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### **Supporting Information**

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# Aza-heterocyclic frameworks through intramolecular $\pi$ -system trapping of spiro-*N*-acyliminiums generated from isoindolinone

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#### I. General remarks

The main text of the article should appear here with headings as appropriate. Starting materials are commercially available and were used without further purification (suppliers: Carlo Erba Reagents S.A.S., Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., and Sigma-Aldrich Co.). Melting points were measured on a MPA 100 OptiMelt<sup>®</sup> apparatus and are uncorrected. Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were acquired at 300 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H NMR and at 75 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C NMR on a Bruker Advance III 300 MHz spectrometer with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as internal standard, at room temperature (rt). Chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) are expressed in ppm relative to TMS. Splitting patterns are designed: s, singlet; d, doublet; dd, doublet of doublet; t, triplet; m, multiplet; sym m, symmetric multiplet; br s, broaden singlet; br t, broaden triplet. Coupling constants (J) are reported in Hertz (Hz). Thin layer chromatographies (TLC) were realized on Macherey Nagel silica gel plates with fluorescent indicator and were visualized under a UV-lamp at 254 nm and 365 nm. Column chromatographies were performed with a CombiFlash Rf Companion (Teledyne-Isco System) using RediSep packed columns. IR spectra were recorded on a Varian 640-IR FT-IR Spectrometer. Elemental analyses (C, H, N) of new compounds were determined on a Thermo Electron apparatus by 'Pôle Chimie Moléculaire-Welience', Faculté de Sciences Mirande, Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, France. LC-MS was accomplished using an HPLC combined with a Surveyor MSQ (Thermo Electron) equipped with APCI source.

#### II. General procedure for the preparation of spirosuccinimides (±)-1a-k

To a solution of *N*-alkylated isoindolin-1-one **7** (0.01 mol) in 100 mL of anhydrous CH<sub>3</sub>CN were added potassium carbonate (0.015 mol, 2.07 g) and bromo acetamide (0.015 mol) under dry argon atmosphere. The mixture was then refluxed for 24 h. The solution was cooled at room temperature and filtered through a plug of celite. After removal of solvent under reduced pressure, the crude was analysed by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy then purified by flash chromatography on silica gel column using a mixture of cyclohexane/AcOEt as eluent.

#### (±)-1',2-Dibenzylspiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-2',3,5'-trione (±)-1a



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-1a: This product was isolated as a white solid in 70% yield, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.42; mp = 178-180 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1706, 1687; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.76 (d, *J* = 18.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.82 (d, *J* = 18.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.08 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.65 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.70 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.20 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.98 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.06-7.08 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.23-7.26 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.35-7.40 (m, 5H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.47-7.57 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.92 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>)ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  37.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.5 (C<sup>q</sup>), 119.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 135.8

 $(C^{q}_{aro})$ , 144.1 ( $C^{q}_{aro}$ ), 168.6 (C=O), 172.5 (C=O), 173.4 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for  $C_{25}H_{21}N_{2}O_{3}$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 397.1507, found 397.1571.

(±)-1'-Allyl-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-2',3,5'-trione (±)-1b



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-**1b:** This compound was isolated as a white solid in 66% yield,  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.42; mp = 157-159 °C ; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1712, 1684; <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  2.88 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.96 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4,02-4.12 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.32 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.03 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.24-5.31 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 5.70-5.83 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.82 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.16 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.53-7.61 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.93-7.96 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (**75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):**  $\delta_C$  37.87 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.2 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 68.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 114.3 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 119.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 119.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 129.6 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 144.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 159.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.5 (C=O), 172.3 (C=O) 173.2 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 377.1457, found 377.1501.

#### (±)-1'-Benzyl-2-(furan-2-ylmethyl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-2',3,5'-trione (±)-1c



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-1c: This product was isolated as a white solid in 60% yield, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.68; mp = 158-160 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1691, 1662; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{H}$  2.81 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.91 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.31 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.75 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.06 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.03 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.22 (t, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.98 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.18 (s, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.34-7.54 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.88-7.91 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{C}$  36.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.0 (C<sup>q</sup>), 110.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 111.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 119.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 142.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 144.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.4(C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.3 (C=O), 172.7 (C=O), 173.2 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 387.1300, found 387.1344.

(±)-1'-Benzyl-2-(furan-2-ylmethyl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-2',3,5'-trione (±)-1d



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-1d: This product was isolated as a white solid in 77% yield, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.54; mp = 192-194 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1688.24 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{H}$  2.85 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.92 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.35 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.73 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.32 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.60 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.80-6.83 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.97 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.22 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.35-7.43 (m, 5H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.47-7.56 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.91 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{C}$  37.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.4 (C<sup>q</sup>), 119.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.7(CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 133.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 138.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 144.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.2 (C=O), 172.6 (C=O), 173.3 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 403.1072, found 403.1122.

#### $(\pm) - 1' - Benzyl - 2 - (4 - methoxyphenyl) spiro[isoindoline - 1, 3' - pyrrolidine] - 2', 3, 5' - trione (\pm) - 1e$



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-1e: This product was isolated as a white solid in 43% yield,  $R_f(cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.42$ ; mp = 158-160°C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1788, 11699; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  3.08 (d, J = 18.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.18 (d, J = 18.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.80 (s, 1H, CH<sub>3</sub>) 4.70 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.77 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.81 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.06-7.11 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.27-7.33 (m, 5H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.53-7.60 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.95-7.98 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  37.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 69.9 (C<sup>q</sup>), 115.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 120.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 128.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.4 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 133.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 134.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 143.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 159.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.0 (C=O), 172.5 (C=O), 174.1 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 413.1457, found 413.1462.

#### $(\pm) - 2 - Allyl - 1' - benzyl spiro[isoindoline - 1, 3' - pyrrolidine] - 2', 3, 5' - trione \ (\pm) - 1f \\$



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-**1f**:This product was isolated as a white solid in 95% yield, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.53; mp = 88-90 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1748, 1689; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCI**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.98 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.30 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.04 (dd, J = 6.2 and 15.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 4.18 (dd, J = 6.2 and 15.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 4.72 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.78 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.89-4.99 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.69-5.82 (m, 1H, CH=), 7.01-7.04 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.32-7.33 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.39-7.42 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.47-7.54 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.86-788 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (**75** MHz, CDCI<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  37.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 119.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 119.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 144.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.1 (C=O), 172.5 (C=O), 174.0 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 347.1351, found 347.1395.

#### (±)-1'-Benzyl-2-(prop-2-yn-1-yl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-2',3,5'-trione (±)-1g



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-**1g:** This product was isolated as yellow solid in 85% yield, R<sub>f</sub>(cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.51; mp = 135-137 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1680, 1674, 1668; <sup>1</sup>**H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.86 (t, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.07 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.74 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.15 (dd, J = 2.6 and 18.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.55 (dd, J = 2.6 and 18.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.75 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.85 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.03-7.06 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.31-7.34 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.41-7.44 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.50-7.53 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.85-7.88 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>**C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  29.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 74.6 (CH), 74.6 (C<sup>q</sup>), 119.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 133.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 134.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 144.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.8 (C=O), 172.7 (C=O), 173.4 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 367.1053, found 367.1054.

