

Supporting Information

Efficient imidation of C(sp³)-H bonds adjacent to oxygen atoms of aryl ether under metal-free condition

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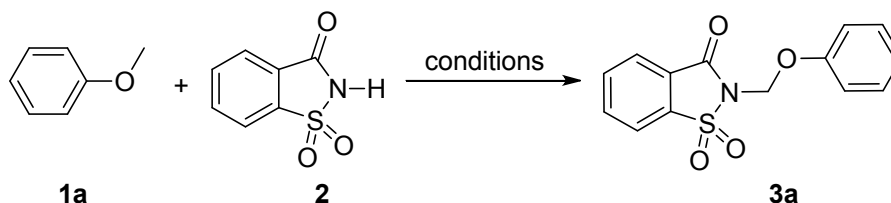
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I. General Remarks:

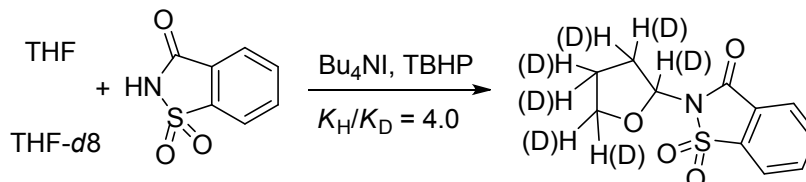
Unless otherwise stated, all commercial reagents and solvents were used without additional purification. All the reactions were carried out under air atmosphere. ^1H NMR spectra were recorded at 25°C on a Bruker Ascend™ 400 spectrometer, ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded at 25°C on a Bruker 100 MHz, and TMS as internal standard. Melting points were obtained with a micro melting point XT4A Beijing Keyi electrooptic apparatus and are uncorrected. HRMS data were obtained on a Waters LCT Premierxe™ (USA). All reactions were monitored by TLC with Taizhou GF254 silica gel coated plates. Flash column chromatography was carried out using 300-400 mesh silica gel at increased pressure.

