

## Supplementary Information

### Novel isoniazid-amidoether derivatives: Synthesis, characterization and their antimycobacterial activity evaluation

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#### Experimental Protocols

All the chemicals were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. Solvents used for the chemical synthesis were acquired from commercial sources, were of analytical grade and used without further purification. Thin layer chromatography (Merck Kiesel 60 F254, 0.2 mm thickness) was used to monitor the progress of the reactions and the compounds were purified by silica gel (60-120 mesh) column chromatography. Melting points were recorded on EZ-Melt automated melting point apparatus, Stanford Research Systems and are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded on Perkin-elmer FT-IR spectrophotometer using KBr pellets or as film in chloroform and the values were expressed in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz) spectra were recorded on Jeol ECX spectropin instrument using  $\text{CDCl}_3$  or  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$  as solvent and TMS as internal reference. The chemical shift values were expressed on  $\delta$  scale and the coupling constant ( $J$ ) in Hz. Mass data were recorded in Jeol-Accu TOF JMS-T100LC mass spectrometer.

**Typical procedure for the syntheses of 2-chloro-*N*-phenylacetamide (1a) and related compounds (1b-1v):** To a well stirred solution of aniline (500 mg, 0.0053 mol) and  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  (2.61 g, 0.019 mol) in dry  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (20 mL), chloroacetyl chloride (712 mg, 0.0063 mol) was added dropwise at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred for 4-6 h at room temperature. After completion of the reaction, excess DCM was evaporated in rotary evaporator. The solid formed was washed with excess of water and crystallised by using hexane/ethyl acetate.

**Typical procedure for the synthesis of 2-(4-formylphenoxy)-*N*-phenylacetamide (2a) and related compounds (2b-2v):** The 2-chloro-*N*-phenylacetamide (1a, 500 mg, 2.9 mmol)

and 4-hydroxy benzaldehyde (354 mg, 2.9 mmol) were dissolved in 30 mL of acetone. To this,  $K_2CO_3$  (1.2 g, 8.7 mmol) and KI (100 mg, 0.5 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for 10-12 h at room temperature. After completion of the reaction, acetone was evaporated and the product was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water, dried over  $Na_2SO_4$ . Excess solvent was removed under vacuum and the crude product was purified by column chromatography to get pure compound **2a**.

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-N-phenylacetamide (2a):** Yield 80%; IR (film,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2913, 2825, 2738, 1682, 1600, 1578, 1533, 1508, 1428, 1304, 1260, 1162, 1064, 831;  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.69 (s, 2H,  $OCH_2$ ), 7.12 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.15-7.19 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.34-7.38 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.57-7.60 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.91 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.20 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.93 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{15}H_{13}NO_3$ : 255.08, found: 256.11 ( $M + H$ ) $^+$ .

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-N-p-tolylacetamide (2b):** Yield 70%; IR (film,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2921, 2852, 1689, 1600, 1532, 1508, 1407, 1312, 1250, 1162, 1059, 817;  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  2.33 (s, 3H,  $CH_3$ ), 4.68 (s, 2H,  $OCH_2$ ), 7.11 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.16 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.46 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.90 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.15 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.93 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{16}H_{15}NO_3$ : 269.10, found: 270.09 ( $M + H$ ) $^+$ .

**N-(4-Ethylphenyl)-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2c):** Yield 68%; IR (film,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2961, 2922, 2850, 1686, 1678, 1606, 1582, 1535, 1508, 1413, 1253, 1212, 1160, 1065, 828;  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  1.22 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 3H,  $CH_2CH_3$ ), 2.63 (q,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H,  $CH_2CH_3$ ), 4.69 (s, 2H,  $OCH_2$ ), 7.12 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.19 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.48 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.91 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.12 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.93 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{17}H_{17}NO_3$ : 283.12, found: 284.16 ( $M + H$ ) $^+$ .

