

Supporting Information

Iodine-Catalyzed Oxidative Annulation: Facile Synthesis of Pyrazolooxepanopyrazolones via Methyl azaarenes sp^3 C-H Functionalization

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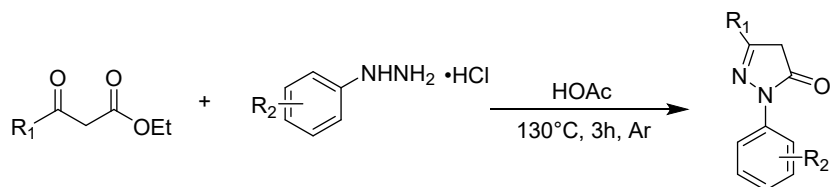
1. General information

Materials and General Experimental: Methyl quinolines were purchased from Beijing Innochem Science&Technology Co. Ltd. 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one were purchased from Shanghai Shaoyuan Co. Ltd. Unless stated otherwise, all solvents and commercially available reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. In addition, petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90 °C), which was used for Column chromatography, was distilled prior to use. Non-commercial starting materials were prepared as described below or according to literature procedures. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using pre-coated silica gel HF254 glass plates. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (200-300 mesh).

Instrumentation: Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker Advance 400 MHz spectrometer at ambient temperature using the non or partly deuterated solvent as internal standard (^1H : δ 7.26 ppm and $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$: δ 77.0 ppm for CDCl_3). Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm, relative to the internal standard of tetramethylsilane (TMS). The coupling constants (J) are quoted in hertz (Hz). Resonances are described as s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet), br (broad) or combinations thereof. High resolution mass spectra were obtained on Thermo Scientific Q-Exactive (ESI mode). Melting points were determined using SGW X-4 apparatus and not corrected.

2. General Procedure

2.1 General Procedure for the Synthesis of 5-alkyl-2-aryl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-ones.



A 25 mL pressure vial with branch was charged with α -keto esters (3.0 mmol), Phenylhydrazine hydrochloride (3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and HOAc (5.0 mL). The vial was sealed and performed gas exchange 3 times. Then, the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 4 h under argon atmosphere. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3×50 mL). The mixture was dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding products (all substrates were prepared according to literature methods).^[1]

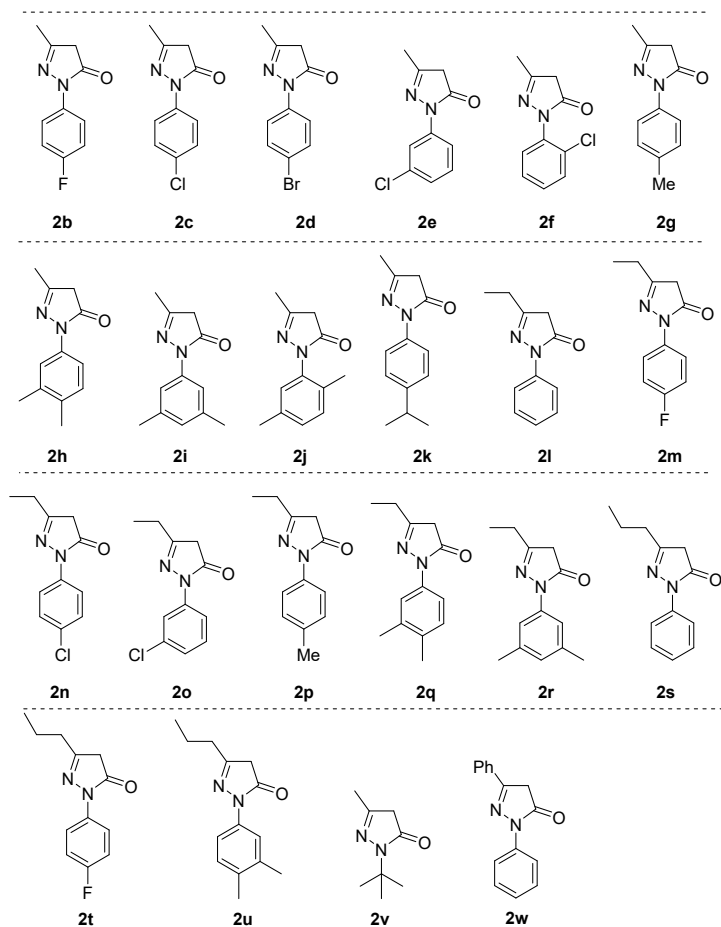
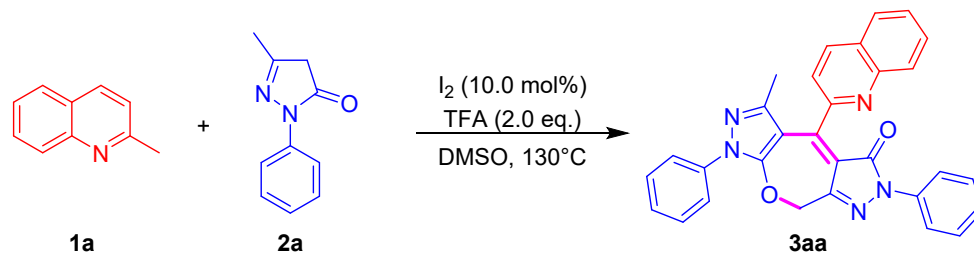


Table S1. The scope of 5-alkyl-2-aryl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-ones

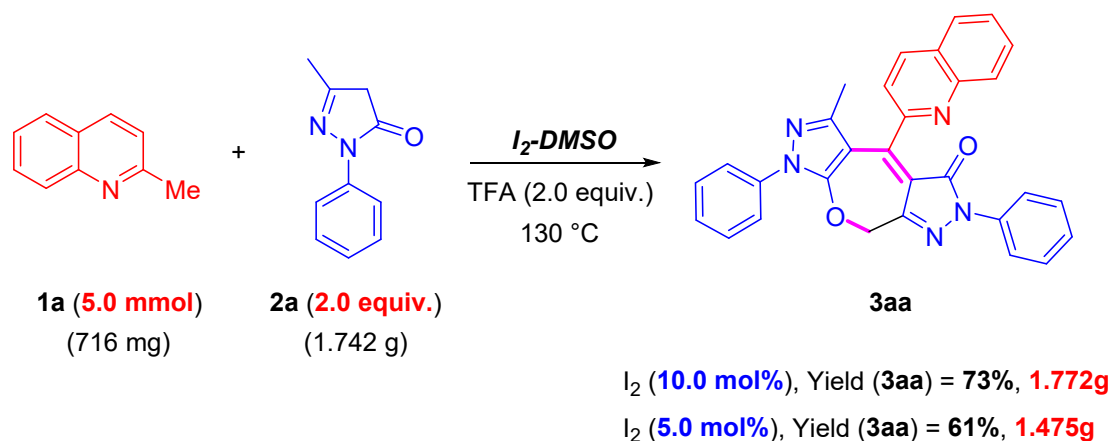
[1]. Y.-Y. Huang, H.-C. Lin, K.-M. Cheng, *et al. Tetrahedron*, **2009**, 65, 9592-9597.

2.2 General Procedure for the Synthesis of 2,7-diaryl-4-azaaryl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-ones (3aa as an example).



A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (43.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 3 h under an air atmosphere. And then added 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (104.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) for additional 6h. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **3aa** as a yellow solid (120 mg, 83% yield).

3. Scale-up of the reaction.



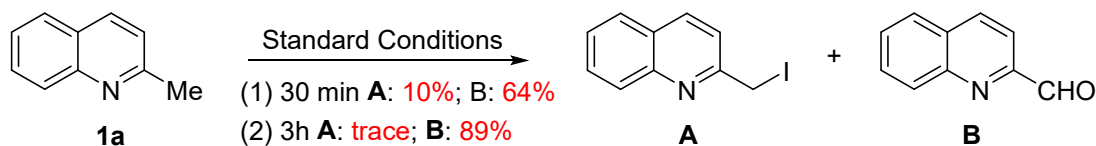
3.1 A 100 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (716 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (127 mg, 0.5 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (1142 mg, 10.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (30 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 3 h under an air atmosphere. And then added 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (1742 mg, 10.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) for additional 6h. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 120 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 5 times (5 × 80 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w),

dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **3aa** as a yellow solid (1.772 g, 73% yield).

3.2 A 100 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (716 mg, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (64 mg, 0.25 mmol, 0.05 equiv.), TFA (1142 mg, 10.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (30 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 3 h under an air atmosphere. And then added 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (1742 mg, 10.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) for additional 6h. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 120 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 5 times (5 × 80 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **3aa** as a yellow solid (1.475 g, 61% yield).

4. Mechanism investigation

4.1 Control experiments (a):



Procedure and Results:

(1): A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (43.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for **30 min** under an air atmosphere. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **A** as a yellow solid (8 mg, 10% yield, detected by TLC-MS (APCI)) and **B** as a brown solid (30 mg, 64% yield).

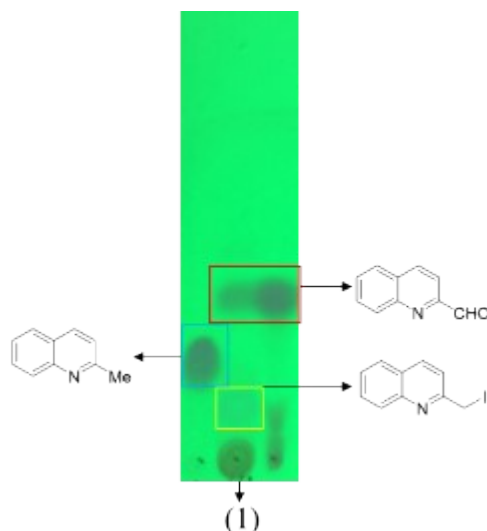


Figure S1. The TLC results for the control experiments **a (1)**

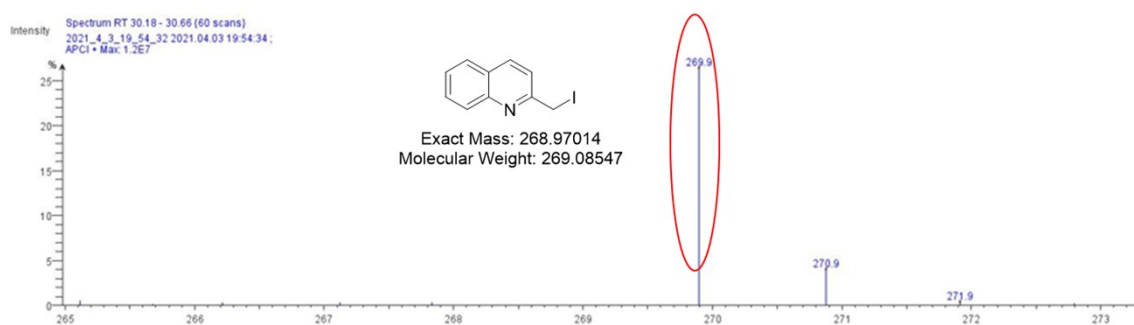


Figure S2. The MS (APCI) results for the control experiments **a (1)**

(2): A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (43.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for **3h** under an air atmosphere. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **B** as a brown solid (42 mg, 89% yield).

