Supporting Information

Iodine-promoted stereoselective amidosulfenylation of electron- deficient alkynes

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1. General information

All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of air. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel 48-75 μm. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker-AV (400 and 100 MHz, respectively) instrument internally referenced to tetramethylsilane (TMS) or chloroform signals. Mass spectra were measured on Agilent 5975 GC-MS instrument (EI). High-resolution mass spectra were recorded at the Institute of Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences. The structures of known compounds were further corroborated by comparing their ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR data and MS data with those of literature. Most reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification.

2. General procedure (4aaa)

A 10 mL oven-dried reaction vessel was charged with diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), K_2CO_3 (42 mg, 0.3 mmol), I_2 (38 mg, 0.15 mmol), methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), pyrrolidine (3a, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol), and CH₃CN (0.5 mL) under air. The sealed reaction vessel was stirred at 60 °C for 4 h. After cooling to room temperature, the volatiles were removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product 4aaa as white solid (47.4 mg, 90% yield), mp = 72-74 °C.

Table S1

| Entry | Catalyst | Oxidant | Yield ^b (%) |
|-----------------|----------|------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | NIS | TBHP | 37 |
| 2 | NH_4I | TBHP | 45 |
| 3 | KI | TBHP | 50 |
| 4 | TBAI | TBHP | 42 |
| 5 | I_2 | TBHP | 74 |
| 6 | I_2 | H_2O_2 | 43 |
| 7 | I_2 | DTBP | 50 |
| 8 | I_2 | $K_2S_2O_8$ | 40 |
| 9 | I_2 | $Na_2S_2O_8$ | trace |
| 10 | I_2 | $(NH_4)_2S_2O_8$ | trace |
| 11 | I_2 | DMSO | 50 |
| 12 | I_2 | DDQ | trace |
| 13 | I_2 | AIBN | trace |
| 14 | I_2 | PIDA | 32 |
| 15 | I_2 | ВРО | trace |
| 16 | I_2 | DCP | 53 |
| 17 | I_2 | TBPB | 56 |
| 18 ^c | I_2 | TBHP | 73 |
| | | | |

^a Conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.15 mmol), **3a** (0.3 mmol), catalyst (20 mol%, for I_2 10 mol%.), oxidant (2.0 equiv.), base (1.5 equiv.), solvent (0.5 mL), 4 h, 60 °C, under air, ^b isolated yield, ^c oxidant (3.0 equiv.). PIDA = (diacetoxyiodo)benzene, BPO = dibenzoyl peroxide, DCP = dicumyl peroxide, TBPB = tert-butyl perbenzoate

3. Analytical data for the compounds prepared

(Z)-methyl 2-(phenylthio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aaa)^[1]

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (s, 1H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.85-3.54 (m, 4H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 1.84 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.4, 152.9, 141.6, 128.6, 124.5, 124.1, 81.8, 51.8. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{14}H_{18}NO_{2}S^{+}$ (M+H)⁺ 264.10528, found 264.10559.

(Z)-methyl 2-((4-methoxyphenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aba)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)disulfane (**2b**, 42 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (**3a**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to yield the desired product **4aba** as white solid (45.1 mg, 77% yield). mp = 98-101 °C

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.24 (s, 1H), 7.13-7.06 (m, 2H), 6.84-6.78 (m, 2H), 3.85-3.55(m, 4H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 1.85 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 157.2, 152.5, 132.4, 126.4, 114.5, 83.3, 55.3, 51.8. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₅H₂₀NO₃S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 294.11584, found 294.11591.

(Z)-methyl 2-((4-fluorophenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aca)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_2\text{Me} \\ \text{S} \\ \end{array}$$

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(4-fluorophenyl)disulfane (2c, 38.1 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (3a, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aca** as white solid (43.8 mg, 78% yield), mp = 65-68 °C

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.26 (s, 1H), 7.13-7.04 (m, 2H), 6.98-6.90 (m, 2H), 3.85-3.55 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 1.86 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3, 160.5 (d, J = 241.5 Hz), 152.8, 136.6 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 126.23(d, J = 7.7 Hz), 115.7 (d, J = 21.8 Hz), 82.5, 51.9. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₄H₁₇FNO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 282.09585, found 282.09555.

