Supplementary data

For

Identification of an indole-triazole-amino acid conjugate as highly effective

antifungal agent

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1. Experimental

1.1 Chemistry

All reactions were performed in oven-dried glassware with magnetic stirring. Diethyl ether was distilled over activated anhydrous calcium chloride and further dried by passing sodium wire. Acetonitrile was dried by refluxing over anhydrous P_2O_5 , anhydrous K_2CO_3 and stored over activated 4 Å molecular sieves. The reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography using silica gel GF254; visualization of the developed chromatogram was performed by UV and staining with iodine. Column chromatography was performed with silica gel of 100-200 mesh using hexane and ethyl acetate as eluents.

1.1.1 ¹H, ¹³C NMR and DEPT.

The spectra were recorded at 500 MHz and 125 MHz NMR spectrometer using $CDCl_3$ and DMSO as solvents and TMS as internal standard. Data for ¹H NMR spectra are reported as chemical shift (δ ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet, dd =

double doublet, br s = broad singlet) and coupling constant (*J* in Hz). Data for ¹³C and DEPT-135 NMR spectra are given in terms of chemical shift; +ve signals correspond to CH₃ and CH carbons, -ve signals correspond to CH₂ carbons while absent means a quaternary carbon. Infrared spectra were examined in KBr pallets using SP 300 PYE UNI CAM Infrared Spectrophotometer.

1.1.2 Mass spectra

Mass spectra were recorded on Bruker MicroTOF QII mass spectrometer (Bruker Daltonik, Bremen, Germany). Machine was calibrated with sodium formate. Using KdScientific automated pump with flow rate 180 μ L/h, 50 μ M solution in acetonitrile-water-formic acid (7:2.9:0.1) was injected to electrospray ionization source. Desolvation was performed with dry N₂ gas heated at 180 °C. Various parameters of the mass spectrometer were optimized for maximum ion abundance. Typically, the capillary voltage was 4500 V and vacuum was maintained at 3-4x10⁻⁷ mbar. Sodium formate was used as internal calibrant.

[2-(1*H*-Indol-3-yl)-2-oxo-acetylamino]-acetic acid methyl ester (3a).

Cream colored solid, mp 167 °C, 95%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3487 (NH), 2857 (C-H), 1750 (C=O), 1681 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.40 (s, 1H, NH), 8.35 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.82-8.01 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.39-7.43 (m, 2H, ArH), 4.20 (d, *J*=1.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.83 (s, 3H, OCH₃); δ_{C} (normal/DEPT- 135) (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 180.63 (C=O), 169.30 (C=O), 161.30 (C=O), 138.48 (CH), 134.43 (C), 130.27 (CH), 128.04 (C), 125.98 (CH), 125.17 (CH), 122.79 (CH), 52.74 (OCH₃), 41.09 (-ve, CH₂); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₁₃H₁₂N₂O₄Na 283.0689. Found *m/z* 283.0670.

3-(1*H***-Indol-3-yl)-2-[2-(1***H***-indol-3-yl)-2-oxo-acetylamino]-propionic acid methyl ester (3b). White solid, mp 146 °C, 89%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3307 (NH), 2987 (C-H), 1759 (C=O), 1681 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.16 (s, 1H, NH), 7.32-7.50 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.16-7.28**

(m, 5H, ArH), 6.70 (d, 1H, J=3.5 Hz), 4.51 (t, 1H, J=10 Hz, CH), 3.88 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.58-3.63 (dd, J=1 Hz, J=13.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.44-3.47 (dd, J=7.5 Hz, 16 Hz, 1H, CH₂); $\delta_{\rm C}$ (normal/DEPT-135) (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 169.56 (C=O), 161.41 (C=O), 160.72 (C=O), 145.40 (C), 136.53 (C), 134.73 (C), 134.63 (C), 130.72 (C), 129.98 (CH), 126.75 (C), 126.11 (CH), 126.10 (C), 124.74 (CH), 123.53 (CH), 123.23 (CH), 121.51 (CH), 120.45 (CH), 117.84 (CH), 117.61 (CH), ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₂₂H₁₉N₃O₄ 390.1448. Found m/z 390.1444 ([M+H]⁺).

3-(3*H*-Imidazol-4-yl)-2-[2-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-2-oxo-acetylamino]-propionic acid methyl ester (3c).