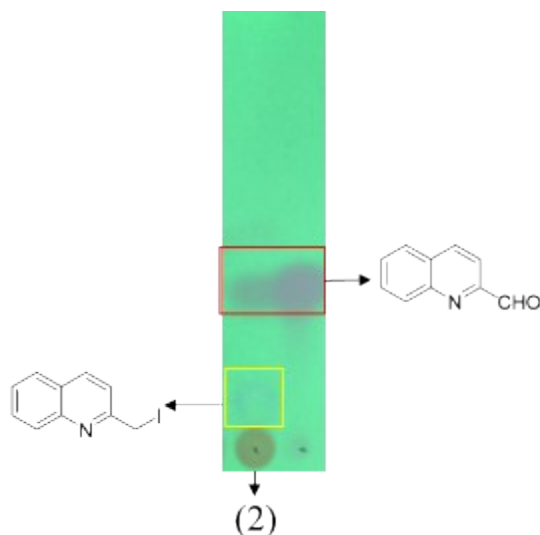
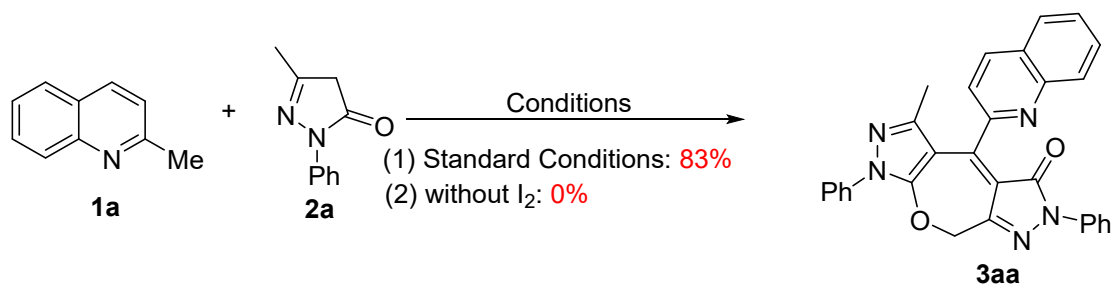


Figure S3. The TLC results for the control experiments **a** (2)

4.2 Control experiments (b):



Procedure and Results:

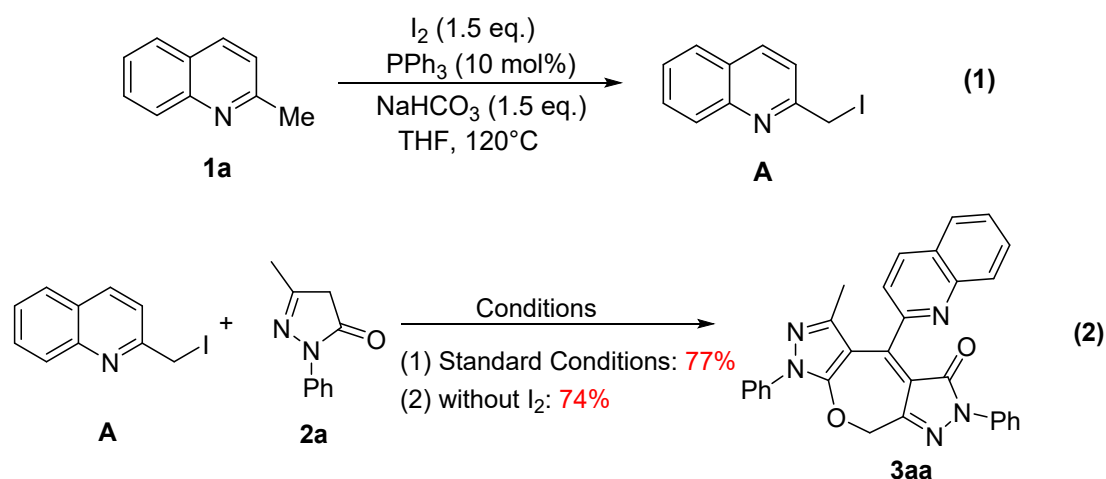
(1): A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (43.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 3 h under an air atmosphere. And then added 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (104.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) for additional 6h. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **3aa** as a yellow solid (120 mg, 83% yield).

(2): A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (43.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial

was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 3 h under an air atmosphere. And then added 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (104.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) for additional 6h. After the reaction was finished, we monitored it by TLC. The TLC result showed that no product was formed.

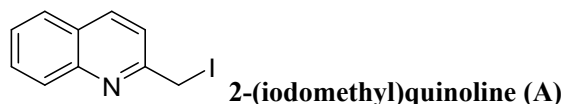
4.3 Control experiments (c):

In order to show that compound **A** is a possible intermediate in this reaction, we synthesized it using the reported method,^[2] and then placed it under two different conditions for reaction.



Procedure and Results:

(1): An oven-dried pressure tube was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (0.3 mmol), I₂ (0.45 mmol), NaHCO₃ (0.45 mmol), PPh₃ (0.03 mmol) and 2 mL of THF. The mixture was stirred at 120 °C for 1.5 h under nitrogen atmosphere. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate and washed with saturated sodium thiosulfate. Then extracted with ethyl acetate and dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solvent was evaporated in vacuo and the residues were purified by column chromatography to afford the desired product **A** as a yellow solid (55 mg, 68% yield).



Yellow solid; melting point: 58-64 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10-8.03 (m, 2 H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.72-7.68 (m, 2 H), 7.54-7.49 (m, 2 H), 4.67 (s, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 147.5, 137.1, 129.8, 129.0, 127.4, 127.0, 126.7, 121.0, 6.84. IR (film, cm⁻¹): 3054, 2918, 2752, 1643, 1541, 1505, 1458, 1220, 1150, 769, 572. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₀H₉IN [M+H]⁺ 269.9774, found 269.9771.(as reported in the previous literature).

[2] X.-B. Pang, L.-K. Xiang, J.-X. Ma, *et al. RSC Adv.*, **2016**, 6, 111713-111717.

(2)-1: A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-(iodomethyl)quinoline (**A**) (80.7 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 3 h under an air atmosphere. And then added 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (104.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) for additional 6h. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **3aa** as a yellow solid (112 mg, 77% yield).

(2)-2: A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-(iodomethyl)quinoline (**A**) (80.7 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 3 h under an air atmosphere. And then added 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (104.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) for additional 6h. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **3aa** as a yellow solid (107 mg, 74% yield).

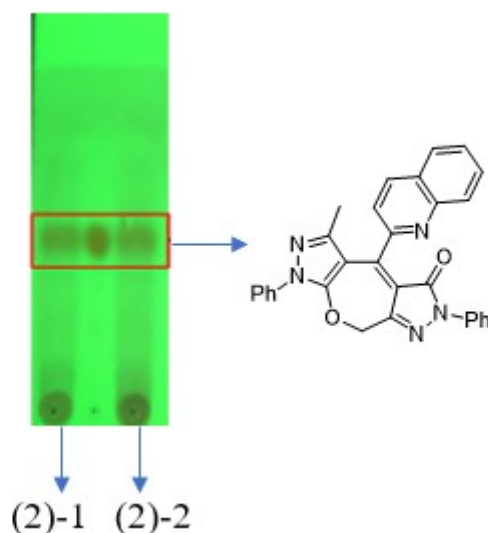
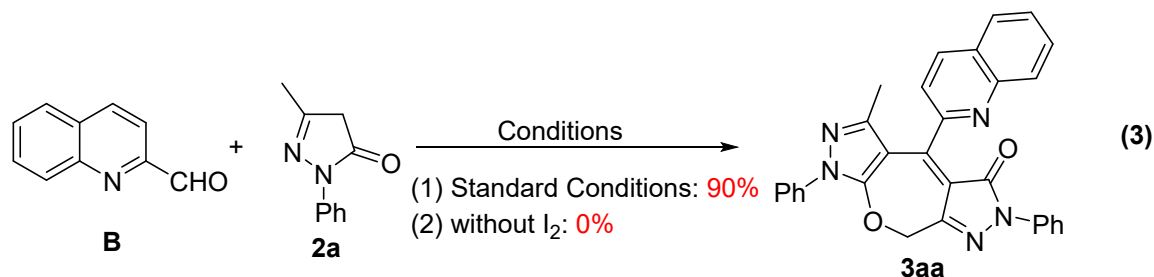


Figure S4. The TLC results for the control experiments **c** (2)



Procedure and Results:

(1): A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with quinoline-2-carbaldehyde (**B**) (47.2 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 3 h under an air atmosphere. And then added 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (104.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) for additional 6h. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **3aa** as a yellow solid (131 mg, 90% yield).

(2): A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with quinoline-2-carbaldehyde (**B**) (47.2 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 3 h under an air atmosphere. And then added 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (104.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) for additional 6h. After the reaction was finished, we monitored it by TLC. The TLC result showed that no product was formed.

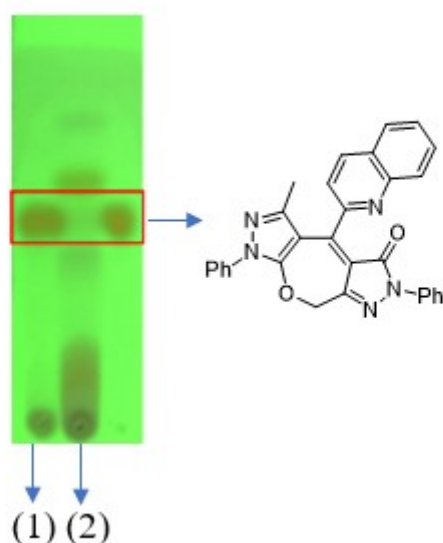
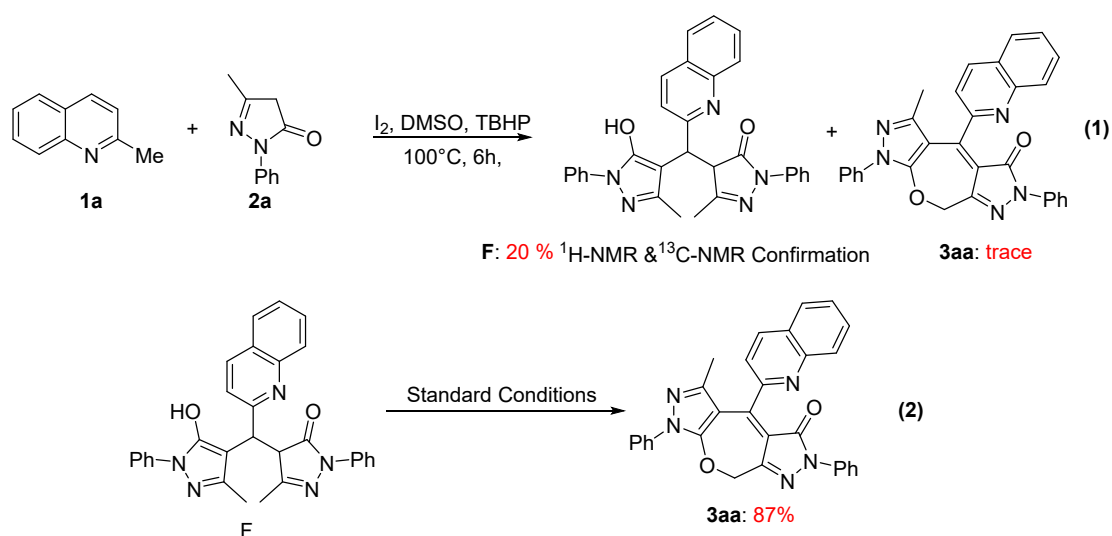


Figure S5. The TLC results for the control experiments **c (3)**

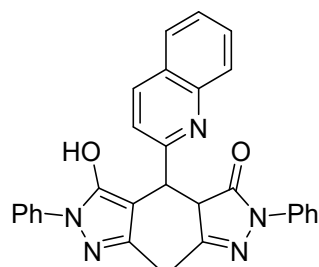
4.4 Control experiments (d):



Procedure and Results:

(1): A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (43.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TBHP (27.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 6 h under an air atmosphere. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 50 mL water, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **F** as a grey solid (29 mg, 20% yield).