(Z)-methyl 2-((4-chlorophenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4ada)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, $18 \mu L$, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(4-chlorophenyl)disulfane (2d, 43 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (3a, $27 \mu L$, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product 4ada as white solid (52.8 mg, 89% yield), mp = $136\text{-}139 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.28 (s, 1H), 7.23-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.10-7.04 (m, 2H), 3.85-3.54 (m, 4H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 1.85 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1, 152.9, 140.3, 129.8, 128.7, 125.8, 81.6, 51.8. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₄H₁₇ClNO₂S⁺ (M+H) ⁺ 298.06630, found 298.06613.

(Z)-methyl 2-((4-bromophenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aea)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(4-bromophenyl)disulfane (**2e**, 56.4 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (**3a**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aea** as white solid (64.3 mg, 94% yield). mp = 133-136 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.28 (s, 1H), 7.36-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.03-6.98 (m, 2H), 3.85-3.58 (m, 4H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 1.85 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1, 153.0, 141.0, 131.6, 126.1, 117.6, 81.4, 51.9 HRMS calcd. for: C₁₄H₁₇BrNO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 342.01579, found 342.01587.

(Z)-methyl 2-((4-nitrophenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4afa)

$$S \longrightarrow NO_2$$

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(4-nitrophenyl)disulfane (**2f**, 46.2 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (**3a**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to yield the desired product **4afa** as yellow solid (53.6 mg, 87% yield). mp = 155-157 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (s, 1H), 8.09 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.78-3.58 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 1.86 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.6, 153.2, 151.8, 144.6, 124.3, 124.0, 79.7, 55.4, 52.0, 48.1, 26.0, 23.9. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{14}H_{17}N_2O_4S^+$ (M+H) ⁺ 309.09035, found 309.09055.

(Z)-methyl 2-((4-acetamidophenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aga)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, $18 \mu L$, $0.2 \mu L$), and N,N'-(disulfanediylbis(4,1-phenylene))diacetamide (2g, $49.8 \mu mg$, $0.15 \mu mmol$), pyrrolidine (3a, $27 \mu L$, $0.3 \mu mmol$). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1) to yield the desired product 4aga as white solid ($36.5 \mu mg$, 57% yield). $mp = 218-221 \mu mmol$ °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.26 (s, 1H), 7.32 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 3H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.80-3.57 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.85 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 168.5, 152.9, 136.6, 134.9, 125.1, 120.8, 82.2, 51.9, 24.3. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₆H₂₁N₂O₃S⁺(M+H)⁺ 321.12674, found 321.12631.

(Z)-methyl 2-(pyridin-2-ylthio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aha)

$$\begin{array}{c} CO_2Me \\ N \\ S \end{array}$$

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(4-chlorophenyl)disulfane (2h, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (3a, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1) to yield the desired product 4aha as yellow oil (44.4 mg, 84% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.43-8.34 (m, 1H), 8.29 (s, 1H), 7.54-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.10 (dd, J = 8.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.97-6.91 (m, 1H), 3.89-3.53 (m, 4H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 1.85(s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0, 163.8, 152.6, 149.3, 136.4, 119.3, 118.8, 81.3, 51.7. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{13}H_{17}N_2O_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 265.10052, found 265.10028.

(Z)-methyl 3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)-2-(o-tolylthio)acrylate (4aia)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-di-o-tolyldisulfane (**2i**, 36.9 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (**3a**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aia** as white solid (51.5 mg, 93% yield), mp = 112-114°C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.31 (s, 1H), 7.09 (dd, J = 12.6, 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.03-6.93 (m, 2H), 3.84 (m, 4H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.82 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 153.1, 140.4, 133.2, 129.7, 126.3, 123.9, 123.6, 81.0, 51.8, 19.6. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₅H₂₀NO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 278.12093, found 278.12106.

(Z)-methyl 2-((2-ethylphenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aja)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(4-chlorophenyl)disulfane (**2j**, 44.1 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (**3a**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aja** as white solid (51.8 mg, 89% yield), mp = 78-80 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 (s, 1H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.79-3.52 (m, 4H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 2.76 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.82 (s, 4H), 1.27 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 153.1, 139.8, 139.2, 127.8, 126.3, 124.2, 123.9, 81.0, 51.8, 26.1, 13.9. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₆H₂₂NO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 292.13658, found 292.13681.

