Palladium-catalysed Cyclisation of Vinylethylene Carbonates and Anhydrides: A New Approach to Diverse Medium-sized Bislactones

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1. General Information

General Procedures

- All reactions were performed in oven-dried or flame-dried reaction vessels, modified Schlenk flasks, or round-bottom flasks. The flasks were fitted with Teflon screw caps and reactions were conducted under an atmosphere of argon if needed. Gas-tight syringes with stainless steel needles were used to transfer air- and moisture-sensitive liquids. All moisture and/or air sensitive solid compounds were manipulated inside normal desiccators. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel (40–63 µm, 230–400 mesh).
- Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on silica gel 60 F₂₅₄ aluminum plates (Merck) containing a 254 nm fluorescent indicator. TLC plates were visualized by exposure to short wave ultraviolet light (254 nm) and I₂.
- Organic solutions were concentrated at 30–50 °C on rotary evaporators at ~10 torr followed by drying on vacuum pump at ~1 torr. Reaction temperatures are reported as the temperature of the bath surrounding the vessel unless otherwise stated.

<u>Materials</u>

• Commercial reagents and solvents were purchased from Adamas-beta, Aldrich Chemical Co., Alfa Aesar, Macklin and Energy Chemical and used as received with the following exceptions: THF, Et₂O and toluene were purified by refluxing over Na-benzophenone under positive argon pressure followed by distillation.¹ The isatoic anhydrides 1² and vinylethylene carbonates 2³ were prepared according to literature procedure.

Instrumentation

- Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H NMR) spectra were recorded with JEOL-600M. Proton chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (δ scale), and are referenced using residual protium in the NMR solvent (CDCl₃: δ 7.26 (CHCl₃)). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift [multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br s = broad singlet), coupling constant(s) (Hz), integration].
- Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C NMR) spectra were recorded with JEOL 150 MHz spectrometers. Carbon chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (δ scale), and are referenced using the carbon resonances of the solvent (δ 77.0 (CHCl₃)). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift [multiplicity (if not singlet), assignment (C_q = fully substituted carbon)].
- High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Waters SYNAPT G2 using an electrospray (ESI) ionisation source.
- Melting points were recorded on WRX-X-4A melting point apparatus.

2. Bioactive Molecules Bearing a (Bis-)Lactone Skeleton and its Synthetic Motivation

The medium-sized lactones including bislactones are prevalent in several bioactive molecules (for deatail, see Figure S1).⁴ However, medium-sized skeletons are rarely found in the current approved drug list. A main reason is probably the difficulty in developing efficient catalytic system to establish diverse medium-sized compound(especially for lactones or bislactones) libraries for drug-leads screening. Therefore, a general protocol for the rapid and diversity-oriented synthesis of medium-sized bislactones in a single-step reaction is significant and highly desirable.



Figure S1. Bioactive molecules bearing a (bis-)lactone skeleton.

3. Optimisation Studies

Table S1. Optimisation of the cyclisation reaction of isatoic anhydride **1a** and VEC **2a** with 10 mol% of the palladium catalyst.^{*a*}



^{*a*} Unless otherwise noted, reactions were performed with 0.10 mmol of **1a**, 0.15 mmol of **2a**, 10 mol% of the palladium catalyst in 1.0 mL of solvent at room temperature for 4 hours, the Pd/ligand complex was pre-prepared with $Pd_2(dba)_3$ ·CHCl₃ and ligand in solvent at rt for 1 h. ^{*b*} Isolated yield. ^{*c*} The reaction was performed for 12 hours. $Pd_2(dba)_3$: tris(dibenzylideneacetone)dipalladium.

Table S2. Optimisation of the cyclisation reaction of isatoic anhydride 1a and VEC 2a with 5 mol% of the palladium catalyst.^{*a*}

O N Me 1a	+ 0 Ph 2a	[Pd] catalyst (5 mol%) solvent, rt, 4 h	Me	0 11 0 3a
MeO	OMe		P	MeO MeO PCy ₂
$Ph_2 \mathbf{P} PPh_2$ $L5 n = 0$ $L6 n = 1$ $L7 n = 2$	he L1	L2	L3	
Entry	[Pd]	Ligand	Solvent	Yield $(\%)^b$
	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	 L1	DCM	28
2	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L2	DCM	14
3 ^c	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L3-8	DCM	<5
4	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L9	DCM	42
5	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10	DCM	62
6^d	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10	DCM	49
7^e	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10	DCM	47
8 ^f	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10	DCM	61
9 g	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10	DCM	59
10	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10/Mg(<i>t</i> BuO) ₂	DCM	58
11	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10 /Al(<i>i</i> PrO) ₃	DCM	62
12	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10 /Ti(<i>i</i> PrO) ₄	DCM	14
13	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10	toluene	95
14	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10	PhCl	68
15	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10	CHCl ₃	56
16 ^c	Pd2(dba)3 CHCl3	L10	MeCN	<5
17 ^c	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10	THF	<5
18 ^f	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	L10	toluene	72
19	$Pd_2(dba)_3$	L10	toluene	49
20	$Pd(OAc)_2$	L10	toluene	59
21	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	-	toluene	-

^{*a*} Unless otherwise noted, reactions were performed with 0.10 mmol of **1a**, 0.15 mmol of **2a**, 5 mol% of the palladium catalyst in 1.0 mL of solvent at room temperature for 4 hours, the Pd/ligand complex was pre-prepared with $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ and ligand in solvent at rt for 1 h. ^{*b*} Isolated yield. ^{*c*} The reaction was performed for 12 hours. ^{*d*} The reaction was performed at 40 °C. ^{*e*} The reaction was performed at 60 °C. ^{*f*} 0.5 mL of solvent was used. ^{*g*} 0.25 mL of solvent was used.

Table S3. Optimisation of the cyclisation reaction of isatoic anhydride 1a and VEC 2a.^a

	$ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ + \\ 0 \\ \end{array} $ $ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ + \\ Ph \end{array} $	[Pd] cat	alyst (x mol%) ← ent, rt, 4 h	C	O O Ph O O Ph O O Ph O O Ph O Ph O O Ph Ph Ph O Ph Ph Ph O Ph Ph Ph Ph Ph Ph Ph Ph
4	a 2a				5a
MeO	P OMe		P		MeO MeO PCy ₂
	ÓMe L1	L2	L	3	L4
$Ph_2 P P P P I$ $L5 n = 0$	Ph ₂ Ph ₂ P F	PPh2	PPh ₂ PPh ₂		PPh ₂ PPh ₂
L6 n = 1 L7 n = 2	L8		L9		L10
Entry	[Pd]	x mol%	Ligand	Solvent	Yield $(\%)^b$
1	Pd(PPh ₃) ₄	5	-	THF	-
2	Pd(PPh ₃) ₄	5	-	MeCN	-
3	Pd(PPh ₃) ₄	5	-	PhCl	-
4	Pd(PPh ₃) ₄	5	-	DCM	<5
5	Pd(PPh ₃) ₄	5	-	toluene	<5
6	Pd(PPh ₃) ₄	5	-	CHCl ₃	
7^c	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	2.5	L1-8	toluene	-
8	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	2.5	L9	toluene	59
9	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	2.5	L10	toluene	80
10	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	2.5	L10	THF	42
11	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	2.5	L10	MeCN	-
12	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	2.5	L10	PhCl	14
13	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	2.5	L10	DCM	-
14	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ ·CHCl ₃	2.5	L10	CHCl ₃	-

^{*a*} Unless otherwise noted, reactions were performed with 0.10 mmol of **4a**, 0.15 mmol of **2a**, 2.5 mol% of the palladium catalyst and 10 mol% of the ligand in 1.0 mL of solvent at room temperature for 4 hours. ^{*b*} Isolated yield. ^{*c*} The reaction was performed for 12 hours.