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-N-(4-iso-propylphenyl)acetamide (2d):** Yield 65%; IR (film,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2960, 2923, 2852, 1686, 1600, 1534, 1508, 1417, 1311, 1250, 1162, 1056, 832;  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  1.23 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 6H,  $CH(CH_3)_2$ ), 2.89 (septet,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H,  $CH(CH_3)_2$ ), 4.69 (s, 2H,  $OCH_2$ ), 7.12 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.22 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.48 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.91 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.12 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.93 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{18}H_{19}NO_3$ : 297.13, found: 298.14 ( $M + H$ ) $^+$ .

**N-(2-Fluorophenyl)-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2e):** Yield 65%; IR (film,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2924, 2853, 2740, 1690, 1598, 1541, 1508, 1458, 1311, 1260, 1160, 1103, 1063, 828;  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.73 (s, 2H,  $OCH_2$ ), 7.11-7.18 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.91 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz,

2H, ArH), 8.33-8.37 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.52 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.94 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{15}H_{12}FNO_3$ : 273.08, found: 273.12 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>.

***N*-(3-Fluorophenyl)-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2f)**: Yield 65%; IR (film,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2920, 2850, 1686, 1601, 1542, 1508, 1492, 1447, 1312, 1249, 1216, 1162, 1060, 862, 832; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.69 (s, 2H,  $OCH_2$ ), 6.85-6.89 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.12 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.22-7.26 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.28-7.33 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.55-7.58 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.91 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.28 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.93 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{15}H_{12}FNO_3$ : 273.08, found: 273.10 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>.

***N*-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2g)**: Yield 70%; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.70 (s, 2H,  $OCH_2$ ), 7.04-7.08 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.12 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.54-7.57 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.91 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.20 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.93 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{15}H_{12}FNO_3$ : 273.08, found: 273.14 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>.

***N*-(2-Chlorophenyl)-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2h)**: Yield 70%; IR (film,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2922, 2852, 1701, 1601, 1533, 1508, 1440, 1307, 1249, 1219, 1161, 1057, 830; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.70 (s, 2H,  $OCH_2$ ), 7.10-7.16 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.26-7.31 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.44-7.46 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.71-7.72 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.89-7.92 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.24 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.93 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{15}H_{12}ClNO_3$ : 289.05, found: 290.08 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 292.12 (M + 2)<sup>+</sup>.

***N*-(3-Chlorophenyl)-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2i)**: Yield 70%; IR (film,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2924, 2851, 1686, 1596, 1534, 1508, 1426, 1307, 1250, 1162, 1060, 832; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.70 (s, 2H,  $OCH_2$ ), 7.10-7.16 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.26-7.31 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.44-7.46 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.71-7.72 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.89-7.92 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.24 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.93 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{15}H_{12}ClNO_3$ : 289.05, found: 290.07 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 292.11 (M + 2)<sup>+</sup>.

***N*-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2j)**: Yield 80%; IR (film,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2923, 2853, 1686, 1596, 1508, 1401, 1306, 1249, 1162, 1059, 828; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.70 (s, 2H,  $OCH_2$ ), 7.12 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.33 (d,  $J = 9.5$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.55 (d,  $J = 9.5$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.91 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.21 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.94 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{15}H_{12}ClNO_3$ : 289.05, found: 290.10 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 292.08 (M + 2)<sup>+</sup>.

***N*-(2-Bromophenyl)-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2k)**: Yield 75%; IR (film,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2921, 2853, 1675, 1597, 1508, 1438, 1300, 1243, 1157, 1055, 866, 824; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz,

CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  4.74 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.01-7.05 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.14 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.34-7.38 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.57 (dd,  $J$  = 1.4, 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.92 (t,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.44 (dd,  $J$  = 1.4, 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.96 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.94 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>BrNO<sub>3</sub>: 333.0, found: 334.03 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 336.05 (M + 2)<sup>+</sup>.

***N*-(3-Bromophenyl)-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2l)**: Yield 75%; IR (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2923, 2852, 1686, 1591, 1528, 1508, 1478, 1422, 1304, 1247, 1161, 1061, 831; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  4.70 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.12 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.23 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.31 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.52 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.84 (t,  $J$  = 2.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.92 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.93 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.94 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>BrNO<sub>3</sub>: 333.0, found: 334.07 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 336.10 (M + 2)<sup>+</sup>.