Yellow solid, mp 118 °C, 90%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3537 (NH), 2857 (C-H), 1750 (C=O), 1688 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO d₆): δ 9.10 (s, 1H, NH), 7.58 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.33-7.39 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.28-7.93 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.83-7.28 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.82 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.46 (t, 1H, *J*=3.5 Hz), 3.77 (s, 1H, OCH₃), 3.33 (d, *J*=6.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂); $\delta_{\rm C}$ (normal/DEPT- 135) (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): 169.07 (C=O), 134.52 (CH), 134.49 (C), 130.98 (C), 130.65 (CH), 127.39 (CH), 127.15 (CH), 127.12 (C), 125.10 (CH), 123.88 (CH), 122.02 (CH), 118.57 (CH), 113.53 (CH), 109.89 (CH), 53.51 (OCH₃), 51.51 (CH), 25.56 (-ve, CH₂); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₁₇H₁₆N₄O₄ 341.1244. Found *m*/*z* 341.1241 ([M+H]⁺).

2-[2-(1H-Indol-3-yl)-2-oxo-acetylamino]-pentanedioic acid dimethyl ester (3d).

Yellow solid, mp 143 °C, 85%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3477 (NH), 2977 (C-H), 1755 (C=O), 1666 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz CDCl₃): δ 7.99 (s, 1H, NH), 7.53-7.84 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.32 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.23-7.28 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.22 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.33 (t, 1H, *J*=5 Hz, CH), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.77 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.69-2.73 (m, 4H, 2xCH₂); δ_C (normal/DEPT-135) (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 173.48 (C=O), 169.70 (C=O), 158.75 (C=O), 144.81 (C), 135.30 (CH), 134.82 (C), 130.75 (CH), 129.19 (C), 126.94 (C), 126.33 (CH), 113.53 (CH), 109.04 (CH), 77.24 (CH),

53.30 (OCH₃), 52.27 (OCH₃), 29.65 (-ve, CH₂), 25.04 (-ve, CH₂); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for $C_{17}H_{18}N_2O_6$ 347.1238. Found *m*/*z* 347.1221 ([M+H]⁺).

[2-Oxo-2-(1-prop-2-ynyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-acetylamino]-acetic acid methyl ester (4a).

yellow colored solid, mp 111 °C, 97%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3412 (NH), 2867 (CH), 1732 (C=O), 1689 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.78 (s, 1H, NH), 8.35 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.82-8.01 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.39-7.43 (m, 2H, ArH), 4.83 (d, *J*=3.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.21 (d, *J*=1.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.84 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 1.63 (s, 1H, CH); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₁₆H₁₄N₂O₄ 299.1034. Found *m*/*z* 299.1029 [M+H]⁺.

3-(1*H*-Indol-3-yl)-2-[2-oxo-2-(1-prop-2-ynyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-acetylamino]-propionic acid methyl ester (4b).

Yellow solid, mp 126 °C, 79%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3297 (NH), 2945 (C-H), 1751 (C=O), 1661 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.16 (s, 1H, NH), 7.34-7.50 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.16-7.28 (m, 5H, ArH), 6.72 (d, 1H, *J*=3.5 Hz), 4.80 (d, 2H, *J*=3.5 Hz, CH₂), 4.49 (t, 1H, *J*=2 Hz, CH), 3.88 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.58-3.63 (dd, *J*= 9 Hz, *J*= 15 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.42-3.47 (dd, *J*= 8 Hz, *J*= 15 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 1.60 (s, 1H, CH); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₂₅H₂₁N₃O₄ 428.1603. Found *m*/z 428.1612 [M+H]⁺.

3-(3*H*-Imidazol-4-yl)-2-[2-oxo-2-(1-prop-2-ynyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-acetylamino]-propionic acid methyl ester (4c).

Yellow solid, mp 118 °C, 90%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3535 (NH), 2757 (C-H), 1741 (C=O), 1680 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 9.10 (s, 1H, NH), 7.92-7.73 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.63 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.20-7.28 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.83-7.20 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.83 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.81 (d, 2H, *J*=6.5 Hz), 4.37 (t, 1H, *J*=8 Hz), 3.78 (s, 1H, OCH₃), 3.33 (d, *J*=3.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂) 1.63 (s, 1H, CH); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₂₀H₁₈N₄O₄ 379.1408. Found *m/z* 379.1401 [M+H]⁺.

2-[2-Oxo-2-(1-prop-2-ynyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-acetylamino]-pentanedioic acid dimethyl ester (4d).

