Ni(OTf)_2$ (0.04 mmol) and ynamides 2 (0.6 mmol) in anhydrous toluene (2 mL) under a N_2 atmosphere was added secondary amines 1 or 4 (0.4 mmol) at 80 °C. The heat source was an oil bath. After stirring for 15 min to 1 h, the reaction was quenched by aqueous NaHCO₃ and then extracted with EtOAc (10 mL × 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by using column chromatography on silica gel to give the desired products 3 or 5.

Procedure for Synthesis of 3aa (Gram Scale). To a solution of $Ni(OTf)_2$ (0.28 mmol, 100 mg) and ynamide **2a** (4.2 mmol, 1.5 g) in anhydrous toluene (14 mL) under a N_2 atmosphere was added secondary amine **1a** (2.8 mmol, 0.30 mL) at 80 °C. The heat source was an oil bath. After stirring for 1 h, the reaction was quenched by aqueous NaHCO₃, extracted with EtOAc (20 mL × 3), and washed with brine. The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by using column chromatography on silica gel to give the desired products **3aa** (1.13 g, 86%, E/Z > 20:1, PE/EA = 15:1)

(E)- \hat{N} -Benzyl-4-methyl-N-(1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3aa**): colorless oil (172 mg, 92%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3449, 2925, 1634, 1496, 1346, 1161, 696 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.77–7.72 (m, 2H), 7.44–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.23–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.13– 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.07–7.03 (m, 1H), 7.01–6.96 (m, 4H), 6.71–6.66 (m, 1H), 6.64–6.59 (m, 2H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 4.61–4.56 (m, 2H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.6, 143.8, 129.7, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.4, 127.1, 119.1, 116.1, 115.4, 51.2, 36.4, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₉N₂O₂S⁺ 469.1944, found 469.1947.

(E)-N-Benzyl-4-methyl-N-(1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3aa-D**). To a solution of Ni-(OTf)₂ (0.04 mmol) and ynamide **2a** (0.6 mmol) in anhydrous toluene (2 mL) under a N₂ atmosphere was added secondary amine **1a-D** (0.4 mmol) at 80 °C. After stirring for 1 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with aqueous NaHCO₃ and extracted with EtOAc (10 mL × 3), and the combined organic layers were washed with brine. Dried, filtered, and concentrated, the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel to give the desired product **3aa-D** (28% D): colorless oil (48 mg, 26%, PE/EA = 15:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.76–7.70 (m, 2H), 7.43–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.22–7.18 (m, 2H), 7.13–7.07 (m, 2H), 7.07–7.01 (m, 1H), 7.00–6.94 (m, 4H), 6.69–6.66 (m, 1H), 6.63–6.57 (m, 2H), 6.01 (s, 0.72H), 4.60–4.56 (m, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₇DN₂O₂SNa⁺ 492.1827, found 492.1812.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-(ethyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ba**): colorless oil (150 mg, 78%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) ν_{max} 3442, 2090, 1597, 1480, 1136, 696 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.75 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.32–7.26 (m, 3H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.07–7.02 (m, 2H), 7.02–6.96 (m, 3H), 6.94–6.88 (m, 2H), 6.63–6.53 (m, 3H), 6.02 (s, 1H), 4.65–4.55 (m, 2H), 3.27–3.15 (m, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 0.80 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.0, 143.9, 136.6, 136.2, 135.2, 134.1, 129.8, 128.4, 128.3, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 126.6, 119.0, 117.5, 115.4, 51.2, 42.5, 21.0, 12.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₃₀N₂O₂SNa⁺ 505.1920, found 505.1925.

(E)-N-(1-(Allyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-N-benzyl-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ca**): colorless oil (107 mg, 54%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3372, 2084, 1637, 1495, 1347, 1160, 749, 695 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.74 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.26(m, 3H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.07–7.00 (m, 3H), 6.97–6.88 (m, 4H), 6.66–6.57 (m, 3H), 5.96 (s, 1H), 5.50–5.38 (m, 1H), 5.12 (dd, J = 17.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (dd, J = 10.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.65–4.56 (m, 2H), 3.79 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.1, 143.9, 136.4, 136.1, 135.9, 134.5, 134.1, 129.8, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 126.7, 119.4, 117.5, 117.1, 116.2, 51.5, 51.0, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₁H₃₀N₂O₂SNa⁺ 517.1920, found 517.1923.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-(benzyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3da**): colorless oil (148 mg, 68%, PE/ EA = 10:1); IR (film) ν_{max} 3442, 2089, 1631, 1495, 1347, 1159, 695 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.25– 7.21 (m, 5H), 7.19–7.17 (m, 2H), 7.16–7.13 (m, 5H), 7.01–6.97 (m, 3H), 6.96–6.92 (m, 2H), 6.92–6.88 (m, 2H), 6.69 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.63 (dd, J = 8.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.97 (s, 1H), 4.65–4.62 (m, 2H), 4.54–4.51 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.2, 143.9, 139.1, 137.1, 136.6, 136.5, 134.0, 129.6, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 127.5, 127.0, 126.9, 120.2, 117.8, 116.9, 52.8, 52.3, 21.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₅H₃₂N₂O₂SNa⁺ 567.2077, found 567.2077.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-(cyclopropyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ea**). colorless oil (170 mg, 86%, PE/ EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3443, 2089, 1639, 1480, 1159, 694 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, J= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18–7.14 (m, 5H), 7.13–7.08 (m, 2H), 7.07–7.01 (m, 5H), 6.83 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.78–6.72 (m, 1H), 6.40 (s, 1H), 4.59–4.51 (m, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.36–2.31 (m, 1H), 0.56–0.48 (m, 2H), 0.36–0.29 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.6, 143.7, 136.7, 136.7, 134.3, 134.3, 129.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.0, 127.7, 127.5, 127.2, 127.0, 120.9, 119.6, 115.4, 50.6, 30.1, 21.0, 8.8 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₁H₃₀N₂O₂SNa⁺ 517.1920, found 517.1921.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-(cyclohexyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3fa**): colorless oil (161 mg, 75%, PE/ EA = 15:1). E/Z = 76:24 in a mixture. The major peak in HPLC report (Supporting Information) is the stereochemistry of *E*: IR (film) v_{max} 3418, 2083, 1633, 1346, 1160, 697 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, major), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 0.6H, minor), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, major), 7.36–7.34 (m, 0.6H, minor), 7.34–7.28 (m, 5H, major), 7.25–7.22 (m, 1.5H, minor), 7.19–7.18 (m, 0.3H, minor), 7.18–7.16 (m, 1H, major), 7.13–7.07 (m, 1.2H, minor), 7.05–6.99 (m, 4H, major), 6.99–6.96 (m, 1.2H, minor), 6.95–6.93 (m, 0.3H, minor), 6.92–6.81 (m, 4H, major), 6.67–6.60 (m, 1H, major), 5.79 (s, 1H, major), 5.39 (s, 0.3H, minor), 4.62–4.58 (m, 2H, major), 3.49–3.40 (m, 1H, major), 3.05–2.99 (m, pubs.acs.org/joc

