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# ZrO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles as a reusable solid dual acid-base catalyst for facile one-pot synthesis of multi-functionalized spirooxindole derivatives under solvent free condition

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**Abstract:** A two-step one-pot protocol for the facile synthesis of biologically important spirooxindole derivatives such as spiro[4*H*-pyran-3,3'-oxindoles] and spiro[indoline-3,4'(1*H*')-pyrano-[2,3-*c*]pyrazol-2-ones has been developed. In this method  $ZrO_2$  nanoparticles have been utilized as a reusable solid dual acid-base catalyst to get quick access to the multi-functionalized spirooxindole derivatives under solvent free condition at room temperature. The main advantages of this method are the operational simplicity, reduced reaction time, elimination of solvents, high yield of the products, convenient work up procedure and employment of nontoxic and recyclable  $ZrO_2$  nano catalyst. All these factors make the present method economical, green and sustainable.

# Introduction:

The practices of green chemistry hold the key to build an environmentally sustainable society.<sup>1</sup> In recent time, metal based nanoparticles (NPs) in the form of nano catalysts have emerged as viable alternatives to conventional materials in various fields of chemistry and attracted the interest of chemists in exploration new green synthetic pathways.<sup>2</sup> The metal based NPs are known to be promising materials for heterogeneous catalysts in a variety of organic transformations.<sup>3</sup> The surface of ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs is reported to contain active hydroxyl groups,

oxyanions and  $Zr^{4+}$  ions which can act as dual acid-base catalyst.<sup>4</sup> This interesting property of  $ZrO_2$  NPs has not been explored as yet under solvent free condition, especially in important multicomponent reactions for synthesis of bio-active building blocks. In continuation of our research work on the synthesis of isatin based heterocycles<sup>5</sup> and development of green synthetic methodologies,<sup>5b,5c,6</sup> herein, we explore the potential of nontoxic  $ZrO_2$  NPs as heterogeneous catalyst in multicomponent reactions. Moreover the study will provide valuable insights into the mechanism of the reaction and the mode of catalytic activity of  $ZrO_2$  NPs which will help in expanding the scope of the catalyst in new synthetic design.

The indole ring system is probably the most ubiquitous heterocyclic moiety found in a large number of bioactive natural products and medicinal agents.<sup>7</sup> The spirooxindole derivatives also occupy a special place in organic and medicinal chemistry since they exhibit diverse biological and pharmacological activities. To name a few, spirotryprostatin A and B, for instance, are well-known microtubule assembly inhibitors (Fig. 1).<sup>8</sup> Isopteropodine and pteropodine are found to act as Muscarinic M1 and serotonin receptor modulators (Fig. 1).<sup>9</sup> MK-0677 is bioactive as nonpeptidyl growth-hormone secretagogues.<sup>10</sup> In light of their unique structural features along with the important biological activities, spirooxindole derivatives have drawn considerable attention to synthetic chemists for their preparation.<sup>11</sup> While a number of methods for the synthesis of spirooxindole derivatives have been documented in the literature, the development of new routes for efficient construction of the spirooxindole core with diverse functionalized structures remains desired. Therefore we wish to report herein a facile one-pot synthesis of two series of spirooxindole derivatives such as spiro[4H-pyran-3,3'-oxindoles] (4) and spiro[indoline-3,4'(1H')-pyrano-[2,3-c]pyrazol-2-ones (7) through the condensation of isatin (1) and malononitrile (2) with cyclohexane-1,3-diones (3) and ethylacetoacetate (5) and

hydrazines (6) in presence of  $ZrO_2$  nano catalyst under solvent-free condition at room temperature (Scheme 1).



Figure 1. Some spirooxindole based biologically active natural products



**Scheme 1**: Synthesis of spiro[4*H*-pyran-3,3'-oxindoles] (4) and spiro[indoline-3,4'(1*H*')-pyrano-[2,3-*c*]pyrazol-2-one derivatives (7)

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# **Results and discussion:**

During the optimization studies towards the development of  $ZrO_2$  as nano catalyst for one-pot synthesis of spirooxindole derivatives, two different set of reactions such as condensation of isatin (1), malononitrile (2) and dimedone (3) and condensation of isatin (1). malononitrile (2), ethylacetoacetate (5) and hydrazine (6) were chosen as model reactions (Scheme 2). In these processes various parameters such as the effect of catalysts, solid supports and solvents at different experimental conditions have been examined (Table 1). In the initial investigation, two reaction mixtures, taking the reactants 1.0 mmole each in ethanol, were stirred at room temperature. Under this conditions the condensation of isatin (1), malononitrile (2) and dimedone (3) afforded the product 4a in  $\sim$ 70% yield and condensation of isatin (1), malononitrile (2), ethylacetoacetate (5) and hydrazine (6) furnished the product 7a in  $\sim$ 74% yield within 10 minutes (Scheme 2; Table 1, entry 1). These reactions were found to be two-step one-pot processes where the reactants 1 and 2 were added initially and then after two minutes the remaining reactants (3 or 5 and 6) were added sequentially. When the same reactions were carried out in water medium the product 4a and 7a were formed in ~65 and 62% yield respectively (Table 1, entry 2). The low yield of the products was due to low solubility of the reactants in water medium. Employment of 10 mol% Et<sub>3</sub>N or piperidine as catalyst enhanced the products formation slightly in EtOH medium at room temperature (Table 1, entries 3 and 4). Addition of various acid catalysts (20 mol%) such as lactic acid, formic acid and p-TSA in EtOH medium not only showed insignificant reaction catalysis but also gradual lowering of products yield with increase of acidity (Table 1, entries 5-7). The presence of organocatalyst L-proline (20 mol%) in EtOH medium also could not enhance the products yield significantly at room temperature (Table 1, entry 8). Surprisingly when ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs (20 mol%) were used as catalyst in

EtOH and water medium substantial catalysis was observed in both cases producing **4a** and **7a** in good yields within 5 minutes (Table 1, entries 9 and 10).