#### (±)-1'-Benzyl-2-phenethylspiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-2',3,5'-trione (±)-1h



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-**1h**: This product was isolated as a white solid in 75% yield, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.60; mp = 135-137 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1748, 1697; <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.51 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.69-2.78 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub> + CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.04-3.14 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.20-3.30 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.59-3.68 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.54-4.82 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.87 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.98 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.13-7.47 (m, 10H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.80 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (**75 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  34.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.7(C<sup>q</sup>), 119.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 (2x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 138.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 143.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.8 (C=O), 172.6 (C=O), 173.8 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 411.1664, found 411.1696.

(±)-1'-Benzyl-2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenethyl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-2',3,5'-trione (±)-1i



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-**1i**: This product was isolated as a white solid in 76% yield, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 1/1) = 0.50; mp = 139-141 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1699, 1682; <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.70 (d, *J* = 18.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.75-2.81 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.85 (d, *J* = 18.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.07-3.17 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.27-3.37 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.68-3.76 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.86 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.78 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.59-6.66 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.76 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.32-7.42 (m, 5H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.45-7.56 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.88-7.91 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (**75 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  33.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.8 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.9 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 68.7 (C<sup>q</sup>), 111.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 112.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 119.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 120.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 143.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 147.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 149.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.8 (C=O), 172.6 (C=O), 168.8 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 471.1875, found 471.1920.

 $(\pm)-1'-Allyl-2-(2-(thiophen-2-yl)ethyl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-2',3,5'-trione (\pm)-1j$ 



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-1j: This product was isolated as an oil with a yield of 86%,  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.56; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1682, 1713; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  2.57 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.84 (d, J = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.08-3.17 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.28-3.38 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.46-3.56 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.83-3.91 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.20-4.22 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.25-5.33 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 5.76-5.87 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.81-6.83 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.90-6.93 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.13-7.19 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.54-7.58 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.89-7.92 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  28.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 69.0 (C<sup>q</sup>), 119.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 119.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 125.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 140.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 143.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.9 (C=O), 172.5 (C=O), 173.5 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 367.1072, found 367.1110.

(±)-1'-Benzyl-2-(but-3-en-1-yl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-2',3,5'-trione (±)-1k



**Spirosuccinimide** (±)-1k: This product was isolated as an oil with a yield of 91%, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.65; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1699, 1688; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{H} 2.19-2.31$  (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.37-2.47 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.07 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.24 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.31-3.47 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.74-4.84 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.97-5.04 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 5.63-5.77 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.97-7.00 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.29-7.35 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.37-7.41 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.45-7.54 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.84-7.87 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{C} 32.4$  (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.4 (C<sup>q</sup>), 117.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 119.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 134.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 143.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.5 (C=O), 172.5 (C=O), 173.9 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 361.1507, found 361.1566.

#### III. General Procedure for the Preparation of Spiro-hydroxylactams (±)-11(A,B)

To a solution of spirosuccinimide ( $\pm$ )-1 (2.5 mmol) in a mixture of THF/EtOH (1:1) was added sodium borohydride (10 mmol, 4 equiv.) at 0 °C then the mixture was left under stirring at room temperature for 4 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled to 0 °C and quenched by addition of 1 mL of water then acidified to pH 3 by 2M HCl solution. The mixture was extracted twice by 30 mL of dichloromethane and the organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> then evaporated to dryness. The oily residue was purified by flash chromatography on a silica gel column using a mixture of cyclohexane and AcOEt as the eluent.

#### *N*,*N*'-Dibenzyl-2'-hydroxyspiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-3,5'-dione (±)-11a(A,B)



This product was obtained as a mixture of partially separable two diastereoisomers in 81% yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-11aA: This product was isolated as a white solid, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.30; mp = 226-228 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 3185, 1699, 1659; <sup>1</sup>H **NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**:  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.61 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.92 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.49-3.51 (m, 1H, OH), 3.87 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.68 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.92-4.94 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.97 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.07 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.09 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.27-7.64 (m, 12H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.67 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  38.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.7 (CH), 120.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.5 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x

CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 137.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 169.5 (C=O), 170.1 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for  $C_{25}H_{23}N_2O_3$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 399.1664, found 399.1711.

 $\label{eq:linear} N-Allyl-2'-hydroxy-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-3,5'-dione (\pm)-11b(A,B)$ 



This product was obtained as a mixture of inseparable two diastereoisomers in 100% yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-11bA: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the purified reaction mixture; R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.27; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.49 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.92 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.62 (dd, J = 7.8 and 14.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.74 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.79-3.97 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.23-4.35 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.52-4.63 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.76-4.91 (m, 1H, CH), 5.10-5.29 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 5.71-5.85 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.77-6.82 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.10-7.17 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.43 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.55 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.71 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  37.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.2 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 67.8 (C<sup>q</sup>), 87.4 (CH), 114.3 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 119.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 120.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 130.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.9 (CH=), 147.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 159.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 169.5 (C=O), 170.6 (C=O) ppm.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-11bB: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the purified reaction mixture;  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.27; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  2.47 (d, J = 17.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.94 (d, J = 17.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.75 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.79-3.97 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.54 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.60 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.76-4.91 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.98 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.10-5.29 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 5.57-5.68 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.77-6.82 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.10-7.17 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.46 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.59 (d, J = 9 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.75 (d, J = 9 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  39.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.2 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 69.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.6 (CH), 114.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 118.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 123.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.0 (CH=), 143.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 159.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.5 (C=O), 171.6 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 379.1613, found 379.1670.

 $(\pm) -N-Benzyl-2-(furan-2-ylmethyl)-2'-hydroxyspiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-3,5'-dione \ (\pm)-11c(A,B)$ 



This product was obtained as a mixture of inseparable two diastereoisomers in 90% yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-11cA: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the purified reaction mixture;  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.27; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  2.52 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.19 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.14-4.29 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.83 (s, 1H, CH), 4.90-5.06 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.13 (s, 1H, OH), 6.12-6.28 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.99 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.22 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.31-7.59 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  37.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 38.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.0 (C<sup>q</sup>), 87.0 (CH), 108.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 110.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 120.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 142.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 147.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 150.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 169.1 (C=O), 170.9 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 389.1457, found 389.1510.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-11cB: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the purified reaction mixture;  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3)= 0.27; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  2.50 (d, J = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.90 (d, J = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.97 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.60 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.83 (s, 1H, CH), 4.90-5.06 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.12-6.28 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.31-7.59 (m, 9H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  36.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.7 (C<sup>q</sup>), 85.5 (CH), 109.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 110.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 142.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 144.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 149.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.1 (C=O), 171.4 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 389.1457, found 389.1510.

*N*-Benzyl-2'-hydroxy-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethyl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-3,5'dione (±)-11d(A,B)



This product was obtained as a mixture of inseparable two diastereoisomers in 86% yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-11dA: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the purified reaction mixture; R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.30; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.58 (d, J = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.94 (d, J = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.69 (s, 1H, OH), 4.21 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.32 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.68 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.83 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.01 (s, 1H, CH), 6.81-6.82 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.86-6.95 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.18 (d, J = 5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.28-7.42 (m, 6H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.52-7.60 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  38.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.7 (C<sup>q</sup>), 85.9 (CH),

123.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 125.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 139.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 143.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.9 (C=O), 171.4 (C=O) ppm.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-11dB: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the purified reaction mixture;  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 1/1) = 0.30. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  2.55 (d, J = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.11 (d, J = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.14 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.30 (d, J = 14.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.41 (s, 1H, OH), 4.94 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.01-5.10 (m, 3H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.86-6.95 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.04 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.21 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.28-7.42 (m, 6H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.52-7.60 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  37.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.5 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.9 (CH), 120.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 125.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 140.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 146.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 169.6 (C=O), 170.4 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 405.1228, found 405.1292.

