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# Supporting Information

# Diffusion mixing with a volatile tertiary amine as a very efficient technique for 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reactions proceeding via dehydrohalogenation of stable precursors of reactive dipoles

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**Abstract:** Spontaneous diffusion of a volatile reagent vapors into a solution, containing a stable precursor of an unstable reactive intermediate, may be the simplest method for carrying out some organic reactions, including 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition. In the present work, this technique was applied to generate nitrile imines and nitrile oxides for the subsequent reactions with dipolarophiles from hydrazonyl halogenides or N-hydroxyimidoyl halogenides by the action of volatile tertiary amines (Et<sub>3</sub>N, as well as Me<sub>3</sub>N or DIPEA). Generation of highly reactive intermediates as a result of a tertiary amine vapors diffusion into the reaction mixture makes it possible to obtain the products of 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reactions in high yields and without the side products formation due to the created conditions of "dipole starvation". The proposed method of diffusion reagents mixing allows to carry out 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reactions with low-stable and easily dimerizing nitrile oxides and nitrile imines in high yields and is incredibly easy experimentally. In fact, 1,3-dipolesare obtained by this method "molecule-by-molecule", which prevents their unwanted dimerization.

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## **Experimental Procedures**

Starting olefins **1-3** are commercially available and were used without further purification. Norbornene derivative **4** and methylidenehidantoin **5** was obtained using the procedures, described in the literature <sup>[1,2]</sup>.Experimental details for the preparation of hydroximoyl halides **6a-c** and imidoyl chlorides **6d,e** has been previously described <sup>[3-7]</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance instrument with an operating frequency of 400 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H NMR, 101 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C NMR

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#### General reaction procedure using diffusion mixing technique.

Vial 1 (Figure S1), containing a mixture of dipolarophile and hydroximoyl halide or imidoyl chloride in an organic solvent, was closed with a perforated glass stopper and placed in a larger vial 2 with a tertiary amine or its concentrated solution. If necessary, the reaction apparatus can be placed in a refrigerator or heated in a water bath to maintain the desired reaction temperature. If the mixing of the reaction mixture was used, a magnetic anchor **3**was placed in the inner vial and the device is placed on the switched on magnetic stirrer **4**. The reaction process was monitored by TLC or <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the reaction mixture. After the reaction was completed, the reaction mixture from the inner vial **1**was diluted with chloroform and washed several times with 2% aqueous HCI. The combining organic fractions were dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure, and the product was purified using column chromatography.

Some possibilities of the diffusion mixing technique on example of the interaction of dipolarophyle5 with hydroximoyl halide 6a and dipolarophyle4 with imidoyl chloride 7busing different solvents, reaction temperatures, and amine in the external vial are presented in Tables S1 and S2.



**Figure S1**. 1 - inner vial, 2 – external vial, 3 – magnetic anchor, 4 – magnetic stirrer.

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Table S1. The reaction of dipolarophyle 5 with hydroximoyl halide 6a in different solvents and reaction temperatures <sup>[a]</sup>.



Contents of the external vial	Solvent in the inner vial	Temperature, °C	Stirring	time, days	<b>14a<sup>[b]</sup></b> , %
NEt <sub>3</sub>	CHCI <sub>3</sub>	20	yes	1	100
NEt <sub>3</sub>	CHCI <sub>3</sub>	20	no	1	95
NEt₃	MeOH	20	yes	1	100
NEt <sub>3</sub>	PhH	20	yes	1	91
NEt₃	Et <sub>2</sub> O	20	yes	1	83
NEt <sub>3</sub> /Et <sub>2</sub> O (1 : 5)	Et <sub>2</sub> O	20	yes	1	88
NMe₃H <sup>+</sup> Cl <sup>-</sup> , NaOH, H₂O <sup>[c]</sup>	CHCI <sub>3</sub>	20	yes	1	91
NEt₃H <sup>⁺</sup> Cl⁻, NaOH, H₂O <sup>[c]</sup>	CHCI <sub>3</sub>	20	yes	1	98
i-Pr <sub>2</sub> NEt	CHCI <sub>3</sub>	-18	no	3	96
i-Pr <sub>2</sub> NEt	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	20	no	1	95
i-Pr <sub>2</sub> NEt	DMSO	20	no	1	97
i-Pr <sub>2</sub> NEt	o-xylene	80	no	1	94