***N*-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2m)**: Yield 85%; IR (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2924, 2851, 1688, 1593, 1509, 1433, 1309, 1245, 1159, 1063, 837; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  4.69 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.12 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.48-7.49 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.91 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.19 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.94 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>BrNO<sub>3</sub>: 333.0, found: 334.10 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 336.14 (M + 2)<sup>+</sup>.

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-*N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetamide (2n)**: Yield 65%; IR (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2919, 2850, 2734, 1685, 1605, 1580, 1539, 1509, 1427, 1302, 1240, 1163, 1109, 1060, 1031, 823; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  3.80 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.69 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.89 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.12 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.81 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.91 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.11 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.93 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>: 285.10, found: 286.16 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>.

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-*N*-(4-nitrophenyl)acetamide (2o)**: Yield 75%; IR (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2923, 2893, 1686, 1597, 1542, 1508, 1410, 1341, 1302, 1253, 1164, 1111, 853, 831; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  4.75 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.14 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.81-7.83 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.93 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.25-8.27 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.53 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.95 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 300.07, found: 301.12 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>.

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-*N*-(pyridin-2-yl)acetamide (2p)**: Yield 60%; IR (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2923, 2850, 1689, 1600, 1578, 1527, 1508, 1435, 1303, 1251, 1162, 1055, 832; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  4.72 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.10-7.14 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.74-7.78 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.89-7.92 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.27 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.32-8.33 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.88 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.93 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 256.08, found: 257.14 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>.

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-N-(pyridin-4-yl)acetamide (2q):** Yield 60%; IR (film,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2922, 2851, 1686, 1598, 1531, 1459, 1253, 1162, 1051, 837;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.72 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 7.09-7.11 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.59-7.60 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.88-7.91 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.53-8.54 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.73 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.92 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ : 256.08, found: 257.16 (M + H) $^+$ .

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-N-(4-methylbenzyl)acetamide (2r):** Yield 70%; IR (film,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2922, 2853, 1692, 1659, 1602, 1580, 1542, 1421, 1355, 1252, 1213, 1162, 1057, 840, 817;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  2.33 (s, 3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 4.51 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$ ), 4.61 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 6.86 (brs, 1H, CONH), 7.02 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.14 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.18 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.85 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.90 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$ : 283.12, found: 284.18 (M + H) $^+$ .

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-N-(4-methoxybenzyl)acetamide (2s):** Yield 65%; IR (film,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2928, 2853, 1676, 1600, 1510, 1303, 1249, 1219, 1162, 1031, 832;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  3.80 (s, 3H,  $\text{OCH}_3$ ), 4.48 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$ ), 4.61 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 6.78 (brs, 1H, CONH), 6.87 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.02 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.22 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.86 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.91 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_4$ : 299.11, found: 300.08 (M + H) $^+$ .

**N-Benzyl-2-(4-formylphenoxy)acetamide (2t):** Yield 75%; IR (film,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2924, 2851, 1673, 1600, 1548, 1310, 1251, 1162, 1055, 832;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.57 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$ ), 4.62 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 6.86 (brs, 1H, CONH), 7.03 (dd,  $J = 2.2, 6.5$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.26-7.30 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.31-7.37 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.86 (dd,  $J = 2.2, 6.5$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.90 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_3$ : 269.10, found: 270.19 (M + H) $^+$ .

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-N-phenethylacetamide (2u):** Yield 75%; IR (film,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2922, 2851, 1686, 1600, 1580, 1542, 1508, 1440, 1309, 1252, 1218, 1162, 1053, 832;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  2.85 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$ ), 3.62 (q,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{NHCH}_2$ ), 4.54 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 6.54 (brs, 1H, CONH), 6.96 (dd,  $J = 2.2, 6.5$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.14-7.16 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.23-7.25 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.26-7.31 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.86 (dd,  $J = 2.2, 6.5$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.91 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$ : 283.12, found: 284.22 (M + H) $^+$ .