0.3H, minor), 2.42 (s, 3H, major), 2.38 (s, 0.9H, minor), 1.58-1.45 (m, 4H, major), 1.44-1.41 (m, 1.2H, minor), 1.38-1.33 (m, 2H, major), 1.32–1.28 (m, 0.6H, minor), 1.13–1.07 (m, 0.9H, minor), 1.00-0.90 (m, 3H, major), 0.82-0.78 (m, 0.3H, minor), 0.77-0.67 (m, 1H, major) ppm; ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H{}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 145.0 (minor), 143.8 (major), 143.7 (major), 143.6 (minor), 142.1 (minor), 138.3 (major),137.6 (minor), 137.0 (major), 136.2 (major), 136.1 (minor), 135.5 (minor), 135.0 (major), 130.0 (major), 129.5 (minor), 128.7 (minor), 129.7 (minor), 128.4 (major), 128.2 (minor), 128.1 (major), 127.9 (major), 127.7 (minor), 127.5 (major), 127.4 (major), 127.3 (minor), 127.1 (minor), 126.1 (major), 126.7, 124.6, 121.7 (major), 121.0 (minor), 57.6 (major), 57.1 (minor), 51.9 (minor), 51.4 (major), 30.8 (major), 25.9 (major), 25.7 (minor), 25.2 (minor), 25.0 (major), 21.0 (major), 20.9 (minor) ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/ $z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{34}H_{36}N_2O_2SNa^+$ 559.2390, found 559.2395.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-((3, 4-dichlorophenyl)(methyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ga**): colorless oil (154 mg, 72%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3287, 2092, 1635, 1480, 1348, 1161, 697 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.26 (m, 3H), 7.24–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.16–7.09 (m, 3H), 7.08–7.06 (m, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (s, 1H), 4.70–4.65 (m, 2H), 2.62 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.6, 144.0, 136.3, 136.2, 136.1, 133.9, 130.8, 129.8, 129.7, 128.3, 127.7, 127.3, 127.2, 127.2, 120.1, 117.7, 116.4, 115.0, 51.8, 35.9, 21.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) *m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₆Cl₂N₂O₂SNa⁺ 559.0984, found 559.0985.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-((2-bromophenyl)(methyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3ha): colorless oil (201 mg, 92%, PE/EA = 15:1), E/Z = 83:17 in a mixture. The major peak in HPLC report (Supporting Information) is the stereochemistry of E: IR (film) v_{max} 3396, 2082, 1638, 1476, 1347, 750 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71-7.66 (m, 0.4H, minor), 7.65-7.62 (m, 2H, major), 7.49-7.46 (m, 1H, minor), 7.40-7.37 (m, 1H, minor), 7.32-7.27 (m, 5H, major), 7.25-7.21 (m, 5H, major), 7.20-7.19 (m, 2H. major), 7.18-7.17 (m. 0.4H. minor), 7.15-7.14 (m. 0.2H. minor), 7.12-7.07 (m, 2H, major), 6.95-6.89 (m, 1H, major), 6.83-6.80 (m, 0.4H, minor), 5.66 (s, 0.2H, minor), 5.35 (s, 1H, major), 4.63-4.61 (m, 2H, major), 3.09 (s, 3H, major), 2.90 (s, 0.6H, minor), 2.49 (s, 3H, major), 2.41 (s, 0.6H, minor) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.7 (minor), 145.3 (major), 143.8 (major), 143.4 (minor), 140.9 (major), 139.8 (minor), 137.4 (minor), 136.6 (major), 136.3 (minor), 135.7 (minor), 135.5 (major), 135.5 (major), 134.0 (minor), 134.0 (major), 130.5 (major), 129.7 (minor), 129.3 (major), 129.3 (minor), 129.0 (minor), 128.7 (major), 128.4 (minor), 128.2 (major), 128.5 (major), 128.2 (minor), 128.1 (major), 127.8 (major), 127.6 (minor), 127.5 (major), 126.2 (major), 125.7 (minor), 125.6 (major), 121.7 (minor), 119.7 (major), 112.2 (major), 111.9 (minor), 54.1 (major), 51.1 (minor), 40.5 (major), 40.0 (minor), 21.7 (major), 21.6 (minor) ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for C20H27BrN2O2SNa+ 569.0869, found 569.0869.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-((2-methoxyphenyl)(methyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3ia): colorless oil (185 mg, 93%, PE/EA = 15:1), E/Z = 90:10 in a mixture. The major peak in HPLC report (Supporting Information) is the stereochemistry of E: IR (film) ν_{max} 3395, 2957, 2076, 1627, 1499, 1346, 1161, 749 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, major), 7.39-7.34 (m, 0.2H, minor), 7.27-7.24 (m, 0.5H, minor), 7.22-7.19 (m, 5H, major), 7.19-7.16 (m, 2H, major), 7.15-7.14 (m, 0.2H, minor), 7.14–7.06 (m, 5H, major), 7.06–7.04 (m, 0.5H, minor), 7.04-7.00 (m, 1H, major), 7.00-6.99 (m, 0.1H, minor), 6.99-6.98 (m, 0.1H, minor), 6.96-6.93 (m, 1H, major), 6.93-6.90 (m, 0.1H, minor), 6.90–6.87 (m, 0.1H, minor), 6.81–6.76 (m, 1H, major), 6.66 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H, major), 5.47 (s, 0.1H, minor), 5.43 (s, 1H, major), 4.55-4.52 (m, 2H, major), 3.81 (s, 0.3H, minor), 3.57 (s, 3H, major), 2.87 (s, 3H, major), 2.69 (s, 0.3H, minor), 2.41 (s, 3H, major), 2.33 (s, 0.3H, minor) ppm; $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.3 (minor), 153.1 (major), 143.5 (major), 143.0