(2): A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with compound **F** (146.3 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 6h under an air atmosphere. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **3aa** as a yellow solid (126 mg, 87% yield).



4-((5-Hydroxy-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)(quinolin-2-yl)methyl)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one. (F)

Grey solid, 29 mg, 20%, m.p. 156-158 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.04 – 7.83 (m, 6H), 7.76 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.41 (m, 4H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d, *J* = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 3.39 – 3.14 (m, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 1.83 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (120 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.5, 162.9, 155.3, 146.8, 144.4, 138.8, 138.0, 131.2, 129.0, 128.7, 127.9, 127.7, 127.4, 126.2, 125.7, 125.3, 124.4, 122.3, 118.9, 57.5, 38.6, 14.1, 13.1. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for [C₃₀H₂₅N₅O₂ + H]⁺ 488.2081, found 488.2072.

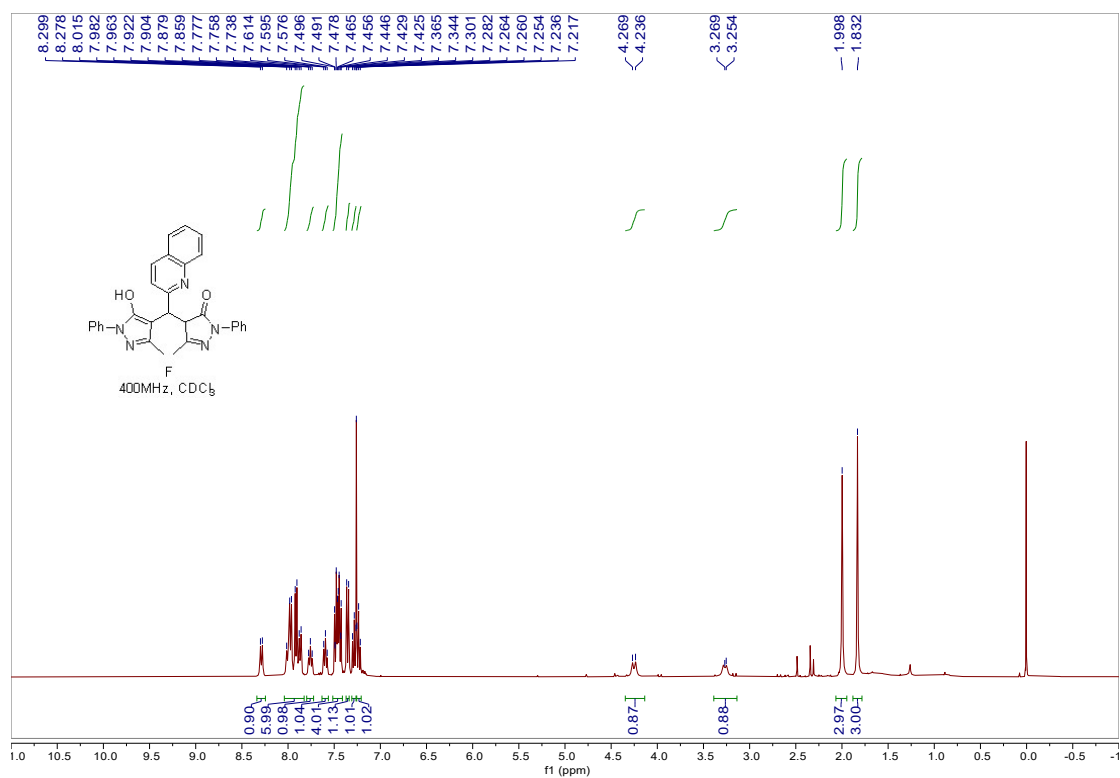


Figure S6. ¹H-NMR result of the compound **F**

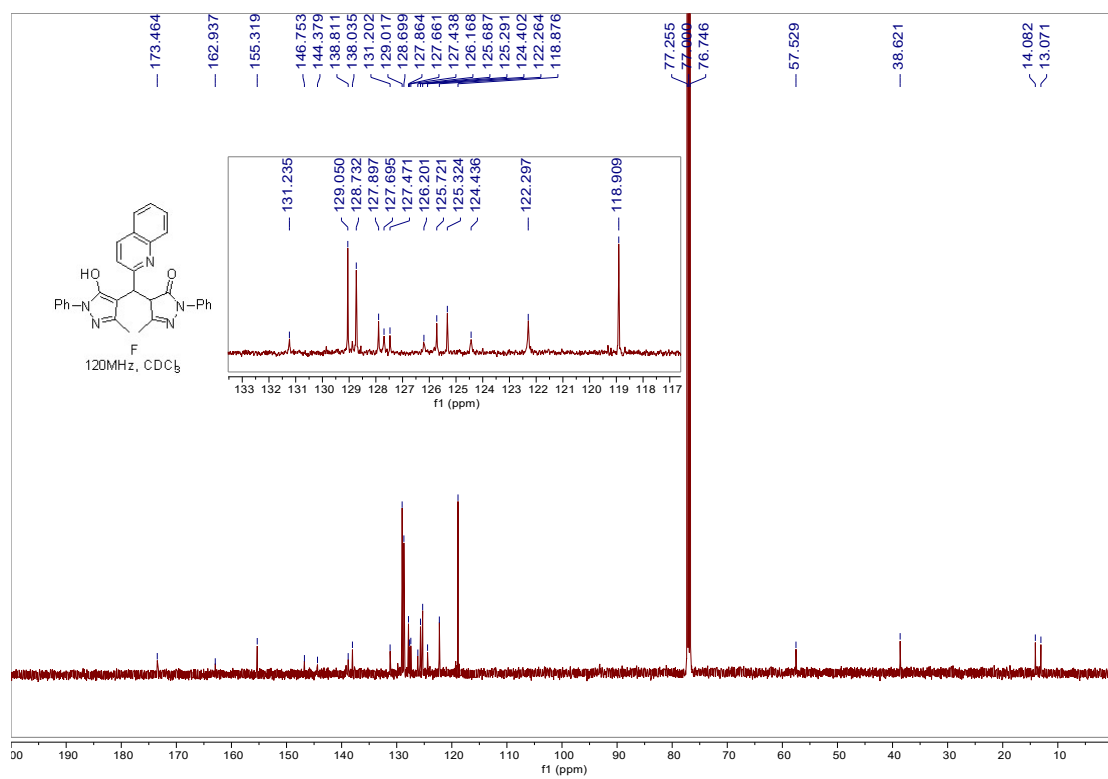


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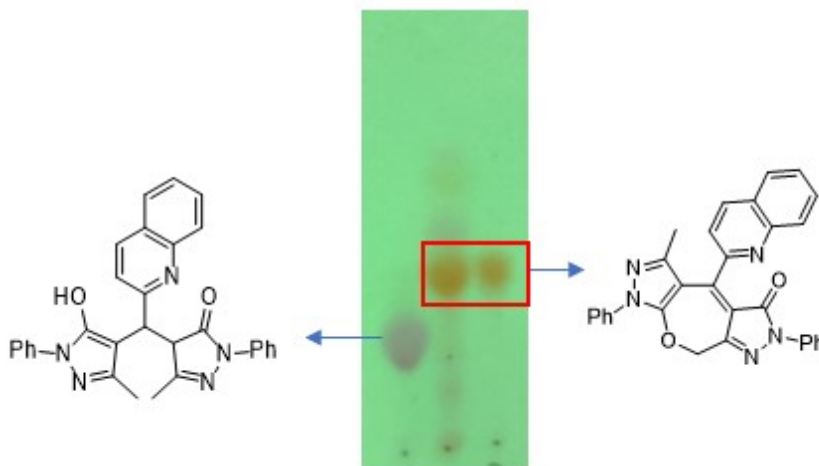
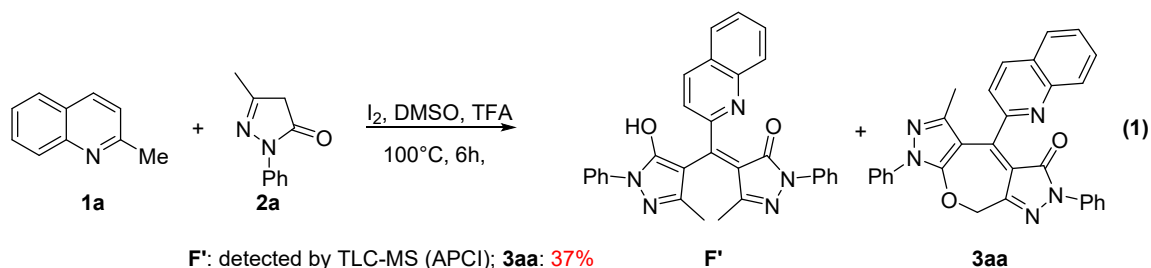


Figure S8. The TLC results for the control experiments **d (2)**

4.5 Control experiments (e):



Procedure and Results:

(1): A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (43.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (104.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 6 h under an air atmosphere. After the reaction was finished, and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under

reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **3aa** as a yellow solid (54 mg, 37% yield).

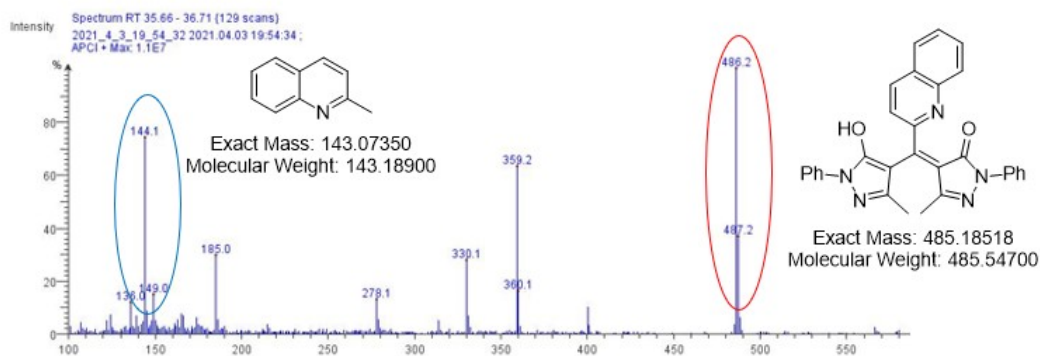
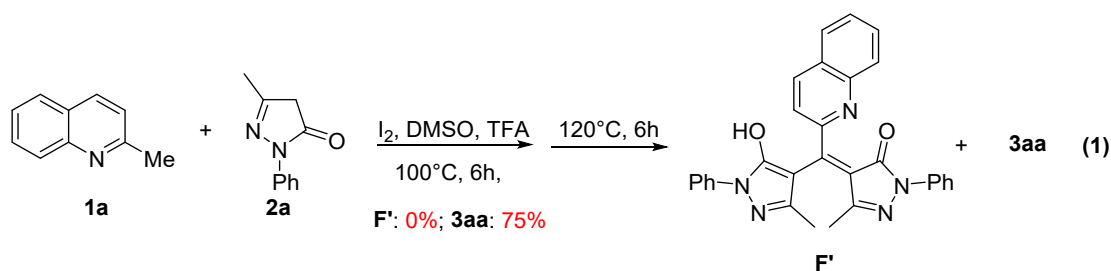


Figure S9. The MS (APCI) results for the control experiments **e (1)**

4.6 Control experiments (f):



(2): A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (43.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one (**2a**) (104.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 6 h under an air atmosphere. Then increased the temperature to 130 °C and continue to react for 6 hours After the reaction was finished, and added 50 mL water and an appropriate amount of 10% NaOH solution (w/w) to the mixture, then extracted with EtOAc 3 times (3 × 50 mL). The extract was washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (w/w), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to yield the corresponding product **3aa** as a yellow solid (109 mg, 75% yield).

