Supporting Information for

Facile construction of diverse polyheterocyclic scaffolds via goldcatalysed dearomative spirocyclization/1,6-addition cascade

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General Methods

NMR spectra were recorded on a 300, 400 or 600 MHz instrument using CDCl₃ or DMSO- d_6 as solvent. For Ugi adducts, the mixture of CDCl₃ and DMSO- d_6 was applied as solvent wherever is necessary. The ¹H and ¹³C chemical shifts are reported in parts per million relative to tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. Spectra were acquired on a quadrupole orthogonal acceleration time-of-flight mass spectrometer (Synapt G2 HDMS, Waters, Milford, MA). Samples were infused at 3uL/min and spectra were obtained in positive (or: negative) ionization mode with a resolution of 15000 (FWHM) using leucine enkephalin as lock mass. For chromatography, analytical TLC plates and 70-230 mesh silica gel were used. All the solvents and chemicals were purchased and used as available. Data for ¹H NMR are recorded as follows: chemical shift (δ , ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet or unresolved, brs = broad singlet, coupling constant (s) in Hz, integration). Data for ¹³C NMR are reported in terms of chemical shift (δ , ppm).

General procedure for the synthesis of Ugi products



Table S1: Starting materials for Ugi reaction



A screw-cap vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with aldehyde (0.8 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), amine (0.88 mmol, 1.1 equiv.), alkylnoic acid (0.88 mmol, 1.1 equiv), isonitrile (0.88 mmol, 1.1 equiv.), Na₂SO₄ (0.2 g) and methanol (3 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24-48 h. The reaction solution was diluted with water (25 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine (25 mL), dried over MgSO₄ and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The obtained residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel with EtOAc/Heptane (v/v, 1/2) to provide the desired Ugi products **1a-x** and **1ba-bf** as solid.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)but-2-ynamide (1a)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 68%, Melting point: 137-138 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 11.62$ (s, 1H), 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.12 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 6.97 – 6.78 (m, 3H), 6.65 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (s, 1H), 6.18 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 171.4$, 156.2, 155.0, 137.4, 132.5, 131.2, 130.7, 126.8, 125.7, 122.2, 120.9,

119.7, 118.7, 117.1, 110.2, 102.6, 90.5, 74.1, 60.2, 57.6, 51.8, 30.4, 28.8, 28.5, 28.4, 21.2, 14.6, 3.7, 3.6. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for C₂₅H₂₈N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 418.2131, found 418.2122.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)but-2-ynamide (1b)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 77%, Melting point: 175-177 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.57 (s, 1H), 11.22 (s, 1H), 8.64 (s, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.94 – 6.89 (m, 1H), 6.85 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (s, 2H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ

= 171.3, 156.2, 154.8, 136.6, 132.3, 131.5, 130.4, 127.5, 125.9, 122.0, 120.7, 119.3, 118.4,

116.9, 111.4, 102.2, 90.1, 74.2, 59.7, 51.8, 28.5, 3.6. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{24}H_{26}N_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 404.1974, found 404.1966.

N-(1-(1-benzyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-(*tert*-butylamino)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1c**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 35%, Melting point: 164-165 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 11.63$ (s, 1H), 8.59 (s, 1H), 7.42 – 7.29 (m, 5H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.00 (m, 1H), 6.95 – 6.82 (m, 2H), 6.65 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 6.23 – 6.15 (m, 2H), 5.70 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (d, J = 16.7 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, J =16.7 Hz, 1H), 1.63 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz,

DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.2, 156.1, 155.0, 138.2, 137.3, 132.3, 131.6, 130.5, 129.0, 128.1, 128.0, 127.0, 125.5, 122.6, 121.0, 120.0, 118.5, 116.9, 111.1, 103.8, 90.3, 74.1, 60.2, 57.8, 51.9, 47.0, 28.7, 28.5, 28.4, 21.2, 14.6, 3.6. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for C₃₁H₃₂N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 494.2444, found 494.2458.

N-(1-(1-acetyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-(*tert*-butylamino)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1d**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 57%, Melting point: 185-187 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.47 (s, 1H), 11.24 (s, 1H), 8.62 (s, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (ddd, J= 8.2, 7.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.95 – 6.79 (m, 2H), 6.48 – 6.40 (m, 1H), 6.31 – 6.19 (m, 1H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 6.05 (s, 1H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.8,

169.4, 156.0, 155.0, 135.1, 132.2, 130.5, 129.4, 127.4, 125.8, 125.5, 123.8, 119.7, 118.5, 117.0, 116.0, 115.1, 90.0, 74.2, 57.1, 51.8, 28.8, 28.5, 28.5, 24.2, 3.6. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{26}H_{38}N_3O_4$ [M+H]⁺: 446.2080, found 446.2083

N-(2-(tert-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1H-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-N-(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl) but-2-ynamide (**1e**)



Yellow solid, Yield 65% (Mixture of rotamers $\approx 1:2$), Melting point: 196-197 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) $\delta = 9.26$ (s, 1H), 7.87 (s, 0.39H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 0.54H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 8.0Hz, 0.60H), 7.35 (dd, J = 8.1, 4.5 Hz, 1.22H), 7.16 – 7.10 (m, 0.40H), 7.10 – 7.04 (m, 0.64H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 0.39H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 0.63H), 6.51 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 0.36H), 6.47 (dd, J = 8.7,