(Z)-methyl 2-((2-methoxyphenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aka)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_2\text{Me} \\ \text{S} \\ -\text{O} \end{array}$$

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(2-methoxyphenyl)disulfane (2k, 41.7 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (3a, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to yield the desired product 4aka as white

solid (48.6 mg, 83% yield), mp = 163-165 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.35 (s, 1H), 7.06 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.91 -6.86 (m, 1H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.77-3.59 (m, 4H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 1.82 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 154.6, 153.3, 129.7, 124.9, 124.7, 121.1, 109.8, 79.8, 55.6, 55.0, 51.8, 47.7, 25.9, 24.0. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₅H₂₀NO₃S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 294.11584, found 294.11591.

(Z)-methyl 2-((2-chlorophenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4ala)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(2-chlorophenyl)disulfane (**2l**, 43.1 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (**3a**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4ala** as white solid (54.6 mg, 92% yield). mp = 137-139 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 (s, 1H), 7.30-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.13 (m, 1H), 7.04-6.97 (m, 2H), 3.79-3.54 (m, 4H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 1.84 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.2, 153.3, 140.3, 129.4, 129.3, 127.0, 125.7, 124.9, 80.4, 55.2, 51.9, 47.9, 26.0, 24.0. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{14}H_{17}CINO_2S^+$ (M+H) ⁺ 298.06630, found 298.06613.

(Z)-methyl 3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)-2-(m-tolylthio)acrylate (4ama)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_2\text{Me} \\ \text{S} \end{array}$$

The reaction was conducted withmethyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-di-m-tolyldisulfane (**2m**, 36.9 mg 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (**3a**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to yield the desired product **4ama** as white solid (46.5 mg, 84% yield). mp = 97-98 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (s, 1H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.96-6.91 (m, 2H), 6.87 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.84-3.54 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.84 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 152.9, 141.4, 138.4, 128.5, 125.1, 125.0, 121.6, 81.9, 55.0, 51.8, 47.9, 25.9, 24.0, 21.4. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₅H₂₀NO₂S⁺

 $(M+H)^{+}$ 278.12093, found 278.12106.

(Z)-methyl 2-((3-methoxyphenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4ana)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, $18 \mu L$, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(3-methoxyphenyl)disulfane (2n, 41.8 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (3a, $27 \mu L$, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to yield the desired product 4ana as yellow oil (48.1 mg, 82% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (s, 1H), 7.15 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.75-6.69 (m, 2H), 6.61 (dd, J = 8.1, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.79-3.65 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 1.84 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3, 159.9, 152.9, 143.2, 129.5, 116.8, 110.1, 109.6, 81.5, 55.0, 51.8, 47.9, 26.0, 23.8. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{15}H_{20}NO_3S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 294.11584, found 294.11591.

(Z)-methyl 3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)-2-(thiophen-2-ylthio)acrylate (4aoa)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-di(thiophen-2-yl)disulfane (2o, 34.5 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (3a, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aoa** as yellow oil (37.7 mg, 70% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.19-7.15 (m, 1H), 6.96 (dd, J = 3.5, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 6.92-6.88 (m, 1H), 4.00-3.65 (m, 4H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 1.92 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.9, 151.4, 141.7, 127.2, 126.5, 125..7, 86.4, 51.7. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{12}H_{16}NO_2S_2^+$ (M+H)⁺ 270.06170, found 270.06183.

(Z)-methyl 2-(naphthalen-2-ylthio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4apa)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-di(naphthalen-2-yl)disulfane (2p, 47.7 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (3a, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column matography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product 4apa as white solid (57 mg, 91% yield), mp = 97-100 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, J = 8.3, 3.7 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.38-7.29 (m, 2H), 3.87-3.54 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H).1.82 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 153.1, 139.4, 133.9, 133.1, 128.2, 127.6, 126.7, 126.2, 124.6, 123.7, 121.7, 81.6, 55.1, 51.9, 47.9, 26.0, 23.8. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{18}H_{20}NO_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 314.12093, found 314.12082.

