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**An integration of condensation/ Ullmann-type coupling/ bicyclization sequences:
copper-catalyzed three-component direct synthesis of**

[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-*b*]isoquinolin-5(1*H*)-ones

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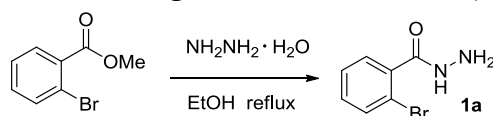
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1. General

All *o*-halogenated benzohydrazides (**1a-1c**, **1e-1h**), aldehydes (**2a-2o**), nitriles (**3a-3c**) and other reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. *o*-halogenated benzohydrazides (**1a-1h**) could also be prepared from methyl 2-bromobenzoates according to the classical hydrazinolysis. Dimethyl Sulphoxide (DMSO) was distilled from calcium hydride. TLC analysis was performed using pre-coated glass plates. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (200-300 mesh). IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer PE-983 infrared spectrometer as KBr pellets with absorption in cm^{-1} . ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Mercury 400 or 600 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm, relative to the internal standard of tetramethylsilane (TMS). HRMS were obtained on an Apex-Ultra MS equipped with an electrospray source. Melting points were determined using XT-4 apparatus and not corrected.

2. Experimental procedures and characterizations of substrates

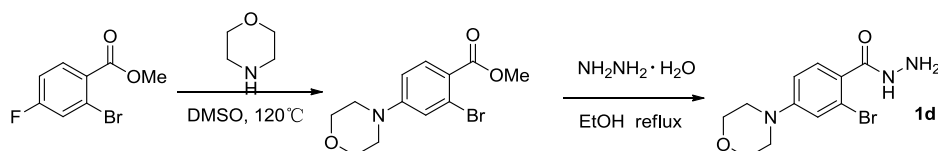
2.1 Synthesis of substrates **1** according to the related article¹. (**1a** as an example)



A solution of methyl 2-bromobenzoate (10mmol, 2.15g) and (85%) hydrazine hydrate (200mmol, 11.76g) was refluxed at 80 °C for 3 hours. The solvent (EtOH) was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was extracted with EtOAc three times. The combined organic solvent was dried (Na_2SO_4) and concentrated. The crude product was then recrystallized from EtOH. Compound **1a** was obtained as a white solid (1.85g, 86% yield).

The other substrates **1b-1c**, **1e-1h** were prepared according to the above procedure.

2.2 Synthesis of substrates **1d**.



Methyl 2-bromo-4-fluorobenzoate (1.16 g, 5 mmol, 1 equiv) and morpholine (2.18 mL, 25 mmol, 5 equiv) were dissolved in DMSO (5 mL), and the solution was stirred at 120 °C for 1 hour. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was partitioned between EtOAc and H_2O . The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 times). The combined organic extracts were dried (Na_2SO_4), filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by flash chromatography using EtOAc/Petroleum ether (1:20) afforded 1.39 g of an off-white solid (93%)². Then substrates **1d** were prepared according to the above procedure.

2. Synthesis of 4aa-4ap, 4ba-4ja

2.1. General procedure for preparation of **4** (4aa as an example)

General procedure: A sealed tube was charged with 2-bromobenzohydrazide **1a** (107 mg, 0.5 mmol), benzaldehyde **2a** (53 mg, 0.5 mmol), methyl 2-cyanoacetate **3a** (49.5 mg, 0.5 mmol), Cu_2O (7.6 mg, 0.05mmol) and K_2CO_3 (103.5 mg, 0.75mmol) at room temperature, and then dried solvent DMSO (3 mL) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred at 100 °C in a sealed vessel under air, after disappearance of the reactant (monitored by TLC), then added 50mL water to the mixture, extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with

30% NaCl solution (V/V), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (chloroform / methyl alcohol = 30:1) to yield the desired product **4aa** as a yellow solid (92% yield).