2.8 Hz, 0.56H), 6.33 (s, 0.35H), 6.29 (s, 0.52H), 6.27 – 6.23 (m, 1H), 6.12 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.6 Hz, 0.38H), 6.08 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 0.46H), 6.03 (s, 0.57H), 3.68 (s, 1.32H), 3.66 (s, 1.61H), 1.74 (s, 1.07H), 1.70 (s, 2.02H), 1.25 (s, 9H), 1.20 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 168.0, 166.4, 156.9, 156.8, 154.9, 154.8, 140.4, 138.3, 137.6, 137.2, 135.0, 133.5, 133.0, 130.3, 129.6, 129.3, 127.1, 126.9, 121.9, 120.8, 119.6, 117.0, 116.3, 113.0, 112.5, 110.3, 110.1, 104.7, 103.7, 89.3, 79.6, 74.8, 56.5, 56.0, 51.0, 50.8, 30.6, 30.3, 28.8, 28.7, 28.6, 18.9, 17.7, 3.6. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₆H₃₀N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 432.2287, found 432.2290.$

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl) but-2-ynamide (**1f**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 57%, Melting point: 209-210 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.51 (s, 1H), 8.52 (s, 1H), 7.44 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.11 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 6.95 – 6.88 (m, 1H), 6.74 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.48 – 6.43 (m, 1H), 6.24 (dd, J = 8.1, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (s, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.4, 155.8, 155.2, 140.0, 137.5, 132.6,

130.8, 126.8, 123.2, 122.2, 121.0, 119.7, 119.6, 117.7, 110.2, 102.6, 90.5, 79.7, 74.2, 57.5, 51.8, 30.4, 28.5, 21.2, 3.71. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{26}H_{30}N_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 432.2287, found 432.2274.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl) but-2-ynamide (**1g**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 77%, Melting point: 137-138 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.29 (s, 1H), 8.51 (s, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.11 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 6.91 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 6.52 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.15 (s, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 1.88 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.3, 154.9, 153.8, 137.5, 132.6, 131.2, 127.1, 126.8, 125.3, 122.2, 120.9, 119.7, 116.7, 110.1, 102.7, 90.3, 79.6, 74.2, 57.6, 51.8, 30.5, 28.8, 28.5, 20.0, 3.6. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₆H₃₀N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 432.2287, found 432.2283.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-6-methylphenyl) but-2-ynamide (**1h**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 37%, Melting point: 182-183 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.69 (s, 1H), 8.51 (s, 1H), 7.35 (dd, J = 8.0, 2.9 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 6.12 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.6,

156.7, 155.3, 138.3, 137.6, 131.4, 130.1, 126.8, 124.9, 122.3, 120.9, 120.3, 119.9, 114.5, 110.6, 103.8, 88.9, 79.6, 73.9, 57.5, 51.8, 30.9, 28.4, 18.2, 3.6. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{26}H_{30}N_3O_3 [M+H]^+$: 432.2287, found 432.2279.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(4-chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1i**)



Yellow solid, Yield 47%, Melting point: 226-228 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 12.16 (s, 1H), 8.63 (s, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.71 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (s, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 1.73 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.4, 157.3, 154.7, 137.5, 134.3, 132.7, 132.1, 126.7, 125.0, 122.4, 121.0, 119.8, 118.8, 117.0, 110.2, 102.6, 91.0, 79.6, 74.0, 57.5, 52.0,

30.4, 28.8, 28.4, 3.6. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{25}H_{27}ClN_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 452.1741, found 452.1735.

N-(2-(cyclohexylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl) but-2-ynamide (**1j**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 39%, Melting point: 162-163 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.48 (s, 1H), 8.73 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 6.24 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (s, 1H), 6.14 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.71 – 3.60 (m, 1H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.85 – 1.71 (m, 3H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.65 – 1.49 (m, 2H), 1.36 –

1.18 (m, 3H), 1.17 – 0.98 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.0, 155.8, 155.2, 140.1, 137.5, 132.4, 130.8, 126.8, 123.1, 122.2, 121.0, 119.7, 117.7, 110.2, 102.8, 90.5, 79.7, 74.2, 57.1, 49.2, 32.3, 32.1, 30.4, 25.5, 24.8, 24.7, 21.2, 3.7. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₈H₃₂N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 458.2444, found 458.2450.

N-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)-*N*-(1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxo-2-((2,4,4-trimethylpentan-2-yl)amino)ethyl)but-2-ynamide (**1**k)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 87%, Melting point: 149-150 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.52 (s, 1H), 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 6.23 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (s, 1H), 6.15 (s, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.94 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.56 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 0.94 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.0, 155.8,

155.1, 140.0, 137.4, 132.6, 130.8, 126.8, 123.3, 122.1, 120.9, 119.6, 117.7, 110.2, 102.8, 90.4, 79.7, 74.3, 57.6, 55.9, 51.0, 31.8, 31.7, 31.5, 30.4, 29.0, 28.6, 21.2, 3.7. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for C₃₀H₃₈N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 488.2913, found 488.2911.

N-(2-(butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1**l)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 52%, Melting point: 172-173 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.46 (s, 1H), 8.84 (t, J = 5.7 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 6.24 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (s, 1H), 6.14 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.20 (q, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.45 – 1.35 (m, 2H), 1.31 – 1.18 (m, 2H), 0.85 (t, J

= 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 172.0, 155.8, 155.2, 140.1, 137.5, 132.3,

130.8, 126.8, 123.1, 122.3, 120.9, 119.7, 117.7, 110.3, 102.9, 90.5, 74.2, 57.1, 31.0, 30.4, 21.2, 19.8, 14.0, 3.7. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{26}H_{30}N_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 432.2287, found 432.2279.