(Z)-methyl 2-((3,5-dimethylphenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aqa)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(3,5-dimethylphenyl)disulfane (**2q**, 41.1 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (**3a**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **3ea** as white solid (54.1 mg, 93% yield), mp = 113-115 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (s, 1H), 6.74 (s, 2H), 6.69 (s, 1H), 3.84-3.53 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 6H), 1.84 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 152.9, 141.2, 138.2, 126.2, 122.0, 81.0, 55.0, 51.8, 47.9, 26.0, 23.9, 21.2. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{16}H_{22}NO_2S^+(M+H)^+$ 292.13658, found 292.13681.

(Z)-methyl 2-((2,3-dichlorophenyl)thio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4ara)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and 1,2-bis(2,3-dichlorophenyl)disulfane (2r, 53.4 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (3a, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column

chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4ara** as white solid (54.9 mg, 83% yield), mp = 119-121 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (s, 1H), 7.17 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.76-3.55 (m, 4H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 1.85 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.9, 153.3, 143.1, 132.9, 127.1, 127.0, 125.5, 123.7, 80.4, 55.3, 51.9, 47.9, 26.0, 23.9. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₄H₁₆C₁₂NO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 332.02733, found 332.02722.

(Z)-ethyl 2-(phenylthio)-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)acrylate (4baa)

$$S \longrightarrow S$$

The reaction was conducted with ethyl propiolate (**1b**, 20 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (**3a**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4baa** as colorless oil (51.5 mg, 93% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.27 (s, 1H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.08-7.02 (m, 1H), 4.16 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 4H), 1.84 (s, 4H), 1.18 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.8, 152.5, 141.7, 128.7, 124.7, 124.1, 82.5, 60.2, 14.4. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₅H₂₀NO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 278.12093, found 278.12128.

(Z)-3-(phenylthio)-4-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)but-3-en-2-one (4caa)

The reaction was conducted with 3-butyn-2-one (**1c**, 24 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyrrolidine (**3a**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4caa** as colorless oil (44.5 mg, 90% yield), ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.39 (s, 1H), 7.29-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.05 (m, 3H), 3.72 (d, J = 75.0 Hz, 4H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.84 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.1, 152.2, 141.6, 128.9, 124.3, 142.2, 92.6, 55.7, 48.0, 26.7, 26.0, 23.8. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₄H₁₈NOS⁺ (M+H)⁺ 248.11036, found 248.11064.

(Z)-methyl 2-(phenylthio)-3-(piperidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aab)^[1]

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), piperidine (**3b**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aab** as colorless oil (49.3 mg, 89% yield). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (s, 1H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.18-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.07 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.01-3.43 (m, 4H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 1.58 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 154.0, 139.8, 128.7, 124.8, 124.3, 80.3, 51.9, 26.3, 24.1. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{15}H_{20}NO_2S^+$ (M+H) 278.12093, found 278.12106.

(Z)-methyl 3-morpholino-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aac)^[1]

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), morpholine (**3c**, 27 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to yield the desired product **4aac** as colorless oil (53 mg, 95% yield). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.25 (dd, J = 10.3, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.09 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 4H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.65-3.58 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.2, 153.8, 139.0, 128.9, 124.8, 124.7, 82.6, 66.8, 52.1. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₄H₁₈NO₃S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 280.10019, found 280.10056.

(Z)-methyl 2-(phenylthio)-3-thiomorpholinoacrylate (4aad)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), thiomorpholine (**3d**, 30 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to yield the desired product **4aad** as white solid (56 mg, 95% yield), mp = 77-79 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.27-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.05 (m, 3H), 4.03 (s, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.65-2.54 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1, 153.6, 139.0, 128.8, 124.7, 124.6, 82.6, 52.0, 27.7. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₄H₁₈NO₂S₂⁺ (M+H)⁺ 296.07735, found 296.07751.

(Z)-methyl 3-(4-(4-cyanophenyl)piperazin-1-yl)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aae)

$$N = -N - N - N - CO_2Me$$

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, $18 \mu L$, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), 4-(piperazin-1-yl)benzonitrile (3e, 56.1 mg, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) to yield the desired product 4aae as yellow oil (70.5 mg, 93% yield).