4. General Procedure for the Cyclisation of Isatoic Anhydrides and VECs

General procedure for the synthesis of 11-membered lactones 3



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube was added $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (2.5 mol%) and XantPhos (10 mol%), after which the tube was evacuated and back-filled with argon three times. Then under the protection of argon, dry toluene (1.0 mL) was added and stirred at room temperature for 30 min. Subsequently, under the protection of argon, isatoic anhydrides **1** (0.10 mmol) and vinylethylene carbonates **2** (0.15 mmol) were added and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. Then the mixture was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ dichloromethane = 3/1, then petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 to 3/1) to afford the corresponding **3** in 68–95% yields, which were dried under vacuum and further analyzed by ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, HRMS, *etc.* Influenced by the flexibility of medium-sized rings, the NMR analysis of the following compounds at room temperature met some spin splitting problems and couldn't provide the clear NMR spectra.

Gram-scale synthesis of the eleven-membered lactone 3a



To an oven-dried 100 mL Schlenk flask, was added $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (0.225 mmol, 0.233 g) and XantPhos (0.90 mmol, 0.521 g), after which the tube was evacuated and back-filled with argon three times. Then under the protection of argon, dry toluene (10 mL) was added and stirred at room temperature for 30 min. Subsequently, under the protection of argon, isatoic anhydride **1a** (6.00 mmol, 1.06 g) and vinylethylene carbonate **2a** (9.00 mmol, 1.71 g) were added and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. Then the mixture was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/

dichloromethane = 3/1, then petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1) to afford **3a** (0.81 g) as white solid in 76% yields.

(Z)-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-di one 3a



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3a** (30.7 mg, m. p. = 115 - 117 °C) in 95% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3a**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.38 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.24 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 6.08 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (br s, 2H), 4.67 (s, 2H), 3.42 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.8, 154.1, 145.7, 141.0, 140.7, 131.2, 130.0, 128.5, 128.1, 127.4, 126.7, 125.4, 124.5, 64.1, 61.5, 38.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₇NO₄+Na⁺: 346.1050, found: 346.1047.

(Z)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2, 9(1H)-dione 3b



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3b** (26.6 mg) in 78% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3b**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.55 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.07 – 7.03 (m, 2H), 6.04 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.8, 162.7 (d, *J* = 245.6 Hz, 1C), 154.0, 144.7, 140.8,

137.1, 131.2, 130.0, 128.6 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1C), 127.4, 125.4, 124.4 (d, *J* = 28.7 Hz, 1C), 115.4 (d, *J* = 21.5 Hz, 1C), 64.3, 61.3, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆FNO₄+Na⁺: 364.0956, found: 364.0952.

(Z)-6-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3c



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3c** (32.9 mg, m. p. = 120 - 123 °C) in 92% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3c**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.06 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.8, 154.0, 144.5, 140.8, 139.5, 134.1, 131.3, 129.9, 128.7, 128.2, 127.4, 125.4, 124.9, 124.6, 64.1, 61.3, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆ClNO₄+Na⁺: 380.0660(³⁵Cl), 382.0631 (³⁷Cl), found: 380.0667, 382.0636.

(Z)-6-(4-bromophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3d



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3d** (35.0 mg, m. p. = 114 - 118 °C) in 87% yield as yellowish solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3d**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.55 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 6.06 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.41

(s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.7, 154.0, 144.5, 140.8, 140.0, 131.6, 131.3, 129.9, 128.5, 127.4, 125.4, 124.9, 124.6, 122.3, 64.0, 61.2, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆BrNO₄+Na⁺:424.0155 (⁷⁹Br), 426.0134 (⁸¹Br), found: 424.0159, 426.0141.

(Z)-1-methyl-6-(p-tolyl)-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-d ione 3e



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3e** (31.3 mg, m. p. = 97 - 100 °C) in 93% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3e**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.06 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.9, 154.1, 145.7, 140.7, 138.0, 131.1, 130.0, 129.2, 128.0, 127.4, 126.6, 125.3, 124.5, 123.6, 64.0, 61.6, 38.1, 21.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₁₉NO₄+Na⁺: 360.1206, found: 360.1215.

(Z)-6-(4-ethylphenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2, 9(1H)-dione 3f



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3f** (31.6 mg) in 90% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3f**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.40

(d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.07 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 2.65 (q, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.23 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.9, 154.2, 145.7, 144.5, 140.7, 138.3, 131.2, 130.0, 128.0, 127.4, 126.7, 125.4, 124.5, 123.7, 64.0, 61.6, 38.1, 28.5, 15.5.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{21}H_{21}NO_4+Na^+$: 374.1363, found: 374.1360.

(Z)-6-(4-*iso*-propylphenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundeci ne-2,9(1H)-dione 3g



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3g** (32.5 mg) in 89% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3g**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.54 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 6.07 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 2.95 – 2.87 (m, 1H), 1.25 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 6H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.9, 154.2, 149.1, 145.7, 140.8, 138.4, 131.1, 130.1, 127.4, 126.7, 126.6, 125.3, 124.5, 123.7, 64.0, 61.6, 38.1, 33.8, 23.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₂H₂₃NO₄+Na⁺: 388.1519, found: 388.1519.

(Z)-6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecin e-2,9(1H)-dione 3h



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3h** (32.8 mg) in 93% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3h**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.53 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.23 (d, J

= 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.03 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (br s, 2H), 4.64 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.9, 159.6, 154.2, 145.5, 140.7, 133.4, 131.1, 130.0, 127.9, 127.4, 125.3, 124.5, 122.8, 113.9, 64.0, 61.6, 55.3, 38.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₁₉NO₅+Na⁺: 376.1155, found: 376.1158.

(Z)-6-(3-fluorophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2, 9(1H)-dione 3i



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3i** (28.0 mg) in 82% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3i**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.56 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.19 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (td, J = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.8, 165.5 (d, J = 224.2 Hz, 1C), 154.0, 144.5, 143.3 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1C), 140.8, 131.3, 130.0 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1C), 129.9, 127.5, 125.4 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1C), 124.6, 122.5, 115.1 (d, J = 20.1 Hz, 1C), 113.9 (d, J = 21.5 Hz, 1C), 64.0, 61.2, 38.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆FNO₄+H⁺: 342.1136, found: 342.1133.

(Z)-6-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3j



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford 3j (32.6 mg, m. p. = 121 - 127 °C) in 91% yield as yellowish solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3**j:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.56 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 6.08 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.42 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.8, 154.0, 144.3, 142.9, 140.8, 134.4, 131.3, 129.9, 129.8, 128.2, 127.5, 127.0, 125.5, 125.1, 124.6, 64.0, 61.2, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆ClNO₄+Na⁺: 380.0660(³⁵Cl), 382.0631 (³⁷Cl), found: 380.0656, 382.0618.

(Z)-6-(3-bromophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3k



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford 3k (35.0 mg, m. p. = 123 - 127 °C) in 87% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.56 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.40 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 3H), 6.07 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.7, 154.0, 144.1, 143.1, 140.8, 131.3, 131.1, 130.0, 129.9, 127.5, 125.5, 125.4, 124.5, 122.5, 64.0, 61.2, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆BrNO₄+Na⁺:424.0155 (⁷⁹Br), 426.0134 (⁸¹Br), found: 424.0154, 426.0138.