Yellow solid, mp 123 °C, 85%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3467 (NH), 2877 (C-H), 1735 (C=O), 1621 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz CDCl₃): δ 7.99 (s, 1H, NH), 7.53-7.84 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.32 (s, 1H, *J*=5 Hz), 7.23-7.28 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.22 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.81 (t, 1H, *J*=7.5 Hz, CH₂), 4.31 (t, 1H, *J*=7.5 Hz, CH), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.77 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.36-2.73 (m, 4H, 2xCH₂), 1.63 (s, 1H, CH); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₂₀H₂₀N₂O₆ 385.1400. Found *m*/*z* 385.1401 [M+H]⁺.

{2-Oxo-2-[1-(1-phenyl-1*H*-[1,2,3]triazol-4-ylmethyl)-1*H*-indol-3-yl]-acetylamino}-acetic acid methyl ester (5a)

Light yellow solid, mp 180 °C, 68%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3407 (NH), 2957 (C-H), 1757 (C=O), 1661 (C=O), 1130 (S=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.39 (s, 1H, NH), 8.35-8.36 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.89-8.01 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.82-7.84 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.28-7.43 (m, 4H, ArH), 5.31 (d, *J* = 1 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.20 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.83 (s, 3H, OCH₃); $\delta_{\rm C}$ (normal/DEPT- 135) (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 180.74 (C=O), 169.34 (C=O), 161.27 (C=O), 146.09 (C), 138.48 (CH), 134.43 (C), 134.23 (C), 130.30 (CH), 128.11 (C), 127.38 (C=O), 125.98 (C=O), 125.17 (CH), 122.81 (CH), 115.93 (C), 113.27 (CH), 52.62 (OCH₃), 41.06 (CH₂, -ve), 21.66 (CH₂, -ve); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₂₂H₁₉N₅O₄ 418.1517. Found *m*/*z* 418.1515 [M+H]⁺.

3-(1*H*-Indol-3-yl)-2-{2-oxo-2-[1-(1-phenyl-1*H*-[1,2,3]triazol-4-ylmethyl)-1*H*-indol-3-yl]acetylamino}-propionic acid methyl ester (5b)

Light brown solid, mp 131 °C, 79 %, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2927 (CH), 3411 (N-H), 1741 (C=O), 1651 (C=O), 1135 (S=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.97 (s, 1H, NH), 7.77 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.56 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.49 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.41 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.32-7.35 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.22-7.28 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.16-7.18 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.70 (d, *J* = 3

Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.16 (d, J = 1 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.51 (t, J = 1 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.88 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.59-3.63 (dd, J=4.5, J=15.5 Hz 1H, CH₂), 3.44-3.49 (dd, J=7.5, J=15.5 Hz 1H, CH₂); (normal/DEPT- 135) (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 169.61 (C=O), 145.41 (C), 136.56 (C), 134.76 (C), 134.63 (C), 130.84 (C), 129.98 (CH), 126.75 (CH), 126.16 (CH), 126.10 (C), 124.74 (CH), 124.71 (CH), 123.53 (CH), 123.23(CH), 121.51 (CH), 120.45 (CH), 117.72 (C), 117.63 (CH), 115.46 (C), 113.43 (CH), 113.19 (C), 111.92 (CH), 110.93 (C), 109.56 (CH), 105.46 (C), 54.11 (CH), 54.09 (CH), 26.11 (CH₂, -ve), 21.47 (CH₂, -ve); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for $C_{31}H_{26}N_6O_4$ 547.2096. Found m/z 547.2091 [M+H]⁺.

3-(3*H*-Imidazol-4-yl)-2-{2-oxo-2-[1-(1-phenyl-1*H*-[1,2,3]triazol-4-ylmethyl)-1*H*-indol-3-yl]acetylamino}-propionic acid methyl ester (5c)

Grey solid, mp 121 °C, 85%. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3401 (N-H), 1744 (C=O), 2925 (CH), 1628 (C=O), 1087.19 (S=0) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO d₆): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO d₆): δ 9.10 (s, 1H, NH), 7.92 (d, J = 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.84 (d, J = 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.77 (d, J = 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, J = 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.54 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.35 (t, J = 10 Hz, 3H, ArH), 7.31 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.23 (t, J = 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.82 (d, J = 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.13 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.49 (t, J = 7 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.72 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.34 (d, J=7 Hz, 2H, CH₂); (normal/DEPT- 135) (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 169.02 (C=O), 145.92 (C), 134.63 (C), 134.56 (C), 134.52 (CH), 130.93 (C), 130.68 (CH), 127.39 (C), 127.38 (CH), 127.15 (CH), 127.12 (C), 125.10 (CH), 123.89 (CH), 122.07 (CH), 118.57 (CH), 113.53 (CH), 109.88 (CH), 53.51 (OCH₃), 51.49 (CH), 25.51 (CH₂, -ve), 21.46 (CH₂, -ve); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₂₆H₂₃N₇O₄ 498.1882. Found *m*/z 498.1882 [M+H]⁺.