In quest of greener conditions, subsequently both the reactions were performed under solvent free condition without using any catalyst. In this condition no product was formed even after stirring the reaction mixtures for 20 minutes at room temperature (Table 1, entry 11). Then the feasibility of the reactions under solvent free condition was examined in presence of various strong solid acid catalysts such as p-TSA (20 mol%), SSA (200 mg), PEG-OSO<sub>3</sub>H (200 mg) and Melamine sulfonic acid (250 mg) (Table 1, entries 12-15). To our delight, we observed that the selected solid acids can catalyze the condensation reactions significantly under solvent free condition at room temperature. In search of better yield, reduced reaction time and cleaner reaction profile, next 20 mol% ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs was employed as catalyst for the reactions under solvent free condition. Gratifyingly, in this case the product 4a and 7a were formed in high yield, ~86 and 91% respectively on stirring the reaction mixtures for 5 minutes at room temperature (Table 1, entry 16). Then we carried out the optimization study to examine the influence of the stoichiometry of  $ZrO_2$  NPs (20-5 mol%) under solvent free condition for the best yield of product 4a and 7a (Table 1, entries 16-18). The study revealed that the best yield of the product 4a and 7a can be obtained when the reactants are allowed to react on the solid surface of  $ZrO_2$ NPs (5.0 mol%) at room temperature just for 1 minute under solvent-free condition (Table 1, entry 18). It is envisioned that, the adsorption of the reactant molecules on the large surface area of  $ZrO_2$  NPs increases the local concentration around the active sites and accelerates the reaction rate remarkably.

With the optimized condition in hand, next the scope and generality of this protocol was assessed by employing various isatins, cyclohexane-1,3-diones and hydrazines (Scheme 1). The

results show that the optimized methodology (Table 1, entry 18) tolerates a wide spectrum of substrates to produce multi-functionalized spirooxindole derivatives **4a-s** and **7a-w** in good to excellent yields (Table 2 and 3). The formation of the final products **4** and **7** was confirmed by IR, <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy, elemental analysis and also by matching the melting points of some of the compounds with the reported values.<sup>11a-i</sup> The determination of the X-ray crystal structures of **4n** and **7e** further corroborates the products formation (Fig. 2 and 3).



**Figure 2.** Crystal structure of compound **4n**. Color code: red, oxygen; blue, nitrogen; grey, carbon; white, hydrogen (CCDC 1409892).<sup>†</sup>



Scheme 2: Optimization of the reaction conditions

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Entry	Solvent (5.0 ml)	Catalyst	Catalyst Load	Time (min)	Yield <sup>b</sup> (%)	
	· /			~ /	4a	7a
1	EtOH	—		10	70	74
2	$H_2O$	_		15	65	62
3	EtOH	Et <sub>3</sub> N	10 mol%	10	74	76
4	EtOH	Piperidine	10 mol%	10	78	79
5	EtOH	Lactic acid	20 mol%	15	76	77
6	EtOH	Formic acid	20 mol%	15	70	71
7	EtOH	<i>p</i> -TSA	20 mol%	15	68	69
8	EtOH	L-proline	20 mol%	15	72	73
9	EtOH	ZrO <sub>2</sub> NPs	20 mol%	5	87	88
10	H <sub>2</sub> O	ZrO <sub>2</sub> NPs	20 mol%	5	86	85
11		_		20		
12		<i>p</i> -TSA	20 mol%	15	68	67
13		SSA	200 mg	5	60	61
14		PEG-OSO <sub>3</sub> H	200 mg	15	65	63
15		Melamine sulfonic acid (MSA)	200 mg	10	63	67
16	_	$ZrO_2$ NPs	20 mol%	1	86	91
17	_	ZrO <sub>2</sub> NPs	10 mol%	1	84	90
18		ZrO <sub>2</sub> NPs	5 mol%	1	84	90

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<sup>a</sup>All the reactions were carried out at room temperature taking the reactants in 1.0 mmol each <sup>b</sup>Isolated yields.



 Table 2: Library synthesis of spiro[4H-pyran-3,3'-oxindoles] compounds 4a-s<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Isolated yields



**Figure 3.** Crystal structure of compound **7e**. Color code: red, oxygen; blue, nitrogen; grey, carbon; white, hydrogen; purple, iodine (CCDC 1411963). †



**Table 3**: Library synthesis of spiro[indoline-3,4'(1*H*')-pyrano-[2,3-*c*]pyrazol-2-one derivatives **7a-w**<sup>a</sup>

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The morphology of the prepared ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs has been determined from scanning electron microscopic (SEM) study. The SEM images indicate the formation of spherical and nearly uniform sized ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs (Fig. 4a and 4b). The morphology and uniformity of particle size of ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs were further characterized by high-resolution transmission electron microscopic (HRTEM) images, before (Fig. 4c) and after five times applications (Fig. 4d) at an accelerating voltage of 200 kV. Elemental analyses of the as-synthesized ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs were performed at EDX equipped onto HRTEM and found to be quite consistent (Fig. 5). Further the characterization of as-synthesized ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs has been carried out by powder XRD study. The XRD patterns of freshly prepared ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs and after five times reused ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs are displayed in Fig. 6. The powder X-ray diffraction pattern of the catalyst indicates the formation of tetragonal ZrO<sub>2</sub> (<sup>t</sup>ZrO<sub>2</sub>) NPs.<sup>12</sup> No characteristics changes in the peaks are observed after 5 times reuse of the ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs which suggests that the arrangement of the catalyst main unchanged after the reusability test.<sup>13</sup> Further characterization of ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs catalyst was confirmed by FT-IR and UV-visible studies (Supporting Information).



**Figure 4**. SEM images of  $ZrO_2$  NPs (a) before reaction and (b) after 5 times applications in reaction. HRTEM images of  $ZrO_2$  NPs (c) before reaction and (d) after five times applications.