<sup>[a]</sup> Reaction conditions: 20 mg (0.106 mmol) of compound **5** and 20 mg (0.106 mmol) of compound **6a** in inner vial; 35.85 mmol of amine in outer vial. <sup>[b]</sup> Based on <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of reaction mixtures. <sup>[c]</sup> Solution in an external vial were prepared immediately before the start of the reaction.

Table S2. The reaction of dipolarophyle 4 with imidoyl chloride 7bin different solvents and reaction temperatures <sup>[a]</sup>.



<sup>[a]</sup> Reaction conditions: 25 mg (0.098 mmol) of compound **7b** and compound **6a** in the amount, indicated in the table, in the inner vial; 35.85 mmol of amine in the outer vial. <sup>[b]</sup> Based on <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of reaction mixtures.

Products 12e and 13e, regardless of the reaction conditions, were always formed in a ratio of 52:48.

#### General procedure of 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition to styrene using diffusion mixing technique.

A mixture of styrene 1 (0.263 mmol, 0.027 g) and halogen derivative 6 or 7 (0.263 mmol) in 3 ml of chloroform was placed in a 15 ml vial 1 (diameter 1.3 cm) and closed with a glass stopper with holes. The vial 1 was then placed in a closed 50 ml vial 2 (diameter 3.5 cm) containing triethylamine (35.85 mmol, 5 ml) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for two days (TLC or NMR control). When the reaction was completed, the mixture from the inner vial was diluted with 10 ml of chloroform, transferred to a separating funnel and washed with 2% aqueous HCI (2 x 10 ml). The organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using chloroform as an eluent.



3-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-phenyl-4,5-dihydroisoxazole (8a). From 27 mg (0.263 mmol) of styrene 1 and 50 mg (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl chloride 6a compound 8a (64 mg, 94%) was obtained as a white crystalline solid.

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Figure S2. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound 8a.



FigureS4. HSQC <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound 8a.



FigureS5. HMBC <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound 8a.



5-phenyl-3-propyl-4,5-dihydroisoxazole (8b). From 27 mg (0.263 mmol) of styrene 1 and 32 mg (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl

<sup>5</sup>-*phenyi-s-physica*, *s-chirder bischarger* (ab). From 27 mg (0.205 mmol) of system 1 and 32 mg (0.205 mmol) of hydroxinder chirder (b) compound **8b** (45 mg, 91%) was obtained as a colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.39-7.26 (m, 5H), 5.55 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=8.1 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=10.8 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=17.0 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=8.1 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=17.0 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (t, J=7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.66-1.57 (m, 2H), 0.97 (t, J=7.4 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  158.4, 141.4, 128.7, 128.0, 125.7, 81.2, 45.3, 29.6, 19.8, 13.8. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NO, M+H): 190.1226, found:





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 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{3-bromo-5-phenyl-4,5-dihydroisoxazole} \ (\textbf{8c}). \ From 27 \ mg \ (0.263 \ mmol) \ of \ styrene \ \textbf{1} \ and \ \textbf{53} \ mg \ (0.263 \ mmol) \ of \ hydroximoyl \ bromide \ \textbf{6c} \ compound \ \textbf{8c} \ (\textbf{53} \ mg, \ \textbf{89\%}) \ was \ obtained \ as \ a \ colorless \ oil. \ \textbf{1H NMR} \ (400 \ MHz, \ CDCl_3): \ \textbf{5} \ \textbf{7.41-7.36} \ (\textbf{m}, \ \textbf{5H}), \ \textbf{5.68} \ (dd, \ J_1=9.0 \ Hz, \ J_2=10.9 \ Hz, \ \textbf{1H}), \ \textbf{3.63} \ (dd, \ J_1=10.9 \ Hz, \ J_2=17.2 \ Hz, \ \textbf{1H}), \ \textbf{3.23} \ (dd, \ J_1=9.0 \ Hz, \ J_2=17.3 \ Hz, \ \textbf{1H}). \ \textbf{1^3C} \ \textbf{NMR} \ (101 \ \text{MHz, \ CDCl}_3): \ \textbf{5} \ \textbf{138.8}, \ \textbf{136.3}, \ \textbf{128.5}, \ \textbf{128.4}, \ \textbf{125.6}, \ \textbf{82.8}, \ \textbf{48.8}. \ \textbf{HRMS} \ (\text{ESI+}) \ \textbf{m/z} \ \textbf{calcd}. \ for \ (C_{\theta}H_{\theta}BrNO, \ \textbf{M+H}): \ \textbf{225.9864}. \end{array}$ 