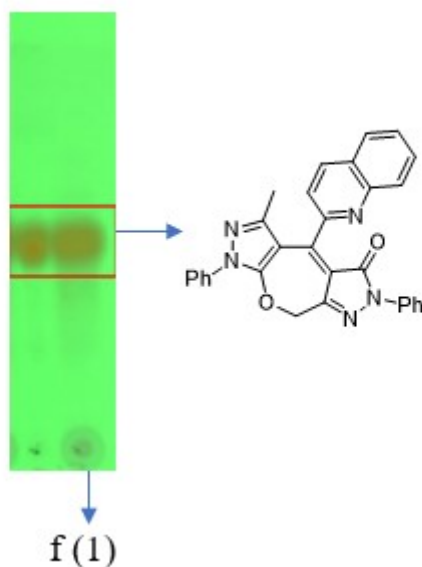
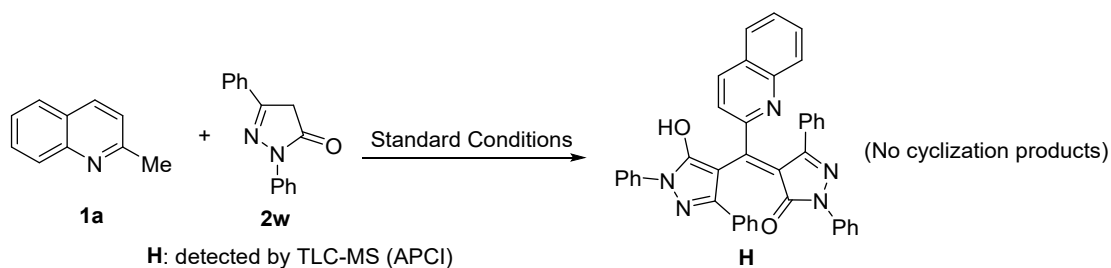


Figure S10. The TLC results for the control experiments **f(1)**

4.7 Control experiments (g):



Procedure and Results:

A 25 mL pressure vial was charged with 2-methylquinoline (**1a**) (43.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), I₂ (7.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv.), TFA (68.4 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (2.0 mL). The vial was sealed and the resulting mixture was stirred at 130 °C for 3 h under an air atmosphere. and then added 2,5-diphenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one (**2w**) (141.8 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) for additional 6h. Then detected by TLC-MS (APCI).

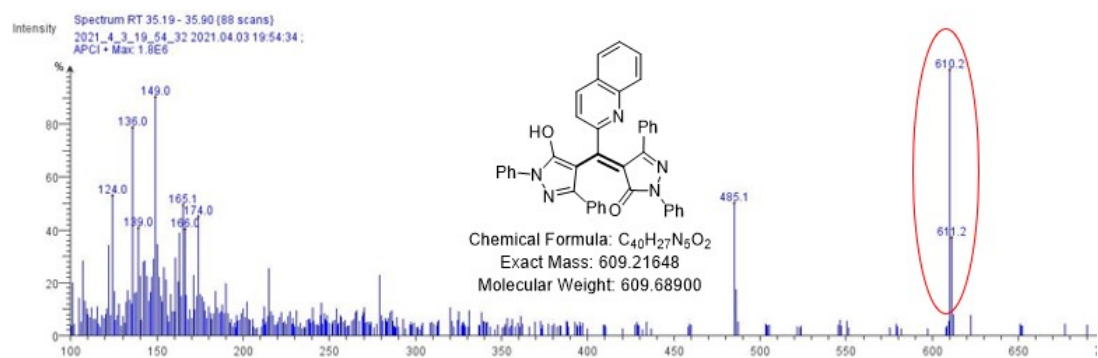


Figure S11. The MS (APCI) results for the control experiments **g**

5. Molecular structure and crystallographic data

Table S2 Crystal data and structure refinement for compound 3va

Identification code	CCDC: 2129039
Empirical formula	C ₂₆ H ₁₉ N ₅ O ₂
Formula weight	433.46
Temperature/K	296(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /c
a/Å	9.8332(17)
b/Å	13.452(2)
c/Å	16.081(3)
α/°	90
β/°	100.629(3)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	2090.6(6)
Z	4
ρ _{calc} /g/cm ³	1.377
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.091
F(000)	904.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.18 × 0.16 × 0.15
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	3.976 to 54.96
Index ranges	-12 ≤ h ≤ 12, -17 ≤ k ≤ 16, -19 ≤ l ≤ 20
Reflections collected	12761
Independent reflections	4771 [R _{int} = 0.0337, R _{sigma} = 0.0402]
Data/restraints/parameters	4771/0/299
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.010
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0457, wR ₂ = 0.1333
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.0643, wR ₂ = 0.1509
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.21/-0.25

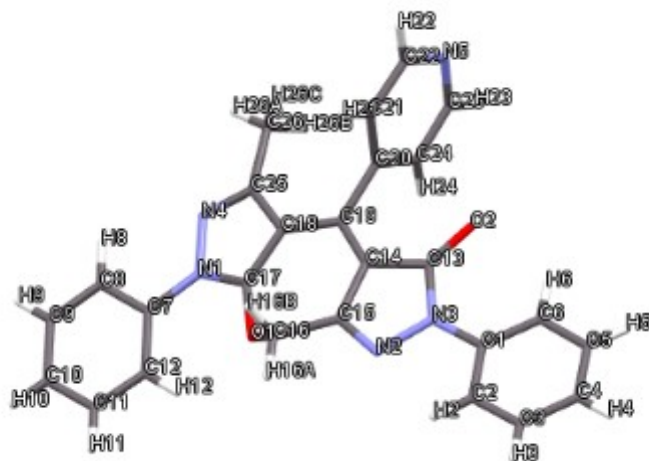
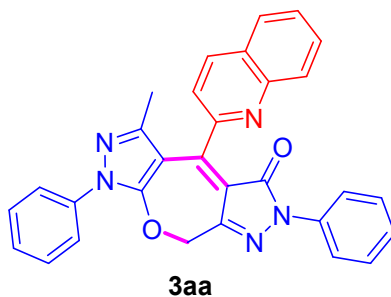


Figure S12. X-ray crystal structure of compound **3va**.

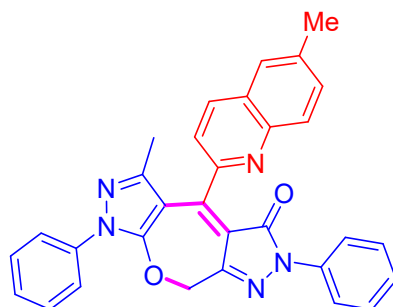
6 Characterization data for products

5-Methyl-2,7-diphenyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (**3aa**)



Yellow solid, 120 mg, 83%, m.p. 234-236 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.35 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 – 7.75 (m, 3H), 7.70 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (ddd, J = 8.1, 6.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.44 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (s, 2H), 1.37 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.5, 155.0, 154.6, 151.1, 151.0, 148.2, 145.1, 138.2, 136.8, 136.7, 130.1, 129.6, 129.2, 128.6, 128.0, 127.7, 127.4, 124.9, 123.0, 121.1, 119.0, 106.8, 70.3, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 484.1768, found: 484.1759.

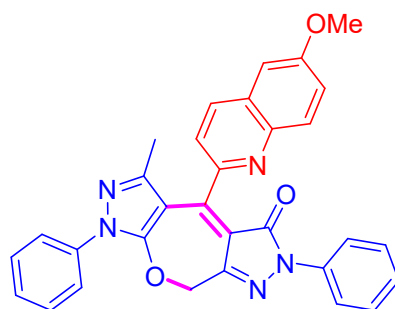
5-Methyl-4-(6-methylquinolin-2-yl)-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (3ba)



3ba

Orange solid, 89 mg, 60%, m.p. 228-230 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.25 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.81 – 7.77 (m, 2H), 7.71 – 7.67 (m, 3H), 7.60 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.43 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 1H), 5.29 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 2H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.6, 155.0, 153.6, 151.2, 146.8, 145.1, 138.3, 137.4, 136.8, 136.1, 132.4, 129.3, 129.2, 128.9, 128.6, 128.0, 127.8, 126.8, 124.9, 123.0, 121.1, 119.0, 106.9, 70.4, 21.7, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2 + \text{H}]^+$: 498.1924, found: 498.1915.

4-(6-Methoxyquinolin-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (3ca)

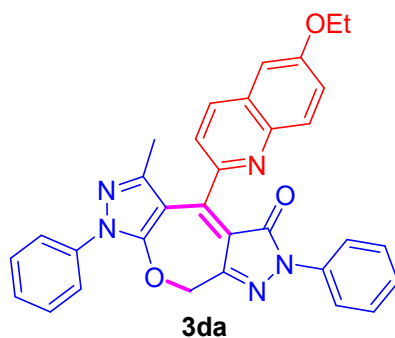


3ca

Orange solid, 99 mg, 64%, m.p. 236-238 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.23 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.83 – 7.77 (m, 2H), 7.72 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.52 (dd, J = 16.5, 8.4 Hz, 3H), 7.45 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 1H), 5.28 (s, 2H), 3.97 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.6, 158.5, 155.0, 151.9, 151.3, 151.2, 145.1, 144.3, 138.3, 136.8,

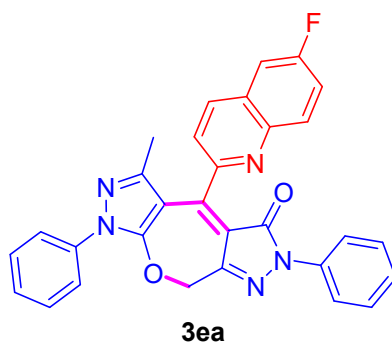
135.4, 131.1, 129.2, 128.9, 128.6, 128.0, 124.9, 123.0, 122.9, 121.4, 119.0, 107.0, 105.5, 70.4, 55.7, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{31}H_{23}N_5O_3 + H]^+$: 514.1874, found: 514.1867.

