Profiling the Reactivity of Cyclic C-Nucleophiles towards Electrophilic Sulfur in Cysteine Sulfenic Acid

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Synthetic Materials and Methods.

All reactions were conducted in flame-dried glassware under nitrogen pressure with dry solvents, unless otherwise noted. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was freshly distilled from sodium/benzophenone. All chemicals were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich (St. Louis, MO) and used as received. Silica gel P60 (Sorbent Technologies) was used for column chromatography. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) carried out using Analtech 60 F254 silica gel (precoated sheets, 0.25 mm thick). $^1$H-NMR and $^{13}$C-NMR spectra were collected in DMSO-$d_6$ or CDCl$_3$ (Cambridge Isotope Laboratories, Cambridge, MA) at 400 and 100 MHz respectively, using a Bruker AM-400 instrument with chemical shifts relative to residual CHCl$_3$ (7.27 and 77.37 ppm). Low resolution mass spectral analyses were carried out on an Agilent LC/MS system. All spectra are available upon request.

Instrumentation for kinetics assay (Rate Studies)

The LC-MS used was Agilent technologies 1220 Infinity LC and Agilent Technologies 6120 quadrupole MS. The column used was Agilent Poroshell 120 SB C-18, 2.7 µM particle size and dimensions were 3.0 x 50 mm. LC-MS grade solvents were used which were buffered with 0.1% Formic acid (LC-MS grade). Data was analyzed by LC/MSD ChemStation (Rev. B.04.03-SP1).

KaleidaGraph (version 4.1.1) was used for graphing and further data analysis to obtain pseudo unimolecular $1^{\text{st}}$ order rate constants, $2^{\text{nd}}$ order rate constants and pH plots.

Following equations were used for the purpose of graphing:

**Pseudo unimolecular 1$^{\text{st}}$ order rate constant ($k_{obs}$) -**

\[ m1 \times (1 - \exp(-m2 \times m0)); m1 = xx; m2 = yy; \]

**$2^{\text{nd}}$ order rate constant –**

\[ m1 + m2 \times M0; m1 = 1; m2 = 1 \]

**pH plots -**
Sample Preparation and General LC-MS Assay

Sample preparation - Stock solutions of nucleophiles were prepared in DMSO (100 mM concentration). Stock solutions were then diluted to appropriate concentration in PBS (10 mM, pH = 7.4). The pH was checked for each stock solution and was found to be in range of 7.40 – 7.45. Similarly, a 100 mM stock solution of dipeptide sulfenamide was prepared in acetonitrile and diluted to appropriate concentration in acetonitrile.

Assay - For each rate study, to a 2 mL solution of the nucleophile, was added 1 mL solution of cyclic sulfenamide. Effective concentrations were: Cyclic sulfenamide – 10, 25 or 50 or 100 μM; Nucleophile – 50, 125 or 250 μM, 1.0 mM or higher. Resulting reaction mixture was quenched after regular intervals by taking out a measured aliquot (300 μL) and adding it to a LC-MS vial containing formic acid (100 μL) and analyzing it by LC-MS. Area under the curve for the product formation at each time point was obtained from LC and plotted against time to get \(k_{obs}\).

LC-MS method – The gradient was started at 95% H\(_2\)O – 5% acetonitrile (0 minutes) with a flow rate of 1 ml/min. The gradient was changed to 0% H\(_2\)O – 100% acetonitrile over 5 min. with same flow rate. This gradient was maintained for 2 min. Total run time was 7 minutes followed by a 1.4 min. of post-time. The LC trace was obtained by monitoring 190 nm wavelength.

Assay approximation - In the cases of kinetically faster nucleophiles (where < 1 mM nucleophile concentrations were used), the \(k_{obs}\) was adjusted to [Nu] = 1 mM by multiplying the observed rate values with appropriate factor for comparison purposes. The correction presupposes that the same rate law applies throughout the entire concentration range, which may or may not hold true.

Standard deviation for \(k_{obs}\) reported are \(\leq 7.5\%\) and representative plot for each nucleophile is shown here.
Scheme S1. Under aqueous conditions, cyclic sulfenamide (14) exists in equilibrium with sulenic acid (15). (A) Aqueous instability of cyclic sulfenamide 14 results in the formation of cyclic sulfinamide (17) and disulfide (16); (B) Proposed mechanism for the formation of cyclic sulfinamide and disulfide as a result of self reaction of cyclic sulfenamide. Under aqueous conditions, cyclic sulfenamide (14) exist in equilibrium with
sulfenic acid (15). In the absence of a nucleophile, 14 and sulfenic acid 15 react with each other to generate thiosulfinate ester (18). Nitrogen of the backbone amide of 18 forms a covalent bond with sulfoxide forming cyclic sulfinamide (17) and releasing thiolate (19) in the process. Thiolate (19) then reacts with 14 (or 15) and form the disulfide (16).
Scheme S2. Study of the kinetics of the self-reaction of dipeptide sulfenamide (14).  (A) Reaction pathway showing the adducts formation as a result of the self-reaction of dipeptide cyclic sulfenamide.  (B) Representative LC traces of self-reaction of dipeptide cyclic sulfenamide at different time points. (C) Pseudo 1\textsuperscript{st} order rate constants for the self-reaction of 14 at varying concentrations (166.67 µM – 1.33 mM) were obtained. (D) $k_{obs}$ at different concentrations of 14 were plotted to give the 2\textsuperscript{nd} order rate constant value of 1.22 M\textsuperscript{-1}s\textsuperscript{-1}. 
Scheme S3. Stability of cyclic sulfenamide (14) in acetonitrile. A 1 mM solution of 14 was prepared in acetonitrile and its stability over the time was evaluated by LC-MS. As seen from the data above, 14 is completely stable under anhydrous conditions.
Scheme S4. Reaction of cyclic sulfenamide 14 (1 mM) with methyl iodide (1 M) under PBS:ACN (10 mM, 2:1, pH 7.4, rt) conditions.

[Chemical structures and reaction scheme]

LC-MS trace

[LC-MS trace graph with peaks and molecular ion annotations]

m/z_{calc}: 366.43
m/z_{abs}: 367.1 (M+1)

m/z_{calc}: 398.47
m/z_{abs}: 399.1 (M+1)

m/z_{calc}: 734.88
m/z_{abs}: 735.2 (M+1)
MS trace
Scheme S5. Reaction of cyclic sulfenamide 14 (1 mM) with NBD-Cl (1 mM) under PBS:ACN (10 mM, 2:1, pH 7.4, rt) conditions.

LC traces over 2 days
MS trace:
Scheme S6. (A) pH dependence of the self-reaction of dipeptide cyclic sulfinamide 14 was studied. (B) Pseudo 1st order $k_{obs}$ were obtained at pH 3.5 – 8.5; (C) A plot of pH vs $k_{obs}$ provided a sigmoid curve. LogIC$_{50}$ value obtained was 7.1 which correspond to the pK$_a$ of sulfenic acid 15.
Scheme S7. Study of the kinetics of the reaction of dimedone (1) with dipeptide sulfenic acid (15). (A) Reaction pathway showing thioether adduct (20) formation as a result of the reaction of 1 with 15. (B) Representative LC traces of the reaction of 1 with 15 at different time points. (C) Pseudo 1st order $k_{obs}$ for the reaction of 14 with varying concentrations (0.5 mM – 2.5 mM) of 1 were obtained.
Scheme S8. Reaction of cyclic phenyl sulfenamide (41) with dimedone (1) under aqueous conditions.

Phenyl sulfenamide (41) = 100 μM; Dimedone = 1.0 mM
Scheme S9. Stability/decomposition profile of cyclic phenyl sulfenamide (41) under aqueous conditions.
**Scheme S10.** Reaction of linear phenyl sulenamide (43) with dimedone (1) under aqueous conditions.
Scheme S11. Stability/decomposition profile of linear phenyl sulfenamide (43) under aqueous conditions.
Scheme S12. pH dependence of the reaction of dipeptide cyclic sulfenamide 14 with 1,3-cyclopentanedione (21a) was studied. Pseudo 1st order $k_{obs}$ obtained at different pHs were plotted against pH to obtain the sigmoid plots. LogIC$_{50}$ value obtained was 4.1 which correspond to the p$K_a$. 
**Chart S1.** Reaction of dipeptide sulfenic acid 15 with nucleophiles - Effect of complete enolization.