**2-(4-Formylphenoxy)-N-(naphthalen-1-yl)acetamide (2v):** Yield 70%; IR (film,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2924, 2951, 1686, 1603, 1581, 1507, 1305, 1249, 1218, 1164, 1066, 862;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.84 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 7.19 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.49-7.55 (m, 3H, ArH),

7.75 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.88-7.91 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.94 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.02 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.70 (brs, 1H, CONH), 9.95 (s, 1H, CHO); ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{19}H_{15}NO_3$ : 305.10, found: 305.15 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>.

**Typical procedure for the synthesis of (*E*)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3a) and related compounds (3b-3v):** A mixture of isoniazid (200 mg, 1.45 mmol) and 2-(4-formylphenoxy)-*N*-phenylacetamide (2a, 335 mg, 1.31 mmol) in EtOH/H<sub>2</sub>O was stirred at room temperature for 4-6 h. After completion of the reaction, separated solid was filtered and washed with cold EtOH to get the pure compound 3a.

**(*E*)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3a):** Yield 85%; mp 229-230 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3305, 3245, 3061, 2925, 1676, 1648, 1600, 1547, 1533, 1514, 1445, 1373, 1315, 1300, 1259, 1170, 1060, 966, 825; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 4.77 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.07-7.10 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.29-7.33 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.63 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.71 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.80 (dd,  $J = 1.4, 4.4$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.77 (dd,  $J = 1.4, 4.4$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 10.12 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.95 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 67.10, 115.14, 119.79, 121.59, 123.80, 127.24, 128.80, 128.96, 138.40, 140.61, 148.85, 150.34, 159.66, 161.54, 166.30; ESI-HRMS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{21}H_{18}N_4O_3$ : 374.1379, found: 375.1686 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 397.1495 (M + Na)<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for  $C_{21}H_{18}N_4O_3$ : C, 67.37; H, 4.85; N, 14.96; O, 12.82, found: C, 67.31; H, 4.79; N, 14.87; O, 12.93.

**(*E*)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-*N-p*-tolylacetamide (3b):** Yield 85%; mp 239-241 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3376, 3301, 3125, 3057, 1680, 1652, 1556, 1532, 1511, 1449, 1410, 1364, 1284, 1249, 1172, 1054, 958, 818; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 2.24 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.75 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.08-7.13 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.51 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.71 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.81 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.77 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 10.02 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.95 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 20.45, 67.12, 115.13, 119.76, 121.51, 127.18, 128.89, 129.12, 132.71, 135.81, 140.59, 148.78, 150.31, 159.63, 161.44, 165.97; ESI-HRMS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{22}H_{20}N_4O_3$ : 388.1535, found: 389.1840 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 411.2082 (M + Na)<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for  $C_{22}H_{20}N_4O_3$ : C, 68.03; H, 5.19; N, 14.42; O, 12.36, found: C, 68.19; H, 5.33; N, 14.67; O, 12.23.

**(*E*)-*N*-(4-Ethylphenyl)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3c):** Yield 82%; mp 231-234 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3323, 3036, 2962, 2870, 1655, 1609, 1542, 1515, 1420, 1367, 1308, 1254, 1177, 1066, 833, 753; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 1.13 (t,

$J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.53 (q,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 4.75 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 7.08 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.14 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.53 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.70 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.80 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 8.40 (s, 1H,  $\text{N}=\text{CH}$ ), 8.76 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 10.05 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ ), 11.96 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  15.73, 27.67, 67.17, 115.16, 119.93, 121.58, 127.24, 127.97, 128.96, 136.04, 139.26, 140.62, 148.88, 150.33, 159.68, 161.56, 166.06; ESI-HRMS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ : 402.1692, found: 403.1426 ( $\text{M} + \text{H}$ )<sup>+</sup>, 425.1743 ( $\text{M} + \text{Na}$ )<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ : C, 68.64; H, 5.51; N, 13.92; O, 11.93, found: C, 68.73; H, 5.48; N, 13.87; O, 12.01.