2-{2-Oxo-2-[1-(1-phenyl-1*H*-[1,2,3]triazol-4-ylmethyl)-1*H*-indol-3-yl]-acetylamino}pentanedioic acid dimethyl ester (5d) Cream colored solid, mp 141 °C, 72%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3435 (NH), 2926 (C-H), 1736 (C=O), 1634 (C=O), 1088 (S=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.46 (b, 1H, NH), 8.00 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.77 (d, *J* = 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.53-7.58 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.32 (t, *J* = 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.23 (t, *J* = 5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.73 (s, 2H, ArH), 6.66 (d, *J* = 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.22 (d, *J* = 3 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.36 (t, *J* = 1 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.84 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.70 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.63-2.72 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.41 (d, *J* = 5 Hz, 2H, CH₂); (normal/DEPT- 135) (125 MHz, CDCl₃ + TFA): 173.30 (C=O), 169.70 (C=O), 144.94 (C), 135.30 (C), 134.82 (C), 130.75 (C), 129.87 (CH), 126.81 (CH), 126.33 (CH), 124.55 (CH), 123.27 (CH), 121.37 (CH), 115.95 (C), 113.67 (C), 113.53 (CH), 111.40 (C), 109.04 (CH), 53.48 (OCH₃), 52.76 (OCH₃), 52.14 (CH), 29.75 (CH₂, -ve), 25.19 (CH₂, -ve) 21.54 (CH₂, -ve); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₂₆H₂₅N₅O₆ 504.5144. Found *m*/*z* 504.5146 [M+H]⁺.

{2-Oxo-2-[1-(1-phenyl-1*H*-[1,2,3]triazol-4-ylmethyl)-1*H*-indol-3-yl]-acetylamino}-acetic acid (6a)

Dark brown solid, mp 140 °C, 80%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3412 (NH), 1764 (C=O), 1630 (C=O), 1120 (S=O). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.26 (s, 1H, OH), 8.37 (m, 1H, NH), 7.98 – 8.01 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.82 – 7.98 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.40 – 7.43 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.26-7.28 (t, *J* = 5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.13-7.15 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 2H, ArH), 5.31 (d, *J* = 0.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.21 (d, *J*= 4.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂); $\delta_{\rm C}$ (normal/DEPT- 135) (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 180.66 (C=O), 169.35 (C=O), 161.27 (C=O), 146.09 (C), 138.48 (CH), 134.43 (C), 134.24 (C), 128.11 (CH), 127.38 (CH), 125.74 (CH), 125.17 (CH), 122.81 (CH), 115.79 (C), 113.30 (CH), 41.07 (CH, -ve), 21.98 (CH₂, -ve); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₁₉H16N₂O₆S 423.0621. Found *m*/*z* 423.0944 ([M+Na]⁺). ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₂₁H₁₇N₅O₄ 404.1361. Found *m*/*z* 404.1361 [M+H]⁺.

3-(1*H***-Indol-3-yl)-2-{2-oxo-2-[1-(1-phenyl-1***H***-[1,2,3]triazol-4-ylmethyl)-1***H***-indol-3-yl]acetylamino}-propionic acid (6b). Cream colored solid, mp 110 ^{0}C, 69%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3421 (NH), 1735 (C=O), 1632 (C=O), 1110 (S=O); ^{1}H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-***d***₆): \delta 11.058 (s, 1H, OH), 8.19 (s, 2H, NH), 7.93 (d,** *J* **= 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.85 (d,** *J* **= 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.78 (d,** *J* **= 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.56-7.60 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.32-7.39 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.24 (t,** *J* **= 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.10 (t,** *J* **= 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.01 (t,** *J* **= 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.82 (d,** *J* **= 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.17 (d,** *J* **= 1 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.17 (d,** *J* **= 1 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.26 (s, 2H, CH₂); \delta_{C} (normal/DEPT- 135) (125 MHz, DMSO d₆): 171.35 (C=O), 145.92 (C), 136.76 (C), 134.66 (C), 134,57 (C), 130.93 (C), 130.67 (CH), 127.47 (C), 127.38 (CH), 127.15 (CH), 125.41 (CH), 125.08 (CH), 123.88 (CH), 122.05 (CH), 121.65 (CH), 119.20 (C), 119.09 (CH), 118.66 (CH), 116.90 (C), 114.60 (C), 113.53 (CH), 112.29 (C), 111.98 (CH), 109.85 (CH), 107.07 (C), 53.05 (CH), 26.61 (CH₂, -ve),**

21.44 (CH₂, -ve); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for $C_{30}H_{24}N_6O_4$ 533.1939. Found m/z 533.1931

 $[M+H]^{+}$.

