Palladium-Catalyzed Reactions of Allenes with 2-Iodobenzenesulfonamides: Simple Synthesis of Benzosultams under Green Conditions

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Abstract: A palladium-catalyzed reaction for the synthesis of benzosultams from allenes and 2-iodobenzenesulfonamides in poly(ethylene glycol) medium is described. This route is compared with a second method involving an internal Heck reaction of alkene-functionalized 2-iodobenzenesulfonamides. Key products were characterized by single-crystal X-ray crystallography.

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Among sulfur-containing compounds, sulfonamides and their derivatives have had a profound influence on the development of chemistry, particularly biological chemistry.¹ In particular, benzosultams (cyclic sulfonamides) are important structural motifs that are widely encountered in the drug-development process.² Examples of biologically important sultams include the HIV integrase inhibitor I (Figure 1),^{3a} the carbonic anhydrase inhibitor \mathbf{II} ,^{3b} the calpain I inhibitor III,^{3c} the antiviral, antibacterial, and anti-IV.^{3d} microbial agent and the nonsteroidal antiinflammatory agent V.^{3e} In addition to their medicinal value, sultams are indispensable as chiral auxiliaries,^{4a,b} artificial sweeteners (saccharin),4c and agrochemicals.4d Consequently, a wide range of methods have been devised for synthesizing benzosultams and related structures.5

In recent decades, significant progress has been made on palladium-catalyzed annulation reactions.⁶ Allenes can participate in such reactions to give carbocycles or heterocycles.7 For the synthesis of benzosultams, diverse methods have been developed, ^{5a,8} but there have been only two reports on the use of allenes in syntheses of these compounds.⁹ These involve nickel-catalyzed annulation reactions of 2-methyl-2H-1,2,3,4-benzothiatriazine 1.1dioxide with allenes,9a and the palladium-catalyzed reaction of 2-iodobenzenesulfonamide with allene (one example), respectively.9b The development of a new and efficient method for synthesizing benzosultams by using allenes is therefore an important challenge. In this context, and in continuation of our interest in metal-catalyzed annulation reactions of allenes,^{10,11} we report mild and environmentally benign conditions for the synthesis of benzosultams from allenes 1a-h and 2-iodobenzenesulfonamides **2a–f**; we also report the synthesis of sultams by

SYNTHESIS 2014, 46, 1091–1099 Advanced online publication: 12.02.2014 DOI: 10.1055/s-0033-1340821; Art ID: SS-2013-T0747-OP © Georg Thieme Verlag Stuttgart · New York intramolecular Heck reactions of the *N*-alkenyl sulfonamides **3a** and **3b** (Figure 2).



Figure 1 Examples of pharmaceutically important benzosultams



Figure 2 Precursors used in the present study

Initially, we examined the reaction of (benzyloxy)allene (1a) with 2-iodo-*N*,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (2a) in the presence of a palladium catalyst in acetonitrile. To our delight, this strategy gave the (β , α)-cyclized product **5**, along with the noncyclized α -addition product **4** (Scheme 1). In the ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **5**, the peak associated with *C*-I was absent, as expected. The absence of the N*H* peak and the disappearance of the allenic *CH* peak in the ¹H NMR spectrum in **5**, with concomitant appearance of an OC*H* peak, are clearly indicative of ring

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formation. Compound **4** is a monosubstituted alkene; its formation is possible only when the sulfonamide attacks at the α -position of the allene.^{12b}



Scheme 1 Palladium-catalyzed reaction of (benzyloxy)allene (1a) with 2-iodo-*N*,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (2a). *Reagents and conditions*: Pd(OAc)₂ (5 mol%), Ph₃P (10 mol%), K₂CO₃ (2.0 equiv), MeCN, 80 °C, 12 h.

Inspired by these results, we screened various palladium catalysts, bases, and solvents to optimize the reaction conditions (Table 1). Of the solvents tested, poly(ethylene glycol) (molecular weight 400; PEG-400) was the best. In the absence of a phosphine ligand, the yield decreased (entry 10). The best combination involved palladium(II) acetate and triphenylphosphine as the catalyst system, potassium carbonate as the base, and PEG-400 as the solvent (entry 4); this gave benzosultam **5** regiospecifically with

Table 1Effects of Various Catalysts, Bases, and Solvents on theYield of Sultam 5

$\gamma \xrightarrow{\text{OBn}}_{1a} + \sum_{\substack{N \\ Q \\ 2a}}^{\text{OBn}} + N \xrightarrow{\text{NMe}}_{\text{Me}} + N \xrightarrow{\text{OBn}}_{\text{Me}}$				
Entry ^a	Catalyst	Base	Solvent	Yield ^b (%)
1	$Pd(OAc)_2$	K ₂ CO ₃	DMF	45
2	$Pd(OAc)_2$	K ₂ CO ₃	toluene	56
3	$Pd(OAc)_2$	K ₂ CO ₃	Et ₂ CO ₃	_
4	Pd(OAc) ₂	K ₂ CO ₃	PEG-400	77
5	PdCl ₂	K ₂ CO ₃	PEG-400	62
6	PdCl ₂ (MeCN) ₂	K ₂ CO ₃	PEG-400	55
7	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃	K_2CO_3	PEG-400	49
8	$Pd(OAc)_2$	Na ₂ CO ₃	PEG-400	56
9	$Pd(OAc)_2$	K_3PO_4	PEG-400	49
10	$Pd(OAc)_2$	CsF	PEG-400	45°

 a Reaction conditions: Pd catalyst (5 mol%), Ph_3P (10 mol%), base (2.0 equiv), solvent (1 mL), 80 °C (oil bath), 12 h.