(minor), 141.5 (major), 141.5 (minor), 137.9 (minor), 137.7 (major), 137.3 (minor), 136.8 (major), 136.3 (major), 136.0 (minor), 135.0 (major), 130.6 (minor), 129.2 (major), 129.1 (major), 128.4 (major), 128.2 (minor), 128.4 (major), 128.1 (minor), 128.1 (minor), 128.0 (minor), 127.8 (major), 127.8 (major), 127.2 (major), 126.9 (minor), 126.1 (minor), 125.6 (major), 125.5 (minor), 125.3 (major), 124.5 (major), 121.4 (minor), 120.9 (major), 112.1 (minor), 111.4 (major), 110.5 (major), 110.3 (minor), 55.5 (minor), 54.9 (major), 52.6 (major), 52.0 (minor), 39.9 (major), 39.0 (minor), 22.7 (minor), 21.7 (major) ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for C30H30N2O3SNa+ 521.1869, found 521.1868.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-((2-chlorophenyl)(methyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3ka): colorless oil (140 mg, 70%, PE/EA = 15:1). E/Z = 83:17 in a mixture. The major peak in HPLC report (Supporting Information) is the stereochemistry of E: IR (film) v_{max} 3442, 2090, 1629, 1480, 1348, 1162, 698 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 7.68-7.62 (m, 2H, major), 7.48-7.45 (m, 0.4H, minor), 7.44-7.41 (m, 2H, major), 7.41-7.39 (m, 0.4H, minor), 7.37-7.29 (m, 1H, minor), 7.29-7.21 (m, 5H, major), 7.19-7.17 (m, 1H, minor), 7.16-7.12 (m, 5H, major), 7.07-7.05 (m, 0.6H, minor), 7.05-7.00 (m, 3H, major), 6.99-6.94 (m, 1H, major), 6.92-6.90 (m, 0.2H, minor), 5.46 (s, 0.2H, minor), 5.33 (s, 1H, major), 4.57-4.50 (m, 2H, major), 2.87 (s, 3H, major), 2.57 (s, 0.6H, minor), 2.43 (s, 3H, major), 2.36 (s, 0.6H, minor) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.0 (major), 143.8 (minor), 143.4 (minor), 143.3 (major), 140.2 (major), 139.5 (minor), 136.9 (major), 135.7 (minor), 135.3 (minor), 134.8 (major), 134.5 (major), 130.6 (minor), 130.4 (major), 130.2 (minor), 130.0 (major), 129.5 (major), 128.5 (minor), 128.4 (minor), 128.2 (minor), 128.0 (major), 127.9 (major), 127.7 (major), 127.6 (minor), 127.5 (major), 127.5 (major), 127.3 (minor), 127.2 (minor), 127.1 (major), 126.1 (major), 126.0 (minor), 125.7 (minor), 124.8 (major),111.9 (major), 110.9 (minor), 53.1 (major), 50.7 (minor), 26.3 (minor), 21.1 (major) ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C20H27ClN2O2SNa⁺ 525.1374, found 525.1378.

(E)-N-Benzyl-4-methyl-N-(1-(methyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3la**): colorless oil (159 mg, 74%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3442, 2083, 1636, 1339, 1162, 663 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27–7.23 (m, 5H), 7.22–7.18 (m, 2H), 7.06–6.98 (m, 4H), 6.90–6.85 (m, 3H), 6.72–6.64 (m, 2H), 6.00 (s, 1H), 4.67–4.63 (m, 2H), 2.72 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.4, 137.2, 136.3, 134.5, 131.0 (C–F, ¹*J*_{C–F} = 31.0 Hz), 129.7, 129.0, 128.6, 128.3, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 124.2 (C–F, ²*J*_{C–F} = 271.0 Hz), 118.6, 117.8, 115.9 (C–F, ³*J*_{C–F} = 3.0 Hz), 112.0 (C–F, ²*J*_{C–F} = 3.0 Hz), 52.7, 36.5, 21.7 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –60.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) *m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₂₇F₃N₂O₂SNa⁺ 559.1638, found 559.1635.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-((3-bromophenyl)(methyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ma**): colorless oil (207 mg, 95%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3442, 2924, 2105, 1635, 1481, 1347, 698 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.24–7.19 (m, 2H), 7.14–7.08 (m, 2H), 7.07–7.01 (m, 1H), 6.96–6.91 (m, 2H), 6.90–6.84 (m, 1H), 6.80–6.75 (m, 1H),6.68–6.64 (m, 1H), 6.52 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.06 (s, 1H), 4.71–4.58 (m, 2H), 2.60 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 146.1, 143.9, 136.4, 136.3, 136.2, 134.1, 129.9, 129.8, 128.2, 128.1, 127.6, 127.3, 127.1, 127.0, 121.8, 121.5, 117.6, 117.4, 113.9, 51.6, 36.0, 21.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) *m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₇BrN₂O₂SNa⁺ 569.0869, found 569.0871.