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FigureS9. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound 8c.

1,3,5-triphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole (8d). From 27 mg (0.263 mmol) of styrene 1 and 61 mg (0.263 mmol) of imidoyl chloride 7a

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.78-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.28 (m, 8H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.11 (m, 2H), 6.85-6.81 (m, 1H), 5.30 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=7.2 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=12.5 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=12.5 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=17.1 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=7.3 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=17.1 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  146.7, 144.9, 142.6, 132.8, 129.2, 129.0, 128.6, 128.6, 127.6, 125.9, 125.8, 119.1, 113.4, 64.5, 43.6. HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>, M+H): 299.1542, found: (M+H): 299.1531.





3-methyl-1,5-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole (8e). From 27 mg (0.263 mmol) of styrene 1 and 32 mg (0.263 mmol) of imidoyl chloride 7b

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.37-7.24 (m, 5H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 2H), 6.95-6.92 (m, 2H), 6.77-6.73 (m, 1H), 5.03 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=8.1 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (ddd, J<sub>1</sub>=1.2 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=12.0 Hz, J<sub>3</sub>=17.5 Hz, 1H), 2.74 (ddd, J<sub>1</sub>=1.1 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=8.1 Hz, J<sub>3</sub>=17.5 Hz, 1H), 2.74 (ddd, J<sub>1</sub>=1.1 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=8.1 Hz, J<sub>3</sub>=17.5 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  148.1, 145.7, 142.6, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 125.5, 118.2, 112.7, 64.4, 47.4, 15.5. HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>2</sub>, M+H): 237.1386, found: (M+H): 237.1387.



#### General procedure of 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition to norbornene using diffusion mixing technique.

A mixture of norbornene **2** (0.789 mmol, 0.074 g) and halogen derivative **6** or **7** (0.263 mmol) in 3 ml of chloroform was placed in a 15 ml vial **1** (diameter 1.3 cm) and closed with a glass stopper with holes. The vial **1** was then placed in closed 50 ml vial **2** (diameter 3.5 cm) containing triethylamine (35.85 mmol, 5 ml) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for two days (TLC or NMR control). When the reaction was completed, the mixture from the inner vial was diluted with 10 ml of chloroform, transferred to a separating funnel and washed with 2% aqueous HCl (2 x 10 ml). The organic phase was dried over an eluent.





(3aR,4R,7S,7aR)-3-propyl-3a,4,5,6,7,7a-hexahydro-4,7-methanobenzo[d]isoxazole (**9b**). From 74 mg (0.789 mmol) of norbornene **2** and 32 mg (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl chloride **6b** compound **9b** (42 mg, 90%) was obtained as a pale yellow oil. **H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 4.39 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (d, J=8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.50 (d, J=3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.33-2.25 (m, 2H), 2.19-2.12 (m, 1H), 1.68-1.50 (m, 4H), 1.45-1.39 (m, 1H), 1.26-1.04 (m, 3H), 0.95 (t, J=7.4 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 158.3, 85.5, 58.9, 42.4, 37.8, 31.7, 28.2, 26.8, 22.3, 19.2, 13.5. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO, M+H): 180.1383, found: (M+H): 180.1380.