3-(3*H***-Imidazol-4-yl)-2-{2-oxo-2-[1-(1-phenyl-1***H***-[1,2,3]triazol-4-ylmethyl)-1***H***-indol-3-yl]acetylamino}-propionic acid (6c). Yellow colored solid, mp 135 °C, 65%, IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3395 (NH), 1630 (C=O), 1735 (C=O), 1065 (S=O); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-***d***₆): \delta 11.083 (s, 1H, OH), 8.30-8.33 (b, 2H, NH), 7.59 (d,** *J* **= 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.57 (d,** *J* **= 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.50 (d,** *J* **= 10 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.37 (d,** *J* **= 10 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.24 (d,** *J* **= 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.12 – 7.14 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.09-7.12 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.00 (t,** *J***= 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.13 (d,** *J* **= 7.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.12 (t,** *J* **= 5.5 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.28 (d,** *J* **= 6 Hz, 2H, CH₂); \delta_{\rm C} (normal/DEPT- 135) (125 MHz, DMSO d₆); 171.27 (C=O), 158.95 (C=O), 158.64 (C=O), 145.77 (C), 138.36 (C), 136.73 (C), 128.61 (CH), 127.49 (C), 125.96 (CH), 125.46 (CH), 121.59 (CH), 119.05 (CH), 118.71 (CH),** 116.64 (C), 111.97 (CH), 107.08 (C), 53.04 (CH), 26.54 (CH₂, -ve), 21.24 (CH₂, -ve); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for $C_{25}H_{21}N_7O_4$ 484.1735. Found *m/z* 484.1733 [M+H]⁺.

2-{2-Oxo-2-[1-(1-phenyl-1H-[1,2,3]triazol-4-ylmethyl)-1H-indol-3-yl]-acetylamino}-

pentanedioic acid (6d). White solid, mp 175 °C, 85%; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3450 (NH), 1717 (C=O), 1613 (C=O), 1077 (S=O); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 12.74 (b, 2H, OH), 8.26 (s, 1H, NH), 7.92 (d, J = 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.84 – 7.92 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.77 (d, J = 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (d, J = 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.31-7.37 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.23 (t, J = 5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.82 (d, J = 3.5Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.22 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.96 (d, J = 1Hz, 1H, CH), 2.34-2.47 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.96-2.05 (m, 2H, CH₂); δ_C (normal/DEPT- 135) (125 MHz, DMSO d_6); 173.70 (C=O), 171.23 (C=O), 145.90 (C), 134.66 (C), 134.57 (C), 130.93 (C), 130.65 (CH), 127.35 (CH), 127.14 (CH), 125.06 (CH), 123.86 (CH), 122.03 (CH), 119.15 (C), 116.85 (C), 114.55 (C), 113.53 (CH), 112.25 (C), 109.83 (CH), 51.78 (CH), 29.66 (CH₂, -ve), 25.78 (CH₂, -ve), 21.40 (CH₂, -ve); ESI-MS (HRMS) calcd for C₂₄H₂₁N₅O₆ 476.1574. Found *m*/z 474.1572 [M+H]⁺.













Figure S8. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3c









































HRMS analysis of compounds

- a) HRMS of the compound
- b) Simulated HRMS for the compound













1.2 Biology

1.2.1 Disc Diffusion Assay

A 2% inoculum from overnight grown BWP17 cells grown in SD-Ura minimal medium was added to 10 ml of fresh media to set up secondary culture. After 5 h of growth 0.1 $O.D._{600nm}$ (10⁷) cells were taken and spread on 90 mm SD-Ura plate. Plate was allowed to dry for 10 min and after drying sterile filter paper discs were placed. Compounds with different concentrations was spotted on these discs. Plates were dried, incubated at 30 °C for 48 h and photographs were taken. The formation of clear zone around the disc indicates the inhibitory effect of the compound.