**Chart S2.** Reaction of dipeptide sulfenic acid 15 with enamines and hydrazides based nucleophiles.
Chart 1 – Rate Plots

Nucleophile (Nu) = 20.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ y = m1 \cdot (1 - \exp(-m2 \cdot t)) \]

Value | Error
--- | ---
m1 | 924.6 | 10.367
m2 | 0.3490 | 0.020012
Chi^2 | 5.543 | NA
p^2 | 0.9936 | NA

Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ y = m1 \cdot (1 - \exp(-m2 \cdot t)) \]

Value | Error
--- | ---
m1 | 1473.5 | 16.342
m2 | 0.0072313 | 0.00004295
Chi^2 | 105.49 | NA
p^2 | 0.99585 | NA

Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ y = m1 \cdot (1 - \exp(-m2 \cdot t)) \]

Value | Error
--- | ---
m1 | 2314.1 | 28.899
m2 | 0.050502 | 0.0036579
Chi^2 | 425.56 | NA
p^2 | 0.99164 | NA

Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ y = 2005 \cdot (1 - \exp(-m2 \cdot t)) \]

Value | Error
--- | ---
m1 | 0.063729 | 0.0039323
m2 | 0.068785 | NA
Chi^2 | 50.765 | NA
p^2 | 0.98678 | NA

*Area under the curve for product formation
Chart 2 – Rate Plots
Chart 3 – Rate Plots

Nucleophile (Nu) = 250 \mu M; Cyclic sulfonamide = 50 \mu M

$$m_2 = k_{obs} = 0.946 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 2.8 \text{ min}^{-1}$$
adj. $$k_{obs} = 2.8 \times 4 = 11.2 \text{ min}^{-1}$$ (adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

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*Area under the curve for product formation

Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 \mu M

$$m_2 = k_{obs} = 0.068 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 4.1 \text{ min}^{-1}$$

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*Area under the curve for product formation

Nucleophile (Nu) = 500 \mu M; Cyclic sulfonamide = 50 \mu M

$$m_2 = k_{obs} = 0.1155 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 6.93 \text{ min}^{-1}$$
adj. $$k_{obs} = 6.93 \times 2 = 13.9 \text{ min}^{-1}$$ (adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

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*Area under the curve for product formation

Nucleophile (Nu) = 250 \mu M; Cyclic sulfonamide = 25 \mu M

$$m_2 = k_{obs} = 0.072 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 4.32 \text{ min}^{-1}$$
adj. $$k_{obs} = 4.32 \times 4 = 17.3 \text{ min}^{-1}$$ (adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

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*Area under the curve for product formation
Chart 4 – Rate Plots

- Chart 1: Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfanamide = 100 µM
  - $m_2 = k_{vis} = 0.0034 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 0.2 \text{ min}^{-1}$

- Chart 2: Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfanamide = 100 µM
  - $m_2 = k_{vis} = 0.0038 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 0.2 \text{ min}^{-1}$

- Chart 3: Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfanamide = 100 µM
  - $m_2 = k_{vis} = 0.0136 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 0.8 \text{ min}^{-1}$

- Chart 4: Nucleophile (Nu) = 4.0 mM; Cyclic sulfanamide = 100 µM
  - $m_2 = k_{vis} = 0.1962 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 11.8 \text{ min}^{-1}$
  - adj. $k_{vis} = 11.8/4 = 2.9 \text{ min}^{-1}$ (adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

*Area under the curve for product formation*
Chart 5 – Rate Plots

Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{obs} = 0.0333 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 2.0 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

- \[ y = m_1(1-\exp(-m_2t)) \]
  - Value: 1453.6
  - Error: 9.4403
  - m1: 0.033288
  - m2: 0.00087784
  - Chi^2: 3480.1
  - R^2: 0.99938

Area (mAU) vs. Time (sec)

Nucleophile (Nu) = 125 μM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 25 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{obs} = 0.1144 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 6.9 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

adj. \[ k_{obs} = k_{obs} \times 8 = 54.9 \text{ min}^{-1} \]
(adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

- \[ y = m_1(1-\exp(-m_2t)) \]
  - Value: 623.74
  - Error: 9.6877
  - m1: 0.11432
  - m2: 0.001491
  - Chi^2: 2489.9
  - R^2: 0.99858

Area (mAU) vs. Time (sec)

Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{obs} = 0.0096 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 0.6 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

- \[ y = m_1(1-\exp(-m_2t)) \]
  - Value: 1238.3
  - Error: 27.432
  - m1: 0.0096485
  - m2: 0.00047371
  - Chi^2: 3575.2
  - R^2: 0.99870

Area (mAU) vs. Time (sec)

Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 25 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{obs} = 0.0138 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 0.8 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

- \[ y = m_1(1-\exp(-m_2t)) \]
  - Value: 1463.9
  - Error: 14.433
  - m1: 0.013022
  - m2: 0.00030021
  - Chi^2: 1820.1
  - R^2: 0.99967

Area (mAU) vs. Time (sec)

Nucleophile (Nu) = 125 μM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 25 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{obs} = 0.094 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 5.6 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

adj. \[ k_{obs} = k_{obs} \times 8 = 73.9 \text{ min}^{-1} \]
(adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

- \[ y = m_1(1-\exp(-m_2t)) \]
  - Value: 447.18
  - Error: 4.7511
  - m1: 0.0940454
  - m2: 0.0006441
  - Chi^2: 1096.9
  - R^2: 0.99703

Area (mAU) vs. Time (sec)

Nucleophile (Nu) = 125 μM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 25 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{obs} = 0.154 \pm 0.004 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 9.2 \pm 0.2 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

adj. \[ k_{obs} = k_{obs} \times 8 = 73.9 \pm 1.8 \text{ min}^{-1} \]
(adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

- \[ y = m_1(1-\exp(-m_2t)) \]
  - Value: 613.73
  - Error: 1.9309
  - m1: 0.15403
  - m2: 0.0036685
  - Chi^2: 156.12
  - R^2: 0.99952

Area (mAU) vs. Time (sec)
Chart 6 – Rate Plots

Nucleophile (Nu) = 20.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{\text{app}} = 0.3480 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

\[ \text{adj. } k_{\text{app}} = 0.3498/20 = 0.02 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

(adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

**Regression Details**

- **Value**
  - m1: 904.6
  - m2: 34.367
  - m3: 0.34797
  - m4: 0.023012
  - Chisq: 5543.8
  - R^2: 0.99936

**Error**

- 0

*Area under the curve for product formation*

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Nucleophile (Nu) = 5 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{\text{app}} = 0.106 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

\[ \text{adj. } k_{\text{app}} = 0.115/5 = 0.02 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

(adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

**Regression Details**

- **Value**
  - m1: 1867.6
  - m2: 36.745
  - m3: 0.10598
  - m4: 0.0073471
  - Chisq: 32727
  - R^2: 0.98253

**Error**

- 0

*Area under the curve for product formation*

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Nucleophile (Nu) = 20.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{\text{app}} = 0.20254 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

\[ \text{adj. } k_{\text{app}} = 0.203/20 = 0.01 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

(adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

**Regression Details**

- **Value**
  - m1: 792.2
  - m2: 16.169
  - m3: 0.20254
  - m4: 0.01925
  - Chisq: 8441.1
  - R^2: 0.98713

**Error**

- 0

*Area under the curve for product formation*

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Nucleophile (Nu) = 20.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{\text{app}} = 0.8669 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

\[ \text{adj. } k_{\text{app}} = 0.861/20 = 0.04 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

(adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

**Regression Details**

- **Value**
  - m1: 894.61
  - m2: 11.562
  - m3: 0.8609
  - m4: 0.10451
  - Chisq: 8188.7
  - R^2: 0.98659

**Error**

- 0

*Area under the curve for product formation*

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Nucleophile (Nu) = 1.0 mM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 100 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{\text{app}} = 0.01322 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 0.8 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

**Regression Details**

- **Value**
  - m1: 1052.2
  - m2: 34.161
  - m3: 0.0132241
  - m4: 0.0013752
  - Chisq: 27671
  - R^2: 0.97802

**Error**

- 0

*Area under the curve for product formation*

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Nucleophile (Nu) = 250 μM; Cyclic sulfonamide = 50 μM

\[ m_2 = k_{\text{app}} = 0.089 \text{ sec}^{-1} = 6.3 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

\[ \text{adj. } k_{\text{app}} = 5.3 \times 4 = 21.3 \text{ min}^{-1} \]

(adjusted for [Nu] = 1 mM)

**Regression Details**

- **Value**
  - m1: 3024.8
  - m2: 11.228
  - m3: 0.088926
  - m4: 0.0023992
  - Chisq: 6709.6
  - R^2: 0.99516

**Error**

- 0

*Area under the curve for product formation*
Chart S3. Determination of 2\textsuperscript{nd} order rate constants of selected nucleophiles

(A) 2\textsuperscript{nd} order rate constant of dimedone – fixing the cyclic sulfenamide (100 \textmu M) concentration and varying Dimedone concentration (0.5 mM – 2.5 mM).

(B) 2\textsuperscript{nd} order rate constant of benzyl-PRD (26f) – fixing the cyclic sulfenamide (14) concentration (20 \textmu M) and varying 26f concentration (100 \textmu M – 200 \textmu M).
(C) 2\textsuperscript{nd} order rate constant of Indandione (34b) – fixing the cyclic sulfenamide (14) concentration (10 μM) and varying 34b concentration (100 μM – 200 μM).

(D) 2\textsuperscript{nd} order rate constant of benzyl-BTD (31h) – fixing the cyclic sulfenamide (14) concentration (10 μM) and 31h concentration (50 μM – 150 μM).
Summary Table:

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Scheme S13. Improved synthesis of cyclic sulfenamide \(^a\)

\[ \text{Conditions: (a) Cbz-Cl, NaHCO}_3\text{(aq), } 0 \degree C - rt; (b) H}_2\text{N-Val-OMe, EDCI.HCl, cat. DMAP, THF, rt, 15 h; (c) Br}_2, \text{pyridine, DCM, -78} \degree C - rt.} \]

Synthesis of \((S)\)-methyl 2-amino-3-methylbutanoate

\[ \text{Anydrous methanol (35 ml) was taken in a 100 ml round bottom flask, equipped with a stir-bar and nitrogen balloon. The flask was cooled to } 0 \degree C \text{ using an ice-bath and thionyl chloride (9.3 ml, 128 mmol) was added dropwise keeping the temperature under 5} \degree C \text{. This solution was stirred at rt for 15 minutes followed by the addition of L-Valine (7.5 g, 64 mmol) in one batch. Resulting white slurry was refluxed till it turned into clear solution and another 2 h afterwards. After the completion of reaction, the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature and evaporated under reduced pressure. Residue was taken up in methanol and evaporated again. This was repeated twice. Cream residue thus obtained was taken-up in ammonium hydroxide and stirred for 30 minutes followed by extractions with diethyl ether (3 x 100 ml). Ether layers were combined, washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtered and evaporated to obtain light-yellow oil.} \]
\(^1\)H-NMR: \(\delta\) 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.19 (d, 1H, \(J = 8\) Hz), 1.90 (h, 1H, \(J = 8.0\) Hz), 1.31 (bs, 2H), 0.85 (d, 3H, \(J = 8.0\) Hz), 0.80 (d, 3H, \(J = 8.0\) Hz); \(^{13}\)C-NMR: 176.2, 60.1, 51.8, 32.3, 19.4, 17.3.