**(E)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-N-(4-isopropylphenyl)**

**acetamide (3d):** Yield 85%; mp 209-211 °C; IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3431, 3197, 3035, 2956, 1636, 1609, 1546, 1514, 1420, 1307, 1254, 1177, 1089, 1065, 955, 831;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  1.15 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 6H,  $\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ ), 2.81 (septet,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ ), 4.75 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 7.08 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.17 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.54 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.71 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.81 (d,  $J = 5.1$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 8.40 (s, 1H,  $\text{N}=\text{CH}$ ), 8.76 (d,  $J = 5.1$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 10.06 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ ), 11.97 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ ); ESI-HRMS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ : 416.1848, found: 417.1917 ( $\text{M} + \text{H}$ )<sup>+</sup>, 418.2331 ( $\text{M} + \text{Na}$ )<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ : C, 69.21; H, 5.81; N, 13.45; O, 11.52, found: C, 69.34; H, 5.95; N, 13.33; O, 11.80.

**(E)-N-(2-Fluorophenyl)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3e):**

Yield 72%; mp 245-248 °C; IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3413, 3263, 3045, 2907, 1692, 1653, 1607, 1548, 1515, 1483, 1458, 1366, 1297, 1253, 1176, 1064, 968, 838;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  4.84 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 7.08 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.17-7.20 (m, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.25-7.30 (m, 1H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.71 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.79-7.81 (m, 3H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 8.40 (s, 1H,  $\text{N}=\text{CH}$ ), 8.76-8.78 (m, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 9.96 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ ), 11.97 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ ); Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{FN}_4\text{O}_3$ : C, 64.28; H, 4.37; F, 4.84; N, 14.28; O, 12.23, found: C, 64.36; H, 4.46; F, 4.91; N, 14.37; O, 12.33.

**(E)-N-(3-Fluorophenyl)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3f):**

Yield 70%; mp 215-217 °C; IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3435, 3214, 3039, 1683, 1654, 1610, 1572, 1549, 1515, 1304, 1256, 1178, 1143, 1066, 956, 864;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  4.78 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 7.90-7.92 (m, 1H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.08 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.34-7.39 (m, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.59-7.62 (m, 1H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.70 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.79-7.81 (m, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 8.40 (s, 1H,  $\text{N}=\text{CH}$ ), 8.76 (dd,  $J = 1.4, 4.4$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 10.34 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ ), 11.96 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ );

Anal. calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 64.28; H, 4.37; F, 4.84; N, 14.28; O, 12.23, found: C, 64.39; H, 4.41; F, 4.88; N, 14.36; O, 12.36.

**(E)-N-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3g):**

Yield 75%; mp 231-234 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3456, 3213, 3063, 1696, 1648, 1576, 1507, 1441, 1411, 1386, 1318, 1273, 1259, 1212, 1175, 1071, 968, 839; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 4.77 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.14-7.18 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.64-7.67 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.81 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.77 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 10.20 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.97 (s, 1H, CONH); ESI-HRMS (*m/z*) calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 392.1285, found: 393.1458 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 415.1294 (M + Na)<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 64.28; H, 4.37; F, 4.84; N, 14.28; O, 12.23, found: C, 64.34; H, 4.40; F, 4.92; N, 14.41; O, 12.19.

**(E)-N-(2-Chlorophenyl)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3h):**

Yield 75%; mp 242-244 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3382, 3212, 3050, 1700, 1668, 1595, 1539, 1511, 1441, 1300, 1253, 1172, 1059, 829, 754; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 4.85 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.19-7.23 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.32-7.36 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.50-7.52 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.79-7.81 (m, 3H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.76-8.77 (m, 2H, ArH), 9.71 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.98 (s, 1H, CONH); Anal. calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 61.69; H, 4.19; Cl, 8.67; N, 13.70; O, 11.74, found: C, 61.80; H, 4.27; Cl, 8.77; N, 13.93; O, 11.84.

**(E)-N-(3-Chlorophenyl)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3i):**

Yield 85%; mp 160-162 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3449, 3370, 3230, 3050, 2926, 1702, 1655, 1598, 1534, 1511, 1424, 1295, 1252, 1174, 1079, 835, 807; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 4.79 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.13-7.15 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.35 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.52-7.54 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.80 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.83-7.84 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.77 (dd, *J* = 1.4, 4.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 10.33 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.97 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 67.04, 115.16, 118.12, 119.21, 121.56, 123.49, 127.29, 128.94, 130.49, 133.11, 139.82, 140.60, 148.79, 150.33, 159.54, 161.50, 166.73; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 61.69; H, 4.19; Cl, 8.67; N, 13.70; O, 11.74, found: C, 61.82; H, 4.24; Cl, 8.81; N, 13.89; O, 11.77.