4-(6-Ethoxyquinolin-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (3da)



Yellow solid, 92 mg, 58%, m.p. 255-257 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.21 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, J = 8.8, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.55 – 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (s, 2H), 4.19 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.52 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.38 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 162.6, 157.8, 155.0, 151.7, 151.4, 151.3, 145.1, 144.2, 138.3, 136.8, 135.4, 131.0, 129.2, 129.0, 128.6, 128.0, 124.9, 123.2, 123.0, 121.4, 119.0, 107.0, 106.2, 70.4, 63.9, 15.1, 14.7. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{32}H_{25}N_5O_3 + H]^+$: 528.2030, found: 528.2025.

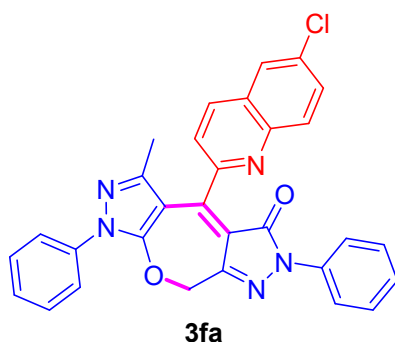
4-(6-Fluoroquinolin-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (3ea)



Brown solid, 114 mg, 76%, m.p. 202-204 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.32 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, J = 8.7, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (dd,

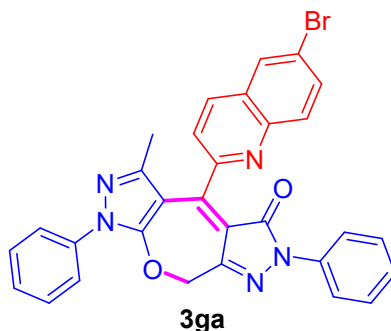
$J = 8.5, 1.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.54 (d, $J = 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 1.37 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.5, 162.3, 159.8, 155.1, 153.8, 150.9, 145.0, 138.1, 136.7, 131.9, 129.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 125.0, 123.0, 122.0, 120.5, 119.1, 111.3, 111.0, 106.6, 70.3, 14.6. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{20}\text{FN}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 502.1674, found: 502.1665.

4-(6-Chloroquinolin-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (3fa)



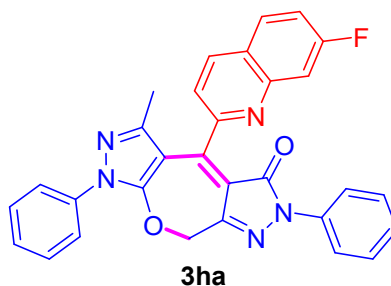
Orange solid, 135 mg, 87%, m.p. 208-210 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.29 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 8.15 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, $J = 8.7, 1.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.73 (dd, $J = 9.0, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.62 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.15 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 1.38 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.4, 155.1, 154.7, 150.6, 144.9, 138.1, 136.7, 136.4, 133.6, 131.5, 130.8, 129.2, 128.7, 128.3, 128.1, 126.7, 125.1, 123.0, 122.1, 119.3, 106.7, 99.9, 70.3, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{20}\text{ClN}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 518.1378, found: 518.1370.

4-(6-Bromoquinolin-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (3ga)



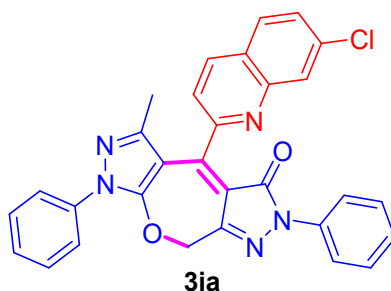
Yellow solid, 106 mg, 63%, m.p. 216-218 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.29 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.13 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.86 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, J = 8.8, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (s, 2H), 1.37 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.4, 155.1, 154.8, 150.8, 145.0, 143.2, 138.1, 136.7, 134.1, 130.9, 130.1, 129.2, 128.8, 128.7, 128.2, 125.1, 123.0, 122.1, 121.8, 119.2, 119.1, 106.5, 70.3, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{20}\text{BrN}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 562.0873, found: 562.0866.

4-(7-Fluoroquinolin-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7H)-one (3ha)



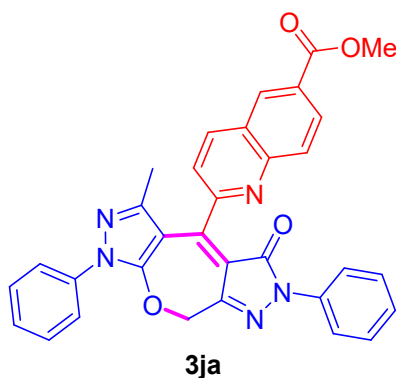
Brown solid, 105 mg, 70%, m.p. 200-202 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.37 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (dd, J = 9.9, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, J = 8.7, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (dd, J = 8.7, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 1.39 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.5, 162.2, 155.6, 155.1, 150.9, 145.0, 138.1, 137.1, 136.7, 130.2, 130.1, 129.2, 128.7, 128.1, 125.0, 124.8, 123.0, 120.5, 119.1, 118.3, 118.1, 106.5, 99.9, 70.3, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{20}\text{FN}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 502. 1674, found: 502.1663.

4-(7-Chloroquinolin-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (3ia)



Brown solid, 113 mg, 73%, m.p. 228-230 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, J = 8.7, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.63 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (s, 2H), 1.40 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.4, 158.1, 155.6, 155.1, 150.8, 145.0, 138.1, 137.2, 136.7, 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 126.1, 125.1, 123.0, 121.3, 119.3, 119.1, 106.5, 70.3, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{20}\text{ClN}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 518.1378, found: 518.1371.

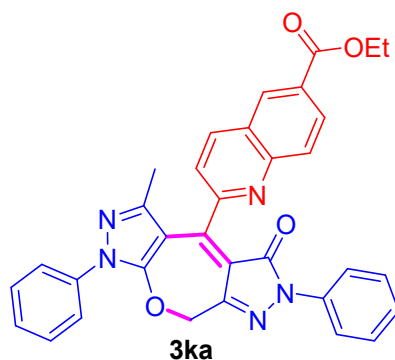
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Orange solid, 89 mg, 55%, m.p. 267-269 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.70 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.45 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.36 (dd, J = 8.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, J = 8.7, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (s, 2H), 4.02 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ

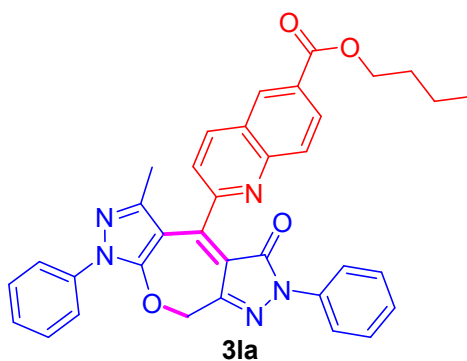
166.4, 162.5, 157.0, 155.1, 150.8, 150.3, 149.9, 145.0, 138.1, 136.6, 131.1, 129.9, 129.7, 129.2, 128.9, 128.7, 128.1, 126.9, 125.1, 123.0, 121.9, 119.0, 106.5, 70.3, 52.5, 14.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{32}H_{23}N_5O_4+H]^+$: 542.1823, found: 542.1814.

Ethyl-2-(5-methyl-3-oxo-2,7-diphenyl-2,3,7,9-tetrahydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-4-yl)quinoline-6-carboxylate (3ka)



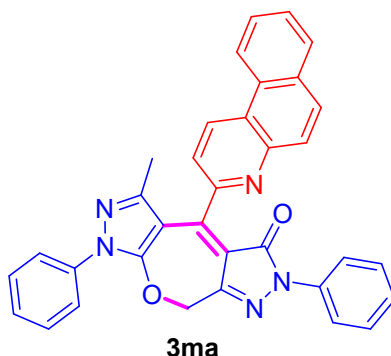
Orange solid, 85 mg, 51%, m.p. 253-255 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.70 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.45 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.37 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 4.48 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.47 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.35 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 165.9, 162.5, 156.9, 155.1, 150.8, 150.3, 149.9, 145.0, 138.1, 138.0, 136.7, 131.0, 129.9, 129.7, 129.2, 128.7, 128.1, 126.9, 125.0, 123.0, 121.9, 119.0, 106.5, 70.3, 61.5, 15.1, 14.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{33}H_{25}N_5O_4+H]^+$: 556.1979, found: 556.1970.

Butyl-2-(5-methyl-3-oxo-2,7-diphenyl-2,3,7,9-tetrahydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-4-yl)quinoline-6-carboxylate (3la)



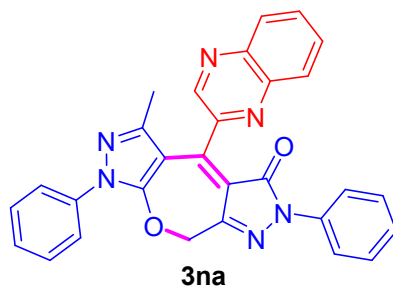
Orange solid, 91 mg, 52%, m.p. 175-177 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.69 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.46 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 8.37 (dd, J = 8.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 2H), 4.43 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.87 – 1.78 (m, 2H), 1.57 – 1.50 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.02 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.0, 162.5, 156.9, 155.1, 150.8, 150.3, 149.9, 145.0, 138.1, 138.0, 136.7, 131.0, 129.9, 129.7, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 128.1, 126.9, 125.0, 123.0, 121.9, 119.0, 105.8, 70.3, 65.3, 30.8, 19.3, 15.1, 13.8. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_5\text{O}_4+\text{H}]^+$: 584.2292, found: 584.2286.

4-(Benzo[*f*]quinolin-3-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (3ma)



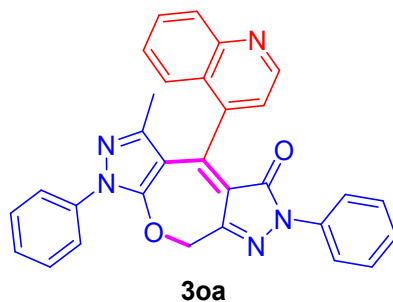
Brown solid, 125 mg, 78%, m.p. 234-236 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.15 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.70 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (s, 2H), 8.00 – 7.94 (m, 1H), 7.81 (dd, J = 8.8, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.73 – 7.68 (m, 3H), 7.54 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.08 (m, 1H), 5.36 – 5.26 (m, 2H), 1.38 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.6, 155.0, 153.8, 151.2, 151.0, 148.3, 145.1, 138.2, 136.7, 132.0, 131.6, 131.5, 129.5, 129.2, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.0, 127.6, 127.3, 125.2, 124.9, 122.9, 122.6, 121.3, 119.1, 119.0, 118.8, 106.9, 70.3, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 534.1924, found: 534.1919.