**Synthesis of \((\text{Cbz-Cys-Val-OMe})_2\)**

\((\text{Cbz-Cys})_2\) (5.08 g, 10.0 mmol) and \text{L-Val-OMe} (3.29 g, 25.0 mmol) were taken together in anhydrous THF (100 ml) under nitrogen pressure. To this slurry was added EDCI.HCl (4.79 g, 25.0 mmol) and catalytic amount of 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (DMAP, 0.3 g, 2.5 mmol) at 0 \(^\circ\)C. The resulting reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 15 h at rt. After the completion (as indicated by TLC and LC-MS) the reaction was quenched by the addition of water and THF was removed in vacuo. The residue was taken in methylene chloride (200 ml) and washed twice with HCl (1 N, 100 ml), water (100 ml) and aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (saturated, 100 ml). Organic layer was again washed with water (100 ml) and brine (100 ml) followed by drying over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtration and evaporation to give the crude product. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using a gradient of 100% DCM to 10% EtOAc:DCM resulted in the recovery of pure product as white powder in 77% isolated yield. Alternatively, the crude can also be purified by recrystallization from absolute ethanol. First crop gave a yield of 66% and second crop was recovered in 15% yield.

\(^1\)H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl\(_3\)) \(\delta\) 7.91 (d, 2H, \(J = 10.0\) Hz), 7.30 – 7.38 (m, 5H), 5.91 (d, 2H, \(J = 8.0\) Hz), 5.23 (d, 2H, \(J = 12.0\) Hz), 5.13 (d, 2H, \(J = 12.0\) Hz), 4.50 (dd, 2H, \(J_A = 4.0\) Hz, \(J_B = 8.0\) Hz), 3.70 (s, 6H), 3.11 (dd, 2H, \(J_A = 16.0\) Hz, \(J_B = 4.0\) Hz), 2.88 (dd, 2H, \(J_A = 12.0\) Hz, \(J_B = 16.0\) Hz), 2.16 (h, 2H, \(J = 4.0\) Hz), 0.96 (t, 12H, \(J = 8.0\) Hz); \(^{13}\)C-NMR
(100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2, 169.9, 156.5, 136.3, 128.9, 128.4, 67.5, 62.4, 54.6, 52.6, 37.8, 29.5, 19.7, 19.4.

Synthesis of (S)-methyl 2-((R)-4-(((benzyloxy)carbonyl)amino)-3-oxoisothiazolidin-2-yl)-3-methylbutanoate (Cyclic sulfenamide)

To a solution of (Cbz-Cys-Val-OMe)₂ (1.47 g, 2.0 mmol) in 100 mL anhydrous methylene chloride was added pyridine (1.3 ml, 16 mmol). The solution was cooled to -78 °C under N₂ and stirred for 15 min, and bromine (0.64 g, 4.0 mmol) in anhydrous methylene chloride (15.0 ml) was added dropwise over 10 minutes. The resulting pale yellow solution was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min and then at -10 °C (ice-acetone bath) for 3 h and finally allowed to warm to room temperature by removing the cooling bath. After the completion, reaction mixture was directly concentrated to give a yellow solid. The crude solid was then immediately purified by silica gel column chromatography using a gradient of 100% DCM to 5% EtOAc in DCM to obtain the pure product as white solid in 82% isolated yield.

¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 – 7.39 (m, 5H), 5.63 (bs, 1H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 4.60 – 4.69 (m, 2H), 3.92 (t, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.41 (dd, 1H, Jₐ = 12.0 Hz, Jₐ = 12.0 Hz), 2.24 (h, 1H, J = 4.0 Hz), 0.98 (t, 6H, J = 8.0 Hz); ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.2, 170.6, 157.0, 136.4, 128.9, 128.5, 128.0, 67.6, 58.1, 55.0, 52.4, 47.2, 31.3, 19.4, 18.5.

First strategy used to synthesize analogs 22e-f was based on a 2-step strategy. First step was to alkylate 3-ethoxy-2-cyclohexen-1-one (51) with ethyl iodoacetate or diethyl carbonate under kinetically controlled conditions (LDA, HMPA, THF) followed by acid mediated deprotection conditions resulting in the recovery of targeted C-4 alkylated product 22e-f in good yields. The second, more straightforward strategy used the dianion chemistry where the dianion of 1,3-cyclohexanedione (22a) was smoothly generated with 2.2 equivalents of lithium diisopropylamide. Reaction of this with various alkyl iodides and bromides afforded the expected C-4 alkylated derivatives (22b-d, h). The reaction of dianion of 22a with different disulfides resulted in clean formation of C-4 alkylthio derivatives 22i-k.

Procedure for Scheme A: Step 1 – Base mediated C-4 alkylation. In a flame dried 100 ml flask equipped with stir bar and diisopropylamine (1.73 g, 17.1 mmol), 20 ml of freshly distilled dry THF was added followed by the addition of 2.5 M solution of n-BuLi (6.85 ml, 17.1 mmol) at -78 °C under N₂. This mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 45 minutes. A solution of 3-ethoxycyclohex-2-enone (2.0 g, 14.3 mmol) in freshly distilled dry THF (15 ml) was added drop wise to the LDA solution at -78 °C. Resulting dark orange colored reaction mixture was allowed to stir at -78 °C for another 60 minutes.
solution of ethyl-2-iodoacetate (3.66 g, 17.1 mmol) and HMPA (3.1 g, 17.1 mmol) in freshly distilled dry THF (10 ml) was added directly at -78 °C to the enolate and the resulting orange solution was allowed to warm up to rt over 2 h with monitoring (TLC and LC-MS). The reaction was complete after 4 h of stirring and it was quenched with saturated ammonium chloride solution and THF was removed in vacuo. Residue was partitioned between ethyl acetate and water and organic layer was separated, washed with brine and dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate. Solvent was evaporated to give crude product. The product was isolated by column chromatography using a gradient of Hexane:EtOAc (15% to 25%). The expected product was isolated in 72% yield, analyzed and confirmed by LC-MS and NMRs.

Ethyl 2-(4-ethoxy-2-oxocyclohex-3-en-1-yl)acetate (52a)

1H-NMR (in CDCl3, 400 MHz): δ 5.30 (s, 1H), 4.10 (q, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.84 (p, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 2.84 – 2.89 (m, 1H), 2.64 – 2.69 (m, 1H), 2.45 – 2.55 (m, 1H), 2.30 – 2.33 (m, 1H), 2.19 – 2.25 (m, 1H), 2.00 – 2.05 (m, 1H), 1.74 (dq, 1H, J1 = 12 Hz, J2 = 4 Hz), 1.31 (t, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz), 1.22 (t, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz); 13C-NMR (in CDCl3, 100 MHz): 199.1, 177.2, 172.9, 102.2, 64.5, 60.1, 42.5, 34.9, 29.2, 27.3, 14.4, 14.3.

Ethyl 4-ethoxy-2-oxocyclohex-3-ene-1-carboxylate (52b)

1H-NMR (in CDCl3, 400 MHz): δ 5.37 (s, 1H), 4.20 (q, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.90 (dq, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz, J2 = 4.0 Hz), 3.30 (dd, 1H, J1 = 8.0 Hz, J2 = 4.0 Hz), 2.52 – 2.59 (m, 1H), 2.28 – 2.45 (m, 2H), 2.12 – 2.19 (m, 1H), 1.36 (t, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz), 1.27 (t, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz); 13C-NMR (in CDCl3, 100 MHz): 194.1, 177.9, 170.7, 102.4, 64.8, 61.5, 52.6, 27.6, 24.4, 14.5, 14.4.
**Step 2 – Acid catalyzed deprotection.** SM ester (0.5 g, 2.2 mmol) was taken in acetonitrile (5 ml). To this, 1.0 N HCl (10 ml) was added at rt. Resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 70 °C with monitoring. The reaction was completed after 1 h. Acetonitrile was removed *in vacuo* and residue was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x30 ml). Combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtered and evaporated to give the crude product which was purified by column chromatography using 100% DCM – 5% MeOH:DCM gradient to obtain the pure product in 80% yield.

**Ethyl 2-(2,4-dioxocyclohexyl)acetate (22e)** (Mixture of keto and enol form)

$^1$H-NMR (in CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 5.44 (s, 0.4H), 4.15 (q, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.46 (q, 1H, J = 16.0 Hz), 2.03 – 3.04 (m, 6H), 1.59 – 1.85 (m, 1H), 1.25 (dt, 3H, J1 = 8.0 Hz, J2 = 4.0 Hz); $^{13}$C-NMR: 203.8, 203.3, 195.8, 185.9, 173.2, 172.2, 104.5, 61.2, 61.1, 58.4, 46.1, 40.3, 40.1, 35.5, 34.2, 30.4, 27.3, 24.7, 14.4.