N-(2-(benzylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1m**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 55%, Melting point: 196-197 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.31 (s, 1H), 9.36 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.19 (m, 8H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 6.16 (s, 1H), 4.52 (dd, J = 15.1, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (dd, J = 15.1, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 1.70 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 172.3, 155.7, 155.2, 140.2, 138.4, 137.5, 132.0, 130.9, 128.8, 128.6, 127.9, 127.9, 127.7, 127.6, 126.7, 123.1, 122.3, 120.9, 119.9, 119.8,

117.7, 110.3, 103.1, 90.7, 74.1, 57.2, 43.4, 30.3, 21.2, 3.7. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{29}H_{28}N_3O_3 [M+H]^+$: 466.2131, found 466.2128.

N-(2-((3s,5s,7s)-adamantan-1-ylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1n**)



Light red solid, Yield 67%, Melting point: 162-163 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.49 (s, 1H), 8.40 (s, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 6.24 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (s, 1H), 6.15 (s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.06 – 2.02 (m, 3H), 2.01 (s, 2H), 1.98 – 1.90 (m, 6H), 1.69 (s, 2H), 1.64 (s, 6H), 1.25 (s, 1H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.2, 155.8,

155.1, 140.0, 137.5, 132.7, 130.8, 126.8, 123.2, 122.2, 121.0, 119.7, 119.6, 117.7, 110.2, 102.6, 90.4, 74.2, 57.6, 52.5, 40.9, 36.3, 31.7, 30.4, 29.3, 29.2, 28.8, 22.6, 21.2, 14.4, 3.7. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{32}H_{36}N_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 510.2757, found 510.2755.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)propiolamide (**10**)



Yellow solid, Yield 77%, Melting point: 209-211 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.50 (s, 1H), 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.41 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 6.28 – 6.22 (m, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 4.19 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.2, 155.9, 154.4, 140.5, 137.5, 132.3,

130.8, 126.8, 122.8, 122.3, 121.0, 119.8, 119.7, 117.8, 110.3, 102.7, 83.1, 76.6, 57.7, 51.9, 30.4, 28.8, 28.5, 21.2. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{25}H_{28}N_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 418.2131, found 418.2128.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)pent-2-ynamide (**1p**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 83%, Melting point: 235-237 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 11.50$ (s, 1H), 8.53 (s, 1H), 7.37 (dd, J = 8.1, 3.6 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t, J = 7.5Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 6.25 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 6.16 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.04 (q, J =7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 9H), 0.71 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.5, 155.9, 155.2, 140.1, 137.5, 132.7, 130.9, 126.8, 123.4, 122.2, 121.0, 119.7, 119.6, 117.5, 110.2, 102.5, 95.2, 79.6, 74.5, 57.4, 51.8, 30.4, 28.8, 28.5, 21.2, 12.9, 11.9. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₇H₃₂N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 446.2444, found 446.2438.

N-(2-(tert-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1H-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-N-(2-hydroxy-4-

methylphenyl)hex-2-ynamide (1q)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 88%, Melting point: 203-204 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 11.50$ (s, 1H), 8.53 (s, 1H), 7.44 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 6.24 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (s, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.05 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 9H), 1.17 – 0.95 (m, 2H), 0.59 (t, J = 7.3 Hz,

3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ = 171.5, 156.0, 155.2, 140.1, 137.5, 132.7, 130.9, 126.8, 123.3, 122.2, 121.0, 119.7, 119.6, 117.6, 110.2, 102.5, 93.9, 75.2, 57.4, 51.8, 30.4,

28.5, 21.1, 21.0, 20.1, 13.1. **HRMS** (**ESI**) calculated for $C_{28}H_{34}N_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 460.2600, found 460.2594.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl) hept-2-ynamide (**1r**)



White solid, Yield 63%, Melting point: 206-207 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.49 (s, 1H), 8.52 (s, 1H), 7.50 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.08 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 6.24 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (s, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.08 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 9H), 1.09 – 0.88 (m, 4H), 0.68 (t, J = 7.1

Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.5, 156.0, 155.2, 140.1, 137.5, 132.7, 130.8, 126.8, 123.3, 122.2, 121.0, 119.7, 119.6, 117.6, 110.2, 102.5, 94.0, 79.7, 75.1, 57.4, 51.8, 30.4, 29.5, 28.5, 21.2, 17.9, 13.8. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₉H₃₆N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 474.2757, found 474.2745.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)-3-phenylpropiolamide (**1s**)



Yellow solid, Yield 19%, Melting point: 219-220 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.63 (s, 1H), 8.62 (s, 1H), 7.47 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, J= 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 6.34 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.25 (s, 1H), 6.23 (s, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz,

DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.3, 170.8, 156.2, 155.1, 140.6, 137.5, 132.7, 132.5, 132.5, 131.2, 131.1, 129.3, 129.3, 126.8, 123.3, 122.3, 121.0, 119.7, 119.7, 119.7, 117.6, 110.3, 102.6, 90.3, 82.7, 60.2, 57.5, 51.9, 30.5, 28.8, 28.5, 21.2, 21.2, 14.6. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for C₃₁H₃₂N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 494.2444, found 494.2439.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl) propiolamide (**1**t)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 33%, Melting point: 221-223 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.65 (s, 1H), 8.64 (s, 1H), 7.50 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.10 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (q, J = 7.9, 7.4 Hz, 3H), 6.68 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (s, 2H), 4.22 (s, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ =

170.6, 155.8, 153.7, 137.0, 131.6, 130.7, 130.5, 126.2, 124.9, 121.8, 119.2, 118.4, 116.8, 109.7, 102.2, 76.1, 76.0, 57.2, 51.4, 50.5, 29.9, 27.9. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{24}H_{26}N_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 404.1974, found 404.1962.