3. Optimization of the Reaction Conditions

4. Molecular Structure and Crystallographic Data

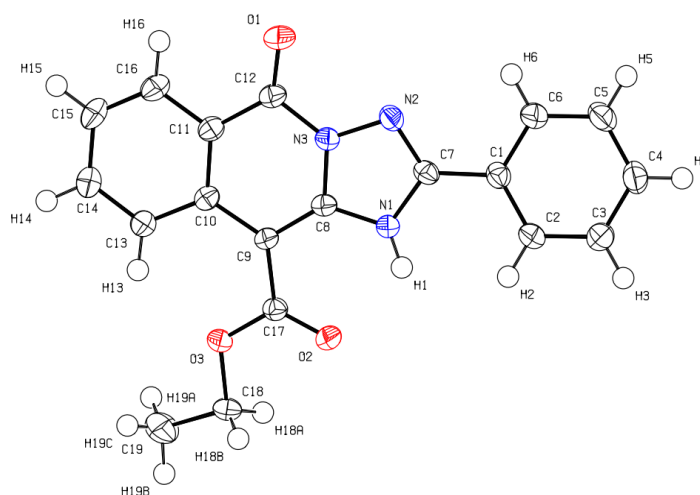


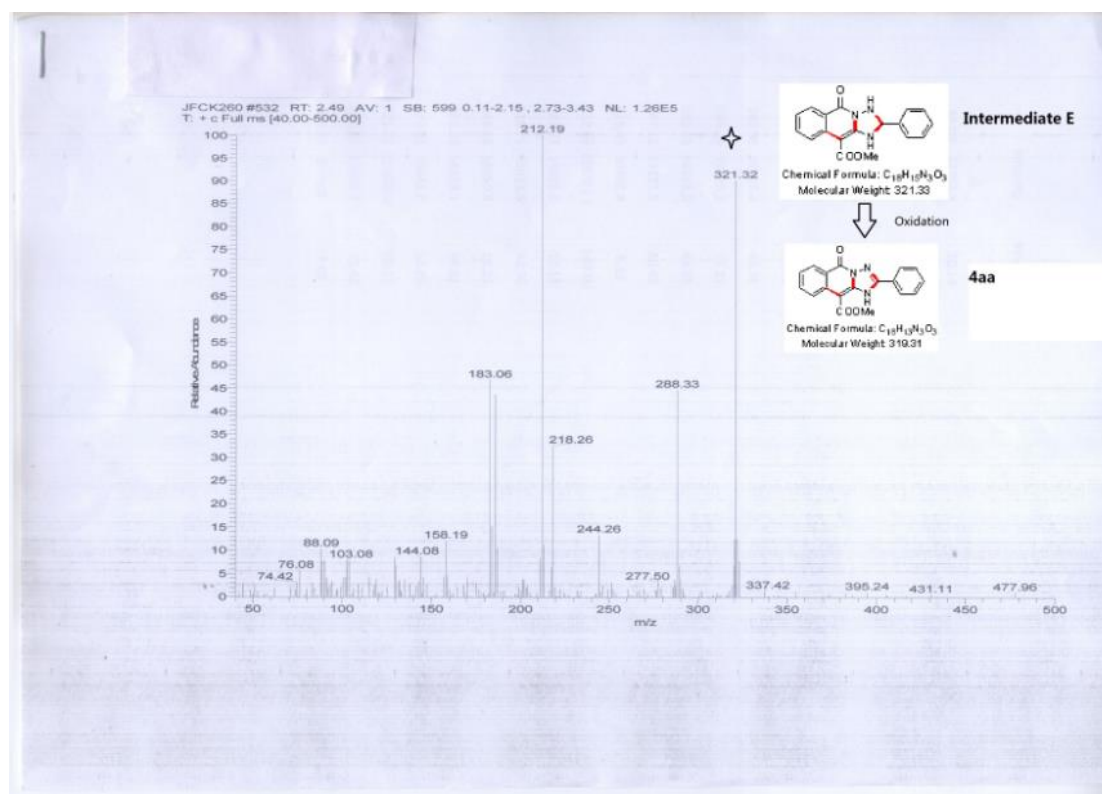
Figure S1 X-ray crystal structure of **4ga**.