**Procedure for Scheme B:** Lithium diisopropylamine was prepared by the dropwise addition of 2.5 M solution of n-BuLi (15.7 ml, 39.25 mmol) to a solution of diisopropylamine (3.97 g, 39.25 mmol) in THF (40 ml) and stirring the resultant pale yellow mixture at -78 °C for 30 minutes in 250 ml flask equipped with stir bar under N₂ pressure. A solution of cyclohexane-1,3-dione (2.0 g, 17.84 mmol) in THF (20 ml) and HMPA (10 ml) was added dropwise to this lithium diisopropylamide solution at -78 °C. Resulting deep yellow colored reaction mixture was allowed to stir at -78 °C and the temperature was slowly increased to 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 0 °C for 30 minutes after which it was again cooled to -78 °C. To this dianion slurry, a solution of 5-iodopent-1-yne (3.81 g, 19.62 mmol) in THF (20 ml) was added dropwise at -78 °C. Resulting orange slurry was stirred at -78 °C for 2 h with close monitoring. After the completion, the reaction mixture was acidified (to pH 4) with 1.0 M HCl. THF was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was partitioned between ethyl acetate and water. Organic layer was separated and aqueous layer was extracted with
ethyl acetate (3 x 75 ml). Organic layers were combined and washed with brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtered and evaporated to give crude product. The crude was purified by column chromatography using a gradient of 100% DCM which was increased upto 2% MeOH in DCM to recover the product (3.0 g, 16.83 mmol) as a mixture of keto and enol form in 94% isolated yield. The product was further purified by reversed-phase preparative HPLC (Agilent 1260 Infinity instrument using Varian Pursuit XRs 5 C18-A 150 x 21.2 mm column) using a gradient of water/acetonitrile from 95:5 to 5:95 over 30 min.

4-propylcyclohexane-1,3-dione (22b)

$^1$H-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz): δ 10.89 (bs, 1H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 2.25 – 2.40 (m, 2H), 2.05 – 2.2 (m, 1H), 1.91 – 1.98 (m, 1H), 1.55 – 1.75 (m, 2H), 1.22 – 1.42 (m, 3H), 0.88 (t, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz); $^{13}$C-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 100 MHz): 103.3, 31.6, 25.6, 19.7, 14.0.

4-isopropylcyclohexane-1,3-dione (22c)

1H-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz): δ 5.20 (s, 1H), 1.95 – 2.05 (m, 1H), 1.80 – 1.90 (m, 1H), 1.61 – 1.71 (m, 1H), 0.90 (d, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz), 0.77 (d, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz); 13C-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 100 MHz): 104.0, 26.0, 21.1, 20.4, 18.2.

4-benzylcyclohexane-1,3-dione (22d)

$^1$H-NMR (in DMSO-d6): δ 11.08 (s, 1H), 7.25 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.15 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 5.26 (s, 1H), 3.14 (dd, 1H, J1 = 8.0 Hz, J2 = 4.0 Hz), 2.25 – 2.40 (m, 4H), 1.70 – 1.75 (m,
1H), 1.48 (sept, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz); 13C-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 100 MHz): 140.1, 129.0, 128.2, 125.9, 103.4, 35.3, 24.9

4-(ethylthio)cyclohexane-1,3-dione (22i)

1H-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz): δ 11.18 (s, 1H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 3.38 (bs, 1H), 2.40 – 2.65 (m, 3H), 2.15 - 2.30 (m, 2H), 1.87 – 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.18 (t, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz); 13C-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 100 MHz): 102.2, 26.8, 24.5, 14.5

4-(benzylthio)cyclohexane-1,3-dione (22j)

1H-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz): δ 11.25 (s, 1H), 7.29 – 7.37 (m, 4H), 7.22 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 3.79 – 3.87 (m, 2H), 3.15 – 3.42 (m, 1H), 2.37 – 2.48 (m, 1H), 2.15 – 2.28 (m, 2H), 1.83 – 1.92 (m, 1H); 13C-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 100 MHz): 138.2, 128.9, 128.4, 126.9, 26.5

4-(phenylthio)cyclohexane-1,3-dione (22k)

1H-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz): δ 11.40 (s, 1H), 7.43 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 5.25 (s, 1H), 4.05 (dt, 1H, J1 = 6.0 Hz, J2 = 4.0 Hz), 2.43 – 2.50 (m, 1H), 2.27 – 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.13 – 2.25 (m, 1H), 1.85 – 1.96 (m, 1H); 13C-NMR (in DMSO-d6, 100 MHz): 134.2, 131.0, 129.0, 126.9, 27.0.
Scheme S15. Synthesis of the nucleophiles in chart 3

A

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\begin{align*}
\text{EtOH, PTSA (cat.)} & \quad \rightarrow \\
\text{reflux, 5 h} & \quad \rightarrow
\end{align*}
\]

Toluene, µ-wave

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\begin{align*}
125^\circ C, 20 \text{ min} & \quad \rightarrow \\
125^\circ C, 120 \text{ min} & \quad \rightarrow
\end{align*}
\]

B

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Ph-I, Cul, K}_3\text{PO}_4, & \quad \rightarrow \\
\text{DMF, 80}^\circ C, 4 \text{ h} & \quad \rightarrow \\
1\text{HCl/ACN (2:1)} & \quad \rightarrow
\end{align*}
\]

C

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{MeI or Bn-Br,} & \quad \rightarrow \\
\text{NaH, THF} & \quad \rightarrow \\
0^\circ C - \text{rt, 3 h} & \quad \rightarrow
\end{align*}
\]

D

\[
\begin{align*}
1. \text{NaBH}_4, \text{ClCO}_2\text{Bn} & \quad \rightarrow \\
2. \text{HCl (1N)} & \quad \rightarrow \\
3. \text{CH}_2\text{N}_2 & \quad \rightarrow
\end{align*}
\]
Both 26a and its protected derivative 4-ethoxy-5,6-dihydropyridin-2(1H)-one (55) readily undergoes reaction with isocyanate (1-isocyanatopentane) to form corresponding alkylamide derivative 26c and 56 respectively. Alkylamide derivative 56 was readily deprotected under acidic conditions to form 26c (Reaction A). We also developed new methods for the arylation and alkylation of 26a. An Ullmann-type aromatic amination reaction between phenyl iodide and 55 using catalytic copper (I) iodide resulted in successful synthesis of N-arylated derivative (57). Deprotection under acidic conditions gave N-arylated nucleophile 26d in excellent yield (Reaction B). Alkylation of 26a was achieved by sodium hydride mediated deprotonation of protected lactam 55 and subsequent reaction with alkyl halide to form 58. Deprotection using above described acidic conditions resulting in N-alkylated nucleophiles (26e-f) (Reaction C). For the synthesis of 26g, 3,5-dimethoxypyridine (59) was reduced in the presence of benzyl chloroformate to afford an intermediate bis-enol ether, which was hydrolyzed with aqueous acid. The resulting vinylogous acid was etherified with diazomethane to yield the corresponding vinylogous ester 60, which was then deprotected under acidic conditions to give 26g (Reaction D).

**Synthesis of tert-butyl 2,4-dioxopiperidine-1-carboxylate (26b)**

![Image of tert-butyl 2,4-dioxopiperidine-1-carboxylate](image)

$^1$H-NMR (in CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 4.09 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.49 (s, 2H), 2.61 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 1.53 (s, 9H); $^{13}$C-NMR (in CDCl₃, 100 MHz): 202.4, 165.6, 151.5, 84.5, 52.5, 41.0, 38.5, 28.3.

**Synthesis of 4-ethoxy-5,6-dihydropyridin-2(1H)-one (55).** To a slurry of 2,4-piperidinedione (1.1 g, 10 mmol) in absolute ethanol (75 ml) was added PTSA (0.15 g, 1 mmol) and resulting solution was refluxed for 18 h under nitrogen. After the completion of the reaction, ethanol was removed and residue was partitioned between ethyl acetate and water. Organic layer was separated and aqueous layer was subjected to ethyl acetate extractions (2 x 25 ml). Combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried
over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and evaporated. This crude was purified by column chromatography using a gradient of 2% - 5% MeOH/DCM to recover the title product in 75% yield.

**Synthesis of Urea analog**

![Urea analog structure]

**N-hexyl-2,4-dioxopiperidine-1-carboxamide (26c).**

$^1$H-NMR (in CDCl₃, 400 MHz): $\delta$ 8.91 (s, 1H), 4.28 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.53 (s, 2H), 3.31 (q, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 2.61 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 1.57 (p, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 1.25 – 1.60 (m, 6H), 0.9 (t, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz); $^{13}$C-NMR (in CDCl₃, 100 MHz): 202.3, 169.4, 153.2, 51.6, 40.7, 38.4, 38.1, 31.4, 29.4, 26.6, 22.5, 14.0.

**General procedure for the Cu(I) mediated $N$-arylation to prepare 57.** A sealed tube was charged with copper (I) iodide (20 mg, 0.1 mmol), protected lactam 55 (212 mg, 1.5 mmol), K₃PO₄ (430 mg, 2.0 mmol), $N,N'$-dimethylethylenediamine (11 µL, 0.1 mmol), iodobenzene (204 mg, 1.0 mmol) and DMF (3 ml). The reaction mixture was degassed with nitrogen and allowed to heat at 175 °C for 24 h. After the completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a pad of silica gel (0.5 x 1.0 cm) using 10 ml of EtOAc and then 10 ml of 20% MeOH/EtOAc. Filtrate was purified by column chromatography using a gradient of 50% EtOAc/DCM to recover the pure product in quantitative yield.