¹¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.13 (s, 1H), 7.51 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.29-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.19-7.04 (m, 3H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 3.98 (s, 4H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.28 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0, 153.5, 152.5, 138.8, 133.4, 128.9, 124.7, 124.6, 119.6, 114.4, 101.1, 83.0, 52.1, 47.3. HRMS calcd. for: C₂₁H₂₂N₃O₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 380.14272, found 380.14240.

(Z)-methyl 3-(3-carbamoylpiperidin-1-yl)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aaf)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), piperidine-3-carboxamide (**3f**, 38.4 mg, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1) to yield the desired product **4aaf** as white solid (55.7 mg, 87% yield). mp = 137-139 °C

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.13 (s, 1H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 4.97 (s, 2H), 3.94 (d, J = 38.3 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.20 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.14-3.05 (m, 1H), 2.12 (s, 1H), 1.90 (d, J = 13.1 Hz, 1H), 1.78 (t, J = 10.3 Hz, 2H), 1.54 (dd, J = 17.7, 9.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.3, 170.4, 153.8, 139.3, 129.0, 124.7, 124.6, 81.2, 52.1, 43.5, 27.0, 25.2. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{16}H_{21}N_2O_3S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 321.12674, found 321.12698.

(Z)-methyl 3-(4-oxopiperidin-1-yl)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aag)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, $18 \mu L$, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), piperidin-4-one hydrochloride (3g, 40.5 mg, 0.15 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) to yield the desired product 4aag as colorless oil (55.3 mg, 95% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (s, 1H), 7.29-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (s, 4H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.45 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.4, 169.9, 153.5, 138.8, 129.0, 124.9, 124.8, 84.5, 52.3, 41.6. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₅H₁₈NO₃S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 292.10019, found 292.10043.

(Z)-methyl 3-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aah)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), 1-methylpiperazine (**3h**, 33 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1) to yield the desired product **4aah** as colorless oil (35 mg, 60% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.17-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.98-3.62 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H) 2.40-2.31 (m, 4H), 2.25 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 153.9, 139.3, 128.8, 124.8, 124.5, 81.7, 54.9, 52.1, 45.8. HRMS calcd. for: calcd for $C_{15}H_{21}N_2O_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 293.13183, found 293.13193.

(Z)-methyl 2-(phenylthio)-3-(2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-1-yl)acrylate (4aai)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate ($\mathbf{1a}$, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide ($\mathbf{2a}$, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine ($\mathbf{4i}$, 50.3 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column

chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aai** as white solid (24.6 mg, 37% yield). mp = 76-78 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.34 (s, 1H), 7.25-7.19 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.10 (m, 2H), 7.07 (dd, J = 11.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 1.72 (s, 6H), 1.43 (s, 12H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 154.2, 139.1, 128.6, 125.2, 124.4, 92.3, 58.4, 52.2, 37.4, 29.7, 15.0. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{19}H_{28}NO_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 334.18353, found 334.18314.

(Z)-methyl 3-(3,4-dihydroisoquinolin-2(1H)-yl)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aaj)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**3j**, 37 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aaj** as white solid (58.5 mg, 90% yield). mp = 110-112 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.26 (s, 1H), 7.23-7.13 (m, 6H), 7.10-7.03 (m, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (s, 2H), 3.99 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.86 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3, 154.4, 139.9, 133.5, 132.5, 128.7 128.5, 126.8, 126.4, 125.9, 124.8, 124.4, 82.3, 52.0, 29.1. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₉H₂₀NO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 326.12093, found 326.12103.

(Z)-methyl 3-(azepan-1-yl)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aak)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), azepane (3k, 33.7 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product 4aak as white solid (53.5 mg, 92% yield). mp = 80-82 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.16 (s, 1H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.91-3.39 (m, 4H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 1.72 (s, 4H), 1.54 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 155.1, 140.7, 128.6, 124.4, 124.1, 80.6, 59.6, 51.9, 48.5, 29.7, 28.0, 26.5, 25.8. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₆H₂₂NO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 292.13658, found 292.13684.