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Figure 5. TEM-EDX of ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs



Figure 6. XRD spectra of (A) freshly prepared ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs and (B) reused ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs after 5<sup>th</sup> cycle

# Mechanism:

A plausible mechanism for the formation of spirooxindoles 4 and 7 using  $ZrO_2$  NPs under solvent free condition has been described in scheme 3. The surface of  $ZrO_2$  NPs is decorated with active hydroxyl, oxide and  $Zr^{4+}$  ions<sup>4</sup> which can act as dual acid-base catalyst for the condensation reactions. On adsorption of the reactant molecules on the solid surface of  $ZrO_2$  NPs the local concentration of the reactants around the active sites increases significantly causing acceleration of the reaction rate. Initially, malononitrile (2) condenses with isatins (1) *via* Knoevenagel condensation to form a common intermediate (I) promoted by acid-base catalysis of  $ZrO_2$  NPs as shown in Scheme 3. Then the intermediate I undergoes Michael type condensation with the pyrazole intermediate (II) derived *in situ* from ethylacetoacetate (5) and hydrazine (6) to form the intermediate III (Scheme 3a). Subsequently the acidic and basic sites of  $ZrO_2$  NPs assist the intermediate III to undergo intra-molecular electrophilic cyclization followed by tautomerization, to afford the desired spirooxindoles 7. Similarly the intermediate I undergoes Michael type addition with the enol form of cyclohexane-1,3-diones (IV) to furnish spirooxindoles 4 through the formation of intermediate V (Scheme 3b).

**(a)** 



**(b)** 

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Scheme 3. Plausible mechanism for the formation of (a) spirooxindoles 7 and (b) spirooxindoles 4

The reusability test of  $ZrO_2$  NPs was carried out separately for the synthesis of **4a** and **7a** under the optimized reaction conditions (Table 1, entry 18). At the end of the reactions, the reaction mixtures were ultrasonicated with ethylacetate to extract the products **4a** and **7a** from the surface of the solid support and the solid  $ZrO_2$  nanoparticles were separated easily from the reaction mixture by simple decantation method. Then  $ZrO_2$  NPs were washed three times with ethylacetate (3 x 5 mL), dried at room temperature under vacuum to eliminate residual solvents

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and used for the next cycle. The condensation reactions for the synthesis of 4a and 7a were performed with the recovered catalyst upto five times. The result shows that there is indeed substantial retention of initial catalytic activity of  $ZrO_2$  NPs even after repeated applications (Fig.

7).



Figure 7. Reusability of ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs for the formation of 4a (red bar) and 7a (light green bar).

# Conclusions

In summary, we have developed an efficient, eco-friendly and sustainable methodology to get quick access to several multi-functionalized spirooxindole derivatives such as spiro[4*H*pyran-3,3'-oxindoles] and spiro[indoline-3,4'(1*H*')-pyrano-[2,3-*c*]pyrazol-2-ones under solventfree condition at room temperature. The method involves two-step one-pot condensation of isatins, malononitrile, cyclohexane 1,3-diones and pyrazoles in presence of  $ZrO_2$  nanoparticles as a solid dual acid-base catalyst. To the best our knowledge this is the first example where  $ZrO_2$ nanoparticles have been exploited as a solid supported dual acid-base catalyst in important condensation reactions for synthesis of bio-active building blocks. The significant advantages of this methodology are the use of solvent-free reaction conditions, employment of simple and easily available starting materials and reagents, operational simplicity of the reaction and the use of a nontoxic and recyclable catalyst. All these factors make the present method economical, green and sustainable.

# **Experimental Section:**

# **General methods:**

Solvents and chemicals were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. Catalyst and starting materials were prepared according to reported procedure. Melting points were measured in open capillary tubes and were uncorrected. JASCO FT/IR-6300 spectrophotometer was used for IR spectra. <sup>1</sup>H (300 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz) spectra were performed on Bruker instrument (300 MHz) in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>. Elemental analyses (C, H and N) were recorded using Perkin-Elmer 240C elemental analyzer. The X-ray diffraction data for crystallized compounds were collected with MoK $\alpha$  radiation at 296K using the Bruker APEX-II CCD System. The morphological analysis of the resultant nanoparticles was confirmed by HRTEM, using a HRTEM, JEOL JEM 2010 at an accelerating voltage of 200kV and fitted with a CCD camera. The crystallinity of synthesized ZrO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles was determined and confirmed by XRD analysis. The diffractogram was documented from PANalytical, XPERT-PRO diffractrometer using Cu<sub> $\alpha$ </sub> ( $\lambda$ = 1.54060) as X-ray source. Hitachi S-3400N Scanning Electron Microscope was used for SEM.

# General synthetic procedure for the preparation of compounds 4:

An equimolar mixture of isatins (1) (1.0 mmol) and malononotrile (2) (1.0 mmol) was dissolved in minimum quantity of chloroform (3 ml) in a 100 ml round bottom flask and to this mixture  $ZrO_2$  NPs (5.0 mol%) were added and mixed thoroughly. Then the solvent was removed from

the mixture under vacuum to get a semi liquid mixture. Subsequently cyclohexane-1,3-diones (1.0 mmol) were added and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1-2 minutes. The progress of the reaction was monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). At the end of the reaction, ethylacetate was added to the reaction mixture and the product was extracted from the solid support by ultrasonication. The  $ZrO_2$  NPs were separated by decantation method and the separated organic phase was collected in another round bottom flask. Then the organic layer was evaporated to get the crude mass. Pure products **4** were obtained from the isolated crude mass through column chromatography on silica gel using ethylacetate/hexane (~1:1) as the eluent.

# General synthetic procedure for the preparation of compounds 7:

To an equimolar mixture of isatins (1) (1.0 mmol) and malononotrile (2) (1.0 mmol) in a 100 ml round bottom flask,  $ZrO_2$  NPs (5 mol %) were added and mixed thoroughly. Then to this semi liquid mixture hydrazines (1.0 mmol) and ethylacetoacetate (1.0 mmol) were added sequentially and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1-2 minutes. The progress of the reaction was monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). At the end of the reaction, ethylacetate was added to the reaction mixture and the product was extracted from the solid support by ultrasonication. The  $ZrO_2$  NPs were separated by decantation method and the separated organic phase was collected in another round bottom flask. Then the organic layer was evaporated to get the crude mass. Pure products 7 were obtained from isolated crude mass through column chromatography on silica gel using ethylacetate/hexane (~1:1) as the eluent.

#### **Recycle procedure of catalyst ZrO<sub>2</sub> NPs:**

At the end of the reactions for the preparation of **4a** and **7a** as described above, the reaction mixtures were ultrasonicated with ethylacetate to extract the products **4a** and **7a** from

the surface of the solid support and the solid  $ZrO_2$  NPs were separated easily from the reaction mixture by simple decantation method. Then  $ZrO_2$  NPs were washed three times with ethylacetate (3 x 5 mL), dried at room temperature under vacuum to eliminate residual solvents and used for the next cycle. The reactions for the synthesis of **4a** and **7a** were performed upto five times with the catalyst  $ZrO_2$  NPs recovered after each cycle.