$^1$H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 6 7.29 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.21 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.11 (t, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 5.14 (s, 1H), 3.87 (q, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.76 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 2.52 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 1.31 (t, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz). $^{13}$C-NMR (in CDCl₃, 100 MHz): 168.6, 166.8, 143.0, 128.9, 125.7, 125.2, 95.3, 64.4, 47.6, 28.6, 14.3.

**General procedure for base mediated $N$-alkylation to prepare 58.** To a slurry of NaH (0.36 g, 60% w/w, 9.0 mmol) in anhydrous THF (5 ml), was added a solution of 55 (1.06 g, 7.5 mmol) in anhydrous THF (10 ml) at 0 °C under nitrogen. The resulting reaction
mixture was stirred at rt for 15 minutes and then again cooled to 0 °C. To this anionic reaction mixture was added dropwise, a solution of benzyl bromide (1.41, 8.3 mmol) in THF (5 ml). Resulting RM was stirred at rt for 6 h. After completion, the reaction mixture was quenched with water. THF was removed under reduced pressure and residue was partitioned between ethyl acetate and water. Organic layer was separated and aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 25 ml). Combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and evaporated. This crude product was purified by column chromatography using a gradient of 2% - 5% MeOH/DCM to recover the title product in 88 % yield as off-white solid.

1H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 4.99 (s, 1H), 3.79 (q, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.30 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.39 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 1.27 (t, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz); 13C-NMR (in CDCl₃, 100 MHz):

1H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.20 – 7.31 (m, 5H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 4.58 (s, 2H), 3.86 (q, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.26 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 2.37 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 1.32 (t, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz); 13C-NMR (in CDCl₃, 100 MHz): 167.7, 167.2, 137.8, 128.5, 127.9, 127.2, 94.5, 64.1, 49.2, 43.6, 28.0, 14.2.

![Reaction Scheme]

**General procedure:** Mixture of malonic acid (1.04 g, 10 mmol) (59) and appropriate urea (10 mmol, 1 eq) (60) were dissolved in acetic anhydride (2.04 g, 20 mmol, 2 eq) and the resulting solution was microwave heated at 60 °C for 30 minutes to form the corresponding barbituric acid derivatives (Scheme 7). After completion, the pressure was released and reaction mixture was evaporated under reduced pressure to remove acetic acid. Residue was recrystallized from hot ethanol to obtain the product.

1-methylpyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5H)-trione (27b)

![Structure 27b]

$^1$H-NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-$d_6$): $\delta$ 11.33 (s, 1H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.05 (s, 3H); $^{13}$C-NMR (in DMSO-$d_6$, 100 MHz): $\delta$ 167.0, 166.5, 151.9, 26.8

1,3-dimethylpyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5H)-trione (27c)

![Structure 27c]

$^1$H-NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-$d_6$): $\delta$ 3.69 (s, 2H), 3.10 (s, 6H); $^{13}$C-NMR (in DMSO-$d_6$, 100 MHz): $\delta$ 166.0, 152.4, 27.8

1,3-dimethyl-2-thioxodihydropyrimidine-4,6(1H,5H)-dione (27e)
$^1$H-NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-$d_6$): $\delta$ 7.96 (bs, 1H), 3.55 (s, 6H); $^{13}$C-NMR (in DMSO-$d_6$, 100 MHz): $\delta$ 35.0.
These targets were prepared by [2+4] cycloaddition of \(N\)-sulfonyl-alkylamines (90-91) with 3-trimethoxysilox-1,3-butadine (92) and 1-methoxy-3-trimethylsilox-1,3-butadiene (93). Briefly, chlorosulfonic acid (87) and alkyl amine were reacted to get alkylsulfamic acid which was directly converted to alkylsulfamoyl chloride (88-89). Alkylsulfamoyl chloride (88-89) then underwent dehydrohalogenation under mild basic conditions to give \(N\)-sulfonyl-alkylamines (90-91). \(N\)-sulfonyl-alkylamines (90-91) were trapped with 3-trimethoxysilox-1,3-butadine (92) to give and 1-methoxy-3-trimethylsilox-1,3-butadiene respectively (93) to give 2-alkyl-1,2-thiazinan-5-one 1,1-dioxide (78-79). Similarly, \(N\)-sulfonyl-alkylamines (90-91) were reacted with 1-methoxy-3-trimethylsilox-1,3-butadiene (93) followed by acid hydrolysis to give 2H-1,2-thiazin-5(6H)-one 1,1-dioxides (80-81) (Scheme 8A).

Synthesis of these 1-alkyl-1\(H\)-benzo[\(c\)][1,2]thiazin-4(3\(H\))-one 2,2-dioxides is well established with several reported analogs. The synthesis begin with \(N\)-mesylation of ethyl-2-aminobenzoate (94) resulting in ethyl 2-(methylsulfonamido)benzoate (95) which was then \(N\)-alkylated under basic conditions to give ethyl 2-(\(N\)-
alkylmethylsulfonamido)benzooate (96-97) which readily underwent base mediated intramolecular cyclization resulting in the formation of 1-alkyl-1H-benzo[c][1,2]thiazin-4(3H)-one 2,2-dioxides (82-83) over three steps.

Preparation of alkylsulfamic acid - A solution of isopropylamine (5.9 g, 100 mmol) in 40 ml chloroform was cooled in an ice-water bath. Chlorosulfonic acid (3.5 g, 30 mmol) was added dropwise over a period of 15 minutes. The mixture was stirred for another hour under nitrogen and then evaporated to yield pink amorphous solid which was taken to next step as is.

Synthesis of N-alkylsulfamoyl chloride – Slurry of isopropylsulfamic acid and phosphorus pentachloride (6.24 g, 30 mmol) in toluene (25 ml) was refluxed for 6 h under nitrogen. After cooling, the reaction mixture was filtered through celite and filtrate was evaporated to dryness. Residue was taken up in toluene again and evaporated in vacuo (x 2). Resulting yellow oil was dried under high vacuum to give the crude sulfamoyl chloride which was used in next step as is.

Synthesis of 2-alkyl-1,2-thiazinan-5-one 1,1-dioxide (31c-d). In a modified literature procedure, a solution of isopropyl sulfamoyl chloride (1.26 g, 8 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (10 ml) was added dropwise to a solution of (buta-1,3-dien-2-yloxy)trimethylsilane (1.14 g, 8 mmol) and triethylamine (1.34 ml, 9.6 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (10 ml) at -78 °C under nitrogen. Resulting reaction mixture was allowed to stir while steadily increasing the temperature to rt over 6 h under nitrogen. Then, the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 2 h. After the completion, the solvents were removed under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by column chromatography using a gradient of 40% EtOAc/hexanes and the product is isolated in 20% yield.

2-isopropyl-1,2-thiazinan-5-one 1,1-dioxide (31c)
$^1$H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 4.44 (sep, 1H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 3.93 (s, 2H), 3.40 (t, 2H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 2.62 (t, 2H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 1.26 (d, 6H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz); $^{13}$C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 195.7, 65.6, 48.1, 41.1, 36.3, 21.1.

2-benzyl-1,2-thiazinan-5-one 1,1-dioxide (31d)

$^1$H-NMR (in CDCl$_3$, 400 MHz): $\delta$ 7.28 – 7.32 (m, 5H), 4.40 (s, 2H), 3.92 (s, 2H), 3.31 (t, 2H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 2.42 (t, 2H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz); $^{13}$C-NMR (in CDCl$_3$, 100 MHz): $\delta$ 195.3, 134.9, 129.1, 128.6, 63.4, 51.1, 41.6, 37.5.

Synthesis of 2-isopropyl-2H-1,2-thiazin-5(6H)-one 1,1-dioxide (31e-f). In a modified literature procedure, a solution of isopropylsulfamoyl chloride (1.26 g, 8 mmol) in THF was added dropwise to a solution of $^{(E)}$-((4-methoxybuta-1,3-dien-2-yl)oxy)trimethylsilane (1.38 g, 8 mmol) and triethylamine (1.34 ml, 9.6 mmol) in anhydrous THF at -78 °C under nitrogen. Resulting RM was allowed to stir while steadily increasing the temperature to rt over 6 h under nitrogen. Then, the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 2 h after which 2N HCl was added and reaction mixture was further stirred for 2 h. At this stage, THF was removed under reduced pressure and residue was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 50 ml). Combined organic layers were washed with brine (1 x 50 ml), dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtered and evaporated to give the crude product which was purified by column chromatography using a gradient of 40% EtOAc/hexanes and the pure product is isolated in 51% yield.

2-isopropyl-2H-1,2-thiazin-5(6H)-one 1,1-dioxide (31e)
$^1$H-NMR (in CDCl$_3$, 400 MHz): $\delta$ 7.25 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 5.69 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 4.62 (sep, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 4.14 (s, 2H), 1.41 (d, 6H, J = 8.0 Hz); $^{13}$C-NMR (in CDCl$_3$, 100 MHz): $\delta$ 189.3, 143.0, 107.6, 61.9, 48.4, 22.6.

2-benzyl-2H-1,2-thiazin-5(6H)-one 1,1-dioxide (31f)

$^1$H-NMR (in CDCl$_3$, 400 MHz): $\delta$ 7.33 – 7.46 (m, 5H), 7.09 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 5.60 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 4.81 (s, 2H), 4.18 (s, 2H); $^{13}$C-NMR (in CDCl$_3$, 100 MHz): $\delta$ 183.3, 146.4, 134.4, 129.4, 129.0, 128.4, 107.9, 61.7, 50.5.