N-(2-(*ter*t-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)pent-2-ynamide (**1u**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 90%, Melting point: 180-181 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.61 (s, 1H), 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.11 – 7.01 (m, 1H), 6.96 – 6.81 (m, 3H), 6.64 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (td, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (s, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.03 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.31 (s, 9H), 0.70 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6)

 δ = 171.4, 156.3, 155.0, 137.5, 132.5, 131.2, 130.6, 126.8, 125.9, 122.2, 120.9, 119.7, 118.7, 117.1, 110.2, 102.6, 95.3, 74.4, 57.5, 51.8, 30.4, 28.8, 28.5, 12.9, 11.8. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for C₂₆H₃₀N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 432.2287, found 432.2297.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)hex-2-ynamide (**1**v)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 61%, Melting point: 185-187 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.60 (s, 1H), 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.13 – 7.02 (m, 1H), 6.96 – 6.76 (m, 3H), 6.64 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (td, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (s, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.04 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.31 (s, 9H), 1.15 – 1.01 (m, 2H), 0.60 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C

NMR (**101 MHz, DMSO-***d*₆) δ = 171.4, 156.3, 155.0, 137.4, 132.5, 131.2, 130.6, 126.8, 125.9, 122.2, 120.9, 119.7, 118.7, 117.1, 110.2, 102.6, 94.0, 79.6, 75.2, 57.5, 51.8, 30.4, 28.5, 21.0, 20.1, 13.3. **HRMS** (**ESI**) calculated for C₂₇H₃₂N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 446.2444, found 446.2454.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(1,5-dimethyl-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1**w)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 70%, Melting point: 177-179 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.50 (s, 1H), 8.50 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (s, 1H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 6.24 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (s, 1H), 6.06 (s, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.5,

155.8, 155.2, 140.0, 136.0, 132.5, 130.8, 128.2, 127.0, 123.8, 123.2, 120.5, 119.6, 117.6, 109.9, 102.0, 90.4, 79.7, 74.2, 57.6, 51.8, 30.4, 28.5, 21.4, 21.2, 3.7. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for C₂₇H₃₂N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 446.2444, found 446.2444.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(6-chloro-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1**x)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 25%, Melting point: 175-176 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta = 10.48$ (s, 1H), 9.77 (s, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.12 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 6.73 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.46 – 6.43 (m, 1H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 4.86 (s, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.75 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta =$ 168.3, 157.3, 153.8, 141.4, 137.3, 132.2, 129.3, 128.9, 126.6,

125.6, 121.7, 121.2, 120.3, 118.6, 111.8, 106.1, 92.3, 73.1, 65.4, 52.8, 28.4, 28.3, 21.4, 4.1. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{25}H_{27}ClN_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 452.1741, found 452.1728.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-2-oxo-1-(1*H*-pyrrol-2-yl)ethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1ba**)



Yellow solid, Yield 47%, Melting point: 162-174 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 10.62 (s, 1H), 9.76 (s, 1H), 6.88 – 6.82 (m, 2H), 6.79 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.15 (q, J = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (s, 1H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 4.70 (s, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.74 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 169.6, 156.9, 153.9, 141.0, 128.9, 126.9,

124.6, 120.4, 120.1, 118.5, 117.8, 111.9, 108.6, 108.1, 91.4, 73.3, 65.0, 52.4, 28.4, 28.4, 21.4, 4.0. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for C₂₁H₂₆N₃O₃⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 368.1974, found 368.1966.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(4-methyl-4*H*-thieno[3,2-*b*]pyrrol-5-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1bb**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 50%, Melting point: 194-196 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 10.68 (s, 1H), 7.09 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 6.40 (s, 1H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 6.17 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.84 (s, 1H), 3.69 – 3.36 (m, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 170.1, 156.1, 155.5, 140.7, 129.9, 128.8, 124.6, 122.6, 122.0, 120.0,

118.5, 118.3, 109.9, 103.9, 90.6, 73.2, 57.5, 52.8, 32.2, 28.4, 21.3, 4.0. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{24}H_{28}N_3O_3S$ [M+H]⁺: 438.1851, found 438.1855.