(Z)-methyl 3-(diisopropylamino)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aal)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), diisopropylamine (3l, 42 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) to yield the desired product 4aal as white solid (52.7 mg, 90% yield). mp = 87-89 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.26 (s, 1H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 5.64 (s, 1H), 3.80-3.47 (m, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 1.38-0.97 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 150.6, 139.9, 128.6, 124.7, 124.2, 80.6, 51.9, 48.0, 47.1, 24.0, 20.5. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₆H₂₄NO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 294.15223, found 294.15189.

(Z)-methyl 3-(dibutylamino)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aam)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), dibutylamine (4m, 50.6 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to yield the desired product 4aam as colorless oil (59.8 mg, 93% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (s, 1H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.73-3.15 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H) 1.52 (s, 4H), 1.25 (s, 4H), 0.90 (d, J = 26.2 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 154.4, 140.5, 128.6, 124.3, 124.1, 80.4, 51.9, 19.6, 13.6. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{18}H_{28}NO_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 322.18353, found 322.18335.

(Z)-methyl 3-(allyl(methyl)amino)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aan)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate ($\mathbf{1a}$, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide ($\mathbf{2a}$, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), N-methylprop-2-en-1-amine ($\mathbf{4n}$, 29.2 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column

chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aan** as colorless oil (44.7 mg, 85% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (s, 1H), 7.25 (dd, J = 12.8, 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.82-7.69 (m, 1H), 5.19 (dd, J = 21.8, 13.7 Hz, 2H), 4.25-3.85 (m, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.19 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 155.5, 140.6, 132.2, 128.7, 124.6, 124.3, 118.3, 82.0, 52.0. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₄H₁₈NO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 264.10528, found 264.10519.

(Z)-methyl 3-(cyclohexyl(methyl)amino)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aao)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), N-methylcyclohexanamine (**4o**, 39 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aao** as colorless oil (56.1 mg, 92% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.22 (s, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.21 (s, 4H), 1.83 (s, 3H), 1.63 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 2H), 1.45 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 2H), 1.27 (d, J = 12.1 Hz, 2H), 1.10 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.8, 154.2, 141.1, 128.6, 124.4, 124.1, 80.6, 68.6, 51.9, 33.6, 31.1, 25.4, 25.0. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{17}H_{24}NO_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 306.15223, found 306.15140.

(Z)-methyl 3-((2,4-dichlorobenzyl)(methyl)amino)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aap)

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \text{CI} & \text{SPh} \\ & \text{N} & \text{CO}_2\text{Me} \end{array}$$

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol) and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-N-methylmethanamine (**4p**, 57 mg, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product **4aap** as white solid (68.6 mg, 90% yield). mp = 76-78 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.27 (s, 1H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.26-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.14-7.03 (m, 3H), 7.00 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.20 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1, 155.6, 140.1, 134.0,

133.7, 132.1, 130.0, 128.9, 128.7, 127.3, 124.6, 124.4, 83.7, 52.06. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{18}H_{18}Cl_2NO_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 382.04298, found 382.04349.

(Z)-methyl 3-(benzyl(methyl)amino)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aaq)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, $18 \mu L$, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), N-methylbenzylamine (4q, $38.7 \mu L$, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product 4aaq as colorless oil (55.1 mg, 88% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 (s, 1H), 7.36-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 4H), 7.08 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.16 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 155.8, 140.5, 135.9, 128.8, 128.7, 127.9, 127.3, 124.8, 124.4, 82.6, 52.1. HRMS calcd. for: C₁₈H₂₀NO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 314.12093, found 314.12015.

(Z)-methyl 3-(dibenzylamino)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aar)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.3 mmol), dibenzylamine (4r, 57.7 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product 4aar as yellow oil (69.2 mg, 89% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.50 (s, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H), 7.20 (dd, J = 10.4, 4.9 Hz, 3H), 7.15-7.09 (m, 5H), 7.06 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.05-4.23 (m, 4H), 3.73 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.4, 155.4, 139.5, 136.0, 128.8, 128.4, 127.8, 127.5, 124.8, 124.5, 83.1, 52.1. HRMS calcd. for: C₂₄H₂₄NO₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 390.15223, found 390.15121.