5-Methyl-2,7-diphenyl-4-(quinoxalin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (3na)



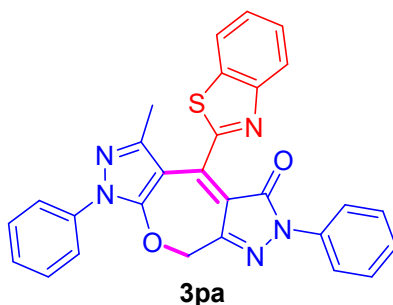
Brown solid, 109 mg, 75%, m.p. 209-211 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.01 (s, 1H), 8.24 (dd, $J = 8.1, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.19 – 8.13 (m, 1H), 7.90 – 7.80 (m, 2H), 7.77 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.51 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.13 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.31 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 2H), 1.41 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.6, 155.0, 150.5, 150.1, 147.5, 144.7, 144.4, 142.1, 141.9, 138.0, 136.6, 130.8, 130.7, 129.7, 129.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.2, 125.2, 123.0, 119.8, 119.0, 70.3, 15.8. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_6\text{O}_2 + \text{H}]^+$: 485.1720, found: 485.1713.

5-Methyl-2,7-diphenyl-4-(quinolin-4-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (3oa)



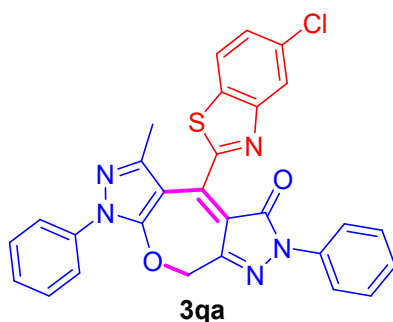
Orange solid, 83 mg, 57%, m.p. 242-244 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.07 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, $J = 2.7, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.74 (m, 2H), 7.74 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.71 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 3H), 7.42 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.10 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.35 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 2H), 1.22 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.9, 154.3, 150.7, 150.1, 148.7, 148.1, 144.3, 142.5, 138.0, 136.6, 130.4, 130.0, 129.2, 128.6, 128.1, 127.6, 125.8, 125.0, 123.9, 122.9, 119.6, 119.4, 118.9, 106.6, 70.3, 15.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2 + \text{H}]^+$: 484.1768, found: 484.1759.

4-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]-dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (3pa)



Orange solid, 63 mg, 43%, m.p. 228-230 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 1.3, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 1.3, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 7.72 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.54 – 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.44 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 5.28 (s, 2H), 1.69 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.8, 161.2, 154.7, 153.2, 151.0, 144.3, 143.2, 138.0, 136.6, 136.1, 129.2, 128.7, 128.2, 126.5, 126.1, 125.1, 124.2, 123.0, 122.2, 120.5, 119.0, 106.2, 70.3, 14.6. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for [C₂₈H₁₉N₅O₂S+H]⁺: 490.1332, found: 490.1326.

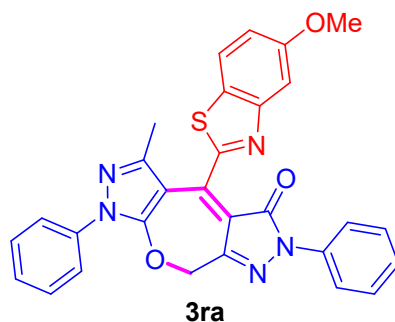
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Orange solid, 123 mg, 78%, m.p. 232-234 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.16 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.71 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.54 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.45 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 5.26 (s, 2H), 1.69 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.2, 161.7, 154.7, 153.9, 150.7, 144.2, 142.3, 137.9, 136.5, 134.3, 132.7, 129.2, 128.7, 128.2, 126.7,

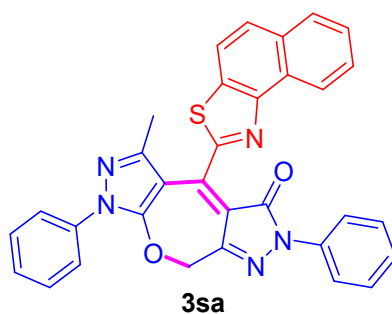
125.2, 123.9, 122.9, 120.5, 119.0, 106.0, 70.2, 14.6. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{28}H_{18}ClN_5O_2S+H]^+$: 524.0942, found: 524.0933.

4-(5-Methoxybenzo[*d*]thiazol-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (3ra)



Orange solid, 131 mg, 84%, m.p. 214-216 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.87 – 7.80 (m, 3H), 7.72 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 5.26 (s, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 1.71 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 162.1, 161.8, 159.2, 154.6, 154.5, 151.0, 144.3, 143.1, 138.0, 136.6, 129.2, 128.6, 128.1, 127.9, 125.1, 122.9, 122.3, 120.4, 119.0, 116.6, 106.2, 70.2, 55.6, 14.6. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{29}H_{21}N_5O_3S+H]^+$: 520.1438. found: 520.1430.

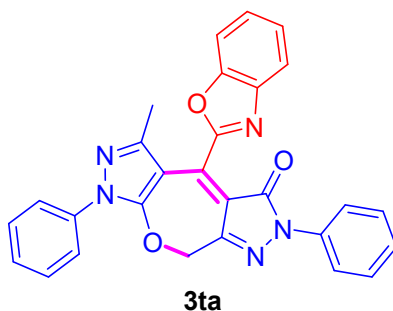
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Orange solid, 128 mg, 79%, m. p. 228-230 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.85 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.03 – 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.92 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd, J = 8.7, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.74 – 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.55 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 1.65 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 161.9, 159.7, 154.7, 151.2, 149.9, 144.3, 143.5, 138.1, 136.6,

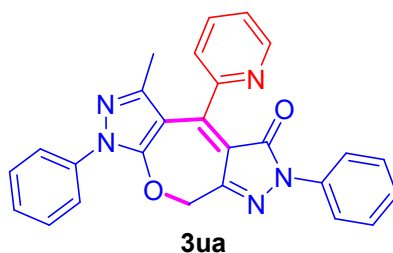
133.3, 132.1, 129.2, 129.0, 128.7, 128.2, 128.1, 127.2, 127.0, 126.4, 125.1, 124.0, 123.0, 120.7, 119.1, 119.0, 106.6, 70.3, 14.8. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{32}H_{21}N_5O_2S+H]^+$: 540.1489. found: 540.1481.

4-(Benzo[d]oxazol-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (3ta)



Orange solid, 84 mg, 59%, m.p. 242-244 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.90 – 7.86 (m, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.71 – 7.66 (m, 3H), 7.54 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 5.28 (s, 2H), 1.72 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 161.7, 156.5, 154.9, 150.8, 150.5, 144.4, 141.0, 137.9, 136.5, 135.4, 129.2, 128.7, 128.2, 126.2, 125.2, 125.1, 122.9, 122.2, 121.0, 119.0, 111.2, 105.8, 70.1, 13.8. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{28}H_{19}N_5O_3+H]^+$: 474.1561. found: 474.1553.

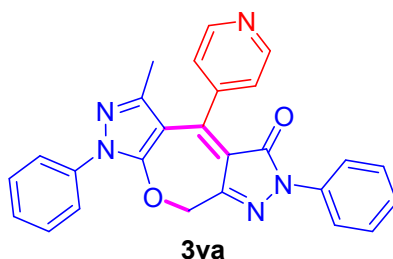
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Orange solid, 60 mg, 46%, m.p. 206-208 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.81 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.90 – 7.80 (m, 3H), 7.72 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.50 (td, J = 7.7, 1.5 Hz, 3H), 7.47 – 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.15 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 5.24 (s, 2H), 1.49 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 162.5, 154.9, 154.0, 150.9,

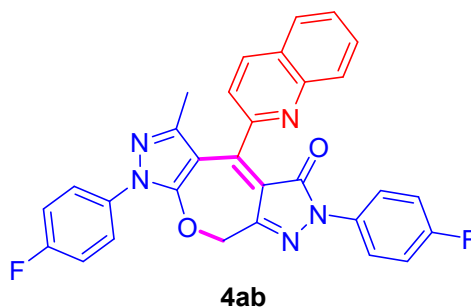
150.7, 150.1, 145.0, 138.2, 136.6, 129.1, 128.6, 128.0, 124.9, 123.9, 123.6, 122.9, 119.0, 118.9, 106.7, 70.3, 14.8. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{26}H_{19}N_5O_2+H]^+$: 434.1611. found: 434.1604.

5-Methyl-2,7-diphenyl-4-(pyridin-4-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (3va)



Orange solid, 48 mg, 37%, m.p. 220-222 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.81 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (dd, J = 8.7, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.72 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.54 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 5.23 (s, 2H), 1.58 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 1162.2, 154.4, 150.6, 150.3, 149.9, 144.5, 143.8, 138.1, 136.6, 129.2, 128.7, 128.1, 125.0, 122.9, 122.4, 118.9, 118.3, 106.3, 70.4, 15.6. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{26}H_{19}N_5O_2+H]^+$: 434.1611. found: 434.1604.

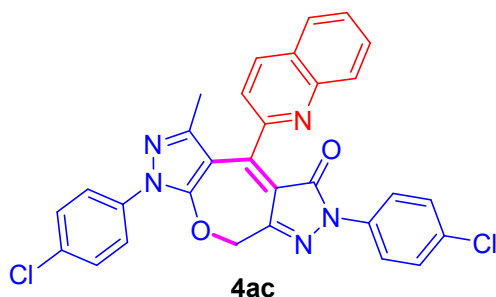
2,7-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)-5-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (4ab)



Orange solid, 115 mg, 74%, m.p. 240-242 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.35 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.81 – 7.77 (m, 1H), 7.77 – 7.73 (m, 2H), 7.70 – 7.61 (m, 3H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 5.28 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$)

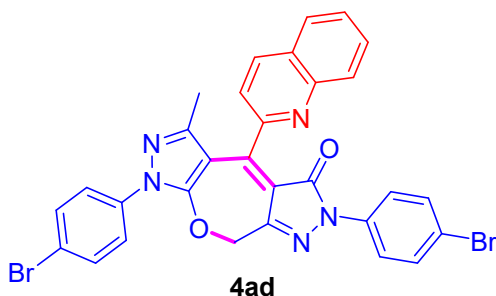
δ 163.1, 162.4, 161.1, 160.6, 158.7, 154.9, 154.4, 151.2, 148.2, 145.0, 136.9, 134.3, 132.8, 130.5, 130.2, 129.6, 128.1, 127.7, 127.5, 124.9, 124.8, 121.0, 120.8, 120.7, 118.9, 116.0, 115.4, 115.2, 106.7, 70.3, 15.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{30}H_{19}F_2N_5O_2+H]^+$: 520.1580 found: 520.1571.

2,7-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)-5-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (4ac)



Orange solid, 109 mg, 66%, m.p. 232-234 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.36 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.95 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.81 – 7.75 (m, 3H), 7.68 – 7.63 (m, 3H), 7.56 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 5.29 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 162.4, 155.0, 154.3, 151.4, 151.2, 148.2, 145.2, 136.9, 135.2, 133.7, 130.2, 130.0, 129.6, 129.3, 128.7, 128.1, 127.7, 127.5, 123.9, 120.9, 119.9, 118.9, 106.9, 70.3, 15.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{30}H_{19}Cl_2N_5O_2+H]^+$: 552.0989 found: 552.0981.