(Z)-6-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecin e-2,9(1H)-dione 3l



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford 3l (31.8 mg) in 90% yield as colorless

semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3I**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.56 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (s, 1H), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.42 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.8, 159.6, 154.1, 145.5, 142.5, 140.8, 131.2, 129.9, 129.5, 127.5, 125.4, 124.5, 119.2, 113.5, 112.5, 64.1, 61.5, 55.3, 38.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₁₉NO₅+Na⁺: 376.1155, found: 376.1150.

(Z)-6-(2-fluorophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2, 9(1H)-dione 3m



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3m** (29.3 mg) in 86% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3m**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.54 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.15 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (br s, 2H), 4.67 (s, 2H), 3.43 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.6, 159.5 (d, *J* = 245.6 Hz, 1C), 154.0, 140.8 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1C), 131.2, 130.5, 130.1, 129.7 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1C), 129.2 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1C), 127.4, 127.2, 125.4, 124.5, 124.4, 115.5 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz, 1C), 64.2 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1C), 61.2, 37.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{19}H_{16}FNO_4+Na^+$: 364.0956, found: 364.0958.

(Z)-6-(2-chlorophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3n



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3n** (27.9 mg) in 78% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3n**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.20 (m, 4H), 5.94 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (br s, 2H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 3.43 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.6, 154.0, 143.5, 141.0, 131.8, 131.3, 131.2, 130.1, 129.2, 129.1, 127.7, 127.3, 127.1, 125.4, 124.6, 64.4, 61.2, 37.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆ClNO₄+Na⁺: 380.0660(³⁵Cl), 382.0631 (³⁷Cl), found: 380.0656, 382.0618.

(Z)-6-(2-bromophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 30



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **30** (30.2 mg) in 75% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **30**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.49 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.90 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (br s, 2H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 3.43 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.6, 154.0, 144.6, 142.9, 141.0, 132.3, 131.3, 131.3, 130.0, 129.2, 127.7, 127.6, 127.1, 125.4, 124.5, 121.6, 64.4, 61.1, 37.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆BrNO₄+H⁺: 402.0335 (⁷⁹Br), 404.0315 (⁸¹Br), found: 402.0342, 404.0306.

(Z)-1-methyl-6-(2-nitrophenyl)-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,

<u>9(1H)-dione 3p</u>



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3p** (34.2 mg) in 93% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3p**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 8.00 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 5.88 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (br s, 2H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 3.42 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 167.9, 153.9, 147.5, 143.2, 140.9, 137.3, 133.7, 132.5, 131.2, 130.6, 128.8, 127.2, 125.5, 125.3, 124.5, 124.1, 65.1, 60.8, 37.7

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆N₂O₆+Na⁺: 391.0901, found: 391.0902.

(Z)-1-methyl-6-(o-tolyl)-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-d ione 3q



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3q** (25.6 mg) in 76% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3q**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.63 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 5.70 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (br s, 2H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.6, 154.1, 143.5, 141.3, 135.3, 131.6, 130.3, 129.4, 128.9, 128.3, 127.7, 125.8, 125.5, 125.4, 124.5, 64.7, 61.6, 38.0, 19.8.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₁₉NO₄+Na⁺: 360.1206, found: 360.1207.

(Z)-6-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundeci

ne-2,9(1H)-dione 3r



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3r** (34.5 mg) in 88% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3r**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.08 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 167.7, 153.9, 143.3, 141.1, 140.8, 132.6, 132.2, 131.4, 130.4, 129.8, 128.8, 127.4, 126.3, 125.8, 125.5, 124.6, 64.0, 61.0, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₅Cl₂NO₄+Na⁺: 414.0270 (³⁵Cl), 416.0241 (³⁷Cl), found: 414.0273, 416.0249.

(Z)-6-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacyclound ecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3s



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3s** (27.6 mg) in 72% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3s**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.08 – 6.96 (m, 2H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.04 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.9, 154.1, 149.2, 148.8, 145.5, 140.7, 133.8, 131.2, 130.0, 127.4, 125.4, 124.5, 123.0, 119.4, 110.9, 110.0, 64.2, 61.6, 55.9, 38.0, 29.7.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₁H₂₁NO₆+Na⁺: 406.1261, found: 406.1257.

(Z)-6-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundeci ne-2,9(1H)-dione 3t



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3t** (28.2 mg, m. p. = 112 - 117 °C) in 72% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3t**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 5.93 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.43 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.6, 154.0, 142.3, 141.0, 139.5, 134.3, 132.6, 132.1, 131.4, 130.1, 129.0, 127.8, 127.6, 127.4, 125.5, 124.6, 64.4, 61.0, 37.8.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₅Cl₂NO₄+Na⁺: 414.0270 (³⁵Cl), 416.0241 (³⁷Cl), found: 414.0274, 416.0248.

(Z)-6-(2,5-dichlorophenyl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundeci ne-2,9(1H)-dione 3u



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3u** (26.7 mg) in 68% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3u**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.56 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 5.93 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (br s, 2H), 4.67 (s, 2H), 3.44 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.5, 154.0, 142.3, 142.1, 141.0, 132.9, 131.4, 130.9, 130.4, 130.3, 129.8, 129.2, 128.0, 127.8, 125.5, 124.6, 64.1, 60.9, 37.9.
HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₅Cl₂NO₄+Na⁺: 414.0270 (³⁵Cl), 416.0241 (³⁷Cl), found: 414.0274, 416.0253.

(Z)-1-methyl-6-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3v



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford 3v (29.8 mg, m. p. = 118 - 122 °C) in 80% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3v**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.89 – 7.80 (m, 4H), 7.60 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.51 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 6.22 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (br s, 2H), 4.73 (s, 2H), 3.44 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.9, 154.2, 145.6, 140.8, 138.3, 133.2, 133.0, 131.2, 130.0, 128.2, 127.6, 126.4, 126.3, 125.8, 125.4, 124.9, 124.8, 124.6, 64.1, 61.6, 38.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{23}H_{19}NO_4+Na^+$: 396.1206, found: 396.1216.

(Z)-6-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-1-methyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundeci ne-2,9(1H)-dione 3w



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3w** (33.9 mg, m. p. = 177 - 179 °C) in 85% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3w**:

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.64 – 7.59 (m, 4H), 7.56 – 7.55 (m, 3H), 7.46 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 6.15 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (br s, 2H),

4.69 (s, 2H), 3.43 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.9, 154.1, 145.3, 141.0, 140.8, 140.5, 139.9, 131.2, 130.0, 128.8, 127.5, 127.2, 127.2, 127.0, 125.4, 124.6, 124.4, 64.0, 61.5, 38.1.
HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₅H₂₁NO₄+Na⁺: 422.1363, found: 422.1359.

(Z)-12-fluoro-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3x



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford 3x (30.7 mg) in 90% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3x**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.58 (br s, 1H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 6.97 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.05 (br s, 1H), 5.23 (br s, 2H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.1, 163.9 (d, *J* = 249.9 Hz, 1C), 153.9, 145.6, 143.0, 140.9, 129.6, 128.5, 128.2, 126.7, 125.9, 124.3, 112.3 (d, *J* = 21.5 Hz, 1C), 112.00 (d, *J* = 23.1 Hz, 1C), 64.1, 61.7, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆FNO₄+Na⁺: 364.0956, found: 364.0952.