 $(\pm)-1'-Benzyl-2'-hydroxy-2-(4-methoxyphenyl) spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-3,5'-dione \ (\pm)-11eA$ 



This product was obtained as a mixture of partially separable two diastereoisomers in 78:22 ratio and 70% global yield. Only the major  $(\pm)$ -11eA was described.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-11eA: This product was isolated as a white solid, R<sub>f</sub>(cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.22; mp = 216-218°C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 3252, 1788, 11699; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.88 (d, J = 17.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.01 (d, J = 17.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.72 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.83 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.18 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.52 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.17 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 6.73 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.90 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.05-7.08 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.21-7.25 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.37-7.43 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) 7.56-7.58 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.62 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  39.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 70.4 (C<sup>q</sup>), 85.7 (CH), 115.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 127.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.3 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 143.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 159.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.6 (C=O), 170.7 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 437.1477, found 437.1480.

1'-Benzyl-2'-hydroxy-2-(prop-2-yn-1-yl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-3,5'-dione (±)-11g(A,B)



These products, as a mixture of inseparable two diastereoisomers in 63:37 ratio, were obtained as colorless oil in 100% yield according to the general procedure.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-11gA: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the mixture;  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.20; IR ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 3283, 1671, 1659; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  2.21 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H, CH), 2.67 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.37 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.22 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.32 (dd, J = 2.4 and 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.52 (dd, J = 2.4 and 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.56-4.58 (m, 1H, CHOH), 4.97 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 5.04 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.04 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.28-7.43 (m, 5H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.46-7.64 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  30.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.0 (C<sup>q</sup>), 72.1 (CH), 79.3 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.9 (CH), 120.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (3 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 135.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.5 (C=O), 170.5 (C=O) ppm.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-11gB: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the mixture;  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.20; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  2.03 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.01 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.08 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.70 (dd, J = 2.4 and 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.77-3.79 (m, 1H, CHOH), 4.21 (dd, J = 2.4 and 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.30 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.98 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.12 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 7.28-7.43 (m, 6H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.46-7.64 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  28.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.7 (C<sup>q</sup>), 72.4 (CH), 78.0 (C<sup>q</sup>), 85.6 (CH), 123.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (3 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 135.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 143.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.4 (C=O), 171.7 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 347.1351, found 347.1349.

 $\label{eq:N-Allyl-2'-hydroxy-2-(2-(thiophen-2-yl)ethyl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-3,5'-dione~(\pm)-11j(A,B)$ 



This product was obtained as a mixture of inseparable two diastereoisomers in 82% yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-11jA: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the purified reaction mixture; R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.25; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.27 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.79 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.07-3.31 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.45-3.91 (m, 3H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.26-4.38 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.00 (s, 1H, CH), 5.19-5.35 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.54-5.62 (m, 1H, OH), 5.73-5.91 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.68 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.84 (t, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.05 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.24 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.38 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.50 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.58-7.65 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  28.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>),42.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.3 (C<sup>q</sup>), 87.4 (CH), 119.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 120.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 125.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.8 (CH=), 140.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 147.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 169.4 (C=O), 171.2 (C=O) ppm.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-11jB: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the purified reaction mixture;  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.25; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  2.42 (d, J = 17.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.89 (d, J = 17.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.07-3.31 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.45-3.91 (m, 3H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.26-4.38 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.08 (s, 1H, CH<sub>1</sub>), 5.19-5.35 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.54-5.62 (m, 1H, OH), 5.73-5.91 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.77-6.79 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.90 (t, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.12 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.23 (s, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.38 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.50 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.58-7.65 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  28.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 69.2 (C<sup>q</sup>), 85.9 (CH), 120.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 123.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 125.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.1 (CH=), 140.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 144.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.8 (C=O), 171.2 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 369.1228, found 369.1285.

*N*-Benzyl-2-(but-3-en-1-yl)-2'-hydroxyspiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidine]-3,5'-dione (±)-11k(A,B)



This product was obtained as a mixture of inseparable two diastereoisomers in 90% yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-11kA: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the purified reaction mixture; R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.28; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.24-2.33 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.40-2.49 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.59 (d, *J* = 17.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.16 (d, *J* = 17.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.63 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.21 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.89-5.49 (m, 4H, CH<sub>2</sub>+CH), 5.28 (s, 1H, OH), 5.49-5.85 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.18-7.23 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.31-7.63 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  32.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.0 (C<sup>q</sup>), 87.0 (CH), 117.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 120.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 134.8 (CH=), 135.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 147.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 169.2 (C=O), 170.8 (C=O) ppm.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-11kB: The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectrum of the purified reaction mixture;  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 2/3) = 0.28; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  1.98-2.18 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.71 (d, J = 17.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.85-2.99 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.08 (d, J = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.21-3.34 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.89-5.09 (m, 4H, CH<sub>2</sub>+CH), 5.49-5.85 (m, 1H, CH=), 7.18-7.23 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.31-7.63 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.70-7.88 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  33.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.7 (C<sup>q</sup>), 85.7 (CH), 117.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 120.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 134.4 (CH=), 135.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 143.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.4 (C=O), 171.4 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 363.1664, found 363.1726.

#### **IV.** General procedure for the synthesis of α-acetoxylactams (±)-8(A,B)

To a solution of spiro-hydroxylactam (±)-11(A,B) (mixture of two diastereoisomers, 0.7 mmol) in 10 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> were added acetic anhydride (1.5 equiv.), triethylamine (1.5 equiv.) and dimethylaminopyridine (0.1 equiv.) then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was then washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) and extracted twice with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated under reduced pressure to give an oil residue which was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel column using cyclohexane-ethyl acetate to afford  $\alpha$ -acetoxylactams (±)-8(A,B) as following.

(±)-1',2-Dibenzyl-3,5'-dioxospiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'-yl acetate (±)-8a(A,B)



This product was obtained as a mixture of partially separable two diastereoisomers in 91% yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-8aA: This product was isolated as a white solid, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.48; mp = 166-168 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1741, 1705, 1699; <sup>1</sup>H **NMR (300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.61 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.41 (d, *J* = 17.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.14 (d, *J* = 17.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.32 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 4.73 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.75 (d, *J* = 14.3Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.15 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.14 (s, 1H, CH), 6.86 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.14 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 7.21-7.28 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.31-7.36 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 36.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 65.5 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.2 (CH), 120.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.4 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 137.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.9 (C=O), 169.8 (C=O), 171.5 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>54</sub>H<sub>48</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Na [2M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 903.3370, found 903.3412.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-**8aB:** The NMR characteristics were extracted from the spectra of the mixture.;  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt : 1/1) = 0.48; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  1.49 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.57 (d, J = 17.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.13 (d, J = 17.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.46 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.41 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 4.55 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.68-4.78 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.97 (s, 1H, CH), 6.86 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.14-7.16 (m, 2H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 7.22-7.35 (m, 10H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.44-7.54 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.84-7.93 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (**75** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  20.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 39.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.5 (C<sup>q</sup>), 87.3 (CH), 120.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.4 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 137.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.8 (C=O), 168.5 (C=O), 172.3 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 463.1634, found 463.1658