Synthesis of 31g-h.

Preparation of ethyl 2-(methylsulfonamido)benzoate. In a modified literature procedure, ethyl 2-aminobenzoate (3.3 g, 20 mmol) was taken in anhydrous DCM (100 ml) and triethylamine (2.43 g, 24 mmol) was added to it. Resulting reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and methanesulfonyl chloride (2.75 g, 24 mmol) was added directly. The reaction mixture became cloudy after which it was allowed to stir at room temperature for 3 h under nitrogen. After the completion of reaction as indicated by TLC and LC-MS, reaction mixture was further diluted by dichloromethane to 150 ml and washed with water (3 x 50 ml) and brine. Organic layer was then dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtered and evaporated to dryness. Crude liquid was purified by column chromatography using 25% EtOAc/Hexane gradient to obtain pure product (pale yellow crystalline solid) in 91% yield.
$^1$H-NMR (in CDCl$_3$, 400 MHz): $\delta$ 10.53 (s, 1H), 8.08 (dd, 1H, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz), 7.76 (dd, 1H, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 0.9$ Hz), 7.56 (dt, 1H, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz), 7.13 (dt, 1H, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.1$ Hz), 4.40 (q, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 3.06 (s, 3H), 1.42 (t, 3H, $J = 8.0$ Hz); $^{13}$C-NMR (in CDCl$_3$, 100 MHz): $\delta$ 168.0, 140.9, 134.8, 131.5, 122.8, 118.1, 115.7, 61.8, 40.0, 14.2.

**Preparation of ethyl 2-(N-alkylmethylsulfonamido)benzoate.** Sulfonamide prepared above (2.43 g, 10 mmol) was taken in anhydrous DMF (10 ml) and anhydrous potassium carbonate (2.8 g, 20 mmol, 2 eq) was added to it. Resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 15 minutes followed by the addition of methyl iodide (2.13 g, 15 mmol). Resulting reaction mixture was heated and stirred at 75 °C for 5 h under nitrogen. After completion, the reaction mixture was neutralized by the addition of water and aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (5 x 25 ml). Combined organic layers were washed with water (2 x 50 ml) and brine (1 x 50 ml). Organic layer was then dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtered and evaporated to dryness. Crude liquid was purified by column chromatography using 25% - 40% EtOAc/Hexane gradient to obtain pure product in quantitative yield.

**Preparation of 1-alkyl-1H-benzo[c][1,2]thiazin-4(3H)-one 2,2-dioxide (31g-h).** To a stirred solution of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 0.6 g, 15 mmol, 2 eq.) in dry DMF (5 ml) was added dropwise a solution of ethyl 2-(N-methylmethylsulfonamido)benzoate (1.9 g, 7.5 mmol) in DMF (10 ml). Resulting reaction mixture was allowed to stir under nitrogen with monitoring. The reaction mixture color changed from white to red-brown. After the completion (7 h), the reaction mixture was acidified to pH 3 with 2N HCl. Aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (5 x 25 ml). Combined organic layers were washed with water (2 x 50 ml) and brine (1 x 50 ml). Organic layer was then dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtered and evaporated to dryness. Crude liquid was purified by column chromatography using 20% EtOAc/Hexane gradient followed by 100% DCM gradient to obtain pure product as a cream solid in 70% yield.
1-methyl-1H-benzo[c][1,2]thiazin-4(3H)-one 2,2-dioxide (31g)

$^1$H-NMR (in CDCl$_3$, 400 MHz): $\delta$ 8.13 (dd, 1H, J$_1$ = 8.0 Hz, J$_2$ = 1.3 Hz), 7.68 (dt, 1H, J$_1$ = 8.0 Hz, J$_2$ = 1.5 Hz), 7.26 (t, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.17 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 4.33 (s, 2H), 3.44 (s, 3H); $^{13}$C-NMR: $\delta$ 184.0, 144.3, 136.7, 129.5, 123.7, 123.0, 117.3, 61.6, 31.1.

1-benzyl-1H-benzo[c][1,2]thiazin-4(3H)-one 2,2-dioxide (31h)

$^1$H-NMR (in CDCl$_3$, 400 MHz): $\delta$ 8.13 (dd, 1H, J$_1$ = 8.0 Hz, J$_2$ = 1.6 Hz), 7.58 (dt, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.30 – 7.40 (m, 5H), 7.24 (dt, 1H, J$_1$ = 8.0 Hz, J$_2$ = 1.0 Hz), 7.16 (dd, 1H, J$_1$ = 8.0 Hz, J$_2$ = 0.6 Hz), 5.18 (s, 2H), 4.26 (s, 2H); $^{13}$C-NMR: $\delta$ 184.2, 143.6, 136.5, 135.3, 129.4, 129.1, 128.2, 127.1, 124.4, 123.9, 119.8, 61.8, 51.3.
Scheme S18. Synthesis of the nucleophiles in chart 6

Synthesis of 4-benzylcyclopentane-1,3-dione (21b)

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\begin{align*}
\text{TsOH} & \quad \text{toluene, reflux} \\
\text{78%} & \quad \text{LDA, THF} \\
38\% & \quad 2\text{M HCl} \\
60\% & \quad \text{THF}
\end{align*}
\]

\[\text{H-NMR (in CDCl}_3, 400 \text{ MHz}): \delta 11.73 (s, 1H), 7.17 - 7.35 (m, 5H), 5.26 (s, 1H), 3.25 (dd, 1H, J1 = 16.0 Hz, J2 = 4.4 Hz); 2.95 - 3.05 (m, 1H), 2.52 - 2.65 (m, 2H), 2.28 - 2.35 (m, 1H). \]

LRMS: MF - C_{12}H_{12}O_{2}, MW_{exp} = 188.23, MW_{obs} = 189.1 (M^+ + 1).

Synthesis of 4-benzylidenecyclopentane-1,3-dione (21c)

\[\text{H-NMR (in MeOH-d}_4, 400 \text{ MHz)}: \delta 7.23 - 7.45 (m, 5H), 5.28 (s, 1H), 3.00 (dd, 1H, J1 = 4.0 Hz, J2 = 2.4 Hz), 2.59 (dd, 1H, J1 = 18.0 Hz, J2 = 2.8 Hz), 2.21 (dd, 1H, J1 = 18.0 Hz, J2 = 7.2 Hz); \]

LRMS: MF - C_{12}H_{10}O_{2}, MW_{exp} = 186.21, MW_{obs} = 187.2 (M^+ + 1).

Synthesis of 4-phenylcyclopentane-1,3-dione (21d)

\[\text{H-NMR (in MeOH-d}_4, 400 \text{ MHz): } \delta 7.23 - 7.35 (m, 5H), 4.01 (dd, 1H, J1 = 10.0 Hz), J2 = 4.0 Hz), 3.25 - 3.40 (m, 2H), 2.77 (dd, 1H, J1 = 18.0 Hz, J2 = 4.4 Hz); \]

LRMS: MF - C_{11}H_{10}O_{2}, MW_{exp} = 174.20, MW_{obs} = 175.1 (M^+ + 1).

Synthesis of 1-benzylpyrrolidine-2,4-dione (32c)
\(^1\)H-NMR (in CDCl\(_3\), 400 MHz): \(\delta 7.27 – 7.40\) (m, 5H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 3.12 (s, 2H); LRMS: MF \(-\) C\(_{11}\)H\(_{11}\)NO\(_2\), \(\text{MW}_{\text{exp}} = 189.21\), \(\text{MW}_{\text{obs}} = 190.1\) (M\(^+\)1).

**Synthesis of 1-phenylpyrrolidine-2,4-dione (32d)**

\(\text{H}-\text{NMR (in DMSO-}d_6, 400 MHz): (\text{Mixture of keto-enol tautomers}) \delta 11.90\) (bs, 1H), 6.98 – 7.75 (m, 5H), 4.97 (s, 1H), 4.36 (s, 2H); LRMS: MF \(-\) C\(_{10}\)H\(_9\)NO\(_2\), \(\text{MW}_{\text{exp}} = 175.19\), \(\text{MW}_{\text{obs}} = 176.1\) (M\(^+\)1).

**Synthesis of 5-benzylidenedihydrothiophen-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide (33b)**

\(\text{H}-\text{NMR (in CDCl}_3, 400 MHz): \delta 7.20 – 7.40\) (m, 5H), 3.84 – 3.88 (m, 1H), 3.47 – 3.51 (m, 1H), 2.80 – 2.96 (m, 3H); LRMS: MF \(-\) C\(_{11}\)H\(_{12}\)O\(_3\)S, \(\text{MW}_{\text{exp}} = 224.27\), \(\text{MW}_{\text{obs}} = 225.0\) (M\(^+\)1).
H-NMR (in CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.95 – 8.03 (m, 3H), 7.50 – 7.62 (m, 3H), 3.52 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.15 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz); LRMS: MF - C₁₁H₁₀O₃S, MW_exp = 222.26, MW_obs = 223.0 (M⁺+1).

Synthesis of 5-phenyldihydrothiophen-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide (33d)

H-NMR (in CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.40 – 7.50 (m, 5H), 4.84 (t, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.85 (q, 2H, J = 18.0 Hz), 3.40 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz); LRMS: MF - C₁₀H₁₀O₃S, MW_exp = 210.25, MW_obs = 211.0 (M⁺+1).