II. General procedure for the synthesis of 3 and 5 (1a as an example).

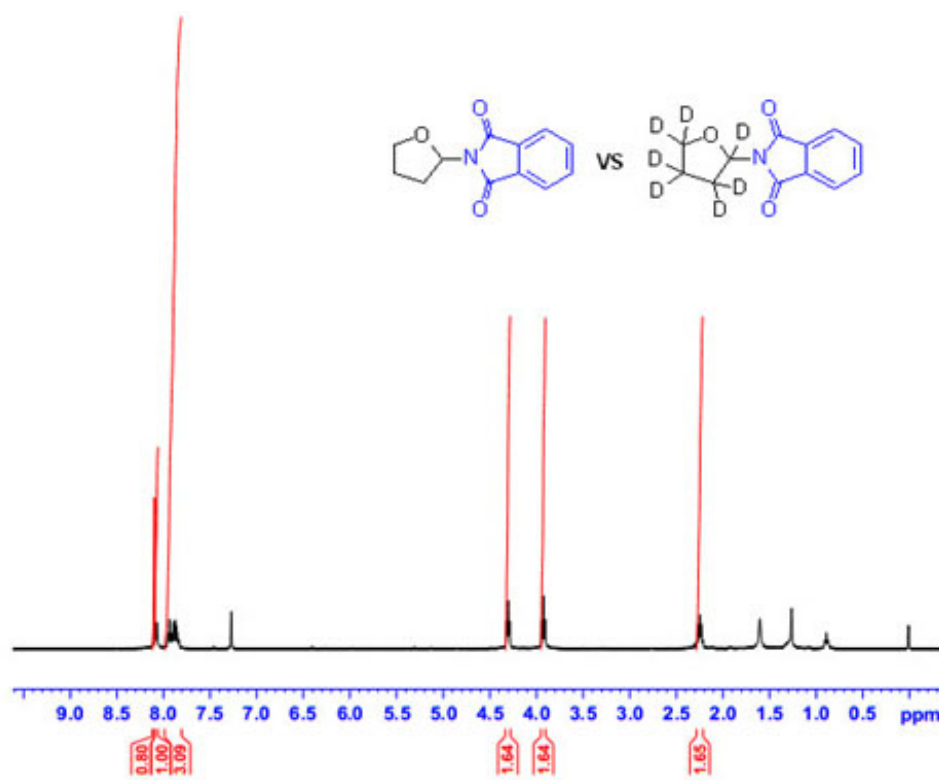


Anisole **1a** (54.0 mg, 0.5 mmol), saccharin **2** (183.0 mg, 1.0 mmol) were added to Bu₄NI (18.5 mg, 0.05 mmol) and TBHP (180.2 mg, 2.0 mmol) solution. The mixture was stirred at 120 °C for 8.0-12.0 h (monitored by TLC), quenched with water, extracted with dichloromethane (5 × 3 mL), and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by a shot flash silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/petro ether=1:6) to give compound **3a** as a white solid (127.2 mg, 88%).

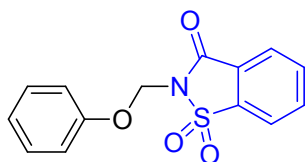
III. The Kinetic Isotope Effect Experiment



Reaction conditions: The mixture of THF (0.25 mmol), THF-*d*8 (0.25 mmol), saccharin (1.0 mmol), Bu₄NI (0.05 mmol) and TBHP (2.0 mmol) was stirred at 120 °C under air atmosphere for 6 h. There is a high kinetic isotope effect ($K_{\text{H}}/K_{\text{D}} = 4.0$) in the deuterated experiment between THF and THF-*d*8.

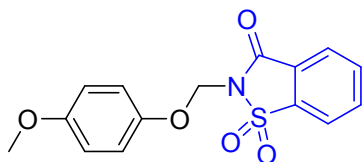


IV. Analytical data of products obtained in this study



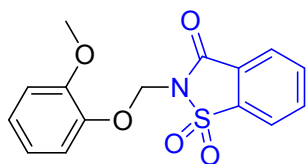
2-(3-oxo-3-phenylpropyl)benzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 3a

White solid. Mp: **113-115** °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl_3): δ = 5.84 (s, 2H), 7.07 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.85-7.94 (m, 3H), 7.95-8.11 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl_3): δ = 67.2, 116.7, 121.0, 121.2, 123.1, 125.7, 126.7, 129.6, 134.5, 137.8, 155.9, 158.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$, $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 290.0487; Found 290.0485.



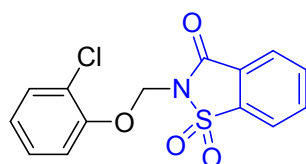
2-((4-methoxyphenoxy)methyl)benzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 3b

White solid. Mp: **130-132** °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl_3): δ = 3.77 (s, 3H), 5.76 (s, 2H), 6.85 (dd, J_1 = 1.2 Hz, J_2 = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.87-7.11 (m, 2H), 7.83-7.85 (m, 3H), 7.89 (dd, J_1 = 2.0 Hz, J_2 = 6.8 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl_3): δ = 55.6, 68.2, 114.7, 118.7, 121.1, 125.7, 126.7, 134.5, 135.4, 137.9, 149.9, 155.7, 158.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$, $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 320.0593; Found 320.0597.



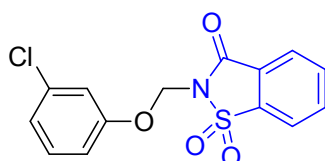
2-((2-methoxyphenoxy)methyl)benzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 3c

White solid. Mp: 137-139 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 3.91 (s, 3H), 5.83 (s, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (*J*₁ = 1.6 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.84-7.94 (m, 3H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 55.9, 68.8, 112.6, 120.9, 121.1, 125.0, 125.6, 126.7, 134.4, 135.3, 137.9, 144.9, 151.6, 158.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₅H₁₃NO₅S, [M+H]⁺ 320.0593; Found 320.0591.