(3aS,4R,7S,7aR)-3-bromo-3a,4,5,6,7,7a-hexahydro-4,7-methanobenzo[d]isoxazole (9c). From 74 mg (0.789 mmol) of norbornene 2 and 53 mg

 $^{(3,23,4K,15,74K)}$  (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl bromide 6c compound 9c (50 m, 88%) was obtained as a colorless oil.  $^{1}$ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  4.58 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (s,1H), 2.52 (d, J=3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.61-1.51 (m, 3H), 1.28-1.22 (m, 1H), 1.13-1.08 (m, 2H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  139.2, 87.5, 61.7, 42.6, 38.2, 31.8, 26.3, 22.2. HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>11</sub>BrNO, M+H): 216.0019, found: (M+H): 216.0017. Br



Figure S19. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **9c.** 

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(3aS,4R,7S,7aR)-1,3-diphenyl-3a,4,5,6,7,7a-hexahydro-1H-4,7-methanoindazole (9d). From 74 mg (0.789 mmol) of norbornene 2 and 61 mg

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Ph N Me (3aS,4R,7S,7aR)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-3a,4,5,6,7,7a-hexahydro-1H-4,7-methanoindazole (9e). From 74 mg (0.789 mmol) of norbornene 2 and 44 mg (0.263 mmol) of imidoyl chloride 7b compound 9e (52 mg, 87%) was obtained as a yellow crystalline solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.26-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.01-6.99 (m, 2H), 6.78-6.73 (m, 1H), 3.87 (d, J=9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (d, J=9.2 Hz, 1H), 2.68-2.67 (m, 1H), 2.46-2.45 (m, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H), 1.67-1.54 (m, 2H), 1.43-1.41 (m, 1H), 1.35-1.27 (m, 2H), 1.20-1.18 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  150.2, 145.1, 128.7, 117.1, 111.3, 67.2, 58.6, 41.0, 38.5, 32.5, 27.6, 23.8, 14.2. HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>, M+H): 227.1543, found: (M+H): 227.1543.



#### General procedure of 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition to norbornadiene using diffusion mixing technique.

A mixture of norbornadiene **3** (1.053 mmol, 0.097 g) and halogen derivative **6** or **7** (0.263 mmol) in 3 ml of chloroform was placed in a 15 ml vial **1** (diameter 1.3 cm) and closed with a glass stopper with holes. The vial **1** was then placed in a closed 50 ml vial **2** (diameter 3.5 cm) containing triethylamine (35.85 mmol, 5 ml) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for two days (TLC or NMR control). When the reaction was completed, the mixture from the inner vial was diluted with 10 ml of chloroform, transferred to a separating funnel and washed with 2% aqueous HCl (2 x 10 ml). The organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using chloroform as an eluent.

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(3aR,4S,7R,7aR)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-4,7-methanobenzo[d]isoxazole (10a) and (3aS,4S,7R,7aS)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-4,7-methanobenzo[d]isoxazole (11a). From 97 mg (1.053 mmol) of norbornadiene 3 and 50 mg (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl chloride 6a the mixture of compounds 10a and 11a in 86/14 ratio (62 mg, 96%) was obtained as a white crystalline solid.

Major isomer 10a: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.68-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 2H), 6.34 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=3.0 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=5.8 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=3.2 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=5.8 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, J=8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (d, J=8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (s, 1H), 3.12 (s, 1H), 1.72-1.70 (m, 1H), 1.65-1.62 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.9, 139.9, 135.5, 129.0, 127.9, 89.7, 57.4, 49.9, 45.0, 43.2.

major isomer minor isomer minor isomer 11a: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.68-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 2H), 6.17 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=3.0 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=5.7 Hz, 1H), 5.91 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=3.1 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=5.8 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=4.1 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=9.5 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=4.1 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (s, 1H), 3.35 (s, 1H), 1.65-1.62 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.7, 134.8, 134.2, 129.2, 127.7, 87.8, 57.0, 48.8, 47.8, 46.7. HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>13</sub>CINO, M+H): 246.0680, found: (M+H): 246.0675.



Figure S25. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the mixture of compounds **10a** and **11a**.