 $(\pm)-1'-Allyl-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-3,5'-dioxospiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'-yl acetate \ (\pm)-8b(A,B)$ 



This product was obtained as a mixture of separable two diastereoisomers and were isolated as white solid in 93% global yield;

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-**8bA:** This product was isolated as a white solid, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.45; mp = 66-68 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1716, 1705, 1698; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{H}$  1.84 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.35 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.04 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.66-3.77 (m, 4H, CH<sub>2</sub>+ OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.15 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 6.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.57 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.13-5.22 (m, 3H, CH<sub>2</sub>+ CH2=), 5.67-5.81 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.09 (s, 1H, CH), 6.75 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.21-7.26 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.49-7.53 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.85 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{C}$  20.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 36.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.2 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 65.7 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.6 (CH), 114.2 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 119.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 120.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.6 (CH=), 130.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.1(CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 147.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 158.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.8 (C=O), 169.4 (C=O), 171.3 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 421.1719, found 421.1783.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-**8bB**: This product was isolated as a white solid, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.55; mp = 145-147 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1737, 1715, 1688; <sup>1</sup>**H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.86 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.55 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.09 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.40 (dd, *J* = 15.0, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.84 (dd, *J* = 15.0, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.45 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.83 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.07-5.12 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 5.51-5.64 (m, 1H, CH=), 5.93 (s, 1H, CH), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 7.50-7.59 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.92 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 39.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.3 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 67.3 (C<sup>q</sup>), 87.3 (CH), 114.2 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 119.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 123.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.6 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 129.6 (CH=), 131.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 142.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 159.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.8 (C=O), 168.6 (C=O), 172.2 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>24H25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 421.1719, found 421.1785.

 $(\pm)-1'-Benzyl-2-(furan-2-ylmethyl)-3,5'-dioxospiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'-ylacetate \ (\pm)-8c(A,B)$ 



This product was obtained as a mixture of separable two diastereoisomers and were isolated as white solid in 87% global yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-8cA: This product was isolated as a white solid, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.45; mp = 84-86 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1750, 1698, 1616; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.83 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.46 (d, *J* = 17.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.35 (d, *J* = 17.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.30 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.56 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.70 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.06 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.02 (s, 1H, CH), 6.22 (s, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.79 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 7.19-7.38 (m, 8H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 36.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 38.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 64.9 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.5 (CH), 108.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 110.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 120.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 141.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 146.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 150.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.4 (C=O), 169.5 (C=O), 171.7 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 453.1426, found 453.1442.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-8cB: This product was isolated as a white solid, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.50; mp = 164-166 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1742, 1720, 1701; <sup>1</sup>H **NMR (300 MHz, CDCI**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.66 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.54 (d, *J* = 18.1Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.10 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.17 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.47 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.68 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.11 (s, 1H, CH), 6.22 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.31-6.33 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.27-7.37 (m, 6H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.44-7.57 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), ppm. <sup>13</sup>C **NMR (75 MHz, CDCI**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 36.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 66.8 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.7 (CH), 108.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 110.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 142.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 142.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 149.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.2 (C=O), 168.7 (C=O), 172.3 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 431.1562, found 431.1631.

 $(\pm)-1'-Benzyl-3,5'-dioxo-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethyl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'-ylacetate \ (\pm)-8d(A,B)$ 



This product was obtained as a mixture of separable two diastereoisomers and were isolated as white solid in 81% global yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-8dA: This product was isolated as a white solid, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.42; mp = 82-84 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1740, 1705, 1687; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.87 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.50 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.30 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.36 (d, *J* = 14.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.77 (d, *J* = 14.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.83 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.32 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.10 (s, 1H, CH), 6.84-6.96 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.17 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 7.30-7.47 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.82 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 36.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 65.2 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.5 (CH), 120.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 125.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x

CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 140.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.5 (C=O), 169.5 (C=O), 171.4 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for  $C_{25}H_{22}N_2O_4SNa [M+Na]^+$ : 469.1198, found 469.1228.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-8dB: This product was isolated as a white solid, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.52; mp = 78-80 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1746, 1715, 1691; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{H}$  1.64 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.60 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.11 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.26 (d, *J* = 14.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.40 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.48 (d, *J* = 14.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.76 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.10 (s, 1H, CH), 6.87-6.95 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.22 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 7.33 (s, 5H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.44-7.61 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.86 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{C}$  20.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 38.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.9 (CH), 123.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 140.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 142.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.3 (C=O), 168.7 (C=O), 172.4 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SNa [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 469.1198, found 469.1230.

 $(\pm)-1'-Benzyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,5'-dioxospiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'-yl acetate (\pm)-8eA$ 



This product was prepared from the major diastereoisomer (±)-11eA and isolated as a white solid in 81% yield, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 4/1) = 0.45; mp = 182-184 °C; **IR** (v<sub>max</sub> / cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1738, 1695, 1690; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.70 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.98 (d, *J* = 17.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.26 (d, *J* = 17.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.83 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.13 (d, *J* = 14.6, Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.22 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.27 (s, 1H, CH), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.97-7.00 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.22-7.25 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.51-7.61 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 40.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.4 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 68.2 (C<sup>q</sup>), 87.2 (CH), 115.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 127.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.6 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 134.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 142.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 159.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.7 (C=O), 168.9 (C=O), 171.9 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Na[M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 479.1583, found 479.1587.

#### (±)-2-Allyl-1'-benzyl-3,5'-dioxospiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'-yl acetate (±)-8f(A,B)



This product was obtained as a mixture of two inseparable diastereoisomers and was isolated as a yellow oil in 93% global yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-**8fA:** The NMR characteristics were extracted from the spectra of the purified reaction mixture;  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt : 1/1) = 0.48; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300** MHz, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  1.87 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.48 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.24 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.01 (dd, *J* = 6.1 and 16.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.29 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.36-4.55 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.68 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.98-5.19 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.74-5.86 (m, 1H, CH=), 5.99 (s, 1H, CH), 6.79 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.20-7.56 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.70 (d, *J* = 7.5Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (**75** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  20.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 36.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 65.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.4 (CH), 116.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 119.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2xCH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2xCH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 133.1 (CH=), 135.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.3 (C=O), 169.5 (C=O), 171.6 (C=O) ppm.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-**8fB:** The NMR characteristics were extracted from the spectra of the purified reaction mixture.  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt : 1/1) = 0.48; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300** MHz, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  1.61 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.65 (d, J = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.07 (d, J = 17.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.86 (dd, J = 5.6 and 16.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.14 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.36-4.55 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.77 (d, J = 14.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.98-5.19 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.58-5.70 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.09 (s, 1H, CH), 6.78 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.20-7.56 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.69 (d, J = 7.5Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (**75** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  20.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 39.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 65.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.9 (CH), 117.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 120.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 133.2 (CH=), 135.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.1 (C=O), 168.6 (C=O), 172.4 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 413.1477, found 413.1491.