^b Isolated yield.

^c In the absence of Ph₃P.

none of the (β,γ) -cyclized product. We were pleased that PEG-400 worked well as a solvent, because it is known to be an environmentally friendly medium.¹³ PEG is also known to generate and stabilize nanoparticles of palladium in the course of the reaction.¹⁴

Under our optimized conditions, the annulation reaction of allenes **1a–e** with 2-iodobenzenesulfonamides **2a–f** gave the corresponding benzosultams **5–14** (Table 2). All these compounds are the (β , α)-cyclized products. The initial attack of the arylpalladium species occurs at the β -position of the allene,¹⁵ and cyclization then takes place regiospecifically at the α -position utilizing the sulfonamide-N*H*. The (β , α)-cyclization route was confirmed by X-ray crystallographic analysis of sultam **12** (Figure 3).

 Table 2
 : Scope of the Palladium-Catalyzed Annulations Reaction of Allenes 1a-e with 2-Iodobenzenesulfonamides 2a-f



^a Yields of the isolated products.

^b Structure confirmed by x-ray crystallography.

In contrast to the above, the annulation reaction of the aminoallene **1f** with 2-iodobenzenesulfonamides **2a**, **2b**, **2d**, and **2e** in the presence of the palladium catalyst gave the (β,γ) -cyclized products **15–18** in good yields (Scheme 2). In this case, a proton shift from the γ -carbon to the α -carbon was observed. The structure of compound **16** was confirmed by X-ray crystallography (Figure 4). The C(7)–C(8) bond length [1.334(4) Å] indicated that it is a double bond, whereas that of C(7)–C(9) [1.489(4) Å] indicated that this is a single bond, confirming that isomerization had occurred. Generally O- and N-substituted allenes give (β,α) -cyclized products.¹² The difference in reactivity observed in the case of **1f** might therefore be due to the bulk



Figure 3 ORTEP drawing of benzosultam 12. Selected bond lengths (with estimated standard deviations in parentheses): C(6)-C(7) 1.480(4), C(7)-C(8) 1.496(4), C(7)-C(17) 1.311(5), C(8)-N(1) 1.483(4), S(1)-O(2) 1.427(3), S(1)-N(1) 1.619(3) Å.

of the substituents around the nitrogen atom, which favors the (β,γ) -cyclized product. A highlight of the current work is that one product is formed regioselectively by using an environmentally benign (green) solvent, PEG-400.



Scheme 2 Palladium-catalyzed reactions of allene **1f** with 2-iodobenzenesulfonamides. *Reagents and conditions*: Pd(OAc)₂ (5 mol%), Ph₃P (10 mol%), K₂CO₃ (2.0 equiv), PEG-400 (1 mL), 80 °C, 12 h.

Having successfully used heteroatom- and alkyl-substituted allenes in our cyclization, we turned our attention to the use of aryl-substituted allenes. Palladium-catalyzed annulation reactions of aryl allenes **1g** and **1h** with **2a** gave the (β,γ) -cyclized product **19** and **21** predominantly, along with minor quantities of the corresponding (β,α) -cyclized products **20** and **22** after isomerization (Scheme 3). The structure of compound **19** was confirmed by X-ray crystallography (Figure 5).

In contrast to the above, treatment of 5,5-dimethyl-2-(1phenylpropa-1,2-dien-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaphosphinane 2oxide with 2-iodo-*N*-methyl-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (**2a**) in the presence of a palladium catalyst gave the



Figure 4 ORTEP drawing of benzosultam 16 (hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity). Selected bond lengths with estimated standard deviations in parentheses: C(6)-C(7) 1.453(4), C(7)-C(8) 1.334(4), C(7)-C(9) 1.489(4), C(9)-N(2) 1.459(4), S(1)-N(1) 1.627(3), C(8)-N(1) 1.383(4), S(2)-N(2) 1.629(3) Å.



Scheme 3 Palladium-catalyzed reactions of aryl allenes 1g and 1h



Figure 5 ORTEP drawing of benzosultam 19. Selected bond lengths with estimate standard deviations in parentheses: C(6)-C(7) 1.473(3), C(7)-C(9) 1.329(4), S(1)-O(1) 1.414(2), S(1)-N(1) 1.630(2) Å.

nucleophilic addition product **23** (Scheme 4). We have previously reported similar reactions.¹⁶



Scheme 4 Palladium-catalyzed reaction of an allenylphosphonate with 2-iodobenzenesulfonamide 2a to give addition product 23

We then examined an alternative method for synthesizing similar products from a single sulfonamide substrate in the presence of a palladium catalyst. We prepared the Nalkenyl sulfonamides 3a and 3b by the Mitsunobu reaction,¹⁷ and subjected them to a Heck reaction in the presence of a palladium catalyst. In PEG-400 medium the substrate 3a remained even after 12 hours (based on the ¹H NMR spectrum of the crude mixture), whereas when *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide was used as the solvent, the reaction was complete in 12 hours. This reaction gave the cyclized products 19 and 24 in reasonable yields (Scheme 5). However, many steps are required to synthesize substrates with substituents on the NCH₂ carbon, and therefore this route is not convenient for synthesizing substituted benzosultams of the type obtained from allenes.