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(3aR,4S,7R,7aR)-3-propyl-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-4,7-methanobenzo[d]isoxazole (10b) and (3aS,4S,7R,7aS)-3-propyl-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-4,7-methanobenzo[d]isoxazole (11b). From 97 mg (1.053 mmol) of norbornadiene 3 and 32 mg (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl chloride 6b the mixture of compounds 10b and 11b in 91/9 ratio (39 mg, 84%) was obtained as a pale yellow oil.

 $\begin{array}{c} - \\ \text{Major isomer 10b: }^{1}\text{H NMR} (400 \text{ MHz, CDCl}_3): \delta 6.24 (dd, J_1=3.0 \text{ Hz}, J_2=5.7 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 6.03 (dd, J_1=3.2 \text{ Hz}, J_2=5.7 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), \\ 4.75 (dd, J_1=1.0 \text{ Hz}, J_2=8.1 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 3.29 (d, J=7.9 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 3.18 (s, 1\text{H}), 2.97 (s, 1\text{H}), 2.33-2.25 (m, 1\text{H}), 2.20-2.13 (m, 1\text{H}), \\ 1.68-1.55 (m, 4\text{H}), 0.99-0.94 (m, 3\text{H}). \\ ^{13}\text{C NMR} (101 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3): \delta 157.5, 139.4, 135.1, 87.1, 59.3, 49.3, 43.6, 42.6, 28.3, \\ \end{array}$ 

Minor isomer11b: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.17 (dd,  $J_1$ =3.0 Hz,  $J_2$ =5.7 Hz, 1H), 6.06-6.04 (m, 1H), 5.20 (dd,  $J_1$ =4.2 Hz,  $J_2$ =9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (dd,  $J_1$ =4.2 Hz,  $J_2$ =9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.30-3.28 (m, 1H), 3.12 (s, 1H), 2.33-2.25 (m, 1H), 2.20-2.13 (m, 1H), 1.68-1.55 (m, 4H), 0.99-0.94 (m, 3H). HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NO, M+H): 178.1226, found: (M+H): 178.1228.



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(3aS,4S,7R,7aR)-3-bromo-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-4,7-methanobenzo[d]isoxazole (10c) and (3aR,4S,7R,7aS)-3-bromo-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-4,7-methanobenzo[d]isoxazole (11c). From 97 mg (1.053 mmol) of norbornadiene 3 and 53 mg (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl bromide 6c the mixture of compounds 10c and 11c in 85/15 ratio (43 mg, 77%) was obtained as a colorless oil.

 
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 Major isomer 10c: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  6.26 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=3.0 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=5.6 Hz, 1H), 6.06 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=3.2 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=0.9 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (s, 1H), 3.14 (s, 1H), 1.71-1.65 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  139.5, 138.5, 135.5, 89.4, 62.1, 49.9, 44.4, 42.9.

 Minor isomer 11c: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  6.21-6.17 (m, 2H), 5.33 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=4.2 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=4.2 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (s, 1H), 3.26 (s, 1H), 1.71-1.65 (m, 1H), 1.59 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=1.4 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=9.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  138.7, 134.8, 134.5, 87.9, 61.7, 48.1, 45.7, 45.9.
 HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>9</sub>BrNO, M+H): 213.9862, found: (M+H): 213.9850.



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(3aS,4S,7R,7aR)-1,3-diphenyl-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-1H-4,7-methanoindazole (10d) and (3aR,4S,7R,7aS)-1,3-diphenyl-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-1H-4,7-methanoindazole (11d). From 97 mg (1.053 mmol) of norbornadiene 3 and 61 mg (0.263 mmol) of imidoyl chloride 7a the mixture of compounds 10d and 11d in 92/8 ratio (65 mg, 86%) was obtained as a

HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>, M+H): 287.1543, found: (M+H): 287.1540.







(3aS,4S,7R,7aR)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-1H-4,7-methanoindazole (**10e**) and (3aR,4S,7R,7aS)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-1H-4,7-methanoindazole (**11e**). From 97 mg (1.053 mmol) of norbornadiene **3** and 44 mg (0.263 mmol) of imidoyl chloride **7b** the mixture of compounds **10e** and **11e** in 92/8 ratio (41 mg, 70%) was obtained as a yellow crystalline solid.