(±)-1',2-Dibenzyl-3,5'-dioxospiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'-yl acetate (±)-8g(A,B)



These products, as a mixture of inseparable two diastereoisomers in 63:37 ratio, were obtained as colorless oil in 91% yield according to the general procedure.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-8gA: : The NMR characteristics of this product were extracted from the spectra of the mixture, Rf (cyclohexan/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.30; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1752, 1698, 1665; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.95 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.21 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H, CH), 2.62 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.58 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.22 (dd, J = 2.4 and 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.40 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.67 (dd, J = 2.4 and 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.75 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.09 (s, 1H, CH), 6.85 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.30-7.43 (m, 5H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.46-7.63 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.79-7.84 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 31.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 64.9 (C<sup>q</sup>), 71.8 (CH), 78.3 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.3 (CH), 120.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.0

(C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 133.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.8 (C=O), 169.5 (C=O), 171.5 (C=O) ppm.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-8gB: The NMR characteristics were extracted from the spectra of the mixture.; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.71 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.24 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.02 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.20 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.80 (dd, *J* = 2.4 and 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.30 (dd, *J* = 2.4 and 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.46 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.74 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.25 (s, 1H, CH), 7.30-7.43 (m, 6H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.46-7.63 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.79-7.84 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 28.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 72.4 (CH), 78.3 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.4 (CH), 123.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 133.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 142.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 166.5 (C=O), 168.2 (C=O), 168.8 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na[M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 411.1315, found 411.1317

# (±)-1'-Benzyl-3,5'-dioxo-2-phenethylspiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'-yl acetate (±)-8h (A,B)



This product was obtained as a mixture of two partially separable diastereoisomers and was isolated as a yellow oil in 91% global yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-**8hA:** This product was isolated as a yellow oil; R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.53; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1753, 1695, 1679; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz**, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.88 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.16 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.75 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.00-3.06 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.50-3.60 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.99-4.08 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.31 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.65 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.93 (s, 1H, CH), 6.80 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.15-7.24 (m, 4H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.28-7.30 (m, 6H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.78 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (**75 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 65.3 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.6 (CH), 119.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 138.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.6 (C=O), 169.4 (C=O), 171.5 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 455.1926, found 455.1993.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-**8hB:** The NMR characteristics were extracted from the spectra of the mixture (±)-**8hB** and (±)-**9hA**. **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1753, 1695, 1679; R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/ AcOEt : 1/1) = 0.50; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.73 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.46 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.75-2.97 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.03-3.25 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.50-3.60 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.32 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.69 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.03 (s, 1H, CH), 7.13 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.20-7.31 (m, 9H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.36-7.49 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.73 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (**75 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 35.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 66.9 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.7 (CH), 123.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>),

128.6 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 135.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 138.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 142.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.7 (C=O), 168.8 (C=O), 172.4 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for  $C_{28}H_{27}N_2O_4$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 455.1926, found 455.1990.

(±)-1'-Benzyl-2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenethyl)-3,5'-dioxospiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'yl acetate (±)-8i(A,B)



This product was obtained as a mixture of two partially separable diastereoisomers and was isolated as a yellow oil in 93% global yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-**8**iA: This product was isolated as a yellow oil; R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 1/1) = 0.37; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1738, 1715, 1698; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz**, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{H}$  1.93 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.21 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.84(d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.96-3.11 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.48-3.58 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.69 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.87 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.00-4.09 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.33 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.72 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.96 (s, 1H, CH), 6.66 (s, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.74-6.85 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.32-7.35 (m, 6H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.82 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{C}$  20.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.6 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.9 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 65.3 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.5 (CH), 111.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 112.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 120.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 120.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 147.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.6 (C=O), 169.4 (C=O), 171.5 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 515.2137 found 515.2213.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-**8iA:** The NMR characteristics were extracted from the spectra of the purified reaction mixture.  $R_f$  (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 1/1) = 0.39; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1614.96, 1698.26 (2xC=O); ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  1.74 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.44 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.13 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.96-3.11 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.48-3.58 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.87 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.00-4.09 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.33 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.87 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.02 (s, 1H, CH), 6.74-6.85 (m, 4H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.32-7.35 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.82 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  20.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.7 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.8 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 67.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.8 (CH), 111.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 112.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 120.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 120.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 145.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 147.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 149.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.7 (C=O), 171.5 (C=O), 172.5 (C=O) ppm.

 $(\pm)-1'-Allyl-3,5'-dioxo-2-(2-(thiophen-2-yl)ethyl)spiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'-ylacetate \ (\pm)-8j(A,B)$ 



This product was obtained as a mixture of two partially separable diastereoisomers and was isolated as a yellow oil in 89% global yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-**8**jA: This product was isolated as a yellow oil; R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.54; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1693, 1680, 1668; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300** MHz, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.10 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.25 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.80 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.18-3.27 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.40-3.50 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.61-3.71 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.79 (dd, *J* = 14.1, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.05-4.14 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.18 (dd, *J* = 6.3 and 14.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.19-5.27 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 5.71-5.84 (m, 1H, CH=), 5.99 (s, 1H, CH), 6.80 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.91 (t, *J* = 5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.13 (d, *J* = 5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.52-7.60 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 65.5 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.6 (CH), 119.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 120.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 125.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.8 (CH=), 140.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.6 (C=O), 169.3 (C=O), 171.5 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>SNa [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 433.1198, found 433.1220.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-**8jB:** The NMR characteristics were extracted from the spectra of the mixture (±)-**8jB** + (±)-**9jA**. **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1690, 1689 (2 x C=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300** MHz, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.04 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.36 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.99-3.13 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.28-3.40 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.47-3.78 (m, 4H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.08 (td, *J* = 6.1 and 15.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.16-5.23 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 5.68-5.82 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.03 (s, 1H, CH), 6.38 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.80-6.88 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.06-7.13 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.40-7.53 (m, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.76 (t, *J* = 6.1Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (**75** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.8 (CH), 119.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 120.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 125.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.5 (CH=), 140.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 145.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.0 (C=O), 170.6 (C=O), 171.3 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O4S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 411.1334, found 411.1402.

# $(\pm)-N-Benzyl-2-(but-3-en-1-yl)-3,5'-dioxospiro[isoindoline-1,3'-pyrrolidin]-2'-ylacetate (\pm)-8k(A,B)$



This product was obtained as a mixture of two separable diastereoisomers and was isolated as a yellow oil in 91% global yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-8kA: This product was isolated as a yellow oil; R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.54; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1752, 1694 (2 x C=O), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.91 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.40-2.52 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.57 (d, *J* = 16.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.20 (d, *J* = 16.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.40-3.51 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.79-3.89 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.35 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.69 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.04-5.11 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.70-5.84 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.00 (s, 1H, CH), 6.84 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.26-7.34 (m, 6H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 36.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 65.1 (C<sup>q</sup>), 86.5 (CH), 117.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 119.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.1(C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 134.7 (CH=), 135.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 146.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.5 (C=O), 169.4 (C=O), 171.5 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) calculated for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 427.1634, found 427.1656.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-**8kB:** This product was isolated as a yellow oil; R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.50; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 1753.38, 1686.72 (2 x C=O), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>**):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.80 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.03-2.29 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.74 (d, *J* = 16.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.91-3.04 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.21 (d, *J* = 16.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.32-3.42 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.27 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.85 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.97-5.12 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.53-5.68 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.11 (s, 1H, CH), 7.26-7.48 (m, 5H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.49-7.58 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR could not be made because the product is not stable in CDCl<sub>3</sub> and it hydrolyzes give the corresponding hydroxylactam under a mixture of two inseparable diastereoisomers.