Synthesis of 2-benzylisothiazolidin-4-one 1,1-dioxide (33f)
\[ \delta 7.32 - 7.42 (m, 5H), 4.39 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H); LRMS: MF - C_{10}H_{11}NO_{3}S, MW_{exp} = 225.26, MW_{obs} = 226.0 (M^+1). \]

**Synthesis of 2-phenylisothiazolidin-4-one 1,1-dioxide (33g)**

\[ \delta 7.28 - 7.47 (m, 5H), 4.37 (s, 2H), 4.06 (s, 2H); LRMS: MF - C_{9}H_{9}NO_{3}S, MW_{exp} = 211.24, MW_{obs} = 212.0 (M^+1). \]
Scheme S19. Cross-reactivity profiles of various cyclic nucleophiles with biological electrophiles/nucleophiles.

Procedure: A 100 mM solution of each nucleophile was prepared in DMSO. Solutions of Fmoc-Lys-OH (100 mM, in PBS buffer), Fmoc-Ser-OH (100 mM in DMSO), Bn-SO$_2$Na (100 mM in PBS buffer), Fmoc-Cys-OH (100 mM in DMSO) and (Cbz-Cys-OH)$_2$ (100 mM in DMSO) were prepared. 10 µL of nucleophile solution and 10 µL of each biological nucleophile/electrophile solution was added to 980 µL of PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt). Effective concentrations were as follow:

1) Cyclic Nucelophile = 1 mM  
2) Biological nucleophile/electrophile = 1mM  
3) Buffer = 25 mM  

Each reaction mixture was analyzed by LC-MS at 2 h intervals.
Figure S1. Reaction of dimedone (DMD, 1 mM) with Fmoc-Lys-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.

Figure S2. Reaction of dimedone (DMD, 1 mM) with Fmoc-Ser-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.
Figure S3. Reaction of dimedone (DMD, 1 mM) with benzyl sulfinate sodium salt (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.

Figure S4. Reaction of dimedone (DMD, 1 mM) with Fmoc-Cys-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Figure S5. Reaction of dimedone (DMD, 1 mM) with (Cbz-Cys-OH) (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 10 h.
Figure S6. Reaction of 2,4-piperidinedione (PRD, 1 mM) with Fmoc-Lys-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.

Figure S7. Reaction of 2,4-piperidinedione (PRD, 1 mM) with Fmoc-Ser-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.
Figure S8. Reaction of 2,4-piperidinedione (PRD, 1 mM) with benzyl sulfinate sodium salt (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.

Figure S9. Reaction of 2,4-piperidinedione (PRD, 1 mM) with Fmoc-Cys-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Figure S10. Reaction of 2,4-piperidinedione (PRD, 1 mM) with (Cbz-Cys-OH) (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 10 h.
Figure S11. Reaction of bBTD (1 mM) with Fmoc-Lys-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.

Figure S12. Reaction of bBTD (1 mM) with Fmoc-Ser-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.
Figure S13. Reaction of bBTD (1 mM) with benzyl sulfinate sodium salt (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.

Figure S14. Reaction of bBTD (1 mM) with Fmoc-Cys-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Figure S15. Reaction of bBTD (1 mM) with (Cbz-Cys-OH) (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 10 h.
Figure S16. Reaction of bTD (1 mM) with Fmoc-Lys-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.

Figure S17. Reaction of bTD (1 mM) with Fmoc-Ser-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.
Figure S18. Reaction of bTD (1 mM) with benzyl sulfinate sodium salt (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.

Figure S19. Reaction of bTD (1 mM) with Fmoc-Cys-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Figure S20. Reaction of bTD (1 mM) with (Cbz-Cys-OH) (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 10 h.
Figure S21. Reaction of Indanedione (IND, 1 mM) with Fmoc-Lys-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.

Figure S22. Reaction of Indanedione (IND, 1 mM) with Fmoc-Ser-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.
Figure S23. Reaction of Indanedione (IND, 1 mM) with benzyl sulfinate sodium salt (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over 12 h.

Figure S24. Reaction of IND (1 mM) with Fmoc-Cys-OH (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Figure S25. Reaction of IND (1 mM) with (Cbz-Cys-OH) (1 mM) in PBS (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 10 h.
Scheme S20. Synthesis of dipeptide sulfenic acid adduct with various nucleophiles

**General Procedure:** To a solution of dipeptide cyclic sulfenamide (0.11 g, 0.3 mmol) and nucleophile (0.33 mmol, 1.1 eq) in anhydrous DCM, was added Et$_3$N (0.5 ml). Resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature with monitoring. After completion, the reaction mixture was evaporated under reduced pressure. Crude thus obtained was purified directly by prep-HPLC.

$^1$H-NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d$_6$) δ 8.22 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.53 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.25 – 7.40 (m, 5H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 4.17 (t, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 4.07 (q, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.62 (s, 3H), 2.65 – 2.75 (m, 2H), 2.34 (s, 4H), 2.05 (hep, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 0.97 (s, 6H), 0.88 (d, 3H, J = 6.0 Hz), 0.87 (d, 3H, J = 6.0 Hz); $^{13}$C-NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d$_6$) δ 171.7, 170.8, 155.7, 137.0, 128.4, 127.9, 127.8, 104.8, 65.5, 57.6, 54.4, 51.8, 36.0, 31.2, 30.0, 27.8, 19.0, 18.1
$^1$H-NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-$d_6$) $\delta$ 8.52 (d, 1H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 7.75 (d, 1H, $J$ = 4.0 Hz), 7.25 – 7.45 (m, 5H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 4.05 – 4.25 (m, 2H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.10 – 3.25 (m, 2H), 2.60 – 2.80 (m, 2H), 2.45 – 2.60 (m, 2H), 2.06 (hep, 1H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 0.97 (s, 6H), 0.89 (d, 3H, $J$ = 6.0 Hz), 0.87 (d, 3H, $J$ = 6.0 Hz); $^{13}$C-NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-$d_6$) $\delta$ 171.7, 170.8, 168.0, 155.7, 137.0, 128.4, 127.9, 127.8, 65.5, 57.7, 54.1, 51.7, 36.7, 30.0, 19.0, 18.1

$^1$H-NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-$d_6$) $\delta$ 8.32 (d, 1H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 7.92 (d, 1H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 7.77 (d, 1H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 7.51 (t, 1H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 7.10 – 7.45 (m, 12H), 5.23 (s, 2H), 5.07 (s, 2H), 4.39 (q, 1H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 4.23 (t, 1H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.12 – 3.25 (m, 1H), 2.97 – 3.12 (m, 1H), 2.07 (hep, 1H, $J$ = 8.0 Hz), 0.89 (d, 3H, $J$ = 6.0 Hz), 0.88 (d, 3H, $J$ = 6.0 Hz); $^{13}$C-NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-$d_6$) $\delta$ 171.7, 170.6, 156.0, 138.5, 136.8, 136.3, 132.4, 128.6, 128.4, 127.9, 127.8, 127.5, 127.1, 126.3, 123.1, 118.4, 65.8, 57.6, 54.0, 51.8, 48.8, 38.4, 30.0, 18.9, 18.1

(1) Synthesize and prep-HPLC purify all analogs  
(2) Confirm the formation by LC-MS, $^1$H-NMR and $^{13}$C-NMR

Procedure: A 25 mM solution of dipeptide-S-Nu adduct was prepared in DMSO. Solutions of DTT (250 mM), GSH (250 mM) and TCEP (250 mM) were prepared in PBS buffer. 10 μL of dipeptide-S-Nu solution and 10 μL of each reducing agent solution was added to 980 μL of PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt). Effective concentrations were as follow:

(1) Dipeptide-S-Nu = 250 μM

(2) Reducing agent = 2.5 mM

(3) Buffer = 25 mM

Each reaction mixture was analyzed by LC-MS at 3 h intervals.
Figure S21. Stability of Cbz-Cys(DMD)-Val-OMe (250 µM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.

Figure S22. Stability of Cbz-Cys(DMD)-Val-OMe (250 µM) in presence of DTT (2.5 mM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Figure S23. Stability of Cbz-Cys(DMD)-Val-OMe (250 μM) in presence of GSH (2.5 mM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.

Figure S24. Stability of Cbz-Cys(DMD)-Val-OMe (250 μM) in presence of TCEP (2.5 mM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Figure S25. Stability of Cbz-Cys(PRD)-Val-OMe (250 µM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.

Figure S26. Stability of Cbz-Cys(PRD)-Val-OMe (250 µM) in presence of DTT (2.5 mM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Figure S27. Stability of Cbz-Cys(PRD)-Val-OMe (250 μM) in presence of GSH (2.5 mM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.

Figure S28. Stability of Cbz-Cys(PRD)-Val-OMe (250 μM) in presence of TCEP (2.5 mM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Figure S29. Stability of Cbz-Cys(bBTD)-Val-OMe (250 μM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.

Figure S30. Stability of Cbz-Cys(bBTD)-Val-OMe (250 μM) in presence of DTT (2.5 mM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Figure S31. Stability of Cbz-Cys(bBTD)-Val-OMe (250 μM) in presence of GSH (2.5 mM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.

Figure S32. Stability of Cbz-Cys(bBTD)-Val-OMe (250 μM) in presence of TCEP (2.5 mM) in PBS buffer (25 mM, pH = 7.4, rt) over a course of 12 h.
Scheme S22. Labeling of recombinant C64,82S Gpx3-SOH with various nucleophiles

Reaction:

Nucleophiles/Electrophiles tested:

(1) 100 mM stock solutions of nucleophiles were prepared in DMSO – If not soluble at room temperature, the eppendorf tubes were heated in 100 °C water bath for 2 minutes. 100 mM stock solutions were then diluted to 20 mM and 2 mM solution in 70% Gpx3 labeling buffer (50 mM HEPES, 100 mM NaCl, pH = 7.4), 30% DMSO.