### **Characterization Data of 4a-s:**

**4a**: White amorphous solid (yield 84%); mp: 288-292°C. IR (KBr) 3389, 3299, 2950, 2195, 1743, 1165, 1648, 1482 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  10.24 (s, 1H), 7.11 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.07-6.98 (m, 1H), 6.87-6.62 (m, 3H), 2.39 (s, 2H), 2.09-1.95 (m, 2H), 0.91 (s, 3H), 0.88 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.3, 178.4, 164.5, 159.2, 142.5, 134.8, 128.6, 123.4, 122.1, 117.7, 111.2, 109.6, 58.0, 50.4, 47.2, 32.3, 28.0, 27.5; C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (335.35): calcd. C 68.05, H 5.11, N 12.53%; found C 67.80, H 5.05, N 12.38%.

**4b:** White amorphous solid (yield 88%); mp: 296-298°C. IR (KBr) 3364, 3248, 3172, 2193, 1718, 1680, 1472 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  10.54 (s, 1H), 7.31 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.19-7.16 (dd,  $J_1 = 8.1$  Hz,  $J_2 = 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.09 (s, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.14 (s, 2H), 1.01 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.5, 178.2, 165.0, 159.3, 141.5, 136.8, 128.5, 126.1, 123.7, 117.6, 111.0, 110.6, 57.2, 50.4, 47.5, 32.4, 27.9, 27.6; C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (369.80): calcd. C 61.71, H 4.36, N 11.36%; found C 61.50, H 4.25, N 11.19%.

**4c:** White amorphous solid (yield 80%); mp: >300°C. IR (KBr) 3358, 3242, 2189, 1740, 1695, 1483 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  10.54 (s, 1H), 7.31 (bs, 2H), 7.21 (bs, 2H), 6.78 (bs, 1H), 2.56 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 2H), 2.16 (s, 2H), 1.03 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.5, 178.1, 165.0, 159.3, 141.9, 137.2, 131.3, 126.4, 117.6, 113.7, 111.6, 110.6, 57.2, 50.4,

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47.5, 32.4, 28.0, 27.6; C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>BrN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (414.25): calcd. C 55.09, H 3.89, N 10.14%; found C 54.98, H 3.75, N 10.09%.

**4d:** Yellow amorphous solid (yield 81%); mp: 296-298°C. IR (KBr) 3364, 3248, 2185, 1735, 1683, 1539, 1465 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  11.19 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.47 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.03 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 2.70-2.56 (m, 2H), 2.17 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 1.03 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.7, 179.0, 165.6, 159.5, 149.1, 142.8, 135.8, 126.2, 119.2, 117.4, 110.2, 109.8, 56.4, 50.2, 47.4, 32.5, 28.1, 27.4; C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (380.35): calcd. C 60.00, H 4.24, N 14.73%; found C 59.96, H 4.16, N 14.69%.

**4e:** White amorphous solid (yield 89%); mp: >300°C. IR (KBr) 3354, 3263, 2187, 1718, 1691, 1480 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  10.41 (s, 1H), 7.37-7.34 (dd,  $J_I$  = 7.8 Hz,  $J_2$  = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (bs, 3H), 6.53 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 2.03 (s, 2H), 0.89 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.4, 177.8, 164.9, 159.2, 142.3, 137.4, 137.1, 131.7, 117.5, 112.1, 110.4, 84.7, 57.2, 50.3, 47.2, 32.3, 27.9, 27.5; C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>IN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (461.25): calcd. C 49.47, H 3.50, N 9.11%; found C 49.41, H 3.38, N 9.01%.

**4f:** White amorphous solid (yield 85%); mp: 292-294°C. IR (KBr) 3357, 3289, 3147, 2194, 1726, 1659, 1603, 1474 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  10.32 (s, 1H), 7.18 (s, 2H), 6.86-6.81 (m, 2H), 6.66 (m, 1H), 2.42 (s, 2H), 2.03 (s, 2H), 0.90 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, F coupled <sup>13</sup>C spectra)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.3, 178.4, 164.8, 160.1, 159.2, 157.0, 138.6, 136.5, 117.5, 114.9, 114.6, 111.4, 111.1, 110.7, 110.3, 110.2, 57.3, 50.3, 47.7, 32.3, 27.4; C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>FN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (353.34): calcd. C 64.58, H 4.56, N 11.89%; found C 64.48, H 4.50, N 11.80%.

**4g:** White amorphous solid (yield 82%); mp: 298-300°C. IR (KBr) 3352, 3278, 2190, 1720, 1652, 1603, 1469 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.62-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.49 (m,

1H), 7.38 (m, 4H), 7.23-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.11-6.98 (m, 1H), 6.67 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (s, 2H), 2.20 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 2H), 1.06 (s, 3H), 1.04 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{C}$  195.6, 176.5, 164.8, 159.2, 143.6, 135.1, 133.6, 130.0, 128.8, 128.5, 127.0, 123.8, 123.4, 117.6, 111.2, 108.9, 57.5, 50.2, 47.0, 32.4, 28.0, 27.4; C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (411.45): calcd. C 72.98, H 5.14, N 10.21%; found C 72.89, H 5.08, N 10.13%.

**4h:** White amorphous solid (yield 90%); mp: 258-260°C. IR (KBr) 3360, 3265, 2185, 1718, 1670, 1605, 1472 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.29-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.07-6.93 (m, 3H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 2.58 (s, 2H), 2.12 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.04 (s, 3H), 1.00 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.2, 176.9, 164.6, 159.2, 143.9, 133.9, 128.7, 123.1, 122.8, 117.5, 111.1, 108.5, 57.6, 50.3, 46.8, 32.3, 27.9, 27.4, 26.7; C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (349.38): calcd. C 68.75, H 5.48, N 12.03%; found C 68.67, H 5.38, N 11.95%.