#### V. General procedure for $\pi$ -cationic cyclization of $\alpha$ -acetoxylactams (±)-8

To a solution of  $\alpha$ -acetoxylactam (±)-8 (pure form or mixture of two diastereoisomers 0.7 mmol) in 2 mL of acetonitrile was added 10 mol% of TMSOTf then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. The reaction mixture was neutralized with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) and extracted twice with dichloromethane (20 mL). The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated *in vacuo* to give a white product which was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel column to give compounds (±)-5 as following.

### (±)-*N*-Benzyl-1,14b-dihydroisoindolo[2,1-*b*]pyrrolo[3,2-*c*]isoquinoline-2,8(3*H*,10*H*)-dione (±)-5aA



The reaction was carried out on pure  $\alpha$ -acetoxylactams (±)-**8aA** or (±)-**8aB**. In both cases the same compound (±)-**5aA** was isolated as sole diastereoisomer in 98% yield: This compound was isolated by flash chromatography, R<sub>f</sub> (Cyclohexane/AcOEt : 3/2) = 0.54; mp = 198-200 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1705, 1679; <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (**300 MHz**, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.13 (d, *J* = 18.6 Hz, 1H,

CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.19 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.67 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.25 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.84 (s, 1H, CH), 5.12 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.22 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.99 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.18-7.23 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.29-7.47 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.55 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.72 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{C}$  39.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 63.4 (CH), 63.9 (C<sup>q</sup>), 121.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 124.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 130.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 136.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 168.2 (C=O), 171.5 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 381.1558, found: 381.1618.

(±)-N-Allyl-13-methoxy-1,14b-dihydroisoindolo[2,1-b]pyrrolo[3,2-c]isoquinoline-2,8-

(3*H*,10*H*)-dione (±)-5b(A,B)



This product was obtained as a mixture of inseparable two diastereoisomers in 70:30 ratio and 88% yield. mp = 76-78 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max}$  / cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1679, 1611, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt : 1/1) = 0.42. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>; All signals of the spectre were noticed):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.98-3.14 (m, 4H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.25-3.42 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.74 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.17 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.22 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.39-4.54 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.89 (s, 1H, CH), 4.93 (s, 1H, CH), 5.17-5.29 (m, 6H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.62-5.79 (s, 2H, CH=), 6.70-6.74 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.81-6.87  $(m, 2H, H_{aro}), 7.03 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, H_{aro}), 7.24 (s, 1H, H_{aro}), 7.47-7.52 (m, 2H, H_{aro}), 7.55-7.58$  $(m, 2H, H_{aro}), 7.62-7.67 (m, 2H, H_{aro}), 7.77 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, H_{aro}) ppm. {}^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, 10.10 Hz)$ **CDCl<sub>3</sub>**; All signals of the spectre were noticed):  $\delta_C$  39.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.4(CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.3 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.4 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 63.2 (CH), 63.5 (CH), 63.6 (C<sup>q</sup>), 64.0 (Cq), 112.5 (CHaro), 113.0 (CHaro), 113.7 (CHaro), 116.4 (CHaro), 118.4 (CHaro), 119.1 (CHaro), 120.9 (CHaro), 121.0 (CHaro), 122.6 (C<sup>q</sup>aro), 124.1 (CHaro), 124.1 (CHaro), 127.4 (C<sup>q</sup>aro), 127.4 (CHaro), 129.1 (CHaro), 131.3 (Cqaro), 131.3 (Cqaro), (CHaro), 131.6 (CHaro), 131.7 (CHaro), 131.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 133.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 137.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 158.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 159.8 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.9 (C=O), 168.2 (C=O), 170.9 (C=O), 171.0 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 361.1507, found: 361.1569.

(±)-*N*-Benzyl-1,13*b*-dihydrofuro[3',2':4,5]pyrrolo[3',2':2,3]pyrido[2,1-*a*]isoindole-2,8-(3*H*,10*H*)-dione (±)-5cA



The reaction was carried out on pure  $\alpha$ -acetoxylactams (±)-8cA or (±)-8cB. In both cases the same compound (±)-5cA was isolated as sole diastereoisomer in 62% yield: This compound was isolated by flash chromatography, R<sub>f</sub> (Cyclohexane/AcOEt : 2/3) = 0.53; mp = 90-92 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1685, 1628; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.47 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.08 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.19-4.26 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.39 (s, 1H, CH), 5.28 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.31 (d, *J* = 17.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.27 (d, *J* = 2 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.35 – 7.44 (m, 8H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.78 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  34.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 57.8 (CH), 62.6 (C<sup>q</sup>), 108.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 115.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 120.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.67 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 143.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 146.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 166.4 (C=O), 170.3 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 371.1351, found: 371.1417.

(±)-N-Benzyl-1,13b-dihydropyrrolo[3',2':2,3]thieno[3',2':4,5]pyrido[2,1-a]isoindole-2,8-(3H,10H)-dione (±)-5dA



The reaction was carried out on pure α-acetoxylactams (±)-8dA or (±)8dB. In both cases the same compound (±)-5dA was isolated as sole diastereoisomer in 84% yield: This compound was isolated by flash chromatography, R<sub>f</sub> (Cyclohexane/AcOEt : 2/3) = 0.54; mp = 186-188 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1681, 1616; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.58 (d, *J* = 16.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.18 (d, *J* = 16.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.22 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.37 (d, *J* = 17 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.51 (s, 1H, CH), 5.43 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.51 (d, *J* = 17.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.02 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.29 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.34-7.48 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  35.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 59.1 (CH), 62.0 (C<sup>q</sup>), 120.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 125.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 125.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 133.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 135.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 166.0 (C=O), 170.5 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 387.1123, found: 387.1180.

(±)-N-Benzyl-15,15*a*-dihydro-5*H*-benzo[4,5]pyrrolo[3',2':2,3]azepino[2,1-*a*]isoindole-8,14-(6*H*,13*H*)-dione (±)-5hA



The reaction was carried out on pure  $\alpha$ -acetoxylactams (±)-**8hA** or (±)-**8hB**. In both cases the same compound (±)-**5hA** was isolated as sole diastereoisomer in 77% yield: This compound was isolated by flash chromatography, R<sub>f</sub> (Cyclohexane/AcOEt : 3/2) = 0.30; mp = 218-220 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1695, 1678; <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (**300 MHz**, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.85-2.93 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.09 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.18-3.29 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.37-3.44 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.50-4.61 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.79 (s, 1H, CH), 5.18 (d, *J* = 14.3 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.51 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.01-7.10 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.18-7.26 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.31-7.38 (m, 3H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.38-7.44 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.56 -7.66 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  29.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 64.7(C<sup>q</sup>), 72.5 (CH), 120.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 126.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.6 ( 2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 130.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 137.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 147.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.2 (C=O), 171.1 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 395.1715, found: 395.1763.

 $(\pm) - N-Benzyl-2, 3-dimethoxy-15, 15a-dihydro-5H-benzo[4,5] pyrrolo[3',2':2,3] azepino[2,1-a] isoindole-8, 14(6H, 13H)-dione (\pm)-5i(A,B)$ 



This product was obtained as separable two diastereisomers in 92% yield.

**Major diastereoisomer** (±)-**5iA:** This compound was isolated by flash chromatography, R<sub>f</sub> (Cyclohexane/AcOEt : 3/2) = 0.39; mp = 202-204 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1682, 1610; <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.76-2.84 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.06-3.23 (m, 3H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.31-3.40 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.55 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.88 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.47-4.58 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.66 (s, 1H, CH), 5.23 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.89 (s, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.70 (s, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.07 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.30-7.32 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.37-7.44 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.58 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.66 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C **NMR (75 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  29.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.9 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.9 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 64.6 (C<sup>q</sup>), 72.1 (CH), 114.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 115.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 120.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 122.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 123.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 127.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.6 ( 2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.7 ( 2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 131.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 147.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 147.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 149.6(C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.4 (C=O), 170.9 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O4 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 455.1926, found: 455.1997.

