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Unexpected manganese(III) acetate-mediated reactions of β-enamino carbonyl compounds with 1-(pyridin-2-yl)-enones under mechanical milling conditions

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General Procedure for 3

A mixture of 3-amino-5,5-dimethylcyclohex-2-enone **1a** (or **1b-1h**, 0.2 mmol), enone **2a** (or **2b-2q**, 0.1 mmol), $Mn(OAc)_3 2H_2O$ (107.2 mg, 0.4 mmol) and DMAP (12.2 mg, 0.1 mmol) was added to a stainless-steel jar containing two stainless-steel balls. The vessel was vibrated in Spex SamplePrep 5100 Mixer Mill at room temperature (~25 °C) for 2 h. The same reaction was repeated again. Then, the two reaction mixtures were washed with acetone and collected into a round-bottomed flask together with silica and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was purified on a silica gel column with petroleum ether and ethyl acetate (3:1 v/v) as the eluent.

6,6-Dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-3*-p***-tolyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4**(*5H*)**-one** (**3aa**): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (dt, J = 4.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td, J = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (ddd, J = 7.1, 4.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.92 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.20 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.1, 183.9, 169.4, 154.3, 148.6, 147.4, 138.1, 136.5, 134.3, 130.3 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 127.1, 125.8, 123.9, 119.8, 53.3, 38.1, 34.8, 28.6 (2C), 21.3; FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2957, 2871, 1687, 1648, 1579, 1541, 1499, 1442, 1344, 1274, 1238, 1169, 1049, 987, 928, 811, 750, 698, 616; HR-MS (+APCI) calcd for C₂₃H₂₂NO₃ [M+1]⁺ 360.1594, found 360.1594.

6,6-Dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-3*-o***-tolyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4**(*5H*)**-one** (3ab): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (dt, J = 4.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.14 (ddd, J = 6.6, 4.8, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.07-7.02 (m, 2H), 6.87-6.81 (m, 2H), 2.95 (s, 2H), 2.43 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.19 (s, 3H), 1.20 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 183.5, 169.3, 154.3, 148.4, 147.9, 137.1, 136.3, 133.3, 130.8, 129.8, 129.4, 128.2, 125.9, 124.9, 123.3, 120.8, 53.0, 38.1, 34.9, 28.9, 28.4, 20.1; FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2960, 2929, 1681, 1651, 1569, 1534, 1452, 1425, 1338, 1287, 1231, 1173, 1050, 994, 931, 753, 695, 616; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₃H₂₁NO₃ (M⁺) 359.1521, found 359.1523.

3-(3,4-Dimethylphenyl)-6,6-dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(*5H*)-**one (3ac):** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (dt, *J* = 4.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.63 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (ddd, *J* = 6.8, 4.7, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 2.91 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 2H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.0, 183.9, 169.5, 154.5, 148.5, 147.4, 136.7, 136.3, 135.4, 134.5, 131.6, 128.8, 127.8, 127.3, 125.6, 123.7, 119.7, 53.3, 38.1, 34.8, 28.6 (2C), 19.6, 19.4; FT-IR (KBr) *v*/cm⁻¹ 2956, 2871, 1684, 1640, 1577, 1536, 1494, 1444, 1345, 1279, 1238, 1050, 981, 943, 817, 752, 696, 615; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₄H₂₃NO₃ (M⁺) 373.1678, found 373.1675.

3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-6,6-dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H***)-on e (3ad):** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23 (dt, J = 4.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.66 (td, J = 7.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.65 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.91 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 2H), 1.19 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR

(100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.1, 183.7, 169.4, 159.5, 154.2, 148.5, 147.1, 136.4, 133.9, 131.7 (2C), 125.9, 123.8, 122.1, 119.6, 112.9 (2C), 55.2, 53.2, 37.9, 34.7, 28.5 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2955, 2873, 1687, 1641, 1579, 1540, 1498, 1443, 1344, 1296, 1256, 1166, 1106, 1043, 983, 926, 814, 749, 699, 614; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for $C_{23}H_{21}NO_4$ (M⁺) 375.1471, found 375.1478.