**(E)-N-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3j):**

Yield 90%; mp 244-246 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3463, 3200, 2994, 2849, 1674, 1592, 1511, 1527, 1493, 1443, 1401, 1306, 1240, 1173, 1067, 825; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ



4.78 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.81 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.77 (dd, *J* = 1.4, 4.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 10.28 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.97 (s, 1H, CONH); ESI-HRMS (*m/z*) calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 408.0989, found: 409.1182 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 411.1345 (M + 2)<sup>+</sup>, 431.1845 (M + Na)<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 61.69; H, 4.19; Cl, 8.67; N, 13.70; O, 11.74, found: C, 61.85; H, 4.20; Cl, 8.72; N, 13.88; O, 11.96.

**(*E*)-*N*-(2-Bromophenyl)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3k):**

Yield 75%; mp 231-234 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3470, 3363, 3211, 3048, 1700, 1669, 1595, 1578, 1536, 1511, 1438, 1366, 1300, 1249, 1171, 1059, 968, 830; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 4.84 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.13-7.15 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.37-7.41 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.65-7.69 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.80-7.82 (m, 3H, ArH), 8.41 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.76-8.78 (m, 2H, ArH), 9.65 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.99 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 66.97, 115.27, 117.26, 121.53, 123.17, 125.74, 127.14, 127.48, 128.28, 128.95, 132.69, 135.37, 140.58, 148.70, 149.54, 150.32, 159.17, 161.48, 166.51; ESI-HRMS (*m/z*) calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>BrN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 452.0484, found: 453.0821 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 455.1809 (M + 2)<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>BrN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 55.64; H, 3.78; Br, 17.63; N, 12.36; O, 10.59, found: C, 55.81; H, 3.85; Br, 17.77; N, 12.42; O, 10.66.

**(*E*)-*N*-(3-Bromophenyl)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3l):**

Yield 85%; mp 166-168 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3448, 3369, 3228, 3054, 2900, 1705, 1607, 1553, 1531, 1511, 1423, 1295, 1249, 1173, 1082, 995, 835, 806; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 4.79 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.26-7.29 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.56-7.59 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.80 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.98 (s, 1H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.77 (dd, *J* = 1.4, 4.3 Hz, 2H, ArH), 10.31 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.97 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 67.06, 115.16, 118.53, 121.58, 122.12, 126.41, 127.31, 128.96, 130.77, 139.95, 140.60, 148.84, 150.32, 159.54, 161.54, 166.72; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>BrN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 55.64; H, 3.78; Br, 17.63; N, 12.36; O, 10.59, found: C, 55.71; H, 3.91; Br, 17.86; N, 12.50; O, 10.74.

**(*E*)-*N*-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3m):**

Yield 88%; mp 246-249 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3459, 3324, 3199, 2995, 2849, 1671, 1598, 1525, 1511, 1489, 1443, 1397, 1305, 1241, 1173, 1067, 1008, 821; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 4.77 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.80 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.76 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 10.28 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.97 (s, 1H,

CONH); ESI-HRMS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{21}H_{17}BrN_4O_3$ : 452.0484, found: 453.0583 ( $M + H$ )<sup>+</sup>, 455.1146 ( $M + 2$ )<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for  $C_{21}H_{17}BrN_4O_3$ : C, 55.64; H, 3.78; Br, 17.63; N, 12.36; O, 10.59, found: C, 55.75; H, 3.93; Br, 17.82; N, 12.55; O, 10.70.