**Minor diastereoisomer** (±)-**5iB:** This compound was purified by flash chromatography, R<sub>f</sub> (cyclohexane/AcOEt: 3/2) = 0.57; mp = 228-230 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1703, 1683; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300 MHz, CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.48 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.99-3.12 (m, 3H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.35-3.44 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.57 (d, J = 14.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.85 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.92 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.52-4.62 (m, 2H, CH+CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.11 (d, J = 14.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.53 (s, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 6.70 (s, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.20 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.26-7.36 (m, 4H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.52 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.63 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.87 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  31.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>),

34.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 56.0 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 56.1 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 60.2 (CH), 69.4 (C<sup>q</sup>), 115.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 116.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 120.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 128.5( 2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.8 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 132.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.5 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 135.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 145.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 147.3 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.6 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.8 (C=O), 171.3 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for  $C_{28}H_{27}N_2O_4$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 455.1926, found: 455.2005.

### (±)-*N*-Allyl-14,14*a*-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3',2':2,3]thieno[2',3':4,5]azepino[2,1-*a*]isoindole-7,13(5*H*,12*H*)-dione (±)-5jA



The reaction was carried out on pure  $\alpha$ -acetoxylactams (±)-8hA or (±)-8hB. In both cases the same compound (±)-5jA was isolated as sole diastereoisomer in 90% yield: This compound was isolated by flash chromatography, R<sub>f</sub> (Cyclohexane/AcOEt : 3/2) = 0.51; mp = 186-188 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1701, 1675; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.89 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.02-3.20 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.21 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.38-3.54 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.30-4.33 (dd, *J* = 5.1 and 14.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 4.49-4.59 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>=), 4.99 (d, *J* = 17.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 5.16-5.21(m, 2H, CH+CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.63-5.76 (m, 1H, CH=), 6.50 (d, *J* = 5.1Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.96 (d, *J* = 5.1Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  25.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 65.6 (CH), 66.6 (C<sup>q</sup>), 119.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>=), 120.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 122.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.4 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.4 (CH=), 139.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 145.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.3 (C=O), 170.8 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 351.1123, found: 351.1186.

#### (±)-N-Benzyl-7-acetoxy-2-oxodecahydropyrrolo[3,2-b]azepin-3-yl)benzoic acid (±)-12k



The reaction was carried out on pure  $\alpha$ -acetoxylactams (±)-8kA or (±)-8kB. In both cases the same compound (±)-12k

was isolated as sole diastereoisomer in 86% yield: This compound was isolated by flash chromatography,  $R_f$  (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOH : 4.5/0.5) = 0.35; mp = 189-191 °C; **IR** ( $v_{max} / cm^{-1}$ ): 3262, 1679, 1658; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  0.92-1.00 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.65-1.88 (m, 7H, CH<sub>3</sub>+CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.72-2.84 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.24 (s, 1H, NH), 3.80-3.87 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.99 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.57 (d, J = 14.9 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.26 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.28-7.42

(m, 6H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.45-7.51 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.59-7.67 (m, 2H, H<sub>aro</sub>+OH), 7.86 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  23.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.7 (C<sup>q</sup>), 62.1 (CH), 66.6 (CH), 122.6 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 122.9 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.3 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.2 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 131.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 133.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.2 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 166.3 (C=O), 169.1 (C=O), 172.2 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 423.1875, found: 423.1836.

#### VI. Procedure for the preparation of compound (±)-4f.

To a solution of  $\alpha$ -acetoxylactam (±)-8 (pure form or mixture of two diastereoisomers 0.7 mmol) in 2 mL of acetonitrile was added 1eq of TMSOTf then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction mixture was neutralized with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) and extracted twice with dichloromethane (20 mL). The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated *in vacuo* to give a white product which was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel column using cyclohexane-ethyl acetate to give compounds (±)-4f or (±)-4k as following.

### (±)-N-Benzyl-3,3a-dihydropyrrolo[3',2':2,3]pyrido[2,1-*a*]isoindole-2,8(1*H*,6*H*)-dione (±)-4f



The reaction was carried out on pure α-acetoxylactams (±)-**8**f**A** or (±)-**8**f**B**. In both cases the same cyclization product (±)-**4**f was isolated as sole diastereoisomer in 64% yield: This compound was isolated by flash chromatography, R<sub>f</sub> (Cyclohexane/AcOEt : 2/3) = 0.54; mp = 88-90 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 1681, 1653; <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (**300 MHz**, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.34 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.95 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.58-3.66 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.72-3.73 (m, 1H, CH), 4.16 (d, *J* = 14.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.65-4.73 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.96 (d, *J* = 14.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.69 (dd, *J* = 2.2 and 10.3 Hz, 1H, CH=), 5.91 (m, 1H, CH=), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.23-7.30 (m, 5H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.34 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>) ppm. <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (**75 MHz**, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  δ 36.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 58.7 (CH), 60.8 (C<sup>q</sup>), 120.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 121.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.7(CH=), 125.5 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.2 (CH=), 128.9 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.1 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.4 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.7 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 166.3 (C=O), 170.4 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 331.1402, found: 331.1453.

#### VII. Procedure for the preparation of compound (±)-4k.

A solution of  $\alpha$ -acetoxylactam (±)-8 in 2 mL of TFA was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction mixture was evaporated *in vacuo*, neutralized with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) and extracted twice with dichloromethane (20 mL). The organic layer was

dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated *in vacuo* to give a white product which was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel column using cyclohexane and ethyl acetate to give compound  $(\pm)$ -4k.

 $(\pm) -3-Benzyl-5-hydroxy-3, 3a, 4, 5, 6, 7-hexahydro-9H-pyrrolo[3', 2':2, 3] a zepino[2, 1-a] isoindole-2, 9(1H)-dione (\pm)-4k.$ 



The reaction was carried out on pure  $\alpha$ -acetoxylactams (±)-**8kA** or (±)-**8kB**. In both cases the same compound (±)-**4k** was isolated as sole diastereoisomer in 65% yield: This compound was isolated by flash chromatography, R<sub>f</sub> (Cyclohexane/AcOEt : 3/2) = 0.34; mp = 202-204 °C; **IR** (**v**<sub>max</sub> / **cm**<sup>-1</sup>): 3402, 1704, 1680; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**300** MHz, **CDCl**<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.37-1.46 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.83-1.90 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.11-2.18 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.78-2.87 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.06 (d, *J* = 18.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.83-3.89 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.96-4.01 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.22-4.29 (m, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.40 (d, *J* = 14.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.28-7.58 (m, 7H, H<sub>aro</sub>), 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>aro</sub>), ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (**75** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  35.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 61.8 (C<sup>q</sup>), 66.4 (CH), 66.7 (CH), 121.0 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 123.7 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.2 (2 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 128.3 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 129.0 (3 x CH<sub>aro</sub>), 130.9 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 132.8 (CH<sub>aro</sub>), 135.1 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 148.0 (C<sup>q</sup><sub>aro</sub>), 167.1 (C=O), 171.9 (C=O) ppm. HRMS (+ESI) Calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 363.1664, found: 363.1724.