(Z)-12-chloro-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3y



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3y** (31.1 mg) in 87% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3y**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39

- 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.24 - 7.18 (m, 2H), 6.07 (br s, 1H), 5.23 (br s, 2H), 4.67 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.1, 153.8, 145.6, 142.2, 140.9, 136.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 126.7, 125.5, 124.9, 124.3, 64.2, 61.7, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆ClNO₄+Na⁺: 380.0660(³⁵Cl), 382.0631 (³⁷Cl), found: 380.0659, 382.0635.

(Z)-12-bromo-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3z



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3z** (34.6 mg) in 86% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3z**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.50 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.40 – 7.35 (m, 4H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 6.07 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.2, 153.8, 145.7, 142.1, 140.8, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.7, 126.7, 124.9, 124.2, 64.2, 61.7, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆BrNO₄+Na⁺:424.0155 (⁷⁹Br), 426.0134 (⁸¹Br), found: 424.0155, 426.0138.

(Z)-12-methoxy-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecin e-2,9(1H)-dione 3aa



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3aa** (28.9 mg) in 82% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3aa**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.63 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.36

(t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 6.82 – 6.72 (m, 2H), 5.98 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (br s, 2H), 4.71 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.5, 162.1, 154.5, 144.8, 143.0, 141.4, 130.1, 128.5, 128.0, 126.8, 124.8, 121.7, 111.2, 110.3, 63.9, 61.7, 55.6, 38.3.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₁₉NO₅+Na⁺: 376.1155, found: 376.1156.

(Z)-11-fluoro-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3ab



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3ab** (30.7 mg, m. p. = 124 - 126 °C) in 90% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3ab**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.47 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.17 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 6.10 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.39 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 166.6, 159.0 (d, *J* = 245.7 Hz, 1C), 154.0, 145.6, 140.9, 136.9, 131.6 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1C), 128.6, 128.3, 126.7, 126.5 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1C), 124.5, 118.1 (d, *J* = 24.5 Hz, 1C), 114.6 (d, *J* = 24.5 Hz, 1C), 64.4, 61.5, 38.3.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆FNO₄+Na⁺: 364.0956, found: 364.0954.

(Z)-11-chloro-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3ac



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3ac** (29.7 mg, m. p. = 121 - 124 °C) in 83% yield as yellowish solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3ac**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.39 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 166.6, 153.9, 145.8, 140.8, 139.4, 131.3, 131.1, 130.9, 128.6, 128.3, 127.5, 126.7, 125.8, 124.3, 64.3, 61.6, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆ClNO₄+H⁺: 358.0841 (³⁵Cl), 360.0811 (³⁷Cl), found: 358.0836, 360.0801.

(Z)-11-bromo-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3ad



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3ad** (36.6 mg, m. p. = 117 - 123 °C) in 91% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3ad**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.24 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.39 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 166.5, 153.8, 145.9, 140.8, 139.8, 134.1, 131.6, 130.3, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 126.7, 126.1, 124.3, 118.5, 64.3, 61.6, 38.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{19}H_{16}BrNO_4+H^+:402.0335$ (⁷⁹Br), 404.0315 (⁸¹Br), found: 402.0331, 404.0307.

(Z)-1,11-dimethyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1 <u>H)-dione 3ae</u>



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3ae** (24.9 mg, m. p. = 83 - 90 °C) in 74% yield as yellowish solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3ae**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.9, 154.3, 145.6, 141.0, 138.2, 135.4, 131.8, 129.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.9, 126.8, 124.5, 124.5, 64.0, 61.4, 38.1, 20.7.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₁₉NO₄+Na⁺: 360.1206, found: 360.1194.

(Z)-11-methoxy-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecin e-2,9(1H)-dione 3af



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3af** (25.4 mg) in 72% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3af**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.37 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.5, 156.8, 154.4, 145.3, 141.1, 133.8, 130.9, 128.5, 128.1, 126.8, 126.1, 124.7, 116.8, 112.5, 64.2, 61.4, 55.6, 38.3.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₁₉NO₅+Na⁺: 376.1155, found: 376.1149.

(Z)-10-chloro-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dione 3ag



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3ag** (32.2 mg, m. p. = 74 - 82 °C) in 90% yield as yellowish solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3ag**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.52 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (br s, 2H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 3.33 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 165.7, 153.3, 145.4, 142.1, 140.6, 131.6, 131.0, 130.8, 128.5, 128.2, 127.1, 127.0, 124.1, 123.4, 65.4, 61.4, 38.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆ClNO₄+Na⁺: 380.0660(³⁵Cl), 382.0631 (³⁷Cl), found: 380.0662, 382.0636.

(Z)-10-methoxy-1-methyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecin e-2,9(1H)-dione 3ah



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3ah** (31.1 mg) in 88% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3ah**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.52 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 6.83 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.14 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.32 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 166.9, 156.4, 153.6, 145.0, 141.7, 141.0, 130.9, 128.4, 128.1, 127.1, 124.2, 121.6, 117.2, 108.9, 65.5, 61.4, 56.2, 37.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₁₉NO₅+Na⁺: 376.1155, found: 376.1151.

(Z)-1-ethyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dion

<u>e 3ai</u>



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3ai** (28.6 mg, m. p. = 109 - 113 °C) in 85% yield as yellowish solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3ai**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.57 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 6.08 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (br s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.89 (br s, 2H), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.6, 153.7, 145.6, 141.1, 139.5, 131.2, 130.8, 128.5, 128.1, 127.6, 126.7, 125.5, 124.9, 124.6, 64.0, 61.4, 46.0, 13.2.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₁₉NO₄+Na⁺: 360.1206, found: 360.1204.

(Z)-1-benzyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-di one 3aj



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3aj** (27.1 mg, m. p. = 170 - 173 °C) in 68% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3aj**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.43 – 7.28 (m, 7H), 7.25 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.40 – 4.91 (m, 4H), 4.73 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.7, 154.5, 145.8, 141.0, 140.0, 137.5, 131.2, 129.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 127.6, 127.3, 126.7, 125.5, 124.4, 124.2, 63.8, 61.8, 54.4.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₅H₂₁NO₄+Na⁺: 422.1363, found: 422.1362.

(Z)-1-allyl-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,7]dioxa[3]azacycloundecine-2,9(1H)-dion

<u>e 3ak</u>



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **3ak** (25.8 mg, m. p. = 108 - 110 °C) in 74% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **3ak**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.56 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.10 – 6.00 (m, 2H), 5.37 – 5.05 (m, 4H), 4.68 (br s, 2H), 4.43 (br s, 2H). ¹³**C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 167.7, 153.8, 145.8, 141.0, 139.9, 133.9, 131.1, 130.0, 128.5, 128.1, 127.5, 126.7, 125.4, 124.4, 116.9, 63.9, 61.6, 53.7.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₁H₁₉NO₄+Na⁺: 372.1206, found: 372.1211.