Scheme 5 Heck reaction on substrates 3a and 3b

Finally, we checked the reactivity and stability of substrate **2a** in the presence of palladium catalysts and copper catalysts (Scheme 6). In the presence of a copper catalyst, sulfonamide **2a** gave the self-coupled product **25**, with formation of a new C–N bond. In the presence of palladium catalyst, however, the coupled product **26** was isolated in 10% yield along with unreacted **2a**.

In conclusion, we have developed a simple method for the palladium-catalyzed regiospecific annulation reactions of allenes with 2-iodobenzenesulfonamides in PEG-400 to give benzosultams in good yields (Scheme 7). The (β , α)-cyclization product is preferred in the case of O-substituted or alkyl allenes **1a**–**e**, whereas (β , γ)-cyclized products are formed and undergo a subsequent proton shift the case of the N-substituted allene **1f**. The aryl allenes **1g** and **1h** showed an intermediate behavior in which the (β , γ)-cycli-



Scheme 6 Formation of self-coupled products 25 and 26 from 2a in the presence of copper and palladium catalysts

zation products were predominant. Similar benzosultams were also synthesized by means of a Heck protocol, but this route may be restricted to the synthesis of less-substituted products.



Scheme 7 Overall summary of the synthesis of benzosultams from allenes. *Reaction conditions:* $Pd(OAc)_2$ (5 mol%), Ph_3P (10 mol%), K_2CO_3 (2.0 equiv), PEG-400 (1 mL), 80 °C, 12 h.

Solvents were dried by known methods as appropriate.¹⁸ ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 400 and 100 MHz, respectively, by using a Bruker AV-400 spectrometer in CDCl₃ (unless otherwise stated); shifts are referenced to Me₄Si ($\delta = 0$ ppm). IR spectra were recorded on a Jasco model 5300 FTIR spectrophotometer. Melting points were determined by using a local hot-stage melting-point apparatus and are uncorrected. High-resolution mass spectra were recorded by using Bruker maXis mass spectrometer operated in the ESI–QTOF-II mode. Single-crystal X-ray diffraction data were collected with an Oxford diffractometer using Mo Ka ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å) radiation. The structure was solved and refined by standard methods.^{19–20} The syntheses of precursors **1a–h**,^{7c,21} **2a–f**,^{5b,22} **3a**, and **3b**¹⁷ are described in the Supporting Information.

N-[1-(Benzyloxy)prop-2-en-1-yl]-2-iodo-*N*,4-dimethylbenzene-sulfonamide (4)

A Schlenk tube was charged with allene **1a** (110 mg, 0.75 mmol), sulfonamide **2a** (156 mg, 0.5 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.025 mmol), Ph₃P

(0.05 mmol), and K_2CO_3 (139 mg, 1.0 mmol). MeCN (1 mL) was added, and the mixture was heated at 80 °C (oil-bath temperature) for 12 h then cooled to r.t. The mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and passed through a pad of Celite (~1 g), which was washed with additional EtOAc (20 mL). The organic phases were combined and concentrated to give a residue that was purified by column chromatography [silica gel, hexane–EtOAc (4:1)] to give 4. Product 5 (42%) was also isolated along with compound 4 (see below).

Gummy liquid; yield: 0.082 g (36%).

IR (neat): 2926, 2844, 1732, 1584, 1490, 1452, 1342, 1162, 910, 811 $\rm cm^{-1}$

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 8.02$ (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.95 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.28–7.35 (m, 6 H, Ar-*H*), 5.82–5.90 (m, 1 H, *H*C=CH₂), 5.72–5.73 (m, 1 H, OC*H*), 5.52 (dd, J = 18.8 and 1.6 Hz, 1 H, HC=CH_aH_b), 5.33 (dd, J = 10.8 and 1.6 Hz, 1 H, HC=CH_aH_b), 4.77 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 4.54 (d, $J \approx 12.0$ Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 2.77 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.37 (s, 3 H, CH₃).

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 144.6, 143.6, 138.8, 137.7, 133.7, 131.7, 129.0, 128.4, 127.8, 127.7, 119.3, 92.3, 85.3, 69.7, 28.6, 20.8.

HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{18}H_{20}INNaO_3S$: 480.0107; found: 480.0110.