(2) C64, 82S Gpx3 was thawed at 0 °C and reduced with 50 mM (2M, 5 µL) DTT for 20 minutes on ice.

A 2 M solution of DTT in water was prepared (31 mg of DTT in 100 µl of water). 5 µl of this DTT solution was added to the protein solution (200 µl) giving an effective DTT concentration of 50 mM.

(3) C64, 82S Gpx3-SH was buffer exchanged to labeling buffer (50 mM HEPES, 100 mM NaCl, pH = 7.4) using pre-equilibrated Nap-5 column. Nap-5 column was equilibrated by passing 10 ml of Gpx3 labeling buffer.
(4) Determine the concentration of C64, 82S Gpx3 by using $A_{280}$ ($\varepsilon = 24410 \ M^{-1} cm^{-1}$).

(5) Label 10 µM of C64, 82S Gpx3 with 1.5 eq of H$_2$O$_2$ and 1 mM or 100 µM probe keeping DMSO $\leq$ 5%. Incubate for 1 h [REACTION VOLUME = 100 µl].

For each probe, three reactions were performed:

(i) Protein incubated with TCEP (10 mM) + Nucleophile/electrophile (1 mM)

(ii) Protein + Nucleophile/electrophile (100 µM) + H$_2$O$_2$ (1.5 eq)

(iii) Protein + Nucleophile/electrophile (1 mM) + H$_2$O$_2$ (1.5 eq)

Order of addition was as follow:

(a) Appropriate amounts of Gpx3 labeling buffer were added to the eppy tubes.

(b) C64, 82S Gpx3 was added to the tube and the contents were mixed gently.

(c) TCEP (10 mM) was added to the appropriate tubes.

(d) Subsequently, probe solution was added to each of the tubes. For the probe, 5 µL of a 2 mM or 20 mM solution was used. This gave 100 µM or 1 mM effective probe concentration for each reaction and kept the DMSO concentration at $< 5%$.

(e) Hydrogen peroxide solution was added last. A 1 mM solution of hydrogen peroxide was prepared in water by serial dilution starting with commercially available 8.8 M solution. 1.5 µl of this 1 mM peroxide solution was used in each case to give an effective concentration of 15 µM.

(f) Reaction mixtures were incubated for 1 h at rt.

(6) The reaction mixtures were quenched by the filtration through pre-equilibrated P30 columns.

(7) During the filtration through P30 columns, each sample was buffer exchanged to 25 mM ammonium bicarbonate (pH 8.0).
(8) Each sample was then analyzed by LTQ-MS by injecting 3 \( \mu \)M concentration in 0.1% formic acid in water.

**Controls**

Fig. S33 Controls – (A) C64,82S Gpx3 (reduced form); (B) C64,82S Gpx3 (oxidized form)
Fig. S34 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with dimedone (1) – (A) Gpx3 (10 μM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 1 (1 mM); (B) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 1 (100 μM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq); (C) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 1 (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S35 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with 1-benzylpiperidine-2,4-dione (26f) – (A) Gpx3 (10 μM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 26f (1 mM); (B) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 26f (100 μM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq); (C) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 26f (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S36 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with 1-benzyl-1H-benzo[c][1,2]thiazin-4(3H)-one 2,2-dioxide (31h) – (A) Gpx3 (10 µM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 31h (1 mM); (B) Gpx3 (10 µM) + 31h (100 µM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq); (C) Gpx3 (10 µM) + 31h (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S37 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with 1,3-indandione (34b) – (A) Gpx3 (10 μM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 34b (1 mM); (B) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (100 μM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq); (C) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S38 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with N-methylbarbituric acid (27b) – (A) Gpx3 (10 μM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 27b (1 mM); (B) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 27b (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq); (C) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 27b (5 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S39 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with isothiochroman-4-one 2,2-dioxide (31b). 

- (A) Gpx3 (10 μM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 34b (1 mM);
- (B) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (100 μM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq);
- (C) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S40 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with 1-benzylpyrrolidine-2,4-dione (32c) – (A) Gpx3 (10 μM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 34b (1 mM); (B) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (100 μM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq); (C) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S41 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with 2-benzylisothiazolidin-4-one 1,1-dioxide (33f) – (A) Gpx3 (10 μM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 34b (1 mM); (B) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (100 μM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq); (C) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S42 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with 2-benzyl-2H-1,2-thiazin-5(6H)-one 1,1-dioxide (31f) – (A) Gpx3 (10 μM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 34b (1 mM); (B) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (100 μM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq); (C) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S43 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with 2-isopropyl-2H-1,2-thiazin-5(6H)-one 1,1-dioxide (31e) –
(A) Gpx3 (10 μM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 34b (1 mM); (B) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (100 μM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq); (C) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 34b (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S44 Reaction of C64, 82S Gpx3 with ((1R,8S,9s)-bicyclo[6.1.0]non-4-yn-9-yl)methanol (5) – (A) Gpx3 (10 μM) + TCEP (10 mM) + 1 (1 mM); (B) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 1 (100 μM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq); (C) Gpx3 (10 μM) + 1 (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Scheme S23. Competitive reaction of various nucleophiles and dimeredone towards C64,82S Gpx3-SOH

Reaction:

Purpose: To label Gpx3 with various nucleophiles in the presence of dimeredone

Nucleophiles/Electrophiles tested:

1
22a
26f
31h
34b
31f
31e
31b
32c
33f

Procedure:

1. 100 mM stock solutions of nucleophiles and the electrophile were prepared in DMSO – If not soluble at room temperature, the eppendorf tubes were heated in 100 °C water bath for 2 minutes. 100 mM stock solutions were then diluted to 20 mM solution in Gpx3 labeling buffer (50 mM HEPES, 100 mM NaCl, pH = 7.4).

2. C64, 82S Gpx3 was thawed at 0 °C and reduced with 50 mM (2M, 5 µL) DTT for 20 minutes on ice - A 2 M solution of DTT in water was prepared (31 mg of DTT in 100 µl of water). 5 µl of this DTT solution was added to the protein solution (200 µl) giving an effective DTT concentration of 50 mM.
(3) Buffer exchange C64, 82S Gpx3 to labeling buffer (50 mM HEPES, 100 mM NaCl, pH = 7.4) using pre-equilibrated Nap-5 column. Nap-5 column was equilibrated by passing 10 ml of Gpx3 labeling buffer.

(4) Determine the conc. of C64, 82S Gpx3 by using $A_{280}$ ($\varepsilon = 24410 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$).

(5) Label 10 µM of C64, 82S Gpx3 with 1.5 eq of H$_2$O$_2$ and a mixture of 1 mM nucleophile & 1 mM dimedone, keeping DMSO $\leq$ 5%. Incubate for 1 h [REACTION VOLUME = 100 µl].

Order of addition was as follow:

(a) Appropriate amounts of Gpx3 labeling buffer were added to the eppy tubes.

(b) C64, 82S Gpx3 was added to the tube and the contents were mixed gently.

(c) Subsequently, probe solution (mixture of 20 mM probe and 20 mM dimedone) was added to each of the tubes. For this 5 µL of a 20 mM solution of each probe and dimedone was used. This gave 1 mM effective probe concentration for each reaction and kept the DMSO concentration at < 5%.

(d) Hydrogen peroxide solution was added last. A 1 mM solution of hydrogen peroxide was prepared in water by serial dilution starting with commercially available 8.8 M solution. 1.5 µl of this 1 mM peroxide solution was used in each case to give an effective concentration of 15 µM.

(e) Reaction mixtures were incubated for 1 h at rt.

(6) The reaction mixtures were quenched by the filtration through pre-equilibrated P30 columns.

(7) During the filtration through P30 columns, each sample was buffer exchanged to 25 mM ammonium bicarbonate (pH 8.0).

(8) Each sample was then analyzed by LTQ-MS by injecting 3 µM concentration.
Controls

Fig. S45 C64,82S Gpx3-SH (reduced form) - control

Fig. S46 C64,82S Gpx3-SOH (oxidized form) - control

Fig. S47 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + Dimedone (1, 1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq) – control
Fig. S48 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + 22a (1 mM) + Dimedone (1 mM) + H$_2$O$_2$ (1.5 eq)

Fig. S49 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + 26f (1 mM) + Dimedone (1 mM) + H$_2$O$_2$ (1.5 eq)

Fig. S50 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + 31h (1 mM) + Dimedone (1 mM) + H$_2$O$_2$ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S51 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + 34b (1 mM) + Dimedone (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)

Fig. S52 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + 31e (1 mM) + Dimedone (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)

Fig. S53 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + 31f (1 mM) + Dimedone (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S54 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + 31b (1 mM) + Dimedone (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)

Fig. S55 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + 32c (1 mM) + Dimedone (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)

Fig. S56 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + 33f (1 mM) + Dimedone (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Fig. S57 C64,82S Gpx3-SH + BCN (1 mM) + Dimedone (1 mM) + H₂O₂ (1.5 eq)
Table S1 – Effect of keto-enol tautomerism on the reactivity of C-nucleophiles towards sulfenic acid

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1H-NMR in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz
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1H-NMR in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz
1H-NMR in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz
1H-NMR in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz
1H-NMR in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz
1H-NMR in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz

~ 100% Keto
1H-NMR in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz

Keto:Enol 2:1

NMR spectrum showing chemical shifts at various ppm values.
1H-NMR in DMSO-d6, 400 MHz