5. General Procedure for the Cyclisation of Cyclic Anhydride and VECs

General procedure for the synthesis of 10-, 11- or 12-membered products 5, 6 or 7



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube was added $Pd_2(dba)_3$ ·CHCl₃ (2.5 mol%) and XantPhos (10 mol%), after which the tube was evacuated and back-filled with argon three times. Then under the protection of argon, dry toluene (1.0 mL) was added and stirred at room temperature for 30 min. Subsequently, under the protection of argon, cyclic anhydrides **4** or **8** (0.10 mmol) and vinylethylene carbonates **2** or **12** (0.15 mmol) were added and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. Then the mixture was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ dichloromethane = 3/1, then petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 30/1 to 10/1) to afford the corresponding products in 52–88% yields, which were dried under vacuum and further analyzed by ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, HRMS, *etc.*

Gram-scale synthesis of the 10-membered lactone 5*q*



To an oven-dried 100 mL Schlenk flask, was added $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (0.225 mmol, 0.233 g) and XantPhos (0.90 mmol, 0.521 g), after which the tube was evacuated and back-filled with argon three times. Then under the protection of argon, dry toluene (10 mL) was added and stirred at room temperature for 30 min. Subsequently, under the protection of argon, phthalic anhydride **1a** (6.00 mmol, 0.89 g) and vinylethylene carbonate **2v** (9.00 mmol, 2.16 g) were added and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. Then the mixture was concentrated and purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/

dichloromethane = 3/1, then petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 30:1) to afford **5q** (0.51 g) as white solid in 57% yields.

(Z)-4-phenyl-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5a



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5a** (23.5 mg, m. p. = 82 - 90 °C) in 80% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5a**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 6.27 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (s, 2H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.4, 168.0, 143.8, 140.8, 132.7, 132.6, 131.6, 129.1, 129.1, 128.6, 128.2, 126.7, 126.5, 124.8, 66.2, 62.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{18}H_{14}O_4$ +Na⁺: 317.0784, found: 317.0783.

(Z)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5b



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5b** (25.6 mg, m. p. = 150 - 152 °C) in 82% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5b**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.22 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 4.93 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.3, 168.1, 162.7 (d, J = 247.1 Hz, 1C), 143.1, 136.9 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1C), 132.8, 132.5, 131.7 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1C), 129.1, 129.1, 128.6, 128.5, 126.3, 115.5 (d, J = 21.6 Hz, 1C), 66.2, 62.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₃FO₄+Na⁺: 335.0690, found: 335.0682.

(Z)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5c



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5c** (26.3 mg, m. p. = 132 - 138 °C) in 80% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5c**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.26 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.3, 168.0, 143.0, 139.3, 132.7, 132.5, 131.8, 131.7, 129.1, 128.8, 128.1, 127.0, 125.7, 66.0, 62.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₃ClO₄+Na⁺: 351.0395(³⁵Cl), 353.0365 (³⁷Cl), found: 351.0401, 353.0367.

(Z)-4-(4-bromophenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5d



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5d** (26.9 mg, m. p. = 139 - 141 °C) in 72% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5d**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.64 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.26 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (s, 2H), 4.93 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.3, 168.0, 143.0, 139.7, 132.7, 132.4, 131.7, 131.7, 131.7, 131.7, 129.1, 128.4, 127.0, 122.4, 65.9, 62.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₃BrO₄+Na⁺: 394.9889 (⁷⁹Br), 396.9869 (⁸¹Br), found:

(Z)-4-(p-tolyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5e



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5e** (25.6 mg, m. p. = 101 - 105 °C) in 83% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5e**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.24 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.4, 168.1, 143.8, 138.2, 137.9, 132.8, 132.7, 131.6, 129.3, 129.1, 126.6, 125.8, 125.6, 124.9, 66.3, 62.2, 21.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{19}H_{16}O_4$ +Na⁺: 331.0941, found: 331.0935.

(Z)-4-(4-ethylphenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5f



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5f** (26.1 mg, m. p. = 63 - 66 °C) in 81% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5f**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.76 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.23 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.65 (q, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.24 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.4, 168.0, 144.5, 143.8, 138.1, 132.8, 132.6, 131.6, 129.1, 128.1, 126.7, 125.6, 66.3, 62.2, 28.5, 15.5.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₁₈O₄+Na⁺: 345.1097, found: 345.1095.

(Z)-4-(4-iso-propylphenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5g



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5g** (25.5 mg, m. p. = 54 - 58 °C) in 76% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5g**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.25 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.95 – 2.87 (m, 1H), 1.25 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 6H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.4, 168.0, 149.1, 143.8, 138.2, 136.0, 132.8, 132.7,

131.6, 129.1, 126.7, 126.7, 125.7, 66.3, 62.2, 33.8, 23.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{21}H_{20}O_4+Na^+$: 359.1254, found: 359.1259.

(Z)-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5h



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5h** (23.1 mg, m. p. = 81 - 85 °C) in 74% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5h**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.30 (m,2H), 7.22 (dt, *J* = 10.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (td, *J* = 8.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.30 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (s, 2H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.4, 167.9, 162.8 (d, *J* = 244.1 Hz, 1C), 143.0 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1C), 142.7, 132.7, 132.5, 131.7 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1C), 130.1 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1C), 129.2, 129.1, 127.6, 125.7, 122.4 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 1C), 115.1 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz, 1C), 113.8 (d, *J* = 21.5 Hz, 1C), 66.0, 61.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₃FO₄+Na⁺: 335.0690, found: 335.0699.

(Z)-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5i



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5i** (25.0 mg, m. p. = 91 - 93 °C) in 76% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 5i:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.48 (s, 1H), 7.40 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 6.29 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.4, 167.9, 142.6, 134.5, 132.6, 132.4, 131.7, 131.7, 129.8, 129.2, 129.1, 128.3, 127.7, 126.9, 124.9, 65.9, 61.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₃ClO₄+Na⁺: 351.0395(³⁵Cl), 353.0365 (³⁷Cl), found: 351.0392, 353.0356.

(Z)-4-(3-bromophenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5j



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5j** (26.5 mg, m. p. = 91 - 94 °C) in 71% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 5j:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.65 – 7.58 (m, 3H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.29 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (s, 2H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.4, 167.9, 142.9, 142.5, 132.6, 132.4, 131.7, 131.2, 130.1, 129.8, 129.2, 129.1, 127.8, 125.4, 122.7, 65.9, 61.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₃BrO₄+H⁺:373.0070 (⁷⁹Br), 375.0050 (⁸¹Br), found: 373.0083, 375.0042.

(Z)-4-(m-tolyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5k



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5k** (22.2 mg, m. p. = 75 - 78 °C) in 72% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5k**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.26 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.5, 168.0, 143.8, 140.8, 138.2, 132.8, 132.7, 131.6, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.5, 127.4, 126.3, 123.8, 66.3, 62.1, 21.4.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{19}H_{16}O_4+Na^+$: 331.0941, found: 331.0941.

(Z)-4-(2-fluorophenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5]



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **51** (22.2 mg) in 71% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5***l*:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.82 – 7.76 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.39 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.09 – 7.04 (m, 1H), 6.25 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (s, 2H), 4.96 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.3, 167.9, 159.6 (d, *J* = 244.2 Hz, 1C), 138.7, 132.6 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1C), 131.7 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 1C), 130.1(d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1C), 129.8, 129.8, 129.1, 129.1, 129.0, 124.4 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1C), 115.7 (d, *J* = 21.5 Hz, 1C), 65.8 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1C), 61.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₃FO₄+Na⁺: 335.0690, found: 335.0700.

(Z)-4-(o-tolyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5m



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5m** (16.0 mg) in 52% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5m**:

¹**H** NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.84 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 5.96 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 4.98 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.4, 167.9, 143.1, 141.5, 135.0, 132.7, 132.7, 131.7,

131.7, 130.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.1, 127.8, 125.9, 66.2, 61.9, 20.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₆O₄+Na⁺: 331.0941, found: 331.0945.