3-(Benzyloxy)-2,6-dimethyl-4-methylene-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (5); Typical Procedure

A Schlenk tube containing sulfonamide **2a** (156 mg, 0.5 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.025 mmol), Ph₃P (0.05 mmol), K₂CO₃ (0.139 g, 1.0 mmol), and PEG-400 (1 mL) was evacuated for 15 min, and then allene **1a** (110 mg, 0.75 mmol) was added. The contents were then heated at 80 °C for 12 h. The resulting mixture was diluted with H₂O (10 mL) and extracted with Et₂O (4×10 mL). The organic extracts were dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to give a residue that was purified by column chromatography [silica gel, hexane–EtOAc (4:1)] to give a gummy liquid; yield: 0.126 g (77%).

IR (neat): 2926, 2882, 1605, 1457, 1336, 1161, 1090, 914, 816, 701 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.55 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.28–7.45 (m, 6 H, Ar-*H*), 6.04 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.88 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.81 (s, 1 H, OCH), 4.97 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 4.76 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 2.65 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.44 (s, 3 H, CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.1, 136.7, 134.8, 131.1, 130.8, 130.5, 128.6, 128.2, 128.1, 125.5, 116.2, 86.0, 69.8, 29.0, 21.7.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₉NNaO₃S: 352.0984; found: 352.0986.

3-(Benzyloxy)-2-isopropyl-6-methyl-4-methylene-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (6)

Gummy liquid; yield: 0.137 g (77%).

IR (neat): 3030, 2926, 2860, 1715, 1627, 1458, 1321, 1167, 816, 740, 690 $\rm cm^{-1}.$

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.27–7.44 (m, 7 H, Ar-*H*), 5.86 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.72 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.58 (s, 1 H, OC*H*), 4.86 (d, *J* ≈ 12.0 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 4.72 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 4.17–4.21 [m, 1 H, CH(CH₃)₂], 2.42 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.37 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 1.02 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H, CH₃).

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ =142.8, 137.5, 137.4, 135.1, 132.8, 129.9, 128.6, 128.1, 127.9, 126.4, 123.4, 115.6, 85.8, 68.0, 49.5, 23.0, 21.7, 19.9.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for $C_{20}H_{24}NO_3S$: 358.1478; found: 358.1480.

2-Benzyl-3-(benzyloxy)-6-methyl-4-methylene-3,4-dihydro-2*H***-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (7)** Gummy liquid; yield: 0.140 g (69%).

IR (neat): 2932, 1600, 1562, 1463, 1332, 1238, 1167, 1058, 882, 762, 701 $\rm cm^{-1}.$

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.55 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.42–7.44 (m, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.25–7.35 (m, 7 H, Ar-*H*), 7.13–7.15 (m, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 6.06 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.86 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.80 (s, 1 H, OC*H*), 4.57 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 4.48 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 4.28 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1 H, NCH_aH_b), 2.44 (s, 3 H, CH₃).

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.2, 137.7, 136.6, 135.6, 132.4, 131.4, 130.4, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.4, 125.8, 125.3, 116.5, 87.4, 70.1, 47.7, 21.8.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₂₄NO₃S: 406.1478; found: 406.1473.

3-(Benzyloxy)-6-methoxy-2-methyl-4-methylene-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (8) Gummy liquid; yield: 0.139 g (81%).

IR (neat): 2975, 2860, 1726, 1627, 1458, 1315, 1222, 1162, 811, 762 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.33–7.44 (m, 5 H, Ar-*H*), 7.19 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.00 (dd, *J* ≈ 8.4 and 2.4 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 6.00 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.88 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.80 (s, 1 H, OC*H*), 4.95 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H, OCH_a*H*_b), 4.74 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H, OC*H*_a*H*_b), 3.88 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.63 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 162.6, 136.7, 135.0, 133.3, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 127.5, 126.0, 116.6, 115.5, 110.0, 86.1, 69.8, 55.7,

29.1. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₂₀NO₄S: 346.1114; found: 346.1111.

3-(Benzyloxy)-6-*tert*-butyl-2-methyl-4-methylene-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (9)

White solid; yield: 0.139 g (75%); mp 108-110 °C.

IR (KBr): 2964, 2877, 1600, 1556, 1479, 1342, 1167, 1090, 899, 756, 701 $\rm cm^{-1}.$

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.73–7.77 (m, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.51–7.53 (m, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.33–7.45 (m, 5 H, Ar-*H*), 6.03 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.87 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.79 (s, 1 H, OC*H*), 4.96 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 4.75 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 2.65 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.35 [s, 9 H, C(CH₃)₃].

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 156.2, 136.7, 135.2, 130.9, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 127.3, 125.3, 121.8, 116.0, 86.0, 69.7, 35.4, 31.1, 29.0.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₆NO₃S: 372.1634; found: 372.1636.

3-(Benzyloxy)-2-methyl-4-methylene-6-phenyl-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (10) Gummy liquid; yield: 0.131 g (67%).

IR (neat): 3036, 2926, 1600, 1551, 1458, 1332, 1162, 1096, 888, 767, 699 $\rm cm^{-1}.$

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.90–7.92 (m, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.30–7.52 (m, 8 H, Ar-*H*), 6.12 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.93 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.86 (s, 1 H, OC*H*), 4.98 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 4.78 (d, *J* ≈ 12.0 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 2.69 (s, 3 H, CH₃).