1.2.2 Determination of Minimum Inhibitory Concentration for 80% Reduction of Growth (MIC₈₀)

MIC₈₀ was calculated by micro broth dilution method in 96 well flat bottomed ELISA plate of capacity 200 μ l. 100 μ l of SD-Ura minimal media was added in each well of row except 11th well where 200 μ l of media was added and it acts as a positive control. 5.0 mg/ml of compound was added in the first well and two fold serial dilution was done from 1st well to 10th well. 100 μ l of BWP17 0.01 OD_{600nm} (10⁶) cells were added in each well of the row except 11th well. The concentration of compound now reduces to half in each well and becomes 2.5 mg/ml from 1st

well to 0.0048 mg/ml in 10th well of the row.12th well of the row where no compound was added acts as a positive control. Screening of the compound along with DMSO (solvent control) was done in duplicates. Plate was incubated at 30 °C for 48 h and growth was monitored by measuring the Optical density at 600nm using microplate reader. The percentage of fungal growth inhibition for each concentration of compound was calculated by using the formula (8).

Percentage inhibition= [{1-(OD₆₀₀C/OD₆₀₀P)}-{(1-(OD₆₀₀S/OD₆₀₀P)}]×100

 $OD_{600}C$, $OD_{600}S$ and $OD_{600}P$ corresponds to OD_{600nm} of compound well, solvent well and positive control well. The well having concentration of compound corresponding to 80% inhibition was taken as MIC_{80} .

1.2.3 Spot Assays

Spot Assays were done on different SD-Ura agar culture plates containing different concentrations of PPG2, azoles, CFW and their different combinations. 2% inoculum from overnight grown primary culture of BWP17 was added in fresh media to set up secondary culture. After 5 h of growth $0.10D_{600nm}$ cells were taken and five times serial dilutions was done in 0.9% saline. 5 µl of cell suspension from each dilution corresponding to cell numbers 1×10^7 , 2×10^6 , 4×10^5 , 8×10^4 and 1.6×10^4 was spotted on agar culture plates. Plates were allowed to incubate at 30 °C for 4-5 days and images were taken.

1.2.4 CFW Staining

BWP17 cells were allowed to grow at 30 °C in presence of PPG2, azole, CFW and their different combination. From each culture $0.2OD_{600nm}$ cells were taken for two different sets stained and unstained. Cells were pelleted, washed with PBS and 100 µg/ml of CFW was added in stained set. Both sets were incubated at 30 °C by keeping on rocker for 30 minutes. After 30 minutes

cells were again pelleted, washed and resuspended in 50% glycerol. 5 µl of cells were spotted on glass slides and observed under confocal microscope.

1.2.5 Propidium Iodide (PI) Staining

BWP17 cells were allowed to grow at 30 °C in the presence of PPG2, azole and their different combinations. From each culture $0.2OD_{600nm}$ cells were taken for two different sets stained and unstained. Cells were pelleted and washed with PBS. 5 µg/ml of PI was added in stained set. Both sets were incubated at 30 °C for 15 min. Cells were pelleted again, washed and resuspended in 50% glycerol. 5µl of cells were spotted on glass slides and observed under confocal microscope.

1.2.6 DAPI staining

BWP17 cells were allowed to grow in the presence of PPG2, azole and their combination at 30 $^{\circ}$ C. 0.2OD_{600nm} cells from each culture were taken for stained and unstained sets. Cells were pelleted and washed with PBS. 1 µg/ml of DAPI was added in stained set only and both sets were incubated at 30 $^{\circ}$ C for 30 min. Cells were again pelleted, washed and resuspended in 50% glycerol. 5µl of cells were spotted on glass slides and observed under confocal microscope.

1.2.7 Scanning Electron Microscopy

Scanning Electron Microscopy was done to monitor the morphological changes taking place in the cell.BWP17 cells were allowed to grow in presence of PPG2, ketoconazole and in combinations. Cells were pelleted, washed and fixed in 2.5% glutaraldehyde and 2% Paraformaldehyde in 0.1M phosphate buffer at 4 °C. Secondary fixing was done in Osmium tetraoxide (OsO₄) to enhance staining of intracellular membranes. Sample was dehydrated by successively treating the cells with more concentrated acetone (50-70-90-95%). Sample was then

dried with critical point drier and mounted on the stub SCM. Gold coating of cells was done under Spatter coater and viewed under Carl Zeiss Microscope EVO40 at 30 KV.