(Z)-4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5n



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5n** (27.2 mg, m. p. = 58 - 65 °C) in 75% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5n**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.82 – 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 6.09 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (s, 2H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.0, 168.0, 141.4, 139.3, 134.5, 132.7, 132.7, 132.5, 131.7, 131.6, 130.2, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 127.4, 65.4, 61.8.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₂Cl₂O₄+Na+: 385.0005(³⁵Cl), 386.9975 (³⁷Cl), found: 385.0000, 386.9964.

(Z)-4-(2,5-dichlorophenyl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 50



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **50** (30.5 mg, m. p. = 106 - 108 °C) in 84% yield as yellowish solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **50**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.82 – 7.76 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 6.12 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (s, 2H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.0, 167.9, 143.3, 142.1, 141.1, 132.9, 132.6, 132.4, 131.7, 130.6, 130.5, 130.3, 129.3, 129.1, 128.4, 125.4, 65.3, 61.7.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₂Cl₂O₄+Na+: 385.0005(³⁵Cl), 386.9975 (³⁷Cl), found: 385.0011, 386.9982.

(Z)-4-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5p



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5p** (28.5 mg, m. p. = 143 - 147 °C) in 77% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5p**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.84 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.64 – 7.57 (m, 8H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (s, 2H), 4.98 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 168.5, 168.0, 143.4, 141.1, 140.4, 139.6, 132.8, 132.6, 131.7, 131.7, 129.1, 129.1, 128.8, 127.5, 127.3, 127.1, 127.0, 126.4, 66.1, 62.2.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{24}H_{18}O_4$ +Na⁺: 393.1097, found: 393.1103.

(Z)-4-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5q


Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5q** (25.1 mg, m. p. = 80 - 85 °C) in 73% yield as yellowish solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5q**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 8.04 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.92 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.86 – 7.80 (m, 4H), 7.64 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 6.42 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (s, 2H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.6, 168.0, 143.7, 138.1, 136.0, 133.0, 132.8, 132.6, 131.7, 129.2, 129.1, 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.0, 126.4, 126.3, 125.8, 125.7, 124.6, 66.3, 62.2.
HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₂H₁₆O₄+H⁺: 345.1121, found: 345.1120.

(E)-4-(furan-2-yl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5r



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **5r** (19.9 mg, m. p. = 145 - 150 °C) in 70% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5r**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.81 – 7.76 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 6.63 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (dd, *J* = 3.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (s, 2H), 4.99 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.6, 167.6, 152.5, 143.1, 132.7, 132.4, 131.7, 131.6, 131.3, 129.3, 128.9, 122.6, 111.7, 107.7, 63.2, 61.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₆H₁₂O₅+H⁺: 285.0757, found: 285.0757.

(E)-4-(thiophen-2-yl)-3,6-dihydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 5s



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford 5s (18.9 mg, m. p. = 136 - 138 °C) in 63% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **5s**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.82 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.03 – 7.00 (m, 1H), 6.45 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (s, 2H), 4.93 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.4, 167.9, 143.5, 136.7, 132.7, 132.4, 131.7, 131.7, 129.2, 129.1, 127.8, 125.7, 124.9, 124.3, 65.4, 62.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{16}H_{12}O_4S+Na^+$: 323.0349(³⁴S), 324.0382 (³²S), found: 323.0354, 324.0377.

(Z)-4-phenyl-3,6-dihydro-1H,8H-naphtho[1,8-hi][1,6]dioxacycloundecine-1,8-dione 6a



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **6a** (29.6 mg, m. p. = 174 - 177 °C) in 86% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **6a**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 8.02 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.93 – 7.89 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 6.46 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (s, 2H), 5.11 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 169.6, 169.4, 145.8, 140.6, 134.1, 132.3, 132.3, 129.5, 129.4, 129.4, 129.1, 128.6, 128.3, 127.7, 126.7, 126.1, 125.3, 125.3, 62.5, 59.5.
HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₂H₁₆O₄+Na⁺: 367.0941, found: 367.0940.

(Z)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3,6-dihydro-1H,8H-naphtho[1,8-hi][1,6]dioxacycloundecine-1,8-di



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **6b** (32.2 mg, m. p. = 142 - 147 °C) in 85% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **6b**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 8.02 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.93 – 7.89 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.44 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (s, 2H), 5.09 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 169.5, 169.3, 144.6, 139.0, 134.3, 134.0, 132.4, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.2, 127.5, 126.7, 125.3, 125.3, 62.3, 59.3.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{22}H_{15}ClO_4+Na^+$: 401.0551(³⁵Cl), 403.0522 (³⁷Cl), found: 401.0549, 403.0523.

(Z)-4-(p-tolyl)-3,6-dihydro-1H,8H-naphtho[1,8-hi][1,6]dioxacycloundecine-1,8-dione 6c



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **6c** (31.5 mg, m. p. = 123 - 130 °C) in 88% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 6c:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.99 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.94 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.18 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 6.43 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (s, 2H), 5.10 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 169.6, 169.3, 145.6, 138.2, 137.6, 134.0, 132.2, 132.2, 129.4, 129.4, 129.2, 129.2, 129.0, 126.6, 126.0, 125.2, 125.2, 62.4, 59.6, 21.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₃H₁₈O₄+Na⁺: 381.1097, found: 381.1103.

(Z)-8-phenyl-7,10-dihydrodibenzo[h,j][1,6]dioxacyclododecine-5,12-dione 7a



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford 7a (31.1 mg, m. p. = 146 - 153 °C) in 84% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **7a**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 5H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 5.98 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 5.23 – 5.17 (m, 1H), 4.86 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (q, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.9, 167.3, 140.9, 140.6, 140.5, 140.3, 132.7, 131.5, 131.2, 131.0, 130.8, 128.8, 128.5, 127.9, 127.5, 127.4, 127.4, 126.7, 124.2, 64.9, 61.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₄H₁₈O₄+Na⁺: 393.1097, found: 393.1097.

(Z)-8-(4-bromophenyl)-7,10-dihydrodibenzo[h,j][1,6]dioxacyclododecine-5,12-dione 7b



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **7b** (23.3 mg, m. p. = 143 - 144 °C) in 52% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **7b**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.41 (m, 4H), 7.40 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.97 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 5.23 – 5.17 (m, 1H), 4.81 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.8, 167.2, 140.6, 140.5, 139.9, 139.1, 132.4, 131.6, 131.3, 131.0, 131.0, 130.8, 128.9, 128.4, 127.6, 127.5, 127.5, 125.1, 122.0, 64.5, 61.0.
HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₄H₁₇BrO₄+Na⁺:471.0202 (⁷⁹Br), 473.0182 (⁸¹Br), found:

(Z)-8-(p-tolyl)-7,10-dihydrodibenzo[h,j][1,6]dioxacyclododecine-5,12-dione 7c



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford 7c (24.2 mg, m. p. = 136 - 137 °C) in 63% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **7c**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.97 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 5.23 – 5.17 (m, 1H), 4.85 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 167.9, 167.3, 140.5, 140.4, 140.3, 137.9, 137.8, 132.8, 131.5, 131.1, 131.0, 130.8, 129.1, 128.8, 127.5, 127.4, 126.6, 123.3, 65.0, 61.1, 21.1.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₅H₂₀O₄+H⁺: 385.1434, found: 385.1438.