(E)-N-Benzyl-4-methyl-N-(1-(methyl(m-tolyl)amino)-2phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3na**): colorless oil (158 mg, 82%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3652, 3341, 2105, 1493, 1346, 1160, 697 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 7.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.33–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.19–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.14–7.09 (m, 2H), 7.05–7.01 (m, 1H), 6.98–6.94 (m, 2H), 6.90–6.85 (m, 1H), 6.50 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.44–6.33 (m, 2H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 4.60–4.51 (m, 2H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 153.4, 144.6, 143.8, 137.5, 137.4, 136.5, 136.5, 134.6, 129.7, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.4, 127.1, 126.6, 120.2, 116.1, 112.6, 51.1, 36.6, 21.2, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₃₀N₂O₂SNa⁺ 505.1920, found 505.1921.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-((4-bromophenyl)(methyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**30***a*): colorless oil (181 mg, 83%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) ν_{max} 3419, 2102, 1635, 1491, 1161, 698 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.30–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.24–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.14–7.05 (m, 5H), 6.05–6.90 (m, 2H), 6.48 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 6.04 (s, 1H), 4.66–4.58 (m, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H) pm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 144.0, 143.9, 136.7, 136.3, 136.3, 134.2, 130.8, 129.8, 128.2, 128.2, 128.1, 127.5, 127.3, 127.1, 126.9, 117.1, 116.8, 110.5, 51.6, 36.1, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) *m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₇BrN₂O₂SNa⁺ 569.0869, found 569.0867.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-((4-fluorophenyl)(methyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3pa**): colorless oil (136 mg, 70%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3442, 2084, 1633, 1508, 1346, 1161, 665 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.32–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.24–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.14–7.07 (m, 2H), 7.05–6.99 (m, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.83–6.74 (m, 2H), 6.62–6.54 (m, 2H), 5.97 (s, 1H), 4.65–4.57 (m, 2H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 156.0 (C–F, ¹ J_{C-F} = 234.7 Hz), 143.8, 141.2, 137.5, 136.4 (C–F, ⁴ J_{C-F} = 4.1 Hz), 134.4, 129.7, 128.2, 128.1, 127.5, 127.4, 127.1, 126.6, 117.0 (C–F, ³ J_{C-F} = 7.5 Hz), 115.6, 114.7 (C–F, ² J_{C-F} = 22.1 Hz), 51.5, 36.6, 21.0 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –125.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₇FN₂O₂SNa⁺ 509.1670, found 509.1672.

(E)-N-Benzyl-4-methyl-N-(1-(methyl(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3qa**): colorless oil (139 mg, 65%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3561, 2084, 1634, 1495, 1352, 1161, 665 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.24 (m, 5H), 7.24–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.15–7.04 (m, 3H), 6.94 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.63 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.16 (s, 1H), 4.72–4.65 (m, 2H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 147.7, 143.9, 136.3 (C–F, $^{3}J_{C-F} = 2.0$ Hz), 133.9, 129.7, 128.7, 128.2, 128.2, 127.5, 127.3, 127.2, 127.1, 125.4 (C–F, $^{3}J_{C-F} = 2.0$ Hz), 118.1, 114.5, 51.9, 36.1, 20.9 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –59.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₂₇F₃N₂O₂SNa⁺ 559.1638, found 559.1639.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-((4-cyanophenyl)(methyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ra**): colorless oil (122 mg, 62%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3350, 2215, 1644, 1346, 1161, 699 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 7.76 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.33–7.27 (m, 5H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.14–7.05 (m, 3H), 6.94–6.87 (m, 2H), 6.57 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 6.19 (s, 1H), 4.72–4.64 (m, 2H), 2.65 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 148.2, 144.0, 136.1, 136.1, 135.5, 133.7, 132.5, 129.9, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 127.7, 127.3, 127.3, 119.6, 118.9, 114.8, 99.7, 51.8, 35.7, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₂₇N₃O₂SNa⁺ 516.1716, found 516.1717.

Methyl-(E)-4-((1-((N-benzyl-4-methylphenyl)sulfonamido)-2phenylvinyl)(methyl)amino)benzoate (**3sa**): colorless oil (151 mg, 72%, PE/EA = 8:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3442, 2084, 1637, 1433, 1278, 664 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30–7.24 (m, 5H), 7.11–7.06 (m, 2H), 7.05–7.01 (m, 1H), 6.95–6.90 (m, 2H), 6.55 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 4.73–4.61 (m, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 165.9, 148.7, 143.9, 136.3, 136.2, 136.0, 129.9, 129.8, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 127.6, 127.3, 127.2, 127.2, 119.4, 118.4, 114.1, 51.7, 51.4, 35.8, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₁H₃₀N₂O₄SNa⁺ 549.1819, found 549.1822.