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binor isomer 11e: <sup>1</sup> **H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.29-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.05-7.03 (m, 2H), 6.78 (m, 1H), 6.08 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=2.9 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=5.7 Hz, 1H), 5.99 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=3.1 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=3.8 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=4.2 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=10.4 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (s, 1H), 3.23 (s, 1H), 1.96 (s, 3H), 1.59-1.53 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 134.5, 133.8, 128.7, 117.1, 111.0, 66.2, 57.9, 48.1, 47.0, 45.0, 14.7.



#### General procedure of 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of nitrile oxides to hydantion 4 using diffusion mixing technique.

A mixture of hydantoin 4 (0.219 mmol, 0.056 g) and halogen derivative 6 (0.263 mmol) in 3 ml of chloroform was placed in a 15 ml vial 1 (diameter 1.3 cm) and closed with a glass stopper with holes. The vial 1 was then placed in a closed 50 ml vial 2 (diameter 3.5 cm) containing triethylamine (35.85 mmol, 5 ml) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for two days (TLC or NMR control). When the reaction was completed, the mixture from the inner vial was diluted with 10 ml of chloroform, transferred to a separating funnel and washed with 2% aqueous HCl ( $2 \times 10 \text{ ml}$ ). The organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using methanol/chloroform (1:100) as an eluent.



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(3a'S,4S,4'S,7'S,7a'S)-3'-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-phenyl-3a',6',7',7a'-tetrahydro-4'H-spiro[imidazolidine-4,5'-[4,7]methanobenzo[d]isoxazole]-2,5-dione (**12a**) and (3a'R,4S,4'S,7'R,7a'R)-3'-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-phenyl-3a',4',7',7a'-tetrahydro-5'H-spiro[imidazolidine-4,6'-[4,7]methanobenzo[d]isoxazole]-2,5-dione (**13a**). From 56 mg (0.219 mmol) of hydantoin **4** and 50 mg (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl chloride **6a**the mixture of compounds **12a** and **13a** in 57/43 ratio (81 mg, 91%) was obtained as a white crystalline solid.

Major isomer 12a: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6):  $\delta$  8.84 (bs, 1H), 7.69-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.37 (m, 5H), 4.81 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (s, 1H), 2.63 (d, J=4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.26-2.12 (m, 2H), 1.42 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=2.6 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=13.5 Hz, 1H), 1.34 (d, J=10.8 Hz, 1H). Minor isomer13a: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6):  $\delta$  8.85 (bs, 1H), 7.80-7.79 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.51 (m, 2H),

Minor isomer13a: 'H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): 6 8.85 (bs, 1H), 7.80-7.79 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.37 (m, 5H), 5.10 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.89 (s, 1H), 2.56 (d, J=3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.34 (d, J=10.8 Hz, 1H).

2.26-2.12 (m, 2H), 1.70 (dd,  $J_1$ =2.9 Hz,  $J_2$ =13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.34 (d, J=10.8 Hz, 1H). Mixture of isomers 12a and 13a: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6):  $\delta$  176.3, 176.2, 156.4, 155.4, 135.2, 135.1, 132.5, 129.6, 129.5, 129.1, 129.0, 128.9, 128.3, 128.2, 127.8, 127.7, 127.4, 127.2, 87.1, 84.4, 79.6, 64.6, 62.8, 56.0, 52.1, 51.9, 48.2, 43.4, 40.3, 36.5, 31.2, 30.9. HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for ( $C_{22}H_{19}CIN_{3}O_{3}$ , M+H): 408.1109, found: (M+H): 408.1116.





1.48 (m, 4H), 1.34 (m, 3H).

(3a'S,4S,4'S,7'S,7a'S)-1-phenyl-3'-propyl-3a',6',7',7a'-tetrahydro-4'H-spiro[imidazolidine-4,5'-[4,7]methanobenzo[d]isoxazole]-2,5-dione (**12b**) and (3a'R,4S,4'S,7'R,7a'R)-1-phenyl-3'-propyl-3a',4',7',7a'tetrahydro-5'H-spiro[imidazolidine-4,6'-[4,7]methanobenzo[d]isoxazole]-2,5-dione (**13b**). From 56 mg (0.219 mmol) of hydantoin **4** and 32 mg (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl chloride **6b** the mixture of compounds **12b** and **13b** in 62/38 ratio (64 mg, 86%) was obtained as a white crystalline solid.