N-(1-(benzo[*b*]thiophen-2-yl)-2-(tert-butylamino)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl) but-2-ynamide (**1bc**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 75%, Melting point: 182-185 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.20 (s, 1H), 8.64 (s, 1H), 7.87 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 6.74 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 6.29 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 171.2, 156.0, 155.0, 140.5, 140.1, 138.9, 136.7, 132.5, 126.9, 125.2, 124.8, 124.4, 122.9,

122.8, 122.6, 119.7, 117.5, 90.2, 79.6, 74.2, 61.0, 51.8, 51.0, 28.8, 28.5, 21.3, 3.7. **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for $C_{25}H_{27}N_2O_3S$ [M+H]⁺: 435.1742, found 435.1730.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(furan-3-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**1bd**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 37%, Melting point: 167-168 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.27 (s, 1H), 8.46 (s, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 6.74 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.74 (s, 1H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 1.70 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 172.2, 155.7, 154.9, 143.9, 142.9, 139.9, 132.6, 123.4, 119.7, 118.9, 117.5, 111.1, 89.9, 79.6, 74.4, 57.2, 51.6,

N-(2-(tert-butylamino)-2-oxo-1-(3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)phenyl)ethyl)-N-(2-hydroxy-4-

methylphenyl) but-2-ynamide (1be)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 57%, Melting point: 166-168 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.43 (s, 1H), 8.41 (s, 1H), 6.90 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 6.36 – 6.22 (m, 4H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 3.07 (s, 4H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 1.94 - 1.80 (m, 4H), 1.67 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta =$ 172.7, 156.0, 155.1, 147.8, 139.5, 134.4, 132.7, 129.1, 123.4, 119.4, 117.3, 117.0, 113.6, 112.0, 89.6, 79.6, 74.5, 65.5, 51.6, 47.6, 47.6, 28.6, 25.3, 21.3, 3.7. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{27}H_{34}N_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 448.2600, found 448.2595.

N-(2-(tert-butylamino)-2-oxo-1-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)ethyl)-N-(2-hydroxyphenyl)but-2ynamide (1bf)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 68%, Melting point: 155-157 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 11.44$ (s, 1H), 8.54 (s, 1H), 7.01 (t, J =7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.53 - 6.42 (m, 3H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 3.60 (s, 6H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 1.67 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 172.2, 170.8,$ 156.2, 154.8, 152.7, 152.7, 137.8, 133.1, 130.3, 129.3, 125.9, 118.6,

116.7, 107.8, 89.7, 74.4, 65.3, 60.4, 60.2, 56.2, 56.1, 51.7, 28.9, 28.5, 28.5, 21.2, 14.6, 3.6. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{25}H_{31}N_2O_6 [M+H]^+$: 455.2182, found 455.2179.

Capture of spirocarbocyclic intermediates and their further reactions

1) Synthesis of spiro intermediate 2y'.

To a glass vial (IMes)AuCl (10 mol%) and AgOTf (10 mol%) were loaded along with chloroform (2 mL) to stir for 1 minute to generate cationic gold catalyst in situ without filtration. Ugi products 1y (100mg, 0.19 mmol) was added and reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature in a screw capped vial for 0.5h. After completion, the reaction mixture was diluted with dichloromethane and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue obtained was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/Heptane = 1: 2) to afford the dearomative spiro intermediate 2y' in 58% yield (58mg, 0.11 mmol).

2) Transformation of spirocarbocyclic Indole 2y'.

To a glass vial (IMes)AuCl (10 mol%) and AgOTf (10 mol%) were loaded along with chloroform (2 mL) to stir for 1 minute to generate cationic gold catalyst *in situ* without filtration. the dearomative spiro intermediate 2y' (40mg, 0.075 mmol) was added and reaction mixture was stirred at 115°C in a screw capped vial for 24h. After completion, the reaction mixture was diluted with dichloromethane and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue obtained was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/Heptane = 1: 2) to afford the Boc deprotected 2y in 55% yield (20mg, 0.04 mmol).



tert-butyl 2-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamido)-2oxoethyl)-1*H*-indole-1-carboxylate (**1**y)



Yellow solid, Yield 66%, Melting point: 205-207 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.57 (s, 1H), 8.64 (s, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 7.13 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 6.37 – 6.25 (m, 1H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 1.72 (s, 9H), 1.71 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ =

171.7, 155.9, 154.8, 149.9, 140.2, 136.2, 133.4, 130.4, 128.1, 125.3, 123.4, 123.3, 121.5, 119.6, 117.6, 115.9, 111.4, 90.2, 85.4, 74.2, 60.2, 60.1, 51.8, 28.5, 28.3, 21.2, 21.2, 14.6, 3.7. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{30}H_{36}N_3O_5 [M+H]^+$: 518.2655, found 518.2665.

tert-butyl 2-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(4,8-dimethyl-2,10-dioxo-1-azaspiro[4.5]deca-3,6,8-trien-1-yl)-2-oxoethyl)-1*H*-indole-1-carboxylate (**2y'**)



Yellow solid, Yield 58%, Melting point: 161-162 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.06 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.18 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (s, 1H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 6.07 (q, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (s, 1H), 5.71 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (dd, J = 9.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 1.66 (s, 9H), 1.65 (s, 3H), 1.48 (s, 9H), 1.37 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =

196.4, 171.5, 167.6, 157.0, 156.8, 149.7, 137.9, 135.9, 134.9, 128.1, 126.2, 125.3, 124.7, 124.2, 123.1, 121.0, 116.2, 113.3, 85.2, 56.7, 51.4, 34.1, 28.6, 28.4, 28.4, 28.3, 22.4, 22.3, 14.1, 12.1. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for C₃₀H₃₆N₃O₅ [M+H]⁺: 518.2655, found 518.2659.