(*E*)-*N*-Benzyl-*N*-(1-(diphenylamino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ta**): white solid (159 mg, 75%, PE/EA = 10:1); mp 127–128 °C; IR (film) v_{max} 3321, 2959, 1739, 1689, 1525, 1367, 1179, 833 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.35–7.32 (m, 3H), 7.32–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13–7.09 (m, 2H), 7.08–7.02 (m, 5H), 7.02–6.97 (m, 2H), 6.95–6.89 (m, 2H), 6.87–6.82 (m, 4H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 4.63–4.58 (m, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.1, 143.7, 137.0, 136.9, 136.1, 134.3, 129.4, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 127.6, 127.6, 127.5, 126.6, 123.2, 123.1, 117.1, 51.5, 21.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) *m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₄H₃₀N₂O₂SNa⁺ 553.1920, found 553.1920.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-((4-bromophenyl)(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ua**): white solid (163 mg, 67%, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 121–122 °C; IR (film) v_{max} 3448, 2089, 1636, 1487, 990, 696 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.26 (m, 3H), 7.21–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.11–7.08 (m, 3H), 7.08–7.04 (m, 3H), 7.03– 6.94 (m, 4H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.55 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 6.18 (s, 1H), 4.55–4.48 (m, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 143.8, 143.1, 142.8, 136.5, 136.0, 134.9, 133.5, 131.3, 129.7, 129.0, 128.3, 128.0, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.0, 126.9, 123.8, 123.7, 123.0, 117.5, 114.3, 51.2, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) *m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₄H₂₉BrN₂O₂SNa⁺ 631.1025, found 631.1024.

(*E*)-*N*-*B*enzyl-4-methyl-*N*-(2-phenyl-1-(phenyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)amino)vinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3va**): white solid (155 mg, 65%, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 119–120 °C; IR (film) ν_{max} 3417, 2106, 1632, 1493, 1333, 1162, 696 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.28–7.23 (m, 5H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 3H), 7.09–7.03 (m, 2H), 7.02–6.96 (m, 5H), 6.95–6.92 (m, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.63–6.59 (m, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 4.57–4.44 (m, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H) pm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.9, 144.0, 142.0, 136.1, 135.9, 135.0, 133.5, 129.8, 129.5, 129.3, 129.1 (C-F, ¹*J*_{C-F} = 31.4 Hz), 128.3, 128.0, 127.7, 127.6, 126.9, 125.2, 124.6, 123.8, 123.7 (C-F, ²*J*_{C-F} = 271.1 Hz), 117.8 (C-F, ³*J*_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz), 117.5, 116.7 (C-F, ³*J*_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz), 51.2, 21.0 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -56.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) *m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₅H₂₉F₃N₂O₂SNa⁺ 621.1794, found 621.1795.

(E)-N-(1-([1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-yl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-Nbenzyl-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3wa**): colorless oil (201 mg, 83%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3425, 2920, 2082, 1632, 1488, 1160, 749 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.49–7.44 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.27–7.23 (m, 3H), 7.23–7.19 (m, 2H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.08–7.05 (m, 2H), 7.04–6.99 (m, 2H), 6.98–6.87 (m, 4H), 6.85– 6.79 (m, 4H), 6.24 (s, 1H), 4.60–4.55 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.1, 143.8, 143.5, 140.6, 137.0, 137.0, 136.0, 135.9, 134.3, 129.5, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 127.0, 126.8, 126.7, 123.4, 123.3, 117.6, 51.7, 21.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₄₀H₃₄N₂O₂SNa⁺ 629.2233, found 629.2231.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-((4-methoxyphenyl)(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3**xa): colorless oil (190 mg, 85%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3396, 3063, 2047, 1630, 1348, 747 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.35–7.26 (m, 5H), 7.23–7.17(m, 2H), 7.09–7.03 (m, 2H), 7.02–6.92 (m, 3H), 6.90–6.80 (m, 4H), 6.74–6.63 (m, 3H), 6.47 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.08 (s, 1H), 4.56–4.45 (m, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 156.3, 144.7, 143.7, 136.7, 136.1, 135.6, 135.3, 133.8, 129.6, 128.3, 128.3, 127.9, 127.6, 127.6, 127.4, 127.0, 126.6, 125.9, 121.3, 119.9, 116.6, 114.4, 55.2, 51.0, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₅H₃₂N₂O₃SNa⁺ 583.2026, found 583.2026.

(E)-N-Benzyl-4-chloro-N-(1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3ab**): white solid (174 mg, 89%, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 116–117 °C; IR (film) ν_{max} 3442, 2090, 1634, 1496, 1350, 1162, 695 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.81 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.13–7.09 (m, 2H), 7.06–6.94 (m, 5H), 6.72–6.65 (m, 1H), 6.59 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.02 (s, 1H), 4.72–4.61 (m, 2H), 2.61 (s, 3H) ppm; $^{13}C{^{1}H}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.6, 138.2, 138.1, 137.4, 136.3, 134.3, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 127.6, 127.4, 127.1, 126.8, 126.3, 119.4, 116.4, 115.4, 51.8, 36.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₈H₂₅ClN₂O₂SNa⁺ 511.1218, found 511.1217.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(2-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)vinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ac**): white solid (140 mg, 72%, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 113–114 °C; IR (film) v_{max} 3442, 2922, 2104, 1632, 1347, 1160, 698 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 7.73 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.22–7.17 (m, 2H), 7.01–6.97 (m, 3H), 6.96–6.89 (m, 3H), 6.71–6.63 (m, 1H), 6.57 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 4.60–4.52 (m, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 160.7 (C–F, ¹ J_{C-F} = 242.9 Hz), 144.6, 143.8, 137.0, 136.5, 136.4, 131.0 (C–F, ⁴ J_{C-F} = 3.0 Hz), 129.8, 129.0 (C–F, ³ J_{C-F} = 8.0 Hz), 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 127.5, 127.4, 119.4, 115.4, 115.0 (C– F, ² J_{C-F} = 21.2 Hz), 114.9, 51.1, 36.1, 21.0 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –114.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₇FN₂O₂SNa⁺ S09.1670, found 509.1671.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)vinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ad**): yellow oil (155 mg, 78%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3441, 2090, 1637, 1245, 1025, 990, 663 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.71 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.24 (m, 3H), 7.21–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.02–6.95 (m, 2H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.72–6.65 (m, 3H), 6.58 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 4.58–4.51 (m, 2H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 158.1, 144.7, 143.7, 136.6, 135.5, 135.1, 129.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 127.4, 126.8, 118.9, 116.9, 114.9, 113.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₃₀N₂O₃SNa⁺ 521.1869, found 521.1872.