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Minor isomer 13b: **H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCI<sub>3</sub>): o 7.97 (bs, 1H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.35 (m, 3H), 4.86 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (d, J=8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.89 (s, 1H), 2.46 (d, J=3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.37-2.24 (m, 3H), 2.18-2.12 (m, 1H), 1.65-

1.48 (m, 4r), 1.34 (m, 5π). Mixture of isomers **12b** and **13b**: <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 175.4, 175.3, 158.2, 157.0, 156.3, 156.1, 130.9, 128.7, 128.0, 125.7, 84.2, 81.2, 64.4, 62.7, 58.3, 53.9, 51.7, 47.4, 42.8, 40.0, 38.4, 36.3, 30.8, 30.5, 29.3, 28.1, 19.2, 13.5. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z calcd. for ( $C_{19}H_{22}N_3O_3$ , M+H): 340.1656, found: (M+H): 340.1640.



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(3a'R,4S,4'S,7'S,7a'S)-3'-bromo-1-phenyl-3a',6',7',7a'-tetrahydro-4'H-spiro[imidazolidine-4,5'-(3a'S,4S,4'S,7'R,7a'R)-3'-bromo-1-phenyl-3a',4',7',7a'-[4,7]methanobenzo[d]isoxazole]-2,5-dione (**12c**) and tetrahydro-5'H-spiro[imidazolidine-4,6'-[4,7]methanobenzo[d]isoxazole]-2,5-dione (13c). From 56 mg (0.219 mmol) of hydantoin 4 and 53 mg (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl bromide 6c the mixture of compounds 12c and 13c in

58/42 ratio (70 mg, 85%) was obtained as a white crystalline solid. Major isomer 12c: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSOd6): δ 8.75 (bs, 1H, NH), 7.49-7.45 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.42-7.36 (m, 3H, Ph), 4.77 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H, HC-O), 3.89 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H, CH-C=N), 2.78 (s, 1H, CH), 2.63 (d, J=4.6 Hz, 1H, CH), 2.27-2.16 (m, 2H), 1.40-1.34 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSOd6): δ 175.5 (C=O), 154.9 (C=O), 138.9 (BrC=N), 132.0 (C, Ph), 128.6 (2C, Ph), 127.8 (C, Ph), 127.0 (2C, Ph), 86.4 (HC-O), 63.6 (C<sub>quat</sub>), 57.1 (<u>C</u>H-C=N), 47.3 (CH), 25.0 (CH). 43.0 (CH), 35.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>).

Minor isomer**13c:** <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSOd6): δ 8.75 (bs, 1H, NH), 7.49-7.45 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.42-7.36 (m, 3H, Ph), 5.05 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H, HC-O), 3.61 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H, CH-C=N), 2.92 (s, 1H, CH), 2.58 (d, J=4.1 Hz, 1H, CH), 2.27-2.16 (m, 2H), 1.56 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=3.2 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=13.4 Hz, 1H), 1.40-1.34 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSOd6): δ 175.6 (C=O), 154.9 (C=O), 139.7 (BrC=N), 132.0 (C, Ph), 128.6 (2C, Ph), 127.0 (2C, Ph), 83.8 (HC-O), 62.1 (C<sub>quat.</sub>), 60.8 (<u>C</u>H-C=N), 51.5 (CH), 39.1 (CH), 38.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>). **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>BrN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, M+H): 376.0291, found: (M+H): 376.0292.



FigureS38. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra (pure shifts) of the mixture of compounds 12c and 13c.









#### General procedure of 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of nitrile imines to hydantion 4 using diffusion mixing technique.