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for compound **4ga** (CCDC: 972885)

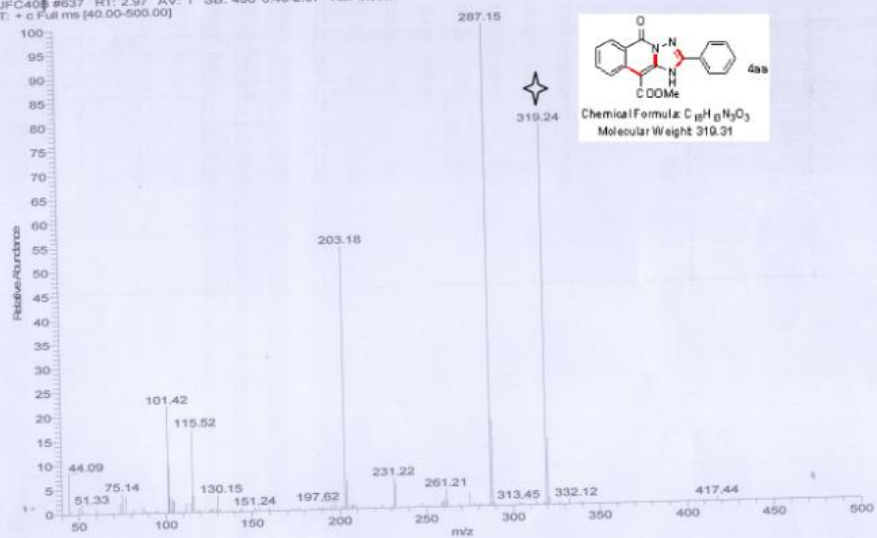
Empirical formula	C ₁₉ H ₁₅ N ₃ O ₃		Absorption coefficient	0.100 mm ⁻¹
Formula weight	333.34		F(000)	1392
Temperature	100(2) K		Crystal size	0.23 x 0.20 x 0.20 mm ³
Wavelength	0.71073 Å		Reflections collected	13809
Crystal system	Monoclinic		Independent reflections	4495 [R(int) = 0.0776]
Space group	C2/c		Max. and min. transmission	0.9803 and 0.9774
Unit cell dimensions	a = 18.370 Å	α = 90°	Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
	b = 6.849 Å	β = 91.718°	Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.049
	c = 24.489 Å	γ = 90°	Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0433, wR2 = 0.1159
Volume	3080.0 Å ³		R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0528, wR2 = 0.1216
Z	8		Largest diff. peak and hole	0.412 and -0.338 e. ⁻³
Density (calculated)	1.438 Mg/m ³			

5. The MS Spectra of possible intermediate E and 4aa

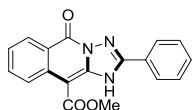
2-bromobenzohydrazid **1a**, benzaldehyde **2a** and methyl 2-cyanoacetate **3a** were heating in DMSO at 60 °C under Ar atmosphere for 6 h. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc. Then the extract was detected by MS and corresponding spectra is illustrated in the following figure. Notably, intermediate E is not suitable to purification by column chromatography and easily transformed into **4aa** under air. The MS Spectra of **4aa** was also detected as shown in the figure below.



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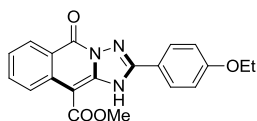
6. Spectral data of compound 4aa-4ap, 4ba-4ha.



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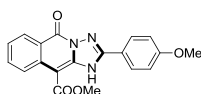
5-oxo-2-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate

(4aa): yellow solid, mp 137-139 °C; IR (KBr): 3449, 1701, 1659, 1611, 1590, 1552, 1480, 1456, 1434, 1296, 1196, 1155, 1028 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.46 (s, 1H), 8.60 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.54 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.51 (m, 3H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.6, 156.3, 150.7, 146.3, 134.6, 133.1, 132.3, 129.2, 128.4, 126.9, 124.1, 123.8, 123.6, 119.6, 82.5, 51.8; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₄N₃O₃: 320.1030; found: 320.1031.