tert-butyl 9-(*tert*-butylcarbamoyl)-2,5-dimethyl-4,7-dioxo-1,7,9,14c-tetrahydroindolo[2,3*c*]pyrrolo[2,1-*j*]quinoline-10(4*H*)-carboxylate (**2**y)



Yellow solid, Yield 55%, Melting point: 175-177 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 9.44 (s, 1H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 7.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 7.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (q, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.97 (q, *J* = 2.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.53 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.87 – 3.67 (m, 2H), 3.37 – 3.19 (m, 1H), 2.24 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 3H), 2.10 (t, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H),

3H), 1.39 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 193.0, 171.8, 167.2, 161.8, 159.2, 137.0, 130.3, 126.5, 125.3, 124.6, 122.0, 119.8, 119.2, 112.1, 106.1, 74.8, 52.9, 51.5, 39.1, 32.7, 31.9, 29.7, 28.4, 24.6, 22.7, 15.4, 14.1. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₅H₂₈N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 418.2131, found 418.2135.

General procedure for the deuterium exchange experiments for compounds 2s



The cationic gold catalyst (IMes)AuOTf was first generated *in situ* by mixing of (IMes)AuCl (10 mol%) and AgOTf (10 mol%) along with chloroform (2 mL) in a screw-cap vial under

stirring for 5 mins and used without filtration. To this vial with gold catalyst Ugi products **1s** (0.10 mmol) and 6 equivalents of methanol- d_4 were subsequently added. After stirring at 70 °C for 2 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with dichloromethane and evaporated under reduced pressure. The obtained residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/Heptane = 1: 2) to afford the fused indole alkaloid mimics **2s-D**.



Scale-up synthesis of heterocycles 2a

1) Scale-up synthesis of heterocycles 2a



To a glass vial (IMes)AuCl (6 mol%) and AgOTf (6 mol%) were loaded along with chloroform (6 mL) to stir for 1 minute to generate cationic gold catalyst *in situ* without filtration. Ugi products **1a** (0.8g, 1.90 mmol) was added and reaction mixture was stirred at 70 $^{\circ}$ C in a screw capped vial for 24h. After completion, the reaction mixture was diluted

with dichloromethane and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue obtained was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/Heptane = 1: 1) to afford the fused indole alkaloid mimic 2a in 53% yield (0.42 g, 0.99 mmol).

Transformations of heterocycles 2a

1) Synthesis of compound 3



A 10 mL stainless autoclave equipped with a magnetic stirring bar was charged with **2a** (50 mg, 0.120 mmol), MeOH (1.0 mL) and 20% mol Pd/C (5 wt. %, 51 mg), and then hydrogen gas (20 atm) was introduced. After the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h, the mixture was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/Heptane = 3: 1) to afford compound **3** (49 mg, 98 % yield).

N-(*tert*-butyl)-5,10-dimethyl-4,7-dioxo-1,2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10,14c-decahydroindolo[2,3*c*]pyrrolo[2,1-*j*]quinoline-9-carboxamide **3**



White solid, Yield 98% (d.r. = 10: 1), Melting point: 191-193 °C. The NMR data of major diastereomer is as follows: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.64 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.12 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 3.73 (t, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 2.97 (dt, J = 14.3, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.69 –

2.54 (m, 3H), 2.35 – 2.15 (m, 3H), 1.82 – 1.69 (m, 2H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.25 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta = 207.4$, 175.7, 166.0, 138.4, 131.2, 124.7, 121.7, 119.3, 119.2, 109.4, 108.3, 72.5, 52.2, 51.4, 43.8, 41.4, 40.6, 38.2, 29.9, 28.6, 26.2, 18.8, 17.9. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₅H₃₂N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 422.2444, found 422.2446.

2) Synthesis of compound 4



Step I: To a glass vial of **2a** (100 mg, 0.240 mmol) in MeOH (2 mL) was slowly added NaBH₄ (54.4 mg, 1.437 mmol) at r.t. and the resulting mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature. After completion, the mixture was diluted with H₂O (20 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (4× 15 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (15 mL), dried over anhyd Na₂SO₄ and concd under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/Heptane = 2: 1) to afford compound **s1a** (94.5mg, 95 % yield).

Step II: To a 10 mL stainless autoclave equipped with a magnetic stirring bar were added **s1a** (30 mg, 0.072 mmol), MeOH (1.0 mL) and 20% mol Pd/C (5 wt. %, 31.50 mg). Then hydrogen gas (20 atm) was introduced. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. After completion, the mixture was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/Heptane = 2: 1) to afford compound **4** (28 mg, 95 % yield).

N-(*tert*-butyl)-4-hydroxy-5,10-dimethyl-7-oxo-3,4,7,9,10,14c-hexahydroindolo[2,3*c*]pyrrolo[2,1-*j*]quinoline-9-carboxamide **s1a**



White solid, Yield 98% (d.r. = 9: 1), Melting point: 132-133 °C. The NMR data of major diastereomer is as follows: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃) δ = 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 6.61 (ddd, *J* = 10.2, 4.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (s, 1H), 5.85 – 5.77 (m, 1H), 5.74 (s,

1H), 4.65 – 4.54 (m, 1H), 3.78 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.59 (dt, J = 18.7, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.44 – 2.33 (m, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta = 170.8$, 168.1, 162.8, 138.4, 127.7, 126.6, 126.0, 125.2, 123.8, 122.0, 120.2, 119.5, 111.4, 109.4, 71.1, 65.0, 51.9, 51.5, 39.3, 32.2, 31.9, 30.4, 28.5, 28.5, 22.7, 16.1, 14.1. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₅H₃₀N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 420.2287, found 420.2279.