#### VIII. Copies of <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of all new compounds



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<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound (±)-5Aa



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound (±)-7b







<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound (±)-11b(A,B)

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<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-8bB







<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-7c



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound (±)-1c









<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound (±)-8c(A,B)



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound (±)-8cA



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound (±)-8cB







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<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-1d



<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-11d(A,B)







<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-8dA



<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-8dB



<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-5dA











<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-8eA



<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-1f











<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-1g











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<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-8hA









<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-5hA







<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-1i











<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-5iA



<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-5iB


<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-7j























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<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-1k







<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (±)-8kA







<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound (±)-4k



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound (±)-12k

IX. Crystallographic data of compounds (±)-5aA and (±)-5iA

Compound	(+/-)-5aA	(+/-)-5iA
Deposition Number	1848784	2022086
Formula	$C_{25}H_{20}N_2O_2$	$C_{28}H_{26}N_2O_4$
Formula weight	380.43	454.11
Temperature/K	293	193(2)
Wavelength/Å	0.71073	0.71073
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_{1}/c$	$P2_{1}/c$
a/Å	10.115(6)	8.4505(17)
b/Å	22.716(8)	19.920(4)
c∕Å	8.414(6)	13.650(3)
β	102.49(5)	94.14(3)°
Volume/ Å <sup>3</sup>	1887.6(19)	2291.8(8)
Ζ	4	4
Density (calculated) g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.339	1.317
Absorp. coefficient/mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.086	0.089
F(000)	800.0	960.0
F(000)'	800.33	960.44
Theta(max)/°	24.990	27.000
Н	12	10
k	27	25
l <sub>max</sub>	9	17
$\mathbf{N}_{\mathrm{ref}}$	3296	5004
R (reflections)	0.0506(2232)	0.0466(3827)
wR <sub>2</sub> (reflections)	0.1352(3292)	0.1308(4679)
S: Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.031	1.067
Reported T Limits	Tmin=0.930 Tmax=0.960	Tmin=0.962 Tmax=0.965
N <sub>par</sub>	343	309
Data completeness	0.999	0.935

Table 1. Crystal data collection and structure refinement of products ayoub1 (5aA) and mk010707 (**5iA**).

Figure 1. Molecular structure of the isomer (+/-)-5aA.



**Figure 2.** Molecular structure of (+/-)-**5iA** as major isomer.



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# Datablock: ayoub1 (Product 5aA)

Bond precision: C-C = 0.0041 AWavelength=0.71073 Cell: a=10.115(6) b=22.716(8) c = 8.414(6)alpha=90 beta=102.49(5) gamma=90 Temperature: 293 K Calculated Reported Volume 1887.6(19) 1887.6(19)P 21/c Space group P21/c Hall group -P 2ybc ? Moiety formula C25 H20 N2 O2 ? Sum formula C25 H20 N2 O2 C25 H20 N2 O2 Mr 380.43 380.43 1.339 1.339 Dx,g cm-3 Ζ 4 4 Mu (mm-1) 0.086 0.086 F000 800.0 660.0 F000′ 800.33 h,k,lmax 12,27,9 12,26,9 Nref 3296 3292 0.965,0.974 0.930,0.960 Tmin,Tmax Tmin′ 0.960 Correction method= # Reported T Limits: Tmin=0.930 Tmax=0.960 AbsCorr = MULTI-SCAN Data completeness= 0.999 Theta(max) = 24.990R(reflections) = 0.0506(2232) wR2(reflections) = 0.1352(3292) S = 1.031Npar= 343

The following ALERTS were generated. Each ALERT has the format test-name\_ALERT\_alert-type\_alert-level.

Alert level C		
PLAT068_ALERT_1_C Reported F000 Differs from Calcd (or Missing)	Please	Check
PLAT088_ALERT_3_C Poor Data / Parameter Ratio	9.61	Note
PLAT199_ALERT_1_C Reported _cell_measurement_temperature (K)	293	Check
PLAT200_ALERT_1_C Reporteddiffrn_ambient_temperature (K)	293	Check
PLAT222_ALERT_3_C NonSolvent Resd 1 H Uiso(max)/Uiso(min) Range	5.2	Ratio
PLAT245_ALERT_2_C U(iso) H18 Smaller than U(eq) C18 by	0.017	Ang**2
PLAT340_ALERT_3_C Low Bond Precision on C-C Bonds	0.00412	Ang.

#### Alert level G

PLAT005_ALERT_5_G No Emb	bedded Refinement Details	Found in the CIF	Please	Do !
PLAT793_ALERT_4_G Model	has Chirality at C3	(Centro SPGR)	R	Verify
PLAT793_ALERT_4_G Model	has Chirality at C18	(Centro SPGR)	S	Verify
PLAT899_ALERT_4_G SHELXI	L97 is Deprecated and Su	acceeded by SHELXL/	2018	Note

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0 ALERT level A = Most likely a serious problem - resolve or explain
0 ALERT level B = A potentially serious problem, consider carefully
7 ALERT level C = Check. Ensure it is not caused by an omission or oversight
4 ALERT level G = General information/check it is not something unexpected
3 ALERT type 1 CIF construction/syntax error, inconsistent or missing data
1 ALERT type 2 Indicator that the structure model may be wrong or deficient
3 ALERT type 3 Indicator that the structure quality may be low
3 ALERT type 4 Improvement, methodology, query or suggestion
1 ALERT type 5 Informative message, check
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Datablock ayoub1 - ellipsoid plot



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Bond precision: C-C = 0.0020 AWavelength=0.71073 Cell: a=8.4505(17) b=19.920(4) c=13.650(3)alpha=90 beta=94.14(3) gamma=90 Temperature: 193 K Calculated Reported 2291.8(8) Volume 2291.7(8)P 21/c Space group P21/c Hall group -P 2ybc ? Moiety formula C28 H26 N2 O4 ? Sum formula C28 H26 N2 O4 C28 H26 N2 O4 Mr 454.51 454.51 Dx,g cm-3 1.317 1.317 Ζ 4 4 Mu (mm-1) 0.089 0.089 F000 960.0 960.0 F000′ 960.44 h,k,lmax 10,25,17 10,25,17 Nref 5004 4679 0.963,0.966 0.962,0.965 Tmin,Tmax Tmin′ 0.963 Correction method= # Reported T Limits: Tmin=0.962 Tmax=0.965 AbsCorr = MULTI-SCAN Data completeness= 0.935 Theta(max) = 27.000R(reflections) = 0.0466(3827) wR2(reflections) = 0.1308(4679) S = 1.067Npar= 309

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Alert level C PLAT018_ALERT_1_C _diffrn_measured_fraction_theta_max .NE. *_full	! Check
▲ Alert level G PLAT005_ALERT_5_G No Embedded Refinement Details Found in the CIF PLAT066_ALERT_1_G Predicted and Reported Tmin&Tmax Range Identical PLAT093_ALERT_1_G No s.u.'s on H-positions, Refinement Reported as PLAT793_ALERT_4_G Model has Chirality at C18 (Centro SPGR) PLAT793_ALERT_4_G Model has Chirality at C19 (Centro SPGR) PLAT899_ALERT_4_G SHELXL97 is Deprecated and Succeeded by SHELXL/	Please Do ! ? Check mixed Check R Verify S Verify 2018 Note
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