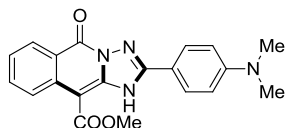
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2-(4-ethoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ab): yellow solid, mp 97-99 °C; IR (KBr): 3503, 1691, 1653, 1611, 1508, 1482, 1443, 1297, 1258, 1177, 1155, 1030 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 12.54 (s, 1H), 8.91 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.33 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.10-4.07 (m, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 1.35 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 164.9, 161.4, 155.6, 151.9, 145.9, 135.6, 132.8, 129.9, 127.3, 123.8, 123.2, 118.6, 116.4, 114.6, 81.8, 63.6, 51.4, 14.6; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₈N₃O₄: 364.1292; found: 364.1296.



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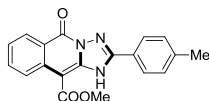
2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ac): yellow solid; mp 199-201 °C; IR (KBr): 3438, 1705, 1655, 1607, 1508, 1484, 1452, 1299, 1254, 1181, 1156, 1031 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.33 (s, 1H), 8.59 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.52 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.98 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 164.8, 162.0, 155.50, 151.8, 145.9, 135.5, 132.7, 129.9, 127.2, 123.7, 123.0, 118.6, 116.6, 114.2, 81.7, 55.5, 51.3; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₁₆N₃O₄: 350.1135; found: 350.1130.



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2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-5-oxo-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ad): yellow solid; >300 °C; IR (KBr): 3436, 1656, 1608, 1516, 1485, 1441, 1300, 1197, 1153, 1036 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.26 (s,

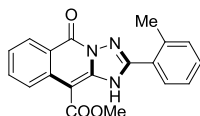
1H), 8.70 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.60 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.69 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 4.06 (s, 3H), 2.97 (s, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 167.8, 156.5, 152.4, 151.3, 146.4, 134.7, 132.9, 128.4, 128.1, 124.2, 123.4, 119.7, 111.3, 109.9, 82.4, 51.8, 39.8$; HRMS (ESI): m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$: 363.1452; found: 363.1458.



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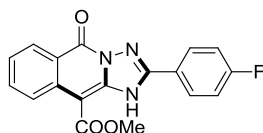
(4ae): yellow solid; mp 155-157 °C; IR (KBr): 3447, 1706, 1655, 1611, 1483, 1440, 1295, 1192, 1155, 1031 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 11.49$ (s, 1H), 8.69 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.60 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.70 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 4.05 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 167.4, 156.2, 150.7, 146.1, 143.0, 134.5, 132.9, 129.7, 128.2, 126.7, 124.0, 123.4, 120.8, 119.5, 82.4, 51.7, 21.4$; HRMS (ESI): m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$: 334.1186; found: 334.1189.



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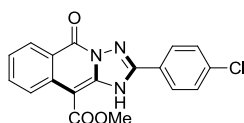
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(4af): yellow solid; mp 187-189 °C; IR (KBr): 3457, 1699, 1651, 1610, 1550, 1482, 1434, 1296, 1198, 1159, 1025 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 11.51$ (s, 1H), 8.73-8.71 (m, 1H), 8.58 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.75 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 4.02 (s, 3H), 2.65 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 167.5, 156.4, 151.2, 145.9, 137.9, 134.8, 133.2, 131.7, 131.6, 129.2, 128.4, 126.3, 124.2, 123.54, 123.51, 119.6, 82.4, 51.8, 21.1$; HRMS (ESI): m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$: 334.1186; found: 334.1192.