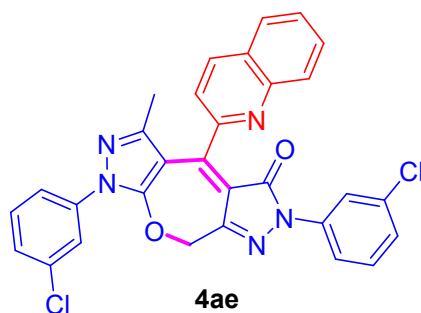
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Orange solid, 150 mg, 78%, m.p. 225-227 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.36 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 4H), 7.56

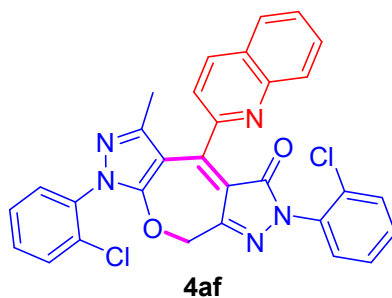
(d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 2H), 5.28 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 2H), 1.34 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.4, 155.0, 154.2, 151.4, 151.2, 148.1, 145.2, 137.3, 136.9, 135.7, 132.3, 131.6, 130.3, 129.6, 128.1, 127.7, 127.5, 124.2, 121.7, 120.9, 120.2, 118.9, 117.7, 106.9, 70.3, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{19}\text{Br}_2\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 639.9978 found: 639.9966.

2,7-Bis(3-chlorophenyl)-5-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (4ae)



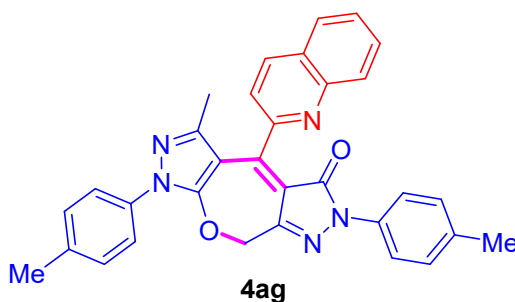
Orange solid, 113 mg, 68%, m.p. 236-238 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.90 (t, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.81 – 7.72 (m, 3H), 7.67 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.57 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.21 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.08 (ddd, $J = 8.0, 2.1, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.30 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 2H), 1.35 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.4, 155.1, 154.2, 151.4, 151.1, 148.1, 145.3, 139.2, 137.6, 136.9, 134.9, 134.4, 130.3, 130.2, 129.6, 128.0, 127.7, 127.5, 124.7, 122.8, 120.9, 120.6, 119.0, 118.5, 116.5, 106.9, 70.3, 15.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{19}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 552.0989 found: 552.0979.

2,7-Bis(2-chlorophenyl)-5-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (4af)



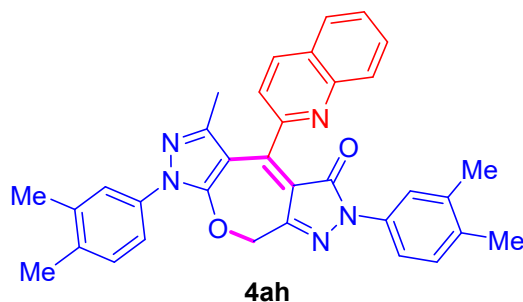
Yellow solid, 113 mg, 68%, m.p. 254-256 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.33 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (ddd, J = 8.5, 6.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.41 (dd, J = 6.1, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 5.32 (s, 2H), 1.40 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.9, 156.3, 154.3, 151.6, 151.1, 148.1, 145.1, 136.8, 134.5, 134.1, 131.9, 131.3, 131.0, 130.3, 130.0, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 127.9, 127.7, 127.3, 127.1, 120.9, 117.9, 105.7, 70.0, 15.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{19}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 552.0989 found: 552.0981.

5-Methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,7-di-*p*-tolyl-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (4ag)



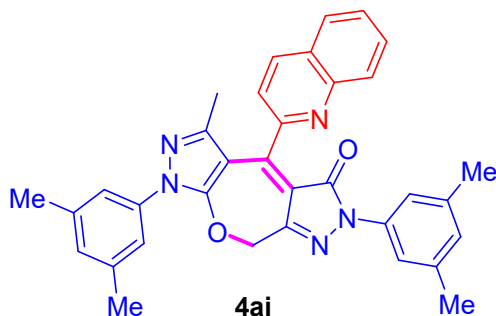
Brown solid, 124 mg, 81%, m.p. 214-216 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.34 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.80 – 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.28 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.4, 154.9, 154.6, 150.9, 144.9, 138.1, 136.9, 135.8, 134.5, 134.3, 130.2, 129.7, 129.1, 128.0, 127.7, 127.4, 122.9, 122.6, 121.1, 119.0, 106.6, 70.2, 21.1, 20.9, 15.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$: 512.2081 found: 512.2072.

2,7-Bis(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-5-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (4ah)



Orange solid, 118 mg, 73%, m.p. 246-248 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.34 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (ddd, J = 8.5, 6.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.60 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.49 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, J = 8.1, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.05 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 2H), 2.33 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 6H), 2.20 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 6H), 1.34 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.4, 154.9, 154.8, 150.8, 148.2, 144.9, 137.8, 136.9, 136.8, 136.1, 134.4, 133.3, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 128.0, 127.7, 127.3, 124.1, 121.1, 120.5, 120.2, 119.0, 116.6, 106.6, 70.3, 19.9, 19.8, 19.5, 19.2, 15.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$ 540.2394, found: 540.2385.

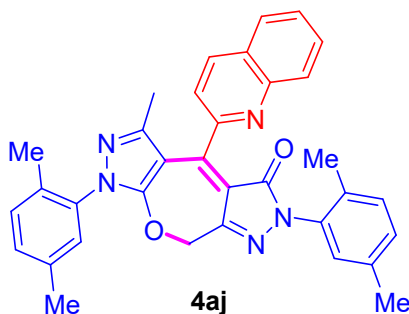
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Orange solid, 110 mg, 68%, m.p. 268-270 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (ddd, J = 8.5, 7.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (ddd, J = 8.2, 6.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (s, 2H), 7.27 (s, 2H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 5.27 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (d, J = 0.7 Hz, 6H), 2.26 (d, J = 0.7 Hz, 6H), 1.33 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.5, 155.0, 154.7, 150.9, 148.2, 145.0, 139.1, 138.3, 138.1, 136.8, 136.5, 130.1, 129.8, 129.7, 128.0, 127.7, 127.4, 126.7, 121.1, 120.9, 119.0, 116.8, 106.7, 70.3, 21.4,

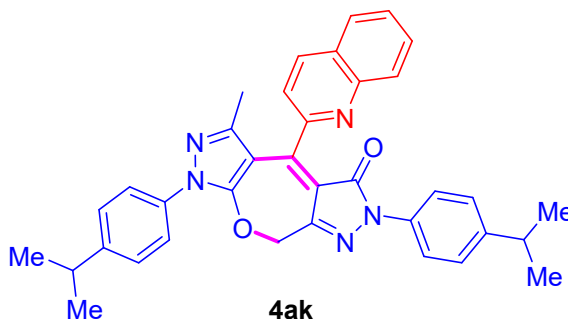
21.3, 15.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{34}H_{29}N_5O_2+H]^+$ 540.2394, found: 540.2383.

2,7-Bis(2,5-dimethylphenyl)-5-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (4aj)



Orange solid, 107 mg, 66%, m.p. 219-221 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.32 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (ddd, J = 8.4, 6.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.22 (dd, J = 8.6, 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (s, 1H), 7.06 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 6.98 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.23 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 6H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 163.0, 155.8, 154.7, 151.0, 150.9, 148.1, 144.6, 136.8, 136.7, 136.0, 135.6, 135.2, 132.1, 131.9, 130.9, 130.7, 130.0, 129.6, 129.1, 127.9, 127.7, 127.3, 127.2, 121.0, 118.1, 105.4, 70.0, 20.7, 17.9, 17.3, 15.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{34}H_{29}N_5O_2+H]^+$ 540.2394, found: 540.2384.

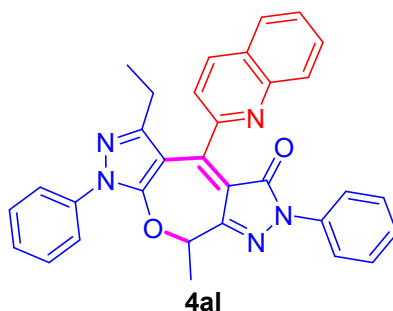
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Red solid, 109mg, 64%, m.p. 273-275 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.34 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.81 – 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.70 – 7.56 (m, 6H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.30 – 5.25 (m,

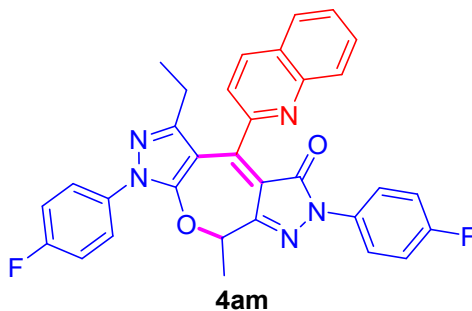
2H), 2.99 (p, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.85 (p, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 3H), 1.30 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 6H), 1.19 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.5, 154.9, 154.7, 150.9, 149.0, 148.1, 145.7, 144.9, 136.7, 136.0, 134.5, 130.0, 129.6, 128.0, 127.7, 127.3, 127.1, 126.5, 123.0, 121.1, 119.3, 118.9, 106.6, 70.3, 33.8, 33.6, 23.9, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$ 568.2707, found: 568.2697.

5-Ethyl-9-methyl-2,7-diphenyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzazol-3(7*H*)-one (4al)



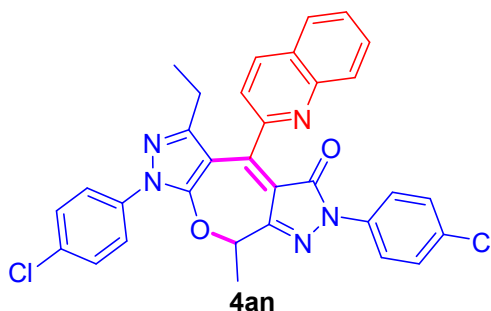
Yellow solid, 104 mg, 68%, m.p. 229-231 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.32 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.93 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.76 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 3H), 7.63 (ddd, $J = 8.1, 6.9, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.29 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.10 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.39 (d, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 1.89 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H), 1.62 (dq, $J = 14.9, 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 0.88 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.9, 155.6, 155.0, 148.2, 138.3, 137.1, 130.0, 129.7, 129.1, 128.6, 128.0, 127.7, 127.2, 124.8, 122.8, 119.1, 77.8, 22.0, 16.9, 12.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$ 512.2081, found: 512.2073.

5-Ethyl-2,7-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-9-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzazol-3(7*H*)-one (4am)



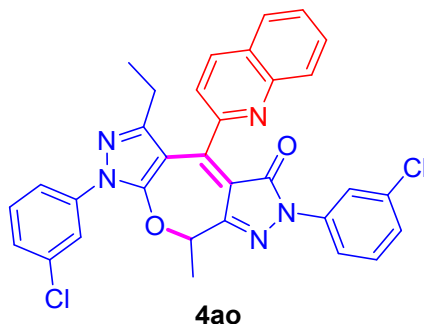
Orange solid, 89 mg, 54%, m.p. 189-191 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.33 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.82 – 7.68 (m, 5H), 7.63 (ddd, J = 8.1, 6.8, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.23 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 6.98 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.38 (s, 1H), 1.87 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.66 – 1.43 (m, 2H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 62.9, 162.7, 161.0, 160.5, 158.6, 155.7, 154.7, 148.1, 136.8, 136.4, 134.4, 133.2, 133.1, 130.1, 129.6, 128.1, 127.7, 127.3, 124.6, 124.5, 120.8, 120.7, 116.2, 115.9, 115.3, 115.1, 77.8, 21.9, 16.8, 12.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_2\text{N}_5\text{O}_2 + \text{H}]^+$ 548.1893, found: 548.1882.