(E)-N-Benzyl-4-methyl-N-(1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2-(p-tolyl)vinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3ae**): white solid (160 mg, 83%, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 105–106 °C; IR (film) ν_{max} 3374, 1633, 1510, 1347, 1161, 748, 698 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.42–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.20–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.00–6.96 (m, 2H), 6.94–6.90 (m, 2H), 6.88–6.84 (m, 2H), 6.67 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.58 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 4.57–4.53 (m, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 144.7, 143.8, 136.6, 136.5, 136.3, 136.0, 131.5, 129.7, 128.8, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 127.4, 127.4, 127.1, 119.1, 116.6, 115.1, 51.1, 36.2, 21.0, 20.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₃₀N₂O₂SNa⁺ 505.1920, found 505.1923.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)vinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**3af**): white solid (159 mg, 73%, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 96–97 °C; IR (film) v_{max} 3442, 2085, 1633, 1495, 1090, 593 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.73 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.29–7.25 (m, 5H), 7.21–7.19 (m, 2H), 6.98 (dd, J = 8.4, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.72–6.65 (m, 1H), 6.59 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.97 (s, 1H), 4.59–4.52 (m, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.5, 143.9, 137.9, 136.4, 136.2, 133.9, 131.0, 129.8, 129.0, 128.5, 128.2, 128.1, 127.5, 127.4, 119.6, 119.2, 115.7, 114.3, 51.3, 36.3, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₇BrN₂O₂SNa⁺ 569.0869, found 569.0873.

(E)-4-Methyl-N-(1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-N-phenylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ag**): colorless oil (156 mg, 86%, PE/EA = 15:1), E/Z = 91:9 in a mixture. The major peak in the HPLC report (Supporting Information) is the stereochemistry of E: IR (film) v_{max} 3367, 2922, 2091, 1642, 1354, 1206, 696 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.53 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, major), 7.48–7.46 (m, 0.12H, minor), 7.43–7.39 (m, 2H, major), 7.36–7.35 (m, 0.12H, minor), 7.32–7.28 (m, 3H, major), 7.27–7.26 (m, 0.18H, minor), 7.24–7.23 (m, 0.12H, minor), 7.20 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, major), 7.18–7.17 (m, 0.18H, minor), 7.16–7.09 (m, 5H, major), 7.09–7.07 (m, 0.3H, minor), 7.06–7.00 (m, 2H, major), 6.95–6.89 (m, 0.12H, minor), 6.78–6.71 (m, 3H, major), 6.13 (s, 1H, major), 5.93 (s, 0.06H,

minor), 2.70 (s, 3H, major), 2.59 (s, 0.18H, minor), 2.40 (s, 3H, major), 2.34 (s, 0.18H, minor) ppm; $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 154.3 (minor), 145.0 (major), 144.5 (major), 139.6 (major), 138.3 (major), 136.9 (major), 134.8 (major), 130.3 (major), 130.1 (minor), 129.8 (major), 129.3 (major), 129.0 (major), 128.9 (major), 128.1 (major), 127.9 (minor), 127.7 (major), 127.5 (major), 126.6 (minor), 124.0 (minor), 119.9 (major), 119.1 (major), 115.7 (major), 115.5 (major), 38.3 (major), 26.8 (minor), 21.5 (major) ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₇FN₂O₂SNa⁺, 509.1669, found 509.1672; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₈H₂₆N₂O₂SNa⁺ 477.1607, found 477.1609.

(E)-N,4-Dimethyl-N-(1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3ah**): colorless oil (117 mg, 75%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3442, 2090, 1635, 1349, 1164, 666 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.59 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.37(d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.22–7.14 (m, 4H), 7.13–7.05 (m, 3H), 6.81–6.77 (m, 2H), 6.77–6.75 (m, 1H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 3.04 (s, 3H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 145.1, 143.6, 140.8, 134.6, 129.6, 128.7, 128.3, 127.2, 127.0, 126.8, 119.1, 115.3, 114.9, 37.8, 37.5, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₄N₂O₂SNa⁺ 415.1451, found 415.1450.

(E)-N-Allyl-4-methyl-N-(1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3ai**): colorless oil (130 mg, 78%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3443, 2082, 1635, 1347, 1161, 695 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 7.71 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18–7.13 (m, 2H), 7.12–7.03 (m, 5H), 6.82 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.76–6.69 (m, 1H), 5.95 (s, 1H), 5.87–5.72 (m, 1H), 5.22–5.11 (m, 2H), 4.01 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.85 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 144.8, 143.6, 137.8, 136.5, 134.4, 133.7, 129.6, 128.5, 128.2, 127.3, 127.1, 126.7, 119.3, 118.4, 116.1, 115.4, 50.7, 36.9, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₆N₂O₂SNa⁺ 441.1607, found 441.1609.