3-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-6,6-dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H***)-on e (3ae): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) \delta 8.18 (d,** *J* **= 4.7 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d,** *J* **= 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td,** *J* **= 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (ddd,** *J* **= 7.3, 4.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.80-6.78 (m, 2H), 6.70-6.67 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 2.93 (s, 2H), 2.44 (s, 2H), 1.20 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) \delta 193.0, 183.9, 169.4, 158.7, 154.2, 148.6, 147.5, 136.4, 133.7, 131.4, 128.4, 126.0, 123.7, 123.0, 119.7, 115.4, 114.7, 55.2, 53.3, 38.0, 34.8, 28.6 (2C); FT-IR (KBr)** *v***/cm⁻¹ 2956, 1688, 1641, 1573, 1488, 1442, 1422, 1342, 1286, 1276, 1220, 1052, 1004, 941, 772, 745, 696, 681, 617; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₃H₂₁NO₄ (M⁺) 375.1471, found 375.1476.**

3-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-6,6-dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H***)-on e (3af**): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.14 (ddd, J = 4.7, 1.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (dt, J = 7.7, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (td, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (ddd, J = 7.4, 4.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.06 (m, 2H), 6.72 (td, J = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (s, 3H), 2.92 (s, 2H), 2.41 (s, 2H), 1.19 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 183.7, 169.1, 156.5, 154.1, 148.3, 147.8, 136.1, 131.4, 129.8, 129.2, 125.9, 123.3, 120.3, 120.2, 119.9, 110.0, 55.2, 53.2, 38.0, 34.8, 28.6 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2959, 2936, 2872, 1683, 1644, 1582, 1537, 1489, 1436, 1336, 1297, 1269, 1238, 1167, 1109, 1050, 1026, 985, 927, 748, 689; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₃H₂₁NO₄ (M⁺) 375.1471, found 375.1477.

6,6-Dimethyl-3-phenyl-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H***)-one (3ag): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) \delta 8.15 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (ddd, J = 7.4, 4.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.07 (m, 3H), 2.92 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 2H), 1.19 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) \delta 193.0, 183.8, 169.4, 154.0, 148.5, 147.4, 136.4, 134.0, 130.3 (2C), 130.2, 128.1, 127.3 (2C), 126.0, 123.8, 119.7, 53.2, 38.0, 34.8, 28.5 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) \nu/\text{cm}^{-1} 3052, 2958, 2927, 2869, 1691, 1642, 1577, 1535, 1487, 1414, 1342, 1274, 1241, 1166, 1047, 986, 926, 769, 740, 701, 615; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₉NO₃ (M⁺) 345.1365, found 345.1366.**

3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6,6-dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H***)-one (3ah**): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21 (ddd, J = 4.9, 1.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (dt, J = 7.2, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (ddd, J = 6.9, 4.9, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 2.92 (s, 2H), 2.44 (s, 2H), 1.20 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.2, 183.6, 169.5, 154.0, 148.6, 147.5, 136.7, 134.3, 132.7, 131.7 (2C), 128.8, 127.6 (2C), 126.2, 123.9, 119.6, 53.2, 38.0, 34.9, 28.6 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 3073, 2959, 2878, 1682, 1585, 1544, 1481, 1435, 1334,

1234, 1171, 1089, 1048, 1004, 916, 814, 746, 699; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for $C_{22}H_{18}^{35}CINO_3$ (M⁺) 379.0975, found 379.0973.

3-(2-Chlorophenyl)-6,6-dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H***)-one (3ai):** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.22 (dt, *J* = 4.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 4.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (d, *J* = 17.9 Hz, 2H), 2.92 (d, *J* = 17.9 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 1.21 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.7, 183.1, 169.1, 154.0, 148.4, 148.0, 136.5, 133.8, 131.5, 130.7, 130.2, 129.4, 129.0, 126.1, 126.0, 123.7, 120.6, 52.8, 38.0, 35.0, 28.7, 28.6; FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2958, 1688, 1653, 1580, 1542, 1470, 1445, 1272, 1228, 1049, 990, 931, 750, 695; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₈³⁵CINO₃ (M⁺) 379.0975, found 379.0975.

3-(Benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-6,6-dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H*)-one (3aj): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (dt, J = 4.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.69 (m, 2H), 7.25 (ddd, J = 5.6, 4.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.88 (s, 2H), 2.91 (s, 2H), 2.44 (s, 2H), 1.19 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.1, 183.8, 169.4, 154.4, 148.6, 147.7, 147.4, 146.9, 136.6, 133.7, 126.0, 124.8, 123.8, 123.7, 119.7, 110.8, 107.5, 101.1, 53.3, 38.0, 34.8, 28.6 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2957, 2874, 1687, 1641, 1577, 1540, 1487, 1444, 1329, 1278, 1240, 1095, 1044, 993, 938, 865, 809, 746, 695, 614; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₃H₁₉NO₅ (M⁺) 389.1263, found 389.1266.