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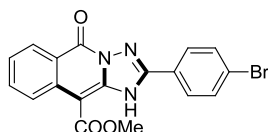
2-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ag): brown solid; mp 215-217 °C; IR (KBr): 3423, 1705, 1643, 1612, 1508, 1483, 1441, 1295, 1227, 1195, 1157, 1029 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): $\delta = 12.81$ (s, 1H), 8.94-8.92 (m, 1H), 8.34-8.32 (m, 1H), 8.23-8.20 (m, 2H), 7.74-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.36 (m, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 167.4, 166.2, 163.7, 156.3, 150.1, 146.2, 134.6, 133.1, 129.5, 129.4, 128.2, 124.2, 123.6, 120.2, 119.4, 116.6, 116.3, 82.7, 51.7$; HRMS (ESI): m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{13}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_3$: 338.0936; found: 338.0942.



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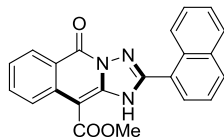
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ylate (4ah): brown solid; mp 115-117 °C; IR (KBr): 3437, 1708, 1641, 1609, 1546, 1482, 1437, 1294, 1198, 1155, 1089, 1031, 1014 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 12.78 (s, 1H), 8.86 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 3H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 164.7, 155.5, 151.2, 145.9, 136.7, 135.5, 132.7, 130.0, 128.9, 127.2, 123.7, 123.5, 123.1, 118.5, 81.9, 51.3; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃ClN₃O₃: 354.0640; found: 354.0642.



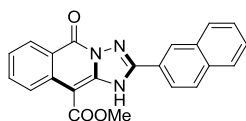
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2-(4-bromophenyl)-5-oxo-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ai): brown solid; mp 159-161 °C; IR (KBr): 3444, 1701, 1667, 1610, 1487, 1431, 1310, 1191, 1021 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 12.76 (s, 1H), 8.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 164.8, 155.5, 151.4, 146.0, 135.5, 132.8, 131.9, 130.2, 127.3, 125.7, 123.8, 123.1, 118.6, 109.3, 81.9, 51.3; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₂BrN₃O₃Na: 419.9954; found: 419.9959.



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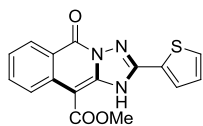
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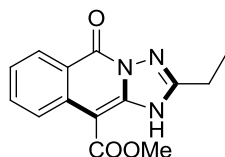
2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-5-oxo-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ak): brown solid; mp >300 °C; IR (KBr): 3299, 1694, 1650, 1601, 1553, 1485, 1439, 1353, 1310, 1207, 1180, 1162, 1030 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 12.93 (s, 1H), 8.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.87 (s, 1H), 8.38 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.68-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 164.9, 155.6, 152.1, 146.1, 135.6, 134.1, 132.8, 132.1, 128.9, 128.8,

128.5, 128.1, 127.8, 127.3, 127.2, 124.2, 123.8, 123.1, 121.8, 118.6, 81.9, 51.4; HRMS (ESI): m/z $[M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{22}H_{16}N_3O_3$: 370.1186; found: 370.1193.



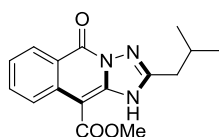
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5-oxo-2-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4al): yellow solid; mp 97-99 °C; IR (KBr): 3472, 1679, 1640, 1609, 1483, 1447, 1314, 1195, 1174, 1028 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 12.95 (s, 1H), 8.90 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.34-8.32 (m, 2H), 7.99-7.97 (m, 1H), 7.73 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.33 (m, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 164.9, 155.4, 147.8, 145.8, 135.4, 132.8, 132.4, 131.7, 128.3, 127.2, 126.0, 123.8, 123.1, 118.6, 81.9, 51.3; HRMS (ESI): m/z $[M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{16}H_{12}N_3O_3S$: 326.0594; found: 326.0598.