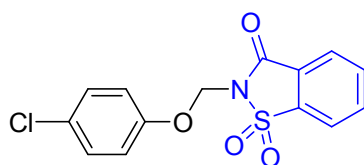
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White solid. Mp: 193-195 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 5.84 (s, 2H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.41 (dd, *J*₁ = 1.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87-7.91 (m, 3H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 68.2, 119.0, 121.2, 124.7, 125.6, 125.8, 126.5, 127.8, 130.7, 134.5, 135.5, 137.8, 152.0, 158.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₀ClNO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 324.0097; Found 324.0095.



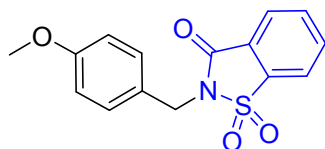
2-((3-chlorophenoxy)methyl)benzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 3e

White solid. Mp: 196-199 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 5.81 (s, 2H), 7.05 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.4 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88-7.93 (m, 3H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 67.0, 114.7, 117.4, 121.2, 123.3, 125.8, 126.6, 130.4, 134.6, 135.0, 135.5, 137.8, 156.6, 158.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₀ClNO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 324.0097; Found 324.0092.



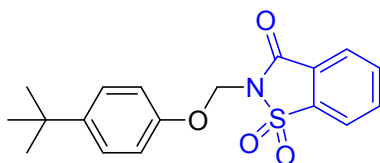
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White solid. Mp: 192-194 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 5.81 (s, 2H), 7.08 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.4 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.87-7.91 (m, 3H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 67.4, 118.3, 121.2, 125.8, 126.5, 128.3, 129.6, 134.6, 135.5, 137.8, 154.5, 158.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₀ClNO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 324.0097; Found 324.0091.



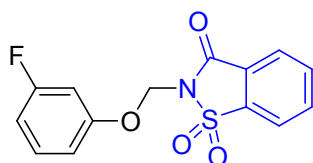
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White solid. Mp: 150-152 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 3.80 (s, 3H), 4.87 (s, 2H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.82-7.86 (m, 3H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 42.3, 55.2, 114.1, 121.0, 125.2, 126.6, 127.4, 130.4, 134.3, 134.7, 137.8, 158.8, 159.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₅H₁₃NO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 304.0644; Found 304.0639.



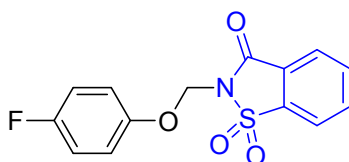
2-((4-(tert-butyl)phenoxy)methyl)benzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 3h

White solid. Mp: 164-166 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 1.30 (s, 9H), 5.82 (s, 2H), 7.07 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 7.84-7.88 (m, 3H), 7.90 (dd, *J*₁ = 1.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 31.4, 34.2, 67.3, 115.9, 121.2, 125.7, 126.4, 126.7, 134.5, 135.4, 137.9, 145.7, 153.7, 158.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₈H₁₉NO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 346.1113; Found 346.1117.



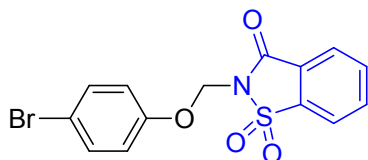
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White solid. Mp: 148-150 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 5.82 (s, 2H), 6.68-6.88 (m, 1H), 6.89-6.96 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.86-7.93 (m, 3H), 7.95-8.01 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 67.0, 104.5, 104.8, 109.8, 110.0, 112.0, 121.2, 125.8, 126.6, 130.4, 130.5, 134.6, 135.0, 135.5, 137.8, 157.1, 157.2, 158.5, 162.2, 164.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₀FNO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 308.0393; Found 308.0391.