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**4i:** Yellowish white amorphous solid (yield 92%); mp: 232-236°C. IR (KBr) 3356, 3260, 3156, 2190, 1740, 1697, 1578, 1465 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.31 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.87-5.80 (m, 1H), 5.44 (d, *J* = 17.4 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 4.32-4.24 (m, 2H), 2.59 (s, 2H), 2.14 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 2H), 1.04 (s, 3H), 1.01 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.2, 176.6, 164.7, 159.2, 143.0, 133.9, 132.1, 128.6, 123.2, 122.7, 117.6, 117.0, 111.0, 109.2, 57.6, 50.3, 46.9, 42.3, 32.3, 27.9, 27.4; C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (375.42): calcd. C 70.38, H 5.64, N 11.19%; found C 70.27, H 5.61, N 11.10%.

**4j:** Yellowish white amorphous solid (yield 87%); mp: 270-272°C. IR (KBr) 3364, 3256, 3160, 2187, 1715, 1695, 1480 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.55-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.31 (m, 5H), 7.18-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.04-7.01 (m, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.96 (m, 2H), 2.65 (s,

2H), 2.25-2.20 (m, 2H), 0.96 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{C}$  195.4, 177.1, 164.9, 159.4, 143.0, 136.6, 134.0, 128.8, 128.7, 127.5, 123.3, 123.0, 117.8, 111.1, 109.3, 57.7, 50.3, 47.0, 43.7, 32.4, 28.0, 27.4; C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (425.47): calcd. C 73.39, H 5.45, N 9.88%; found C 73.28, H 5.41, N 9.79%.

**4k:** White amorphous solid (yield 88%); mp: 280-282°C. IR (KBr) 3360, 3250, 3172, 2192, 1720, 1690, 1475 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.15-7.08 (m, 3H), 6.95-6.81 (m, 3H), 3.59-3.58 (m, 2H), 2.37 (s, 2H), 2.09-1.91 (m, 2H), 1.04 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (s, 3H), 0.90 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  194.9, 176.1, 164.3, 158.9, 142.5, 133.9, 128.4, 123.0, 122.3, 117.1, 110.8, 108.3, 57.4, 50.0, 46.4, 34.4, 32.0, 27.7, 27.1, 12.1; C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (363.40): calcd. C 69.41, H 5.82, N 11.56%; found C 69.38, H 5.73, N 11.48%.

**4I:** Yellowish white amorphous solid (yield 91%); mp: 244-246°C. IR (KBr) 3317, 3237, 3209, 3155, 2949, 2189, 1724, 1661, 1599 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> 7.52-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.36 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.18-7.09 (m, 2H), 7.00-6.95 (m, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 7.50 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (s, 2H), 2.62 (s, 2H), 2.25-2.10 (m, 2H), 1.05 (s, 3H), 1.02 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> 195.7, 177.4, 165.2, 159.6, 143.0, 136.4, 134.2, 131.9, 130.2, 129.0, 123.7, 123.3, 121.0, 118.0, 111.3, 109.5, 57.9, 50.6, 47.2, 43.4, 32.6, 28.3, 27.7; C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>22</sub>BrN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (504.37): calcd. C 61.91, H 4.40, N 8.33%; found C 61.82, H 4.37, N 8.25%.

**4m:** White amorphous solid (yield 86%); mp: 184-186°C. IR (KBr) 3381, 3281, 3137, 2914, 2189, 1706, 1671, 1591, 1465 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.14-7.08 (m, 3H), 6.93-6.84 (m, 3H), 3.54-3.49 (m, 2H), 3.23 (bs, 4H), 2.38 (s, 2H), 2.00 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 2H), 1.48-1.46 (m, 2H), 1.12-1.06 (bs, 14 H), 0.91 (s, 3H), 0.88 (s, 3H), 0.73 (t, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.1, 176.7, 164.6, 159.3, 143.5, 134.1, 128.7, 123.3, 122.5, 117.5, 111.2, 107.7,

57.8, 50.4, 46.8, 32.3, 31.7, 29.4, 29.3, 29.1, 28.0, 27.5, 27.3, 26.7, 22.5, 14.4; C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>41</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (503.67): calcd. C 73.92, H 8.20, N 8.34%; found C 73.86, H 8.15, N 8.28%.

**4n:** Yellowish white amorphous solid (yield 84%); mp: 228-230°C. IR (KBr) 3379, 3291, 3155, 2933, 2189, 1706, 1661, 1599, 1482 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.32-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.09-7.00 (m, 3H), 4.59-4.43 (m, 2H), 3.25 (s, 1H), 2.58 (s, 2H), 2.19-2.06 (m, 2H), 1.03 (s, 3H), 1.00 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.2, 176.1, 164.7, 159.3, 142.2, 133.8, 128.7, 123.4, 123.2, 117.3, 111.0, 109.3, 78.1, 74.8, 57.3, 50.3, 46.8, 32.4, 29.6, 28.0, 27.5; C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (373.40): calcd. C 70.76, H 5.13, N 11.25%; found C 70.69, H 5.01, N 11.18%.

**40:** White amorphous solid (yield 92%); mp: 252-254°C. IR (KBr) 3390, 3272, 2923, 2189, 2126, 1716, 1692, 1591, 1478 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.21-7.11 (m, 3H), 7.05-6.92 (m, 3H), 4.49-4.34 (m, 2H), 3.25 (s, 1H), 2.58 (bs, 2H), 2.13 (bs, 2H), 1.84 (bs, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  194.9, 175.9, 166.2, 158.8, 141.8, 133.6, 128.3, 123.2, 122.8, 116.9, 111.7, 108.8, 77.8, 74.4, 57.0, 46.5, 36.3, 29.2, 26.8, 19.8; C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (345.35): calcd. C 69.56, H 4.38, N 12.17%; found C 69.48, H 4.31, N 12.10%.

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**4p:** Yellowish white amorphous solid (yield 88%); mp: 274-276°C. IR (KBr) 3424, 3281, 3165, 2958, 2189, 1716, 1581, 1474 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.33 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.24 (bs, 1H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.82-5.72 (m, 1H), 5.38 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 4.32-4.26 (m, 2H), 2.64-2.60 (bs, 2H), 2.22-2.18 (bs, 2H), 1.90 (bs, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.3, 176.2, 166.8, 158.9, 141.5, 135.8, 131.5, 128.1, 126.5, 123.4, 117.2, 116.8, 111.2, 110.3, 56.6, 46.8, 42.1, 36.3, 26.8, 19.7; C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (381.81): calcd. C 62.91, H 4.22, N 11.01%; found C 62.85, H 4.15, N 10.92%.