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 145.7, 139.5, 136.7, 134.9, 132.2, 131.7, 129.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 127.7, 127.4, 126.1, 123.9, 116.7, 86.1, 69.9, 29.1.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₂NO₃S: 392.1321; found: 392.1292.

3-[(4-Bromobenzyl)oxy]-2,6-dimethyl-4-methylene-3,4-dihydro-2*H***-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (11)** White solid; yield: 0.132 g (65%); mp 81–83 °C.

IR (KBr): 2926, 1595, 1485, 1326, 1151, 1090, 882, 816 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.50–7.54 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 7.29–7.32 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 6.02 (s, 1 H, =*CH*), 5.82 (s, 1 H, =*CH*), 5.75 (s, 1 H, OC*H*), 4.89 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H, CH_aH_b), 4.70 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1 H, CH_aH_b), 2.62 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.42 (s, 3 H, CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.2, 135.7, 134.7, 131.8, 131.0, 130.8, 130.6, 129.9, 125.5, 122.2, 116.1, 86.0, 69.0, 29.1, 21.8.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₈BrNNaO₃S: 430.0089 and 432.0247; found: 430.0090 and 432.0073.

3-[(2-Bromobenzyl)oxy]-2,6-dimethyl-4-methylene-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (12)

White solid; yield: 0.128 g (63%); mp 90-92 °C. Crystallization [EtOAc–hexane (1:1)] at 4 °C gave crystals suitable for X-ray structure determination.

IR (KBr): 2926, 1599, 1451, 1331, 1166, 1084, 1024, 881, 750 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.52–7.61 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 7.35 (t, *J* ≈ 7.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 6.05 (s, 1 H, =*CH*), 5.91 (s, 1 H, =*CH*), 5.84 (s, 1 H, OC*H*), 5.02 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1 H, CH_aH_b), 4.81 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1 H, CH_aH_b), 2.65 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.43 (s, 3 H, CH₃).

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.2, 136.1, 134.6, 133.0, 131.1, 130.8, 130.6, 130.2, 129.8, 127.6, 125.6, 125.5, 123.7, 116.4, 86.5, 69.6, 29.2, 21.8.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₈BrNO₃SNa: 430.0089 and 432.0247; found: 430.0089 and 432.0070.

X-ray crystal data: colorless block, $C_{18}H_{18}BrNO_3S$, M = 408.30, triclinic, space group $P\overline{1}$, a = 7.6487(9), b = 10.6266(14), c = 11.6799(16) Å, $\alpha = 67.77(13)$, $\beta = 86.971(10)$, $\gamma = 78.624(10)^\circ$, V = 861.26(19) Å³ Z = 2, $\mu = 2.524$ mm⁻¹; data/restraints/parameters: 3519/0/219, R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$: R1 = 0.0502, wR2 (all data) = 0.099.

2,6-Dimethyl-4-methylene-3-octyl-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (13)

Gummy liquid; yield: 0.142 g (85%).

IR (neat): 2926, 2849, 1611, 1468, 1332, 1167, 910, 811, 745, 707 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.70 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.47 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.26–7.28 (m, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 5.92 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.33 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 4.65 (t, *J* ≈ 7.6 Hz, 1 H, C*H*), 2.62 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.41 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 1.84 (q, *J* ≈ 7.6 Hz, 2 H, C*H*₂), 1.28– 1.57 (m, 12 H, 6 C*H*₂), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3 H, C*H*₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 142.7, 137.4, 133.4, 131.5, 130.4, 125.5, 115.0, 61.0, 31.9, 30.6, 29.7, 29.5, 29.3, 25.5, 22.7, 21.7, 14.2.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₃₀NO₂S: 336.1998; found: 336.1996.

3-[(Benzyloxy)methyl]-2,6-dimethyl-4-methylene-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (14)

Gummy liquid; yield: 0.106 g (62%).

IR (neat): 2926, 2860, 1605, 1441, 1332, 1173, 1058, 910, 740 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.48 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.29–7.38 (m, 6 H, Ar-*H*), 5.93 (s, 1 H, =C*H*), 5.43 (s, 1 H, =C*H*), 5.84 (s, 1 H, C*H*), 4.81 (dd, *J* = 10.0 and 6.8 Hz,

1 H, $CH_{a}H_{b}$), 4.62 (s, 2 H, CH_{2}), 3.98 (dd, J = 10.0 and 5.6 Hz, 1 H, $CH_{a}H_{b}$), 2.77 (s, 3 H, CH_{3}), 2.43 (s, 3 H, CH_{3}).

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.0, 137.8, 135.2, 133.2, 131.2, 130.2, 128.6, 127.9, 127.1, 125.8, 125.2, 116.3, 73.4, 71.0, 62.9, 34.8, 21.8.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₂₁NNaO₃S: 366.1140; found: 366.1149.

N-Benzyl-*N*-[(2,6-dimethyl-1,1-dioxido-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazin-4yl)methyl]-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (15) White solid; yield: 0.149 g (62%); mp 152–154 °C.