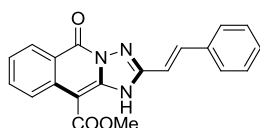
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2-ethyl-5-oxo-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4am): brown solid; mp 207-209 °C; IR (KBr): 3507, 1686, 1638, 1611, 1487, 1448, 1312, 1185, 1134, 1034 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 11.16 (s, 1H), 8.72 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 8.59 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 2.98-2.94 (m, 2H), 1.48 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 166.4, 156.4, 155.4, 145.5, 135.1, 132.8, 127.7, 124.0, 123.2, 118.9, 82.6, 51.3, 19.5, 10.8; HRMS (ESI): m/z $[M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{14}H_{14}N_3O_3$: 272.1030; found: 272.1028.



methyl

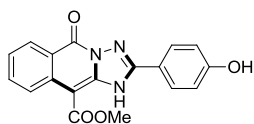
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(E)-methyl

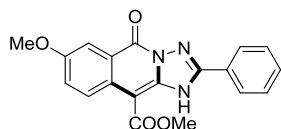
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1030 ;cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 12.75 (s, 1H), 8.91 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.33 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 7.48-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 164.9, 155.5, 151.1, 145.5, 139.2, 135.4, 134.8, 132.7, 129.9, 129.0, 127.5, 127.3, 123.8, 122.9, 118.5, 111.6, 81.4, 51.2 ; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₆N₃O₃: 346.1186; found: 346.1183.



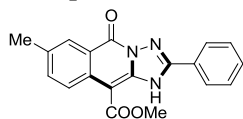
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2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-5-oxo-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ap): yellow solid, mp >300 °C; IR (KBr): 3242, 1676, 1653, 1611, 1515, 1484, 1443, 1312, 1279, 1207, 1177, 1025 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 12.31 (s, 1H), 10.34 (s, 1H), 8.74 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 7.8 , 2H), 7.60-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 164.8, 160.8, 155.5, 152.1, 145.8, 135.4, 132.5, 130.0, 127.1, 123.7, 122.9, 118.6, 115.7, 115.1, 81.7, 51.3 ; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₄N₃O₄: 336.0979; found: 336.0983.



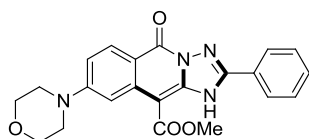
methyl

7-methoxy-5-oxo-2-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ba): brown solid; mp 149-151 °C; IR (KBr): 3448, 1726, 1697, 1644, 1605, 1555, 1497, 1447, 1312, 1154, 1024 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 12.73 (s, 1H), 8.91 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 164.7, 155.2, 155.0, 152.0, 144.5, 131.9, 129.6, 128.8, 128.3, 125.6, 124.7, 123.1, 119.6, 106.4, 81.7, 55.1, 51.3; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₁₅N₃O₄Na: 372.0955; found: 372.0956.



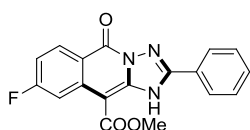
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7-methyl-5-oxo-2-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ca): yellow solid; mp 133-135 °C; IR (KBr): 3435, 1705, 1655, 1617, 1594, 1500, 1456, 1300, 1213, 1148, 1028 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 12.57 (s, 1H), 8.72 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.65 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 167.8, 155.4, 151.9, 145.3, 134.3, 133.2, 132.4, 131.9, 128.8, 128.2, 126.4, 124.6, 123.7, 118.6, 81.7, 51.3, 20.5; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₁₆N₃O₃: 334.1186; found: 334.1192.



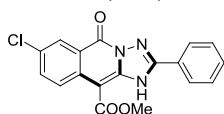
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8-morpholino-5-oxo-2-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4da): brown solid; mp 235-237 °C; IR (KBr): 3435, 1688, 1645, 1607, 1496, 1457, 1298, 1236, 1154, 1121, 1031 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.36 (s, 1H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (s, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (s, 3H), 3.89-3.85 (m, 4H), 3.39-3.35 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 165.0, 155.1, 154.1, 151.6, 146.4, 137.5, 131.8, 128.9, 128.7, 128.2, 124.8, 112.5, 110.8, 105.2, 81.1, 66.0, 51.3, 47.2; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₁N₄O₄: 405.1557; found: 405.1562.