(*E*)-*N*-butyl-4-Methyl-*N*-(1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3a***j*). colorless oil (123 mg, 71%, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3442, 2995, 2089, 1769, 1635, 1376, 1056, 628 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18–7.13 (m, 2H), 7.12–7.04 (m, SH), 6.83 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.75–6.67 (m, 1H), 5.95 (s, 1H), 3.28 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 7.4 Hz, 2H), 0.78 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 144.8, 143.7, 137.2, 136.5, 134.5, 129.7, 128.6, 128.2, 127.4, 127.2, 126.8, 119.3, 116.1, 115.3, 47.5, 36.6, 30.5, 21.0, 19.3, 13.5 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) *m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₃₀N₂O₂SNa⁺ 457.1920, found 457.1921.

(E)-3-(1-(Methyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3ak**): white solid (158 mg, 82%, PE/EA = 4:1); mp 98–99 °C; IR (film) v_{max} 3562, 2083, 1754, 1645, 1448, 1211, 755 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.29–7.25 (m, 5H), 7.23–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 1H), 6.86–6.81 (m, 2H), 6.82–6.79 (m, 1H), 6.20 (s, 1H), 4.25–4.19 (m, 2H), 3.66–3.58 (m, 2H), 3.03 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 155.4, 145.0, 136.1, 134.5, 129.2, 128.5, 127.1, 126.8, 119.0, 113.9, 113.8, 61.6, 44.2, 37.5 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₈N₂O₂Na⁺ 317.1261, found 317.1256.

(E)-N-(1-(Indolin-1-yl)-2-phenylvinyl)-N,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (**5ah**): white solid (100 mg, 62%, E/Z = 10:1, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 98–99 °C; IR (film) v_{max} 3443, 2089, 1632, 1484, 1156, 696 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.19–7.14 (m, 2H), 7.12–7.04 (m, 4H), 6.91–6.85 (m, 1H), 6.74–6.67 (m, 1H), 6.22 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.45 (s, 1H), 3.76 (dd, J = 9.0, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.11 (dd, J = 9.0, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.07 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.5, 143.8, 136.8, 135.2, 130.6, 129.5, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.0, 126.4, 124.7, 119.5, 113.1, 110.7, 50.5, 37.8, 28.5, 21.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₂₄N₂O₂SNa⁺ 427.1451, found 427.1453.

(E)-N-(1-(Indolin-1-yl)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methyl-N-phenylbenzenesulfonamide (5ag): colorless oil (140 mg, 61%, E/Z = 10:1, PE/ pubs.acs.org/joc

EA = 15:1); IR (film) ν_{max} 3442, 2083, 1635, 1485, 1165, 695 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.54 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.32–7.29 (m, 4H), 7.28–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.21–7.17 (m, 2H), 7.11–7.07 (m, 3H), 6.96 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (dd, J = 7.8, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.59–6.53 (m, 1H), 6.21 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (s, 1H), 3.61 (dd, J = 9.0, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 2.82 (dd, J = 9.0, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.6, 144.1, 138.5, 136.7, 134.5, 134.4, 130.0, 129.9, 129.0, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.4, 126.5, 126.4, 124.4, 119.2, 114.0, 109.7, 50.1, 27.4, 21.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₆N₂O₂SNa⁺ 489.1607, found 489.1609.

(E)-N-Allyl-N-(1-(indolin-1-yl)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**5ai**): colorless oil (124 mg, 72%, E/Z = 10:1, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) ν_{max} 3456, 2923, 2109, 1633, 1484, 1398, 748 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18–7.11 (m, 2H), 7.09–6.99 (m, 4H), 6.80–6.73 (m, 1H), 6.64–6.57 (m, 1H), 6.04 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.87–5.72 (m, 1H), 5.61 (s, 1H), 5.15–5.05 (m, 2H), 3.99 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.62 (dd, J = 9.4, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.03 (dd, J = 9.0, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H) pm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.6, 143.8, 136.0, 134.6, 132.8, 130.0, 129.7, 128.1, 127.7, 127.4, 126.4, 126.3, 124.5, 119.3, 118.9, 115.1, 109.5, 51.5, 49.3, 27.4, 21.1 pm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₂₆N₂O₂SNa⁺ 453.1607, found 453.1604.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-(5-methylindolin-1-yl)-2-phenylvinyl)methanesulfonamide (**5b**l): white solid (115 mg, 69%, E/Z = 10:1, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 129–130 °C.IR (film) v_{max} 3443, 2085, 1632, 1493, 1339, 1149, 698 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36– 7.29 (m, 5H), 7.19–7.13 (m, 2H), 7.12–7.02 (m, 3H), 6.95–6.89 (m, 1H), 6.68 (dd, J = 8.0, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 4.52–4.48 (m, 2H), 3.67 (dd, J = 9.0, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.04 (dd, J = 9.0, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 2.91 (s, 3H), 2.21 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.6, 135.9, 135.0, 134.1, 130.5, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 128.2, 127.4, 126.4, 125.6, 113.5, 110.3, 52.1, 50.5, 42.0, 28.1, 20.8 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₆N₂O₂SNa⁺ 441.1607, found 441.1606.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-(indolin-1-yl)vinyl)-4methylbenzenesulfonamide (**5af**): colorless oil (143 mg, 64%, E/Z =12:1, PE/EA = 15:1); IR (film) v_{max} 3443, 2089, 1631, 1485, 1161, 702 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.73 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.29 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.25 (m, 4H), 7.21–7.17 (m, 2H), 7.04 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (dd, J = 8.0, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (dd, J = 7.8, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (s, 1H), 4.56–4.52 (m, 2H), 3.31–3.26 (m, 2H), 2.91 (dd, J = 8.8, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 144.4, 136.4, 136.1, 134.5, 134.0, 131.5, 130.6, 130.3, 130.0, 129.5, 128.7, 128.3, 128.0, 126.7, 125.0, 119.6, 119.3, 113.9, 110.0, 53.0, 49.5, 27.7, 21.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₂₇BrN₂O₂SNa⁺ 581.0869, found 581.0872.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-(3,4-dihydroquinolin-1(2H)-yl)-2-phenylvinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**5ca**): white solid (118 mg, 60%, E/Z = 10:1, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 137–138 °C; IR (film) v_{max} 3519, 2083, 1632, 1493, 1159, 696 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 4H), 7.22–7.19 (m, 3H), 7.13–7.03 (m, 5H), 6.92 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.75–6.69 (m, 1H), 6.65–6.58 (m, 1H), 6.48 (dd, J = 8.2, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 4.66–4.58 (m, 2H), 3.17–3.03 (m, 2H), 2.66 (dd, J = 6.8, 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.77–1.70 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.7, 140.6, 137.7, 137.2, 136.9, 135.2, 129.5, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 127.6, 126.8, 126.7, 124.5, 119.2, 117.2, 116.1, 51.6, 47.8, 27.7, 21.9, 21.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₁H₃₀N₂O₂SNa⁺ 517.1920, found 517.1923.