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**4q:** Yellowish white amorphous solid (yield 82%); mp: 258-260°C. IR (KBr) 3315, 3236, 3150, 2946, 2192, 1724, 1692, 1590, 1465 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> 7.47-7.40 (m, 4H), 7.28 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.12-7.06 (m, 2H), 6.94-6.89 (m, 1H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (s, 2H), 2.65 (bs, 2H), 2.22-2.20 (bs, 2H), 1.94-1.90 (bs, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> 195.2, 176.8, 166.5, 158.8, 142.4, 135.8, 133.7, 131.2, 129.6, 128.3, 123.2, 122.7, 120.4, 117.4, 111.7, 108.7, 57.3, 46.7, 42.7, 36.3, 26.8, 19.8; C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (476.32): calcd. C 60.52, H 3.81, N 8.82%; found C 60.48, H 3.75, N 8.78%.

**4r:** White amorphous solid (yield 89%); mp: 294-296°C. IR (KBr) 3348, 3272, 2195, 1718, 1675, 1605, 1470 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.58-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.35 (m, 5H), 7.15-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.02-6.97 (m, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (bs, 2H), 2.24 (bs, 2H), 1.91 (bs, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  195.8, 176.7, 166.8, 159.1, 143.7, 135.2, 133.8, 130.1, 128.9, 128.5, 127.1, 124.0, 123.5, 117.7, 112.4, 108.9, 57.7, 47.1, 36.7, 27.1, 20.2; C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (383.39): calcd. C 72.05, H 4.47, N 10.96%; found C 71.89, H 4.39, N 10.88%.

**4s:** White amorphous solid (yield 90%); mp: 282-284°C. IR (KBr) 3361, 3289, 3147, 2199, 1716, 1671, 1599, 1474 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>H</sub> 7.48 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.29 (m, 5H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (bs, 2H), 2.28 (bs, 2H), 1.99 (bs, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> 194.2, 175.3, 165.8, 157.7, 140.8, 134.9, 134.6, 132.6, 129.8, 127.2, 126.1, 125.9, 124.9, 116.1, 113.2, 110.0, 109.6, 55.5, 45.7, 42.2, 35.1, 25.7, 18.5; C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (476.32): calcd. C 60.52, H 3.81, N 8.82%; found C 60.48, H 3.75, N 8.71%.

# **Characterization Data of 7a-w:**

**7a**: White amorphous solid (yield 90%); mp: 278-280°C. IR (KBr) 3338, 3136, 2182, 1711, 1643, 1584 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.26 (s, 1H), 10.57 (s, 1H), 7.21 (s, 2H,

NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.17 (s, 1H), 7.01-6.92 (m, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* =7.5 Hz, 1H), 1.48 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ<sub>C</sub> 178.4, 162.9, 155.6, 141.9, 135.1, 133.1, 129.3, 124.9, 122.9, 119.1, 110.1, 95.8, 55.6, 47.7, 9.3; C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (293.28): calcd. C 61.43, H 3.78, N 23.88%; found C 61.38, H 3.65, N 23.78%.

**7b:** White amorphous solid (yield 86%); mp: 294-296°C. IR (KBr) 3386, 3348, 3141, 2182, 1715, 1644, 1582 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.32 (s, 1H), 10.73 (s, 1H), 7.27 (bs, 3H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* =8.1 Hz, 1H), 1.56 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  178.1, 162.9, 155.6, 140.8, 135.2, 129.3, 126.9, 125.0, 119.0, 111.6, 95.1, 55.0, 48.0, 9.4; C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (327.72): calcd. C 54.97, H 3.08, N 21.37%; found C 54.88, H 2.97, N 21.28%.

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**7c:** White amorphous solid (yield 87%); mp: 278-280°C. IR (KBr) 3323, 3148, 2195, 1730, 1637, 1610, 1593 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.31 (s, 1H), 10.62 (s, 1H), 7.27 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.10-7.04 (m, 1H), 7.00-6.97 (m, 1H), 6.91-6.87 (m, 1H), 1.56 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, F coupled <sup>13</sup>C spectra)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  178.4, 162.9, 157.4, 155.6, 147.8, 138.2, 135.2, 135.0, 119.0, 116.0, 115.7, 112.8, 112.5, 111.1, 95.3, 55.2, 48.3, 9.4; C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>10</sub>FN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (311.27): calcd. C 57.88, H 3.24, N 22.50%; found C 57.79, H 3.15, N 22.43%.

**7d:** Brown amorphous solid (yield 84%); mp: 282-284°C. IR (KBr) 3348, 3138, 2181, 1712, 1644, 1609, 1582 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.24 (bs, 1H), 10.66 (s, 1H), 7.32 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.14 (s, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 1.48 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  177.9, 162.9, 155.5, 141.2, 135.5, 135.2, 132.1, 127.7, 119.0, 114.5, 112.1, 95.1, 55.0, 47.9, 9.4; C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>10</sub>BrN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (372.17): calcd. C 48.41, H 2.71, N 18.82%; found C 48.33, H 2.65, N 18.78%.

**7e:** White amorphous solid (yield 92%); mp: >300°C. IR (KBr) 3399, 3346, 3127, 2180, 1713, 1643, 1583 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.33 (s, 1H), 10.73 (s, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 7.29 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 6.77 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 1.59 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  177.8, 162.9, 155.6, 141.7, 138.0, 135.8, 135.2, 133.2, 119.0, 112.6, 95.3, 85.7, 55.1, 47.8, 9.5; C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>10</sub>IN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (419.17): calcd. C 42.98, H 2.40, N 16.71%; found C 42.91, H 2.35, N 16.65%.