IR (KBr): 3057, 2937, 1627, 1600, 1463, 1326, 1156, 1090, 926, 877, 679 $\rm cm^{-1}.$

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.75–7.78 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.21–7.27 (m, 5 H, Ar-*H*), 7.12–7.14 (m, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 5.90 (s, 1 H, =C*H*), 4.37 (s, 2 H, C*H*₂), 4.31 (s, 2 H, C*H*₂), 3.17 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.45 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.33 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃).

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.6, 142.9, 137.3, 135.9, 134.3, 132.0, 129.9, 128.7, 128.5, 128.2, 127.7, 127.4, 124.3, 122.1, 110.4, 50.4, 46.7, 33.9, 21.9, 21.6.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for $C_{25}H_{27}N_2O_4S_2$: 483.1413; found: 483.1413.

N-Benzyl-*N*-[(2-isopropyl-6-methyl-1,1-dioxido-2*H*-1,2-benzo-thiazin-4-yl)methyl]-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (16)

White solid, yield: 0.170 g (67%); mp 123–125 °C. Crystallized $[CH_2Cl_2-hexane (1:1)]$ at 4 °C to give crystals suitable for X-ray structure determination.

IR (KBr): 2975, 1616, 1594, 1446, 1314, 1216, 1150, 1035, 881 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.75–7.79 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 7.23–7.32 (m, 7 H, Ar-*H*), 7.15–7.17 (m, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 6.12 (s, 1 H, =C*H*), 4.55–4.59 [m, 1 H, C*H*(CH₃)₂], 4.38 (s, 4 H, 2 C*H*₂), 2.44 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.31 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 1.20 [d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6 H, HC(CH₃)₂].

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.6, 142.6, 137.5, 135.8, 131.6, 129.9, 128.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.6, 127.3, 124.3, 121.8, 111.7, 49.9, 47.9, 46.5, 22.5, 21.8, 21.6.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₃₀N₂NaO₄S₂: 533.1545; found: 533.1545.

X-ray crystal data: colorless block, $C_{27}H_{30}N_2O_4S_2$, M = 510.65, triclinic, space group P1, a = 9.5321(13), b = 11.7426(16), c = 12.4656(16) Å, a = 71.077(12), $\beta = 73.117(12)$, $\gamma = 85.644(11)^\circ$, V = 1262.7(3) Å³ Z = 2, $\mu = 0.247$ mm⁻¹; data/restraints/parameters: 5134/0/320, *R* indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$: R1 = 0.0622, *wR2* (all data) = 0.1119.

N-Benzyl-*N*-[(6-methoxy-2-methyl-1,1-dioxido-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazin-4-yl)methyl]-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (17) White solid; yield: 0.152 g (61%); mp 125–127 °C.

IR (KBr): 2967, 1621, 1584, 1439, 1320, 1209, 1121, 1015, 872 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.74–7.81 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 7.33–7.35 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 7.15–7.16 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 6.97–7.01 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 5.87 (s, 1 H, =C*H*), 4.32 and 4.34 (2 s, 4 H, 2 C*H*₂), 3.91 (s, 3 H, OC*H*₃), 3.17 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.47 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃).

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 162.7, 143.8, 136.9, 135.8, 134.8, 134.2, 130.0, 128.4, 128.1, 127.6, 127.2, 124.0, 123.1, 115.6, 110.0, 107.7, 56.2, 50.6, 47.9, 33.8, 21.6.

HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{25}H_{26}N_2NaO_5S_2$: 521.1181; found: 521.1181.

N-Benzyl-*N*-[(6-*tert*-butyl-2-methyl-1,1-dioxido-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazin-4-yl)methyl]-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (18) White solid; yield: 0.179 g (68%); mp 111–113 °C.

IR (KBr): 2962, 1618, 1591, 1443, 1318, 1226, 1130, 1025, 885 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.97 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.52 (dd, *J* = 8.4 and 1.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.09–7.14 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 6.95–6.97 (m, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 5.91 (s, 1 H, =C*H*), 4.38 and 4.31 (2 s, 4 H, 2 C*H*₂), 3.18 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.45 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 1.38 [s, 9 H, C(C*H*₃)₃].

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 156.3, 143.7, 136.9, 135.8, 134.0, 131.8, 130.0, 128.7, 128.3, 128.1, 127.5, 127.3, 125.4, 121.8, 121.7, 110.9, 50.6, 50.0, 35.7, 33.8, 31.2, 21.6.

HRMS (ESI): $m/z \,[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{28}H_{32}N_2NaO_4S_2$: 547.1701; found: 547.1700.

(4Z)-4-Benzylidene-2,6-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (19) and 2,4,6-Trimethyl-3-phenyl-2*H*-1,2benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (20)

These compounds were prepared from sulfonamide 2a (156 mg, 0.5 mmol) and phenylallene (1g; 87 mg, 0.75 mmol) by following a route similar to that used to prepare sultam 5. The products were separated by chromatography using a hexane–EtOAc mixture (90:10 for 19; 95:5 for 20).