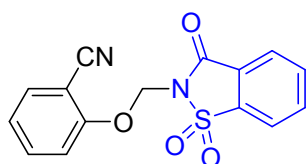
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White solid. Mp: 108-110 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 5.78 (s, 2H), 6.97-7.02 (m, 2H), 7.09-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.86-7.92 (m, 3H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 68.1, 116.0, 116.2, 118.6, 118.7, 121.2, 125.7, 126.5, 134.6, 135.5, 137.8, 151.9, 157.6, 158.6, 159.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₀FNO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 308.0393; Found 308.0389.



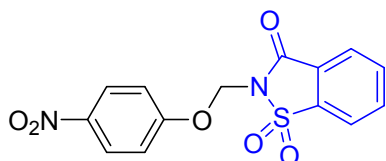
2-((4-bromophenoxy)methyl)benzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 3k

White solid. Mp: 167-170 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 5.81 (s, 2H), 7.05 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.4 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.85-7.91 (m, 3H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 67.2, 115.7, 118.7, 121.2, 125.8, 126.5, 132.6, 134.6, 135.5, 137.8, 155.0, 158.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₀BrNO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 367.9592; Found 367.9596.



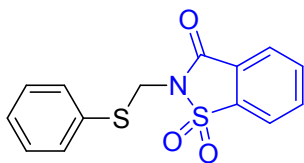
2-((1,1-dioxido-3-oxobenzo[d]isothiazol-2(3H)-yl)methoxy)benzonitrile 3l

White solid. Mp: 116-118 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 5.93 (s, 2H), 7.13-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.63 (m, 3H), 7.87 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 67.3, 104.4, 115.4, 115.6, 121.3, 123.3, 125.9, 126.4, 134.1, 134.2, 134.6, 135.7, 137.8, 157.6, 158.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₅H₁₀N₂O₄S, [M+H]⁺ 315.0440; Found 315.0445.



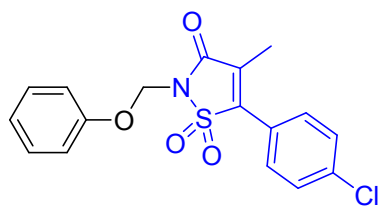
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White solid. Mp: 207-209 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 5.92 (s, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.90-7.95 (m, 3H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 8.12-8.26 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 67.0, 114.8, 117.4, 121.2, 123.3, 125.8, 126.6, 133.4, 134.6, 135.0, 135.5, 156.6, 158.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₁N₂O₆S, [M+H]⁺ 335.0338; Found 335.0386.



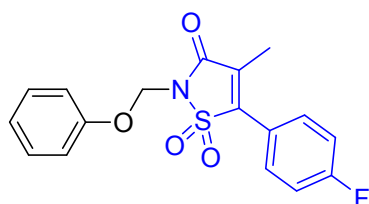
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White solid. Mp: 110-112 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 5.17 (s, 2H), 7.33-7.60 (m, 3H), 7.62 (dd, *J*₁ = 1.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.83-7.91 (m, 3H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 44.4, 121.0, 125.4, 126.9, 127.4, 128.4, 129.4, 132.8, 134.4, 135.0, 137.9, 158.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₂NO₃S₂, [M+H]⁺ 306.0259; Found 306.0255.



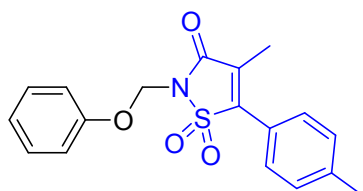
5-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-methyl-2-(phenoxymethyl)isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 3p

White solid. Mp: 76-79 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 2.19 (s, 3H), 5.75 (s, 2H), 7.08 (t, *J*=7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J*= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.32-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.51-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.64 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 10.2, 67.6, 116.6, 122.9, 123.1, 129.7, 129.8, 129.9, 130.3, 130.4, 132.3, 138.2, 144.4, 155.9, 160.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₇H₁₅NC₁₀O₄S, [M+H]⁺ 364.0410; Found 364.0419.