4-(6,6-Dimethyl-4-oxo-2-picolinoyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrobenzofuran-3-yl)benzonitril e (3ak): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (td, J = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (ddd, J = 7.3, 4.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (s, 2H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.20 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.0, 183.0, 169.4, 153.5, 148.4, 147.5, 136.8, 135.5, 131.4, 130.9 (4C), 126.5, 123.9, 119.3, 118.6, 111.5, 52.9, 37.8, 34.8, 28.5 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2958, 2887, 2874, 2223, 1686, 1656, 1580, 1540, 1495, 1443, 1408, 1340, 1297, 1275, 1235, 1052, 1008, 926, 903, 853, 808, 752, 707, 691, 561; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₃H₁₈N₂O₃ (M⁺) 370.1317, found 370.1312.

6,6-Dimethyl-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5H)-one

(3al): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (ddd, J = 4.8, 1.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (td, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (ddd, J = 7.5, 4.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (s, 2H), 2.46 (s, 2H), 1.22 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.0, 183.0, 169.4, 153.6, 148.4, 147.6, 147.2, 137.6, 136.9, 131.2 (2C), 131.0, 126.6, 124.0, 122.4 (2C), 119.4, 52.9, 37.8, 34.8, 28.5 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2961, 1688, 1644, 1576, 1511, 1444, 1341, 1291, 1238, 1050, 1009, 926, 853, 814, 750, 699; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₈N₂O₅ (M⁺) 390.1216, found 390.1212.

6,6-Dimethyl-3-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5H)-one

(3am): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.17 (ddd, J = 4.8, 1.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (ddd, J = 8.2, 2.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (t, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (td, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (ddd, J = 7.7, 1.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (ddd, J = 7.6, 4.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (s, 2H), 2.46 (s, 2H), 1.22 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.2, 183.1, 169.6, 153.7, 148.4, 147.8, 147.3, 137.0, 136.4, 132.2, 131.1, 128.4, 126.5, 125.4, 124.2, 122.9, 119.4, 53.0, 37.9, 35.0, 28.6 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 3057, 2952, 2920, 2869, 1681, 1655, 1522, 1479, 1442, 1344, 1285, 1179, 1052, 940, 811, 739, 685, 619; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₈N₂O₅ (M⁺) 390.1216, found 390.1210.

6, 6-Dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-6, 7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5H)-one

(3an): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (ddd, J = 4.8, 1.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (td, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (ddd, J = 7.5, 4.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (dd, J = 5.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (dd, J = 3.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (dd, J = 5.1, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.89 (s, 2H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.19 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.8, 183.6, 169.2, 154.2, 148.7, 147.6, 136.6, 131.3, 130.2, 128.1, 126.4, 126.2, 126.1, 123.8, 119.5, 53.2, 37.9, 34.7, 28.5 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 3086, 2959, 2928, 2869, 1691, 1637, 1578, 1502, 1445, 1410, 1321, 1245, 1162, 1050, 963, 898, 838, 735, 695; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₀H₁₇NO₃S (M⁺) 351.0929, found 351.0924.

3-(Benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-6,6-dimethyl-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5

H)-one (3ao): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21 (ddd, J = 4.8, 1.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dt, J = 7.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.65 (td, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 0.3 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.09 (ddd, J = 7.6, 4.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (s, 2H), 2.47 (s, 2H), 1.20 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.8, 183.7, 169.3, 154.2, 148.7, 148.3, 141.3, 139.1, 136.6, 131.1, 127.9, 126.3, 125.9, 124.7, 124.1, 123.82, 123.77, 121.9, 119.8, 53.2, 38.0, 34.8, 28.6 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2954, 2925, 2868, 1688, 1641, 1582, 1501, 1444, 1417, 1341, 1322, 1290, 1232, 1155, 1107, 1050, 961, 751, 697, 567; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₄H₁₉NO₃S (M⁺) 401.1086, found 401.1082.

6,6-Dimethyl-3-phenyl-2-(py razine-2-carbonyl)-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H***)-on e** (**3ap):** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.86 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.44 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (dd, J = 2.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.11 (m, 5H), 2.94 (s, 2H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.21 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 181.9, 170.0, 149.4, 147.1, 146.5, 144.9, 143.1, 135.0, 130.4 (2C), 129.7, 128.6, 127.6 (2C), 119.8, 53.2, 38.1, 34.9, 28.6 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2961, 2928, 2871, 1691, 1650, 1570, 1542, 1489, 1452, 1421, 1345, 1267, 1164, 1050, 1016, 985, 926, 767, 731, 700, 580; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₈N₂O₃ (M⁺) 346.1317, found 346.1293.