(4Z)-4-Benzylidene-2,6-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (19)

White solid; yield: 0.097 g (65%); mp 108–110 °C. Crystallization from EtOAc-hexane (1:1) at 4 °C gave crystals suitable for X-ray structure determination.

IR (KBr): 2926, 1595, 1496, 1332, 1162, 1140, 926, 822, 690 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.64 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.36–7.47 (m, 4 H, Ar-*H*), 7.27–7.31 (m, 3 H, vinyl-*H* + Ar-*H*), 4.66 (s, 2 H, NC*H*₂), 2.69 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.46 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.0, 135.6, 134.1, 131.5, 130.5, 129.9, 129.3, 128.8, 128.3, 126.3, 125.6, 125.1, 52.0, 36.4, 21.9.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₈NO₂S: 300.1059; found: 300.1059.

X-ray crystal data: colorless block, $C_{17}H_{17}NO_2S$, M = 299.38, monoclinic, space group $P2_1/c$, a = 12.054(2), b = 15.383(3), c = 8.0462(13) Å, $\beta = 104.651(17)^\circ$, V = 1443.4(4) Å³ Z = 4, $\mu = 0.228$ mm⁻¹; data/restraints/parameters: 2453/0/192, *R* indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$: R1 = 0.0478, wR2 (all data) = 0.106.

2,4,6-Trimethyl-3-phenyl-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (20)

White solid; yield: 0.024 g (16%, minor product); mp 108–110 °C. IR (KBr): 2926, 1600, 1436, 1326, 1173, 1145, 1019, 827, 756 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.43–7.57 (m, 6 H, Ar-*H*), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 2.82 (s, 3 H, *CH*₃), 2.51 (s, 3 H, *CH*₃), 2.20 (s, 3 H, *CH*₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 142.5, 135.4, 134.7, 130.2, 129.8, 129.2, 128.8, 128.5, 126.0, 122.3, 117.4, 35.0, 22.0, 16.5.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₈NO₂S: 300.1059; found: 300.1058.

(4Z)-2,6-Dimethyl-4-(4-methylbenzylidene)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (21) and 2,4,6-Trimethyl-3-(4-methylphenyl)-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (22)

These compounds were prepared from sulfonamide 2a (156 mg, 0.5 mmol) and 4-tolylallene (1h; 98 mg, 0.75 mmol) by following a route similar to that used to prepare 5. The products were separated by chromatography using a hexane–EtOAc mixture (90:10 for 21; 95:5 for 22).

(4Z)-2,6-Dimethyl-4-(4-methylbenzylidene)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (21)

White solid; yield: 0.105 g (67%); mp 159–161 °C.

IR (KBr): 2926, 1600, 1509, 1447, 1326, 1162, 1068, 910, 816, 701, 559 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.62 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.43 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 7.27–7.28 (m, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.23 (d, *J* ≈ 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 4.66 (s, 2 H, NC*H*₂), 2.68 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.46 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.40 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.0, 138.4, 134.3, 132.7, 131.6, 130.3, 129.7, 129.5, 129.3, 125.5, 125.0, 52.1, 36.4, 21.9, 21.4.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₂₀NO₂S: 314.1215; found: 314.1213.

2,4,6-Trimethyl-3-(4-tolyl)-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (22)

White solid; yield: 0.019 g (12%); mp 160–162 °C.

IR (KBr): 2921, 1923, 1595, 1452, 1337, 1173, 1145, 1014, 844, 816, 553 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.39–7.42 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.27–7.28 (m, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 2.82 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.50 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.43 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.20 (s, 3 H, CH₃).

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 142.5, 139.8, 139.2, 135.5, 131.8, 130.1, 129.7, 129.2, 128.7, 125.9, 122.2, 117.0, 35.0, 22.1, 21.5, 16.5.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for $C_{18}H_{20}NO_2S$: 314.1215; found: 314.1214.

N-{1-[(5,5-Dimethyl-2-oxido-1,3,2-dioxaphosphinan-2-yl)(phenyl)methyl]vinyl}-2-iodo-*N*,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (23)

This compound was prepared from 5,5-dimethyl-2-(1-phenylpropa-1,2-dien-1-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaphosphinane 2-oxide²³ (132 mg, 0.5 mmol) and sulfonamide **2a** (187 mg, 0.6 mmol) by following a route similar to that used to prepare compound **4**. The compound was isolated by chromatography with hexane–EtOAc (3:2) as the eluent.

White solid; yield: 0.207 g (72%); mp 106-108 °C.

IR (KBr): 3036, 2964, 1715, 1638, 1595, 1458, 1353, 1260, 1156, 1058, 1008, 833, 785 cm $^{-1}$.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.89 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.50–7.52 (m, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.29–7.35 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 5.74 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 5.02 (s, 1 H, alkene-*H*), 4.67 (d, *J* = 22.4 Hz, 1 H, PCH), 4.27 (dd, *J* = 11.2 and ~7.0 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 4.08 (dd, *J* = 15.6 and ~7.0 Hz, 1 H, OCH_aH_b), 3.88–3.90 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.05 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.33 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.19 and 0.91 (2 s, 6 H, 2 CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 144.8, 144.1, 143.8, 136.9, 133.6 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 132.4, 129.9 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 128.9, 128.8, 127.9, 119.4, 92.2, 48.2 [d, ¹*J*(PC) = 28.0 Hz], 40.3, 32.5 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 21.9, 20.9, 20.7.