**(E)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-N-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetamide (3n):** Yield 80%; mp 243-245 °C; IR (KBr,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 3438, 3388, 3236, 3055, 2924, 1662, 1596, 1546, 1511, 1448, 1369, 1239, 1175, 1060, 1021, 830; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  3.71 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.73 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.89 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.09 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.53 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.71 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.80 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.77 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 10.00 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.97 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  55.22, 67.13, 113.90, 115.19, 121.44, 121.59, 127.21, 128.96, 131.42, 140.63, 148.82, 150.37, 155.61, 159.67, 161.51, 165.81; ESI-HRMS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{22}H_{20}N_4O_4$ : 404.1485, found: 405.1537 ( $M + H$ )<sup>+</sup>, 427.1346 ( $M + Na$ )<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for  $C_{22}H_{20}N_4O_4$ : C, 65.34; H, 4.98; N, 13.85; O, 15.82, found: C, 65.52; H, 5.14; N, 13.77; O, 16.02.

**(E)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-N-(4-nitrophenyl)acetamide (3o):** Yield 85%; mp 255-258 °C; IR (KBr,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 3447, 3195, 2920, 2834, 1690, 1660, 1597, 1537, 1512, 1440, 1408, 1332, 1302, 1236, 1173, 1111, 1065, 855, 836, 751; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  4.86 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.09 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.71 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.80 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.90 (d,  $J = 9.5$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.23 (d,  $J = 9.5$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.76 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 10.75 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.97 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  67.03, 115.13, 119.34, 121.56, 124.97, 127.34, 128.95, 140.58, 142.55, 144.59, 148.78, 150.32, 159.52, 161.51, 167.33; Anal. calcd. for  $C_{21}H_{17}N_5O_5$ : C, 60.14; H, 4.09; N, 16.70; O, 19.07, found: C, 60.29; H, 4.34; N, 16.88; O, 19.27.

**(E)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-N-(pyridin-2-yl)acetamide (3p):** Yield 85%; mp 215-217 °C; IR (KBr,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 3385, 3207, 3051, 2945, 1690, 1657, 1604, 1577, 1529, 1433, 1407, 1300, 1254, 1173, 1063, 995, 832; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  4.87 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.05 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.10-7.13 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.69 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.76-7.78 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.79-7.81 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.04 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.32-8.33 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.75-8.77 (m, 2H, ArH), 10.57 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.95 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  66.70, 113.73, 115.05, 119.90, 121.63, 123.28, 127.22, 129.02, 138.44, 140.65, 148.17, 148.89, 149.61, 150.37, 151.41, 159.72, 161.58, 167.08; ESI-HRMS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $C_{20}H_{17}N_5O_3$ : 375.1331,

found: 376.1203 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 398.1660 (M + Na)<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 63.99; H, 4.56; N, 18.66; O, 12.79, found: C, 64.11; H, 4.72; N, 18.78; O, 12.85.

**(E)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-N-(pyridin-4-yl)acetamide (3q):**

Yield 80%; mp 189-192 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3402, 3259, 3187, 3099, 3045, 1718, 1654, 1594, 1549, 1528, 1511, 1421, 1297, 1256, 1203, 1170, 1079, 838, 750; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 4.83 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.62 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.80 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.44 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.76 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 10.53 (s, 1H, CONH), 11.97 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 66.99, 113.58, 115.12, 121.53, 127.31, 128.93, 140.59, 145.06, 148.77, 150.32, 150.45, 159.51, 161.49, 167.56; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 63.99; H, 4.56; N, 18.66; O, 12.79, found: C, 64.15; H, 4.74; N, 18.80; O, 12.67.

**(E)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-N-(4-methylbenzyl)acetamide (3r):**

Yield 85%; mp 216-218 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3268, 2922, 1656, 1605, 1542, 1510, 1287, 1257, 1172, 1059, 838, 790; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 2.25 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.29 (d, *J* = 5.86 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.61 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.81 (dd, *J* = 1.4, 4.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.66 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H, CONHCH<sub>2</sub>), 8.76-8.78 (m, 2H, ArH), 11.95 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 20.65, 41.58, 66.96, 115.18, 121.51, 127.23, 128.78, 128.84, 135.83, 136.20, 140.58, 148.76, 150.31, 159.49, 161.44, 167.37; ESI-HRMS (*m/z*) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 402.1692, found: 403.1410 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 425.1716 (M + Na)<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 68.64; H, 5.51; N, 13.92; O, 11.93, found: C, 68.81; H, 5.64; N, 13.81; O, 12.03.