3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-6,6-dimethyl-2-(pyrazine-2-carbonyl)-6,7-dihydrobenzofur an-4(5*H***)-one (3aq):** ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.86 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 2.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 2.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 2.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 2.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 2.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, J = 1.4 H 8.7 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.92 (s, 2H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.20 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 181.8, 170.0, 159.9, 149.6, 146.8, 146.3, 144.8, 143.1, 135.0, 131.9 (2C), 121.5, 119.7, 113.1 (2C), 55.2, 53.1, 38.0, 34.7, 28.5 (2C); FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2959, 1689, 1642, 1610, 1578, 1539, 1500, 1443, 1412, 1341, 1296, 1250, 1172, 1053, 1019, 987, 928, 821, 774, 730, 595, 543; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₂H₂₀N₂O₄ (M⁺) 376.1423, found 376.1425.

2-Picolinoyl-3-*p*-tolyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H*)-one (3ha): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.24 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.06 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.57-2.54 (m, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.24 (quintet, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.5, 183.9, 170.1, 154.3, 148.6, 146.9, 138.0, 136.4, 134.3, 130.2 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.1, 125.8, 123.8, 120.8, 38.9, 24.3, 22.1, 21.3; FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2943, 1679, 1656, 1579, 1543, 1504, 1440, 1426, 1401, 1348, 1263, 1229, 1173, 1066, 1011, 952, 877, 818, 754, 680, 514; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₇NO₃ (M⁺) 331.1208, found 331.1211.

3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(*5H*)-one (**3hd**): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.26 (dt, J = 4.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.65 (td, J = 7.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.03 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.56-2.53 (m, 2H), 2.22 (quintet, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.6, 183.8, 170.2, 159.6, 154.3, 148.6, 146.8, 136.5, 134.0, 131.7 (2C), 125.9, 123.8, 122.2, 120.7, 112.9 (2C), 55.2, 38.9, 24.2, 22.0; FT-IR (KBr) ν/cm^{-1} 2942, 1680, 1650, 1614, 1541, 1504, 1440, 1403, 1349, 1296, 1264, 1250, 1171, 1067, 1035, 1011, 950, 875, 838, 759, 683, 585; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₇NO₄ (M⁺) 347.1158, found 347.1159.

3-(4-Nitrophenyl)-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H***)-one (3hl): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) \delta 8.28 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (td, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (ddd, J = 7.2, 4.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.60-2.56 (m, 2H), 2.28 (quintet, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) \delta 193.5, 182.7, 170.4, 153.3, 148.2, 147.4, 147.2, 137.6, 137.5, 131.4, 131.3 (2C), 126.9, 124.2, 122.6 (2C), 120.6, 38.7, 24.2, 22.0; FT-IR (KBr) \nu/\text{cm}^{-1} 3110, 3052, 2926, 1682, 1661, 1578, 1515, 1441, 1346, 1294, 1230, 1063, 1013, 948, 855, 747, 698; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for C₂₀H₁₄N₂O₅ (M⁺) 362.0903, found 362.0902.**

3-(3-Nitrophenyl)-2-picolinoyl-6,7-dihydrobenzofuran-4(5*H***)-one (3hm): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) \delta 8.21 (ddd, J = 4.8, 1.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 8.08-8.05 (m, 2H), 7.82 (dt, J = 7.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (td, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (td, J = 7.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (ddd, J = 7.6, 4.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.60-2.56 (m, 2H), 2.28 (quintet, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) \delta 193.6, 183.2, 170.3, 153.8, 148.5, 147.42, 147.38, 137.0, 136.4, 132.3, 131.1, 128.4, 126.6, 125.4, 124.2, 123.0, 120.5, 38.7, 24.2, 22.1; FT-IR (KBr) \nu/cm^{-1}**

3081, 2955, 2877, 1686, 1655, 1582, 1524, 1478, 1445, 1410, 1347, 1229, 1065, 1014, 953, 863, 810, 741, 685; HR-MS (+EI) calcd for $C_{20}H_{14}N_2O_5$ (M⁺) 362.0903, found 362.0905.

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