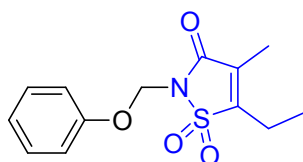
5-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-methyl-2-(phenoxymethyl)isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 3q

White solid. Mp: 81-84 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 2.19 (s, 3H), 5.75 (s, 2H), 7.08 (t, *J*=7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J*= 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.15-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.67-7.70 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 10.2, 67.6, 116.6, 116.8, 117.0, 120.6, 123.1, 129.7, 131.4, 131.5, 131.9, 144.5, 155.9, 160.7, 163.2, 165.7. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₇H₁₅NFO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 348.0706; Found 348.0701.



4-methyl-2-(phenoxymethyl)-5-(p-tolyl)isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 3r

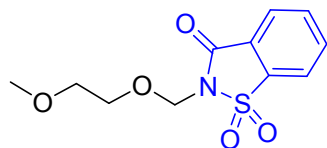
White solid. Mp: 73-76 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 2.20 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 5.75 (s, 2H), 7.08 (t, *J*=7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J*= 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J*= 6.0 Hz, 3H), 7.58 (d, *J*= 8.0 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 10.3, 21.6, 67.5, 116.6, 121.6, 122.9, 128.9, 129.0, 129.6, 130.1, 130.9, 142.3, 145.5, 156.0, 161.1. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₈H₁₈NO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 344.0957; Found 344.0952.



5-ethyl-4-methyl-2-(phenoxymethyl)isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 3s

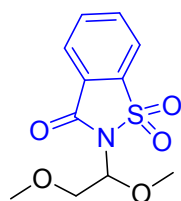
White solid. Mp: 55-57 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 1.36 (t, *J*= 6.0 Hz, 3H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 2.70 (q, *J*= 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.66 (s, 2H), 7.08 (d, *J*= 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J*= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30-7.34 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 8.8, 12.1, 17.6, 67.3, 116.5, 122.9, 129.6, 132.1,

148.6, 155.9, 160.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₃H₁₆NO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 282.0800; Found 282.0801.



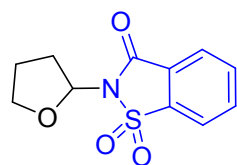
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White solid. Mp: 105-107 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 3.38 (s, 3H), 3.58-3.60 (m, 2H), 3.83-3.85 (m, 2H), 5.36 (s, 2H), 7.87-7.90 (m, 3H), 7.93 (dd, *J*₁ = 1.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 59.0, 69.4, 70.0, 71.4, 121.1, 125.5, 126.9, 134.5, 135.3, 137.9, 159.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₁H₁₃NO₅S, [M+H]⁺ 272.0593; Found 272.0599.



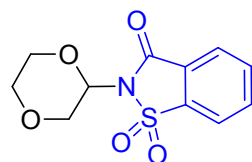
2-(1,2-dimethoxyethyl)benzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 5a'

White solid. Mp: 90-92 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 3.45 (s, 3H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 3.97 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 5.62 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85-7.94 (m, 3H), 8.08 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 57.7, 59.4, 71.6, 85.6, 120.8, 125.5, 126.6, 134.3, 135.1, 138.1, 159.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₁H₁₃NO₅S, [M+H]⁺ 272.0593; Found 272.0596.



2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)benzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 5b

White solid. Mp: 107-110 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 2.25 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.31 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 7.86-7.95 (m, 3H), 8.10 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 27.4, 36.0, 60.8, 121.0, 125.2, 127.3, 134.4, 134.9, 137.7, 158.9, 160.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₁H₁₁NO₄S, [M+H]⁺ 254.0487; Found 254.0481.



2-(1,4-dioxan-2-yl)benzo[d]isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide 5c

White solid. Mp: 161-163 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 3.79-3.93 (m, 2H), 4.02 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.36 (m, 1H), 5.70 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.85-7.93 (m, 3H), 8.07 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl₃): δ = 65.9, 66.5, 66.7, 78.9, 120.9, 125.5, 126.4, 134.4, 135.3, 137.9, 158.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₁H₁₁NO₅S, [M+H]⁺ 270.0436; Found 270.0433.

V. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra copies of compounds 3, 5 and H.