N-(*tert*-butyl)-4-hydroxy-5,10-dimethyl-7-oxo-1,2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10,14c-decahydroindolo[2,3*c*]pyrrolo[2,1-*j*]quinoline-9-carboxamide **4**



White solid, Yield 95% (d.r. = 9: 1), Melting point: 202-203 °C. The NMR data of major diastereomer is as follows: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 7.0, 1.1 Hz, 3H), 7.07 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 7.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (dt, *J* = 11.6, 5.4 Hz,

1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.33 (s, 1H), 2.82 (dt, J = 14.4, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.62 – 2.46 (m, 3H), 1.81 – 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.57 – 1.44 (m, 2H), 1.38 (s, 9H), 1.35 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 175.6, 168.0, 138.2, 129.2, 125.2, 121.5, 119.8, 119.2, 110.0, 109.3, 70.7, 69.0, 68.9, 52.6, 51.6, 51.4, 46.2, 45.9, 41.2, 41.0, 31.1, 31.0, 30.2, 30.1, 28.5, 28.5, 25.1, 24.8, 23.8, 23.8, 22.7, 22.0, 19.8, 19.7, 19.6. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₅H₃₄N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 424.2600, found 424.2595.

Examples that only form the spirocarbocyclic products



N-(1-(benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxol-4-yl)-2-(*tert*-butylamino)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl) but-2-ynamide (**s1b**)



Yellow solid, Yield 55%, Melting point: 181-183 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 11.30 (s, 1H), 8.45 (s, 1H), 6.70 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 6.64 – 6.55 (m, 2H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 6.32 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (s, 1H), 5.90 (s, 1H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ = 172.5, 155.8, 155.0, 147.4, 147.3, 139.7, 132.6, 127.6, 123.7,

123.3, 119.7, 117.3, 110.4, 108.4, 101.5, 89.6, 74.5, 64.7, 51.6, 28.5, 21.3, 3.7. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{24}H_{27}N_2O_5$ [M+H]⁺: 423.1920, found 423.1926.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**s1c**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 69%, Melting point: 201-203 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 11.34$ (s, 1H), 8.48 (s, 1H), 7.05 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.79 – 6.62 (m, 3H), 6.57 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 6.27 (dd, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.81 (s, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 172.3$, 159.2, 155.8, 155.0, 139.7, 135.4, 132.7, 129.6, 123.2, 122.2, 119.5, 117.3, 115.8, 114.5, 89.7, 74.4, 65.0, 55.4,

51.6, 28.9, 28.5, 28.5, 21.3, 3.7. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{24}H_{29}N_2O_4 [M+H]^+$: 409.2127, found 409.2126.

N-(2-(*tert*-butylamino)-1-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxoethyl)-*N*-(2-hydroxy-4-methylphenyl)but-2-ynamide (**s1d**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 89%, Melting point: 133-135 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6) $\delta = 11.38$ (s, 1H), 8.97 (s, 1H), 8.41 (s, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (s, 2H), 6.50 – 6.49 (m, 1H), 6.29 (dd, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.73 (s, 1H), 3.58 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO d_6) $\delta = 172.8$, 155.9, 155.0, 147.4, 146.8, 139.5, 132.7, 124.6, 123.5, 122.8, 119.5, 117.2, 115.5, 114.3, 89.5, 79.6, 74.6, 64.9, 55.9, 51.6, 28.6, 21.3, 3.7. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{24}H_{29}N_2O_5$ [M+H]⁺: 425.2076, found 425.2086.

2-(benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxol-4-yl)-*N*-(*tert*-butyl)-2-(4,8-dimethyl-2,10-dioxo-1-azaspiro[4.5]deca-3,6,8-trien-1-yl)acetamide (**s2b**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 75% (d.r. > 20: 1), Melting point: 161-163 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 6.94 (s, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.73 – 6.64 (m, 2H), 6.28 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 5.98 (s, 1H), 5.91 (s, 2H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 1.75 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 195.5, 171.6,

167.4, 156.1, 155.9, 147.4, 147.3, 139.1, 129.1, 128.9, 124.9, 124.6, 124.1, 110.5, 107.7, 101.1, 77.6, 62.5, 51.4, 28.5, 23.3, 12.3. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{24}H_{27}N_2O_5$ [M+H]⁺: 423.1920, found 423.1930.

N-(*tert*-butyl)-2-(4,8-dimethyl-2,10-dioxo-1-azaspiro[4.5]deca-3,6,8-trien-1-yl)-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)acetamide (**s2c**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 62% (d.r. = 20: 1), Melting point: 179-181 ^oC. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.90 (s, 1H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.83 – 6.75 (m, 2H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 6.04 (s, 1H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 5.62 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 5.50 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.70 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151

MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 196.2, 172.3, 168.4, 159.3, 157.5, 156.9, 139.4, 136.8, 129.4, 125.6, 124.3, 124.3, 123.1, 115.0, 114.7, 64.1, 55.0, 51.3, 28.5, 23.2, 12.0. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for C₂₄H₂₉N₂O₄ [M+H]⁺: 409.2127, found 409.2126.