(Z)-3-phenyl-1,6-dioxacycloundec-3-ene-7,11-dione 8a



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **8a** (19.0 mg) in 73% yield as colorless liquid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 8a:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.45 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 6.37 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (s, 2H), 4.72 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.46 – 2.41 (m, 4H), 2.15 – 2.10 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 172.9, 172.5, 144.4, 140.6, 128.6, 128.2, 127.5, 126.1, 62.3, 59.1, 34.7, 34.5, 21.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₅H₁₆O₄+Na⁺: 283.0941, found: 283.0940.

(Z)-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-1,6-dioxacycloundec-3-ene-7,11-dione 8b



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **8b** (26.7 mg, m. p. = 105 - 108 °C) in 86% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 8b:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.86 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 6.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (s, 2H), 4.78 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.50 – 2.44 (m, 4H), 2.18 – 2.13 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 173.0, 172.5, 144.2, 137.8, 133.2, 133.0, 128.3, 128.2, 127.9, 127.6, 126.5, 126.4, 125.2, 124.1, 62.2, 59.2, 34.7, 34.5, 21.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₉H₁₈O₄+Na⁺: 333.1097, found: 333.1103.

(Z)-3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-1,6-dioxacycloundec-3-ene-7,11-dione 8c



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford 8c (26.2 mg, m. p. = 135 - 137 °C) in 78% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 8c:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.54 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 4.75 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.49 – 2.42 (m, 4H), 2.17 – 2.11 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 172.9, 172.5, 143.9, 141.1, 140.4, 139.4, 128.8, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 127.0, 126.6, 62.1, 59.2, 34.7, 34.5, 21.9.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{21}H_{20}O_4$ +Na⁺: 359.1254, found: 359.1260.

(Z)-11-phenyl-9,14-dioxaspiro[5.10]hexadec-11-ene-8,15-dione 8d



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **8d** (23.0 mg) in 70% yield as colorless liquid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **8d**:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.43 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 6.22 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (s, 2H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.41 (s, 2H), 2.39 (s, 2H), 1.66 – 1.63 (m, 4H), 1.53 – 1.49 (m, 4H), 1.45 – 1.42 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 171.6, 171.3, 143.1, 140.9, 128.5, 128.0, 127.0, 126.2, 62.5, 59.2, 43.5, 43.1, 37.7, 37.5, 25.8, 21.6.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₂₀H₂₄O₄+Na⁺: 351.1567, found: 351.1567.

(Z)-4-phenyl-3,6,9,10,11,12-hexahydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 8e



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **8e** (21.2 mg, m. p. = 82 - 87 °C) in 71% yield as pink solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 8e:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 6.16 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 4.79 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.45 – 2.41 (m, 4H), 1.82 – 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.71 – 1.67 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.9, 168.5, 143.3, 140.9, 137.7, 137.4, 128.5, 128.1, 126.7, 126.1, 65.7, 61.5, 25.7, 21.2, 20.8, 20.7.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{18}H_{18}O_4$ +Na⁺: 321.1097, found: 321.1093.

(Z)-6-phenyl-4,7-dihydro-3H-benzo[c][1,6]dioxacycloundecine-1,9-dione 12



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **12** (19.7 mg) in 64% yield as colorless liquid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 12:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.87 – 7.83 (m, 1H), 7.63 – 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 6.40 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 4.37 (br s, 2H), 3.02 (br s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.6, 166.9, 145.8, 140.4, 133.5, 131.7, 130.9, 130.8, 129.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 126.9, 124.8, 61.2, 60.3, 30.8.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{19}H_{16}O_4+H^+$: 309.1121, found: 309.1123.

6. General Procedure for the Reactions of Linear Anhydrides and VECs



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube was added $Pd_2(dba)_3$ ·CHCl₃ (2.5 mol%) and XantPhos (10 mol%), after which the tube was evacuated and back-filled with argon three times. Then under the protection of argon, dry toluene (1.0 mL) was added and stirred at room temperature for 30 min. Subsequently, under the protection of argon, linear anhydrides **9** (0.10 mmol) and vinylethylene carbonates **2** (0.15 mmol) were added and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. Then the mixture was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 to 3/1) to afford the corresponding **10** in 55–57% yields, which were dried under vacuum and further analyzed by ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, HRMS, *etc.*

(Z)-2-phenylbut-2-ene-1,4-diyl dipropionate 10a



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **10a** (15.7 mg) in 57% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 10a:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.43 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 6.07 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (s, 2H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (q, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.27 (q, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.16 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 1.07 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 174.2, 174.1, 139.4, 138.7, 128.4, 127.9, 127.3, 126.4, 60.9, 60.7, 27.5, 27.4, 9.0, 9.0.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₆H₂₀O₄+Na⁺: 299.1254, found: 299.1255.

(Z)-2-(4-chlorophenyl)but-2-ene-1,4-diyl diacetate 10b



Prepared according to the general procedure to afford **10b** (15.6 mg, m. p. = 51 - 55 °C) in 55% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product **10b**:

¹**H** NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.32 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 6.02 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (s, 2H), 4.83 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 170.5, 170.4, 137.6, 137.4, 133.7, 128.4, 127.6, 127.5, 60.5, 60.5, 20.7, 20.6.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $C_{14}H_{15}CIO_4+Na^+$: 305.0551(³⁵Cl), 307.0522 (³⁷Cl), found: 305.0564, 307.0504.

7. Synthetic Transformation of 5a and 10b

7.1 Procedure for the hydrogenation of lactone 3a



The ten-membered lactone **3a** (0.1 mmol, 29.4 mg) was dissolved in in dry ethanol (1.0 mL). This mixture was degassed of dissolved air and purged with an argon atmosphere. To it 5% Pd/C (8.0 mg) was carefully added. The above reaction mixture was degassed and purged with hydrogen. Then the reaction was stirred for 12 hours at room temperature with hydrogen balloon. After the completion of the reaction, the mixture was filtered through a plug of silica (eluting with DCM) and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate = 50/1 to 40/1) to afford **13** (12.4 mg) as white solid in 42% yields, which was dried under vacuum and further analyzed by ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, HRMS, *etc.*

4-phenyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydrobenzo[c][1,6]dioxecine-1,8-dione 13



Purification of the crude product *via* column chromatography delivered **13** (12.4 mg, m. p. = 135 - 136 °C) in 42% yield as white solid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 13:

¹**H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ (ppm): 7.78 – 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 4.92 – 4.87 (m, 1H), 4.76 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.11 – 4.06 (m, 1H), 3.94 (t, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.32 – 3.27 (m, 1H), 2.61 – 2.54 (m, 1H), 2.06 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 168.0, 167.7, 142.2, 133.0, 132.8, 131.5, 131.5, 128.9, 128.9, 128.7, 127.5, 127.2, 69.9, 65.2, 43.8, 34.3.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₈H₁₆O₄+H⁺: 297.1121, found: 297.1126.

7.2 Procedure for the hydrolysis of the linear ester 10b



The linear ester **10b** (0.1mmol, 28.2 mg) was dissolved in the mixture of MeOH/Et₂O (2 mL, v/v = 1/1) and stirred at room temperature. To this solution was slowly added MeONa (0.02 mmol, 1 mg). The mixture was was stirred for 5 h at the same temperature and quenched with 5 mL of saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (5 mL × 3). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3/1 to 1/1) to afford **14** (19.1 mg) as colorless semisolid in 96% yields, which was dried under vacuum and further analyzed by ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, HRMS, *etc.*

(Z)-2-(4-chlorophenyl)but-2-ene-1,4-diol 14



Purification of the crude product *via* column chromatography delivered **14** (19.1 mg) in 96% yield as colorless semisolid.