2,7-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)-5-ethyl-9-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (4an)



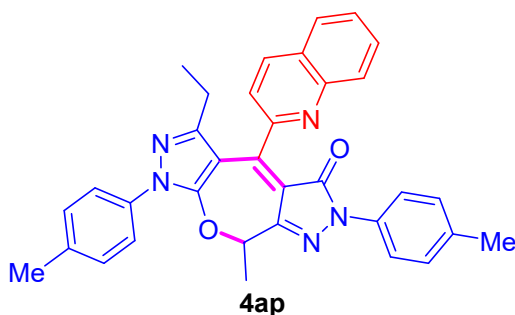
Orange solid, 89 mg, 51%, m.p. 238-240 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.33 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.97 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.78 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 7.72 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 3H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 5.38 (s, 1H), 1.89 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 1.60 (dq, J = 14.9, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.8, 159.6, 155.8, 154.6, 153.8, 149.4, 148.3, 136.8, 136.4, 135.5, 133.4, 130.2, 129.8, 129.6, 129.3, 128.6, 128.1, 127.6, 127.4, 123.7, 121.4, 120.5, 119.9, 77.9, 22.0, 16.8, 12.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{23}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_5\text{O}_2 + \text{H}]^+$ 580.1302, found: 580.1290.

2,7-Bis(3-chlorophenyl)-5-ethyl-9-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (4ao)



Orange solid, 104 mg, 60%, m.p. 211-213 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.34 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.97 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.79 (dd, J = 17.2, 9.7 Hz, 3H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.0, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (ddd, J = 8.1, 1.9, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.11 – 7.04 (m, 1H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 1.92 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 1.65 – 1.44 (m, 2H), 0.88 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.8, 155.9, 154.6, 148.4, 139.3, 138.0, 134.9, 134.4, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 128.1, 127.7, 127.4, 124.7, 122.7, 120.4, 118.6, 116.6, 78.1, 22.0, 16.8, 12.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{23}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$ 580.1302, found: 580.1290.

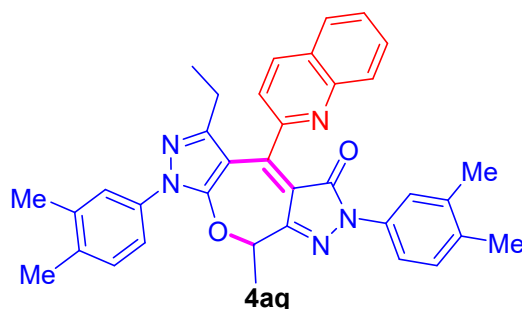
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Orange solid, 104 mg, 64%, m.p. 259-261 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.31 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.79 – 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.70 – 7.49 (m, 6H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 5.33 (d, J = 32.2 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.87 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.67 – 1.43 (m, 2H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.8, 155.4, 155.1, 148.0, 137.8, 135.9, 134.6, 134.3, 129.9, 129.7, 129.1, 128.0, 127.7, 127.2, 122.7, 119.1, 76.7, 21.9,

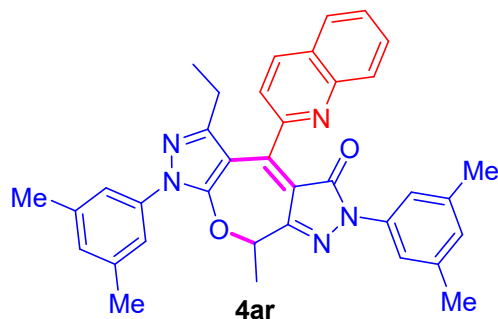
21.1, 20.9, 16.9, 12.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{34}H_{29}N_5O_2+H]^+$ 540.2394, found: 540.2383.

2,7-Bis(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-5-ethyl-9-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (4aq)



Orange solid, 111 mg, 65% m.p. 220-222 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.31 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.81 – 7.72 (m, 1H), 7.65 – 7.53 (m, 3H), 7.50 (s, 2H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.05 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (s, 1H), 2.34 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 6H), 2.20 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 6H), 1.88 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.55 (ddt, J = 48.1, 15.6, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 162.8, 155.3, 155.1, 148.0, 137.6, 136.7, 136.5, 136.2, 134.8, 133.1, 130.0, 129.9, 129.7, 129.5, 128.0, 127.6, 127.1, 123.9, 120.2, 116.7, 77.6, 21.9, 19.9, 19.8, 19.4, 19.1, 16.9, 12.5. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{36}H_{33}N_5O_2+H]^+$ 568.2707, found: 568.2697.

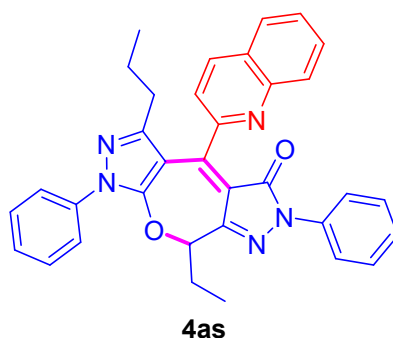
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Orange solid, 102 mg, 60%, m.p. 239-241 °C, 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.32 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.80 – 7.72 (m, 1H), 7.62 (ddd, J = 8.1, 6.9, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (s, 2H), 7.33 (s, 2H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 6.75

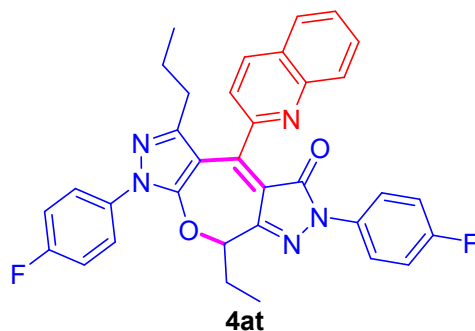
(s, 1H), 5.44 – 5.30 (m, 1H), 2.41 (s, 6H), 2.26 (s, 6H), 1.88 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.62 – 1.54 (m, 1H), 1.46 (dt, $J = 15.4, 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 0.86 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.9, 155.4, 155.1, 148.1, 138.9, 138.2, 138.2, 136.8, 130.0, 129.7, 129.5, 128.0, 127.7, 127.2, 126.6, 120.7, 116.9, 77.7, 21.9, 21.4, 16.9, 12.5. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$ 568.2707, found: 568.2694.

9-Ethyl-2,7-diphenyl-5-propyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (4as)



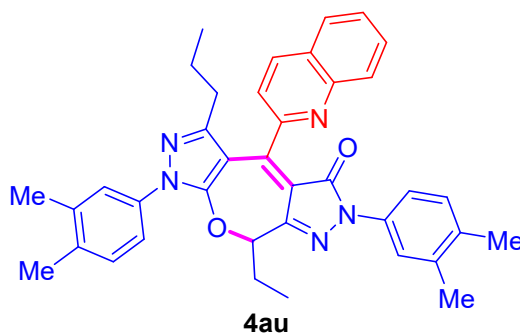
Yellow solid, 104 mg, 64%, m.p. 186-188 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.32 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.20 – 8.14 (m, 1H), 7.93 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.82 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.78 – 7.72 (m, 3H), 7.62 (ddd, $J = 8.1, 6.9, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 5.14 (s, 1H), 2.24 (dd, $J = 63.3, 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 1.64 (d, $J = 28.1$ Hz, 1H), 1.46 (s, 1H), 1.36 (d, $J = 18.7$ Hz, 2H), 1.03 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H), 0.36 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.8, 154.8, 154.6, 147.4, 138.3, 136.9, 130.0, 129.6, 129.0, 128.5, 127.9, 127.6, 127.2, 124.7, 123.1, 119.0, 83.0, 30.6, 24.1, 22.3, 13.5, 9.9. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$ 540.2394, found: 540.2383.

9-Ethyl-2,7-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-5-propyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzole-3(7*H*)-one (4at)



Orange solid, 109 mg, 63%, m.p. 174-176 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.32 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.79 – 7.68 (m, 5H), 7.66 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.55 (s, 1H), 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.01 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 5.17 – 5.07 (m, 1H), 2.22 (d, J = 61.7 Hz, 2H), 1.59 (s, 1H), 1.43 (s, 1H), 1.29 (d, J = 21.5 Hz, 2H), 1.02 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.35 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.0, 162.7, 161.0, 160.6, 158.6, 154.8, 154.6, 147.4, 134.5, 134.4, 133.0, 130.1, 129.6, 128.0, 127.6, 127.3, 125.0, 124.9, 120.8, 120.7, 116.1, 115.9, 115.4, 115.1, 83.1, 30.6, 24.1, 22.2, 13.5, 9.9. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{27}\text{F}_2\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$ 576.2206, found: 576.2192.

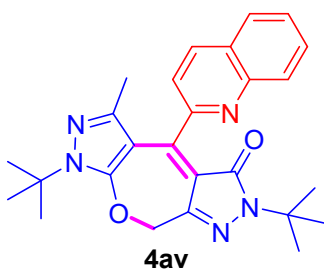
2,7-Bis(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-9-ethyl-5-propyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrzazol-3(7*H*)-one (4au)



Orange solid, 100 mg, 56%, m.p. 174-176 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 – 8.27 (m, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.95 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.76 (ddd, J = 8.4, 6.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.49 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (s, 3H), 5.13 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 6H), 2.19 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 6H), 1.47 – 1.23 (m, 4H), 1.09 – 0.96 (m, 3H), 0.33 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.7, 155.0, 154.3, 147.2,

7.43 (dd, $J = 9.3, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 5.26 (s, 2H), 4.20 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.52 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H), 1.38 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.4, 154.8, 144.9, 138.1, 135.8, 134.5, 134.3, 129.7, 129.1, 122.9, 121.5, 119.1, 106.1, 70.3, 64.0, 27.7, 27.7, 21.1, 20.9, 15.1, 14.7. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_5\text{O}_3+\text{H}]^+$ 556.2343, found: 556.2336.

2,7-Di-*tert*-butyl-5-methyl-4-(quinolin-2-yl)-2,9-dihydrooxepino[2,3-*c*:6,5-*c'*]dipyrazol-3(7*H*)-one (4av)



Orange solid, 63 mg, 47%, m.p. 178-180 °C, ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.27 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.72 (ddd, $J = 8.5, 6.9, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.57 (ddd, $J = 8.2, 6.9, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.07 (d, $J = 3.1$ Hz, 2H), 1.61 (s, 9H), 1.43 (s, 9H), 1.16 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 164.0, 155.6, 155.5, 147.7, 142.3, 136.5, 129.8, 129.6, 128.0, 127.6, 127.0, 121.3, 119.5, 106.6, 69.6, 60.0, 57.4, 53.4, 28.9, 28.4, 14.9. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2+\text{H}]^+$ 444.2394, found: 444.2387.

7. ^1H -NMR and ^{13}C -NMR Spectra of Products