*N-(tert-*butyl)-2-(4,8-dimethyl-2,10-dioxo-1-azaspiro[4.5]deca-3,6,8-trien-1-yl)-2-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl)acetamide (**s2d**)



Pale yellow solid, Yield 65% (d.r. =10: 1), Melting point: 196-198 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.99 (s, 1H), 6.61 – 6.58 (m, 1H), 6.57 – 6.53 (m, 2H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 5.95 (s, 1H), 5.61 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz,

CDCl₃) $\delta = 196.5, 172.2, 168.9, 158.2, 156.9, 146.9, 146.2, 139.8, 126.9, 125.1, 124.4,$

124.2, 124.2, 114.4, 112.1, 63.7, 55.5, 51.3, 28.5, 23.2, 12.0. **HRMS (ESI)** calculated for $C_{24}H_{29}N_2O_5 [M+H]^+$: 425.2076, found 425.2082.

Crystallographic data for compound 20 and 2q

Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained by slow evaporation at room temperature from a d1-chloroform-heptane mixture (1:2 v/v) for 20, and an ethyl acetate and heptane mixture (1:3 v/v) for 2q. X-ray intensity data were collected at 150K for 2o and 2q on a Rigaku Ultra 18S generator (Xenocs mirrors, Mo K α radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å) using a MAR345 image plate. The images were interpreted and integrated with CrysAlisPRO^[9] and the implemented absorption correction was applied. The structures were solved using Olex2^[10] with the ShelXS^[11] structure solution program by Direct Methods and refined with the ShelXL^[12] refinement package using full-matrix least-squares minimization on F^2 . Nonhydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically and hydrogen atoms in the riding mode with isotropic temperature factors fixed at 1.2 times U_{eq} of the parent atoms (1.5 for methyl groups). CCDC 1858541 (20) and 1858542 (2q) contain the supplementary crystallographic for this obtained of data and be free charge via paper can http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/getstructures or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, 12, Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK; fax: +44-1223-336033; deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk).

Compound reference	20
Empirical formula	C ₂₅ H ₂₇ N ₃ O ₃
Formula weight	417.49
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1/c$
a/Å	8.69310(18)
b/Å	24.9324(6)
c/Å	9.8261(2)
$\alpha/^{\circ}$	90
β/°	90.438(2)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	2129.64(8)
Temperature/K	150(2)
Z	4
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.302
Crystal size/mm ³	$0.40 \times 0.35 \times 0.22$

 Table S2: Crystal data and structure refinement details for compound 20

Radiation	MoKα ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å)
Absorption coefficient/mm ⁻¹	0.087
<i>F</i> (000)	888.0
Reflections collected	14631
Independent reflections	3992 [$R_{int} = 0.0250, R_{sigma} = 0.0185$]
Data/restraints/parameters	3992/0/285
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0396, wR_2 = 0.0970$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0419, wR_2 = 0.0986$
Goodness-of-fit	1.084
Largest diff. peak/hole	$0.27/-0.25 \text{ e.Å}^{-3}$
CCDC	1858541



Figure S2. Crystal structure of compound **20**. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

Compound reference	2q
Empirical formula	C ₂₈ H ₃₃ N ₃ O ₃
Formula weight	459.57
Crystal system	Triclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> -1
a/Å	9.2977(8)
b/Å	9.9446(11)
c/Å	13.8192(11)
α/°	83.641(8)
β/°	73.868(7)
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	74.132(9)
Volume/Å ³	1179.8(2)
Temperature/K	150(2)
Z	2
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.294
Crystal size/mm ³	0.50 imes 0.35 imes 0.25

Table S3: Crystal data and structure refinement details for compound 2q

Radiation	MoKα ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å)
Absorption coefficient/mm ⁻¹	0.085
F(000)	492.0
Reflections collected	17279
Independent reflections	4450 $[R_{int} = 0.0264, R_{sigma} = 0.0194]$
Data/restraints/parameters	4450/0/313
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0380, wR_2 = 0.0927$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0401, wR_2 = 0.0943$
Goodness-of-fit	1.061
Largest diff. peak/hole	0.32/-0.19 e.Å ⁻³
CCDC	1858542



Figure S3. Crystal structure of compound 2q. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

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Copies of NMR spectra (Post-Ugi products)

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **2a**











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 $^1\!H$ and $^{13}\!C$ NMR spectra of compound 2r









 ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of compound 2v



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **2w**





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **2ba**



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **2bb**













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¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **2bf**











Copies of NMR spectra (transformation products of 2a)

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **3**







¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound 4



Copies of NMR spectra (Ugi products)

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **1a**



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **1b**



 $^1\!\mathrm{H}$ and $^{13}\!\mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of compound 1c















¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **1h**








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¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **1**k











¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **1n**







¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **1p**



 $^1\!\mathrm{H}$ and $^{13}\!\mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of compound 1q



$^1\!H$ and $^{13}\!C$ NMR spectra of compound 1r



$^1\!\mathrm{H}$ and $^{13}\!\mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of compound 1s



$^1\!\mathrm{H}$ and $^{13}\!\mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of compound 1t



$^1\!\mathrm{H}$ and $^{13}\!\mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of compound 1u



$^1\!\mathrm{H}$ and $^{13}\!\mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of compound 1v



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **1**w







¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **1y**





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¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **1bc**



$^1\!\mathrm{H}$ and $^{13}\!\mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of compound 1bd



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **1be**







¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **s1b**