NMR and HRMS data for the product 14:

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.38 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 6.07 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.34 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.82 (br s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 141.5, 138.9, 133.6, 130.1, 128.6, 127.6, 60.0, 58.7.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for C₁₀H₁₁ClO₂+Na⁺: 221.0340 (³⁵Cl), 223.0310 (³⁷Cl), found: 221.0339, 223.0304.

8. Experiments for Mechanism Studies

8.1 The competition experiments



To explore the reaction mechanism, we performed several competition experiments based on the rection of vinylethylene carbonate 2a with cyclic anhydride 4d or linear anhydride 9a

To three oven-dried Schlenk tubes were added $Pd_2(dba)_3$ ·CHCl₃ (2.5 mol%) and XantPhos (10 mol%), after which the tubes were evacuated and back-filled with argon three times. Then under the protection of argon, dry toluene (1.0 mL) was added and stirred at room temperature for 30 min. Subsequently, under the protection of argon, anhydride **4d** or **9a** (0.10 mmol), sodium acetate and vinylethylene carbonate **2a** (0.15 mmol) were added. The amounts of sodium acetate in the three reactions respectively refer to 0.10 mmol, 0.20 mmol and 0.30 mmol.

Then, the three reactions were stirred at room temperature for 4 hours, respectively. After then, the mixtures were filtered through a plug of silica (eluting with ethyl acetate) and concentrated, which were dried under vacuum further analyzed by ¹H NMR.

Even when three equivalents of the sodium acetate was added into the reaction mixture, the competitive product **8a'** or **10a'** was not observed, probably because the in-situ generated carboxylate is more likely to coordinate with palladium catalyst and then triggered an intramolecular attack of the π -allyl palladium moiety to deliver **8a** or **10a**.

8.2 Proposed reaction mechanism

Based on the results of competition experiments, a plausible mechanism for the catalytic cyclisation was proposed. As shown in Firure S1, the reaction was initiated by the palladium-catalysed decarboxylation of VEC **2a** to generate the zwitterionic π -allyl palladium intermediate **I**. Subsequently, the anhydride substrate was attacked by the alkoxide to form the intermediate **II**, in which the carboxylate moiety might be coordinated with palladium catalyst. Finally, a regioselective intramolecular allylation of the carboxylate and π -allyl palladium moieties occurred, which delivered diverse medium-sized lactone products.



Figure S1. Proposed mechanism.

9. Crystal Data and Structure Refinement





Identification code	3a
Empirical formula	C ₁₉ H ₁₇ NO ₄
Formula weight	323.33
Temperature/K	294(1)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /c
a/Å	15.6331(7)
b/Å	8.0735(3)
c/Å	12.5699(4)
$\alpha/^{\circ}$	90
β/°	92.556(3)
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	90
Volume/Å ³	1584.92(11)
Z	4
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.355
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.784
F(000)	680.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.5 imes 0.4 imes 0.1
Radiation	$CuK\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184)$
2Θ range for data collection/°	11.332 to 143.58
Index ranges	$-17 \le h \le 19, -9 \le k \le 7, -15 \le l \le 15$
Reflections collected	7262
Independent reflections	$3046 [R_{int} = 0.0470, R_{sigma} = 0.0466]$
Data/restraints/parameters	3046/0/218
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.030
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0698, wR_2 = 0.1807$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0845, wR_2 = 0.2040$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.29/-0.40





Identification code	5q
Empirical formula	$C_{22}H_{16}O_4$
Formula weight	344.35
Temperature/K	291.3(6)
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	4.8570(4)
b/Å	13.6775(14)
c/Å	14.0943(12)
α/°	114.792(9)
β/°	97.894(7)
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	91.103(7)
Volume/Å ³	838.88(14)
Z	2
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.363
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.764
F(000)	360.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.6 imes 0.3 imes 0.1
Radiation	$CuK\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184)$
2Θ range for data collection/°	6.998 to 142.692
Index ranges	$-4 \le h \le 5, -16 \le k \le 14, -17 \le l \le 17$
Reflections collected	6278
Independent reflections	3145 [$R_{int} = 0.0334$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0416$]
Data/restraints/parameters	3145/0/235
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.067
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0745, wR_2 = 0.2093$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0846, wR_2 = 0.2242$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.27/-0.32





Identification code	7a
Empirical formula	$C_{24}H_{18}O_{4}$
Formula weight	370.38
Temperature/K	295.9(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1/c$
a/Å	11.2786(3)
b/Å	10.8706(4)
c/Å	15.3317(4)
a/°	90
β/°	97.475(3)
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	90
Volume/Å ³	1863.77(10)
Z	4
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.320
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.727
F(000)	776.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.65 imes 0.6 imes 0.5
Radiation	$CuK\alpha \ (\lambda = 1.54184)$
2Θ range for data collection/°	7.906 to 142.576
Index ranges	$-8 \le h \le 13, -8 \le k \le 13, -18 \le l \le 18$
Reflections collected	11540
Independent reflections	$3544 [R_{int} = 0.0521, R_{sigma} = 0.0303]$
Data/restraints/parameters	3544/0/253
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.076
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0542, wR_2 = 0.1376$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0603, wR_2 = 0.1443$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.25/-0.33

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Identification code	8c
Empirical formula	$C_{21}H_{20}O_4$
Formula weight	336.37
Temperature/K	293.9(5)
Crystal system	orthorhombic
Space group	Pca2 ₁
a/Å	10.5308(10)
b/Å	18.5025(16)
c/Å	8.7370(7)
a/°	90
β/°	90
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	90
Volume/Å ³	1702.4(3)
Z	4
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.312
µ/mm ⁻¹	0.732
F(000)	712.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.5 imes 0.3 imes 0.1
Radiation	$CuK\alpha$ ($\lambda = 1.54184$)
2Θ range for data collection/°	9.56 to 143.526
Index ranges	$-12 \le h \le 12, -22 \le k \le 21, -10 \le l \le 8$
Reflections collected	5135
Independent reflections	2438 [$R_{int} = 0.0394$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0340$]
Data/restraints/parameters	2438/1/226
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.043
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0879, wR_2 = 0.2521$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.1008, wR_2 = 0.2838$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.60/-0.29

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11. NMR Spectra













































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PS: The purity of the compound $\mathbf{3d}$ and $\mathbf{3u}$ determined by HPLC.



Peak#	Ret. Time[min]	Area[mAU*s]	Height[mAU]	Rel. Area [%]
1	2.04	3.958	1.0301	0.0414
2	2.98	15.655	2.4083	0.1638
3	4.08	21.322	1.6707	0.2231
4	4.75	17.843	0.9887	0.1867
5	6.32	9491.991	720.8486	99.3013
6	7.43	8.004	0.393	0.0837



Peak#	Ret. Time[min]	Area[mAU*s]	Height[mAU]	Rel. Area [%]
1	2.01	3.862	1.579	0.0296
2	2.11	2.309	0.7374	0.0177
3	2.2	5.065	1.5223	0.0389
4	4.09	16.071	1.2893	0.1234
5	4.7	75.925	5.1397	0.5828
6	6.31	38.917	2.9185	0.2987
7	7.65	12849.223	814.7239	98.6323
8	8.38	36.021	1.8596	0.2765