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 16.7$.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₈INO₅PS: 576.0471; found: 576.0473.

(4Z)-4-Benzylidene-2,6-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide (19; Alternative Procedure); Typical Procedure

A Schlenk tube was charged with sulfonamide **3a** (214 mg, 0.5 mmol), $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.025 mmol), Ph_3P (0.05 mmol), K_2CO_3 (139 mg, 1.0 mmol), and DMF (1 mL), and the mixture was heated at 80 °C for 12 h. The resulting mixture was diluted with H_2O (10 mL) and extracted with Et_2O (4 × 10 mL). The extracts were combined, dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, and concentrated in a vacuum. The residue was purified by column chromatography [silica gel, hexane–EtOAc (2:1)] to give a white solid; yield: 0.112 g (75%).

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₈NO₂S: 300.1059; found: 300.1057.

Other data were as reported above.

(4Z)-4-Benzylidene-6-*tert*-butyl-2-methyl-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2-benzothiazine 1,1-Dioxide(24)

Prepared in a similar manner to **19** (above) from sulfonamide **3b** (234 mg, 0.5 mmol) as a white solid; yield: 0.123 g (72%); mp 148–150 °C.

IR (KBr): 2959, 2871, 1589, 1496, 1479, 1332, 1178, 1151, 1118, 921, 701, 674 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.79–7.81 (m, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.53 (dd, *J* = 8.4 and 1.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.42–7.47 (m, 3 H, Ar-*H*), 7.36 (t, *J* \approx 7.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.27–7.30 (m, 2 H, alkene-*H*+Ar-*H*), 4.66 (s, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.71 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.39 [s, 9 H, C(CH₃)₃].

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 156.0, 135.5, 133.8, 131.5, 130.5, 129.3, 128.8, 128.3, 126.7, 126.6, 125.2, 121.4, 52.0, 36.3, 35.4, 31.2.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₄NO₂S: 342.1528; found: 342.1528.

2-Iodo-*N*,4-dimethyl-*N*-{5-methyl-2-[(methylamino)sulfonyl]phenyl}benzenesulfonamide (25)

A Schlenk tube was charged with sulfonamide 2a (156 mg, 0.5 mmol), CuI (0.1 mmol), 1,10-phenathroline monohydrate (0.2 mmol), and K₂CO₃ (139 mg, 1.0 mmol). Toluene (1 mL) was added, and the mixture heated at 110 °C (oil-bath temperature) for 12 h then cooled to r.t. The mixture was then diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and passed through a pad of Celite (~1 g), which was washed with additional EtOAc (20 mL). The organic phases were combined and concentrated, and the residue was purified by column chromatography [silica gel, hexane–EtOAc (4:1)] to give a white solid; yield: 0.10 g (82%); mp 132–134 °C.

IR (KBr): 3436, 2926, 1605, 1567, 1353, 1293, 1173, 1063, 805, 707, 674 $\rm cm^{-1}.$

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 8.15$ (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.94 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.58 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 7.32 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 6.50 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 6.47 (s, 1 H, Ar-*H*), 6.05 (br s, 1 H, N*H*), 3.36 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 2.82 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 3 H, NHC*H*₃), 2.39 and 2.34 (2 s, 6 H, 2 C*H*₃).

 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 148.1, 147.7, 145.4, 143.1, 140.2, 132.9, 131.9, 129.1, 116.5, 113.4, 112.0, 92.3, 35.3, 30.0, 22.2, 21.0.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for $C_{16}H_{20}IN_2O_4S_2$: 494.9910; found: 494.9907.

N,*N*',5,6'-Tetramethylbiphenyl-2,3'-disulfonamide (26)

A mixture of sulfonamide **2a** (156 mg, 0.5 mmol), $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.05 mmol), Ph_3P (0.1 mmol), and K_2CO_3 (139 mg, 1.0 mmol) in toluene (1 mL) was heated at 110 °C (oil-bath temperature) for 12 h. Work-up by a procedure similar to that used for compound **25**, but with chromatography using hexane–EtOAc (3:2) as the eluent, gave a white solid; yield: 0.010 g (10%); mp 150–152 °C.

IR (KBr): 3359, 3277, 2975, 2910, 1600, 1567, 1468, 1320, 1167, 1151, 822, 712, 663 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.90 (dd, *J* = 8.0 and 2.4 Hz, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.34 (d, *J* ≈ 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 7.10 (s, 2 H, Ar-*H*), 4.43 (br s, 2 H, N*H*), 2.62 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 3 H, NHC*H*₃), 2.61 (d, *J* ≈ 2.4 Hz, 3 H, NHC*H*₃), 2.43 (s, 6 H, 2 C*H*₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 142.5, 138.0, 133.7, 132.9, 129.8, 129.1, 29.6, 21.4.

HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for $C_{16}H_{21}N_2O_4S_2$: 369.0943; found: 369.0946.

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