(Z)-methyl 3-(benzyl(2-hydroxyethyl)amino)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aas)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), 2-(benzylamino)ethanol (4s, 43 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) to yield the desired product 4aas as colorless oil (65.2 mg, 95% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.35-7.20 (m, 5H), 7.17 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (s, 2H), 3.82-3.54 (m, 4H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 155.5, 139.5, 136.4, 128.8, 128.7, 127.8, 127.3, 124.7, 124.5, 82.4, 60.7, 52.1, 29.6. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{19}H_{22}NO_3S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 344.13149, found 344.13068.

(Z)-methyl 3-(benzyl((trimethylsilyl)methyl)amino)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aat)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol) and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), N-benzyl-1-(trimethylsilyl)methanamine (4t, 66 μ L, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 9:1) to yield the desired product 4aat as yellow oil (70.1 mg, 91% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.35 (s, 1H), 7.29 (d, J = 22.6 Hz, 3H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (dd, J = 22.1, 14.8 Hz, 5H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 4.43 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.40 (s, 1H), 2.81 (s, 1H), 0.08 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 154.7, 140.6, 135.5, 128.7, 128.1, 127.5, 127.2, 124.6, 124.3, 79.7, 63.9, 53.0, 51.9, 48.9, 38.8, 29.6, -1.8. HRMS calcd. for: C₂₁H₂₈NO₂SSi⁺ (M+H)⁺ 386.16045, found 386.16055.

(Z)-methyl 3-(benzyl(1-phenylethyl)amino)-2-(phenylthio)acrylate (4aau)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, $18 \mu L$, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), N-benzyl-1-phenylethanamine (3u, $63 \mu L$, 0.3 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to yield the desired product 4aau as colorless oil (61.3 mg, 76% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.61 (s, 1H), 7.33 (dd, J = 13.1, 5.7 Hz, 3H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.23-7.16 (m, 4H), 7.16-6.97 (m, 5H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 4.49 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 1.57 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 140.4, 139.8, 137.4, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 127.9, 127.3, 127.0, 126.7, 124.8, 124.4, 83.0, 57.4, 52.1. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{25}H_{26}NO_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 404.16788, found 404.16754.

(2Z,2'Z)-dimethyl 3,3'-(piperazine-1,4-diyl)bis(2-(phenylthio)acrylate) (4aav)

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (**1a**, 18 μ L, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (**2a**, 33 mg, 0.15 mmol), piperazine (**3v**, 13 mg, 0.15 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) to yield the desired product **4aav** as white solid (21.1 mg, 45% yield), mp =196-198 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.26-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.08 (dd, J = 10.5, 4.3 Hz, 3H), 3.83-6.63 (m, 4H) 3.72 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.9, 153.2, 138.5, 129.0, 124.9, 124.8, 84.2, 52.2. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{24}H_{27}N_2O_4S_2^+$ (M+H)⁺ 471.14068, found 471.14014.

$(2Z,2'Z)\text{-}dimethyl3,3'\text{-}(ethane-1,2\text{-}diylbis(methylazanediyl)}) bis (2\text{-}(phenylthio)acrylate)$

(4aaw)

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \mathsf{MeO_2C} & & \mathsf{SPh} \\ & \mathsf{SPh} & & \mathsf{N} & & \mathsf{CO_2Me} \end{array}$$

The reaction was conducted with methyl propiolate (1a, 18 µL, 0.2 mmol), and diphenyl disulfide (2a, 33 mg,

0.15 mmol), N,N'-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine ($3\mathbf{w}$, 13 μ L, 0.15 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1) to yield the desired product $4\mathbf{aaw}$ as white solid. (21.7 mg, 46% yield), mp =143-145 °C.

 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.10-7.05 (m, 3H), 3.68 (s, 5H), 3.13 (s, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.9, 155.2, 129.0, 124.6, 124.3, 52.1. HRMS calcd. for: $C_{24}H_{29}N_2O_4S_2^+$ (M+H)⁺ 473.15633, found 473.15607.

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NMR Spectra for the compounds prepared





























































