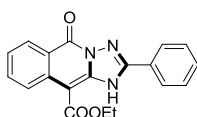
methyl

8-fluoro-5-oxo-2-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ea): yellow solid; >300 °C; IR (KBr): 3485, 1683, 1643, 1616, 1552, 1500, 1476, 1409, 1320, 1262, 1226, 1181, 1102, 1029 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.60 (s, 1H), 8.63 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.40-8.35 (m, 1H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.4, 164.8, 155.6, 150.9, 147.1, 137.2, 137.0, 132.5, 131.7, 131.6, 129.3, 127.0, 123.8, 116.5, 112.7, 112.5, 109.8, 109.6, 82.4, 51.9; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃FN₃O₃: 338.0935; found: 338.0935.



methyl

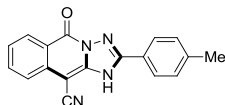
7-chloro-5-oxo-2-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4fa): yellow solid; >300 °C; IR (KBr): 3417, 1716, 1689, 1625, 1487, 1455, 1316, 1287, 1179, 1025 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 12.87 (s, 1H), 8.89 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 164.4, 154.5, 152.5, 145.9, 134.2, 132.6, 132.0, 128.8, 128.4, 127.5, 126.0, 125.7, 124.5, 119.6, 81.8, 51.4; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₃ClN₃O₃: 354.0640; found: 354.0643.



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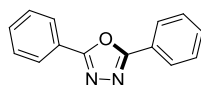
5-oxo-2-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carboxylate (4ga): yellow solid; mp 236-238 °C; IR (KBr): 3439, 1691, 1648, 1610, 1552, 1479, 1451, 1369, 1307, 1180, 1157, 1028 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.59 (s, 1H), 8.74 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.61 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.53-4.49 (m, 2H), 1.53 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ =

164.8, 155.6, 152.2, 146.2, 135.5, 132.9, 132.0, 128.9, 128.2, 127.3, 124.6, 123.9, 123.2, 118.7, 82.2, 60.0, 14.6; HRMS (ESI): m/z $[M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{19}H_{16}N_3O_3$: 334.1186; found: 334.1187.



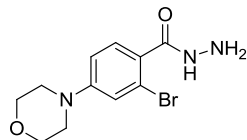
5-oxo-2-(p-tolyl)-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline-10-carbonitrile

(4ha): yellow solid, mp >300 °C; IR (KBr): 3462, 2206, 1610, 1580, 1536, 1488, 1419, 1369, 1052, 1027 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 8.26 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 162.0, 157.0, 154.4, 139.7, 137.7, 131.9, 129.2, 128.3, 127.7, 127.2, 121.5, 120.2, 119.8, 115.2, 63.3, 21.1; HRMS (ESI): m/z $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{18}H_{12}N_4ONa$: 323.0903; found: 323.0908.



2,5-diphenyl-1,3,4-oxadiazole³

white solid; mp 139-141 °C; IR (KBr): 1547, 1480, 1444, 1264, 1069, 1024 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 8.20-8.12 (m, 4H), 7.58-7.51 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 164.4, 131.6, 128.9, 126.8, 123.8. HRMS (ESI): m/z $[M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{14}H_{11}N_2O$: 223.0866; found: 223.0867.



2-bromo-4-morpholinobenzohydrazide

colourless solid; mp 207-209 °C; IR (KBr): 3317, 3275, 2962, 2837, 1601, 1527, 1494, 1453, 1384, 1335, 1307, 1239, 1120, 1026 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 9.47-9.27 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.12-7.08 (m, 1H), 6.94 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.40-4.36 (m, 2H), 3.83-3.52 (m, 4H), 3.24-2.98 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 166.6, 152.4, 129.8, 126.9, 120.7, 118.0, 113.0, 65.8, 47.4. HRMS (ESI): m/z $[M + H]^+$ calcd for $C_{11}H_{15}BrN_3O_2$: 300.0342; found: 300.0342.

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8. Appendix: spectral copies of ^1H NMR, and ^{13}C NMR