(E)-N-(1-(3,4-Dihydroquinolin-1(2H)-yl)-2-phenylvinyl)-N,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (**5***ch*): white solid (85 mg, 51%, E/Z = 10:1, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 123–124 °C; IR (film) ν_{max} 3442, 2939, 2091, 1631, 1493, 1172, 749 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.22–7.18 (m, 3H), 7.17–7.13 (m, 3H), 7.12–7.07 (m, 1H), 6.99–6.92 (m, 2H), 6.74–6.68 (m, 1H), 6.63 (dd, J = 8.4, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 5.73 (s, 1H), 3.34 (dd, J = 6.2, 5.4 Hz, 2H),

3.09 (s, 3H), 2.74 (dd, J = 6.8, 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.06–1.85 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.6, 141.0, 140.4, 135.7, 135.3, 129.4, 129.3, 128.4, 127.6, 127.5, 126.9, 126.6, 124.9, 119.2, 116.2, 115.7, 48.9, 37.8, 27.6, 21.9, 21.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₆N₂O₂SNa⁺ 441.1607, found 441.1609.

(E)-N-Benzyl-N-(1-(3,4-dihydroquinolin-1(2H)-yl)-2-phenylvinyl)methanesulfonamide (5cl): white solid (107 mg, 64%, E/Z = 10:1, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 122–123 °C; IR (film) ν_{max} 3442, 2084, 1633, 1493, 1339, 1148, 697 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42– 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.20–7.15 (m, 4H), 7.12–7.07 (m, 1H), 7.03 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.00–6.94 (m, 1H), 6.82 (d, J =8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.76–6.70 (m, 1H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 4.65–4.55 (m, 2H), 3.34–3.22 (m, 2H), 2.79–2.76 (m, 2H), 2.76 (s, 3H), 1.96–1.82 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.9, 138.4, 136.7, 135.0, 129.5, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 127.7, 127.0, 126.9, 124.8, 119.7, 117.0, 116.3, 51.9, 48.6, 42.1, 27.5, 22.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₆N₂O₂SNa⁺ 441.1607, found 441.1608.

(E)-N-Allyl-N-(1-(3,4-dihydroquinolin-1(2H)-yl)-2-phenylvinyl)-4methylbenzenesulfonamide (**5ci**): white solid (121 mg, 68%, E/Z = 10:1, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 101–102 °C; IR (film) v_{max} 3442, 2089, 1634, 1493, 1346, 1160, 696 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16–7.11 (m, 4H), 7.10–7.03 (m, 1H), 6.95 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88–6.82 (m, 1H), 6.76–6.72 (m, 1H), 6.69–6.62 (m, 1H), 6.00 (s, 1H), 5.91–5.79 (m, 1H), 5.15 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.13–5.09 (m, 1H), 4.05 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.28 (dd, J = 6.2, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 2.72 (d, J = 6.8, 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.94–1.82 (m, 2H) pm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.7, 140.8, 137.5, 137.4, 135.1, 133.8, 129.5, 129.2, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 126.9, 126.6, 124.3, 119.2, 118.3, 117.2, 116.2, 50.9, 48.1, 27.6, 21.9, 21.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₂₈N₂O₂SNa⁺ 467.1764, found 467.1766.

(*E*)-*N*-Benzyl-*N*-(2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-(3,4-dihydroquinolin-1(2*H*)-yl)vinyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**5cf**): white solid (140 mg, 61%, *E*/*Z* = 12:1, PE/EA = 15:1); mp 107–108 °C; IR (film) ν_{max} 3418, 2088, 1631, 1491, 1128, 701 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.27–7.23 (m, 3H), 7.21–7.16 (m, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.93–6.87 (m, 1H), 6.66–6.59 (m, 1H), 6.58–6.53 (m, 1H), 6.34 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 4.70–4.49 (m, 2H), 2.92 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 5.8 Hz, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.67–1.60 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 143.9, 139.7, 136.8, 136.5, 136.3, 134.0, 131.0, 129.7, 129.1, 129.0, 128.2, 128.0, 127.5, 127.4, 126.0, 124.2, 119.3, 118.9, 115.1, 50.9, 46.8, 26.7, 21.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap) *m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₁H₂₉BrN₂O₂SNa⁺ 595.1025, found 595.1025.

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