**7f:** White amorphous solid (yield 80%); mp: 228-232°C. IR (KBr) 3449, 3306, 3189, 2187, 1690, 1646, 1592 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.40 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.28 (m, 5H), 7.21-7.12 (m, 2H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 1.65 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  176.0, 162.5, 155.3, 142.6, 135.1, 134.2, 131.8, 129.9, 129.2, 128.4, 126.6, 124.9, 123.9, 118.5, 109.1, 95.1, 55.2, 47.3, 9.2; C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (369.37): calcd. C 68.28, H 4.09, N 18.96%; found C 68.19, H 3.95, N 18.88%.

**7g:** Yellowish white amorphous solid (yield 83%); mp: 240-244°C. IR (KBr) 3457, 3138, 2195, 1713, 1648, 1326, 1589 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.40 (s, 1H), 11.35 (s, 1H), 8.25-8.22 (m, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.41 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 1.59 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  178.8, 163.1, 155.7, 148.2, 143.5, 135.4, 134.2, 126.7, 120.6, 118.8, 110.6, 94.5, 54.4, 47.9, 9.5; C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (338.27): calcd. C 53.26, H 2.98, N 24.84%; found C 53.18, H 2.85, N 24.78%.

**7h:** Yellowish white amorphous solid (yield 90%); mp: 244-246°C. IR (KBr) 3392, 3328, 3167, 2194, 1697, 1641, 1589, 1494, 1403 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.32 (s, 1H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.13-7.03 (m 3H), 5.90-5.81 (m, 1H), 5.32-5.18 (m, 2H), 4.44-4.30 (m, 2H), 1.48 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  176.5, 163.0, 155.7. 142.5, 135.2, 132.3, 132.0,

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129.4, 124.8, 123.6, 119.0, 117.6, 109.7, 95.6, 55.5, 47.4, 42.3, 9.5; C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (333.34): calcd. C 64.86, H 4.54, N 21.01%; found C 64.78, H 4.45, N 20.88%.

**7i:** Yellow amorphous solid (yield 84%); mp: 250-254°C. IR (KBr) 3306, 3177, 2195, 1698, 1639, 1595, 1493 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.28 (bs, 1H), 7.34-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.14-7.02 (m, 3H), 3.67 (bs, 2H), 1.63-1.59 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 0.92 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  176.6, 162.8, 155.6, 142.7, 135.0, 132.3, 129.3, 124.6, 123.3, 118.8, 109.1, 95.6, 55.5, 47.2, 41.5, 21.0, 11.4, 9.3; C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (335.35): calcd. C 64.47, H 5.11, N 20.88%; found C 64.38, H 5.05, N 20.72%.

**7j:** Yellowish white amorphous solid (yield 86%); mp: 262-264°C. IR (KBr) 3315, 3227, 2182, 1718, 1657, 1595, 1517 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.31 (bs, 1H), 7.36-7.29 (bs, 3H), 7.10 (bs, 3H), 3.21(s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  176.7, 163.0, 155.6, 143.4, 135.1, 132.3, 129.5, 124.6, 123.6, 119.0, 109.1, 95.7, 55.2, 47.4, 26.7, 9.3; C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (307.30): calcd. C 62.53, H 4.26, N 22.79%; found C 62.48, H 4.15, N 22.68%.

**7k:** White amorphous solid (yield 92%); mp: 260-262°C. IR (KBr) 3385, 3337, 3139, 2189, 1702, 1638, 1589, 1495 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.27 (bs, 1H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 1H), 7.22 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.06-7.02 (m, 2H), 3.76-3.73 (m, 2H), 1.46 (s, 3H), 1.16 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  176.3, 162.9, 155.7, 142.3, 135.2, 132.6, 129.4, 124.8, 123.4, 118.8, 109.1, 95.6, 55.5, 47.3, 34.9, 13.0, 9.4; C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (321.33): calcd. C 63.54, H 4.71, N 21.79%; found C 63.48, H 4.63, N 21.70%.

**71:** Yellowish white amorphous solid (yield 88%); mp: 254-258°C. IR (KBr) 3328, 3163, 2923, 2188, 1715, 1643, 1540, 1470 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.33 (s, 1H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.36-7.26 (m, 6H), 7.15-7.04 (m, 3H), 5.06-4.91 (m, 2H), 1.38 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR

 $(75 \text{ MHz}, \text{DMSO-d}_6) \delta_{C} (177.1, 163.1, 155.7, 142.4, 136.5, 135.2, 132.3, 129.4, 129.0, 127.9, 12$ 

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124.8, 123.7, 119.1, 109.8, 95.6, 55.4, 47.5, 43.6, 9.3;  $C_{22}H_{17}N_5O_2$  (383.40): calcd. C 68.92, H 4.47, N 18.27%; found C 68.88, H 4.35, N 18.21%. **7m:** White amorphous solid (yield 89%); mp: 258-262°C. IR (KBr) 3397, 3331, 3272, 2914, 2189, 2128, 1716, 1644, 1591, 1482 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.29 (s, 1H), 7.39-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.28 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.09 (m, 2H), 4.68-4.49 (m, 2H), 3.25 (s, 1H), 1.46 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  176.2, 163.1, 155.5, 141.4, 135.4, 132.2, 129.4, 124.8, 124.0, 118.8, 109.8, 95.6, 78.3, 74.8, 54.9, 47.4, 29.5, 9.5;

135.4, 132.2, 129.4, 124.8, 124.0, 118.8, 109.8, 95.6, 78.3, 74.8, 54.9, 47.4, 29.5, 9.5; C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (331.32): calcd. C 65.25, H 3.95, N 21.14%; found C 65.18, H 3.88, N 21.08%.

**7n:** Yellowish brown amorphous solid (yield 94%); mp: 224-226°C. IR (KBr) 3342, 3130, 2184, 1715, 1646, 1590 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  10.72 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.50-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.33-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.01-6.96 (m, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 1.50 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  177.9, 161.4, 145.3, 144.3, 142.0, 137.6, 132.5, 129.8, 129.6, 126.9, 125.3, 123.0, 120.5, 118.3, 110.2, 96.7, 56.6, 48.2, 12.1; C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (369.37): calcd. C 68.28, H 4.09, N 18.96%; found C 68.19, H 4.01, N 18.88%.