**(E)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-N-(4-methoxybenzyl)acetamide (3s):**

Yield 70%; mp 201-203 °C; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3368, 3260, 2933, 1654, 1530, 1298, 1241, 1177, 1112, 1066, 808; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 3.71 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.27 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.60 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.80-7.81 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.40 (s, 1H, N=CH), 8.63 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H, CONHCH<sub>2</sub>), 8.76-8.78 (m, 2H, ArH), 11.97 (s, 1H, CONH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 41.30, 55.05, 66.96, 113.64, 115.19, 121.52, 127.19, 128.63, 128.85, 131.21, 140.59, 148.75, 150.32, 158.22, 159.49, 161.44, 167.30; ESI-HRMS (*m/z*) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 418.1641, found: 419.1514 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 441.1928 (M + Na)<sup>+</sup>; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 66.02; H, 5.30; N, 13.39; O, 15.29, found: C, 66.21; H, 5.16; N, 13.45; O, 15.36.

**(E)-N-Benzyl-2-(4-((2-isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)acetamide (3t):** Yield 80%; mp 225-228 °C; IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3235, 3201, 3034, 2933, 2861, 1651, 1596, 1569, 1507, 1444, 1368, 1313, 1252, 1225, 1170, 1081, 994, 828;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  4.35 (d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$ ), 4.63 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 7.07 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.20-7.31 (m, 5H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.70 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.82 (dd,  $J = 1.4, 4.4$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 8.41 (s, 1H,  $\text{N}=\text{CH}$ ), 8.71 (t,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CONHCH}_2$ ), 8.78 (dd,  $J = 1.4, 4.4$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 11.97 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ ); Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ : C, 68.03; H, 5.19; N, 14.42; O, 12.36, found: C, 68.15; H, 5.22; N, 14.36; O, 12.52.

**(E)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-N-phenethylacetamide (3u):** Yield 75%; mp 196-198 °C; IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3474, 3236, 3069, 3046, 2906, 1646, 1603, 1552, 1513, 1434, 1369, 1300, 1258, 1171, 1072, 920, 836;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  2.74 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$ ), 3.37 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$ ), 4.52 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 7.01 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.15-7.20 (m, 3H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.26 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.69 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.80 (d,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 8.20 (t,  $J = 5.8$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{CONHCH}_2$ ), 8.40 (s, 1H,  $\text{N}=\text{CH}$ ), 8.76 (d,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 11.95 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  35.10, 40.11, 66.96, 115.15, 121.52, 126.13, 127.19, 128.35, 128.63, 128.87, 139.28, 140.59, 148.76, 150.32, 159.49, 161.45, 167.26; ESI-HRMS ( $m/z$ ) calculated for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ : 402.1692, found: 403.1733 ( $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ) $^+$ , 425.2031 ( $\text{M} + \text{Na}$ ) $^+$ ; Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ : C, 68.64; H, 5.51; N, 13.92; O, 11.93, found: C, 68.71; H, 5.47; N, 13.96; O, 12.07.

**(E)-2-(4-((2-Isonicotinoylhydrazono)methyl)phenoxy)-N-(naphthalen-1-yl)acetamide (3v):** Yield 75%; mp 250-252 °C; IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3431, 3255, 3046, 2928, 1670, 1605, 1550, 1513, 1277, 1241, 1213, 1175, 1065, 962, 833, 799, 774;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  4.95 (s, 2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 7.18 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.51-7.55 (m, 3H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.65-7.67 (m, 1H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.76 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.79-7.83 (m, 3H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.93-7.96 (m, 1H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 7.98-8.01 (m, 1H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 8.43 (s, 1H,  $\text{N}=\text{CH}$ ), 8.77-8.79 (m, 2H,  $\text{ArH}$ ), 10.21 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ ), 11.98 (s, 1H,  $\text{CONH}$ ); Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ : C, 70.74; H, 4.75; N, 13.20; O, 11.31, found: C, 70.88; H, 4.69; N, 13.27; O, 11.43.