**70:** Yellowish brown amorphous solid (yield 83%); mp: 140-142°C. IR (KBr) 3451, 3299, 3157, 2923, 2197, 2119, 1706, 1653, 1530, 1482 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.80 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.55-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.16 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.76-4.57 (m, 2H), 3.32 (s, 1H), 1.51 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  175.6, 161.6, 145.3, 144.4, 141.5, 137.6, 131.7, 129.8, 127.0, 125.2, 124.1, 120.6, 118.0, 110.0,

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96.5, 78.1, 75.0, 55.8, 47.9, 29.7, 12.3; C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (407.42): calcd. C 70.75, H 4.21, N 17.19%; found C 70.69, H 4.15, N 17.10%.

**7p:** White amorphous solid (yield 87%); mp: 158-162°C. IR (KBr) 3317, 3192, 2914, 2199, 1716, 1661, 1599, 1492 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.31 (s, 1H), 7.51 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.37-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.09-7.03 (m, 3H), 4.94-4.91 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  177.1, 163.0, 155.7, 142.2, 136.1, 135.2, 132.3, 131.9, 130.3, 129.4, 124.9, 123.8, 121.1, 119.1, 109.7, 95.5, 55.4, 47.4, 43.0, 9.4; C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>16</sub>BrN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (462.29): calcd. C 57.16, H 3.49, N 15.15%; found C 57.09, H 3.41, N 15.09%.

**7q:** Yellowish brown amorphous solid (yield 85%); mp: 190-192°C. IR (KBr) 3299, 3182, 2914, 2189, 1706, 1644, 1618 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.82-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.68 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.56-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.42-7.24 (m, 5H), 7.13-7.08 (m, 2H), 5.02-4.91 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  176.6, 161.3, 145.4, 144.3, 142.3, 137.6, 136.0, 131.9, 131.8, 130.4, 129.9, 127.1, 125.3, 124.0, 121.2, 120.6, 118.4, 109.9, 96.4, 56.3, 47.9, 43.1, 12.2; C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>20</sub>BrN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (538.39): calcd. C 62.46, H 3.74, N 13.01%; found C 62.38, H 3.65, N 12.88%.

**7r:** Yellow amorphous solid (yield 78%); mp: 178-180°C. IR (KBr) 3391, 3324, 3155, 2195, 1692, 1637, 1585, 1494 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.78 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.53-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.32 (m, 3H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.89-5.80 (m, 1H), 5.33-5.19 (m, 2H), 4.48-4.32 (m, 2H), 1.52 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  175.4, 161.2, 145.2, 143.8, 141.0, 137.3, 133.6, 131.2, 129.5, 129.3, 127.6, 126.7, 125.1, 120.4, 117.9, 117.6, 111.1, 95.5, 55.4, 47.7, 42.2, 12.0; C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (443.88): calcd. C 64.97, H 4.09, N 15.78%; found C 64.89, H 4.02, N 15.65%.

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**7s:** White amorphous solid (yield 86%); mp: 272-274°C. IR (KBr) 3390, 3320, 3158, 2199, 1697, 1643, 1588, 1493 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.37 (s, 1H), 7.42-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.08 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.87-5.79 (m, 1H), 5.31-5.18 (m, 2H), 4.45-4.35 (m, 2H), 1.54 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  174.7, 161.5, 154.1, 139.7, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 127.8, 126.2, 123.4, 117.3, 116.2, 109.7, 93.3, 53.2, 46.1, 40.8, 8.0; C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>14</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (367.78): calcd. C 58.78, H 3.84, N 19.04%; found C 58.70, H 3.79, N 18.88%.

**7t:** White amorphous solid (yield 82%); mp: 196-198°C. IR (KBr) 3350, 3268, 2923, 2187, 2126, 1710, 1653, 1589, 1479 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.72 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.58-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.46 (bs, 2H), 7.30 (bs, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.69-4.52 (m, 2H), 3.28 (s, 1H), 1.48 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  175.1, 161.5, 145.3, 144.0, 140.6, 137.4, 134.1, 132.4, 129.7, 128.1, 126.9, 120.6, 117.8, 115.9, 111.9, 95.7, 77.6, 75.1, 55.2, 47.9, 29.7, 12.2; C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>16</sub>BrN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (486.32): calcd. C 59.27, H 3.32, N 14.40%; found C 59.18, H 3.25, N 14.38%.

**7u:** White amorphous solid (yield 88%); mp: 200-204°C. IR (KBr) 3361, 3299, 3182, 3129, 2968, 2189, 1698, 1644, 1599, 1492 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  12.32 (s, 1H), 7.38-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.28 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.05 (m, 2H), 3.77 (bs, 2H), 3.59-3.56 (m, 2H), 1.91-1.86 (m, 2H), 1.77-1.75 (bs, 2H), 1.48 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  176.6, 162.7, 155.6, 142.5, 136.9, 132.2, 129.3, 124.7, 123.4, 118.7, 109.1, 95.4, 55.4, 47.2, 34.7, 29.7, 26.0, 25.6, 9.3; C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (428.28): calcd. C 53.28, H 4.24, N 16.35%; found C 53.20, H 4.15, N 16.28%.

**7v:** Brownish white amorphous solid (yield 80%); mp: 228-232°C. IR (KBr) 3451, 3326, 3192, 2189, 1706, 1653, 1572, 1519 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  10.74 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* 

= 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.29-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.03-6.92 (m, 2H) 1.53 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  177.4, 161.0, 145.1, 144.5, 141.6, 136.6, 132.3, 132.0, 129.3, 124.9, 122.7, 121.9, 118.9, 117.9, 109.9, 96.7, 56.3, 47.8, 11.7; C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>14</sub>BrN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (448.27): calcd. C 56.27, H 3.15, N 15.62%; found C 56.18, H 3.10, N 15.58%.

**7w:** Brownish white amorphous solid (yield 84%); mp: 198-202°C. IR (KBr) 3352, 3192, 2914, 2199, 1716, 1653, 1581, 1519, 1474 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.79-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.71-7.68 (bs, 4H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm C}$  174.9, 160.6, 144.6, 143.6, 141.3, 135.9, 132.9, 131.7, 128.8, 127.0, 124.4, 121.5, 118.5, 117.1, 109.9, 95.3, 54.7, 47.1, 26.1, 11.2; C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>15</sub>BrClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (496.74): calcd. C 53.19, H 3.04, N 14.10%; found C 53.06, H 2.95, N 14.08%.

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