A mixture of hydantoin 4 (0.118 mmol, 0.030 g) and halogen derivative 7 (0.354 mmol) in 3 ml of chloroform was placed in a 15 ml vial 1 (diameter 1.3 cm) and closed with a glass stopper with holes. The vial 1 was then placed in closed 50 ml vial 2 (diameter 3.5 cm) containing triethylamine (35.85 mmol, 5 ml) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for two days (TLC or NMR control). After the reaction was complete, the mixture from the inner vial was diluted with 10 ml of chloroform, transferred to a separating funnel and washed with 2% aqueous HCI (2 x 10 ml). The organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using methanol/chloroform (1:100) as an eluent.



(3a'R,4S,4'S,7'S,7a'S)-1,1',3'-triphenyl-1',3a',4',6',7',7a'-hexahydrospiro[imidazolidine-4,5'-

[4,7]methanoindazole]-2,5-dione (**12d**) and (3a'S,4S,4'S,7'S,7a'R)-1,1',3'-triphenyl-1',3a',4',5',7',7a'-hexahydrospiro[imidazolidine-4,6'-[4,7]methanoindazole]-2,5-dione (**13d**). From 30 mg (0.118 mmol) of hydantoin **4** and 82 mg (0.354 mmol) of imidoyl chloride **7a** the mixture of compounds **12d** and **13d** in 54/46 ratio (49 mg, 93%) was obtained as a ligth yellow crystalline solid.

Major isomer 12d: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.92 (bs, 1H), 7.72-7.70 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.30 (m, 9H), 7.21-7.10 (m, 3H), 6.92-6.85 (m, 1H), 4.11-4.03 (m,2H), 2.98 (s, 1H), 2.78 (s, 1H), 2.45-2.32 (m, 2H), 1.68-1.52(m, 2H). Minor isomer 13d: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.77 (bs, 1H), 7.72-7.70 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.30 (m, 9H), 7.21-7.10 (m, 3H), 6.92-6.85 (m, 1H), 4.57 (d, J=8.9 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (d, J=8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (s, 1H), 2.73 (s, 1H), 2.45-2.32 (m, 2H), 1.68-1.52(m, 2H).

 Interview
 Interview





(3a'R,4S,4'S,7'S,7a'S)-3'-methyl-1,1'-diphenyl-1',3a',4',6',7',7a'-hexahydrospiro[imidazolidine-4,5'-[4,7]methanoindazole]-2,5-dione (**12e**) and (3a'S,4S,4'S,7'S,7a'R)-1'-methyl-1,3'-diphenyl-1',3a',4',5',7',7a'hexahydrospiro[imidazolidine-4,6'-[4,7]methanoindazole]-2,5-dione (**13e**). From 30 mg (0.118 mmol) of hydantoin **4** and 60 mg (0.354 mmol) of imidoyl chloride **7b** the mixture of compounds **12e** and **13e** in 53/47 ratio (37 mg, 81%) was obtained as a yellow crystalline solid.

hydantoin 4 and 60 mg (0.354 mmol) of imidoyi chioride 7b the mixture of compounds 12e and 13e m 53/47 ratio (37 mg, 81%) was obtained as a yellow crystalline solid. Major isomer 12e: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.55 (bs, 1H, NH), 7.42-7.26 (m, 7H, 2Ph), 6.95-6.93 (m, 2H, Ph), 6.82-6.80 (m, 1H, Ph), 3.85 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 1H, HC-N), 3.42 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 1H, CH-C=N), 2.75 (d, J=4.4 Hz, 1H, CH), 2.60 (s, 1H, CH), 2.41-2.29 (m, 2H), 1.96 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.53-1.46 (m, 2H).<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  176.0 (C=O), 156.5 (C=O), 148.3 (C=N), 144.8 (C, Ph), 131.2 (C, Ph), 129.3 (2C, Ph), 129.2 (2C, Ph), 128.5 (C, Ph), 126.2 (2C, Ph), 118.4 (C, Ph), 111.9 (2C, Ph), 66.3 (HC-N), 65.3 (C<sub>quat</sub>), 53.6 (<u>C</u>H-C=N),

48.5 (CH), 41.6 (CH), 37.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 14.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>). Minor isomer 13e: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.79 (bs, 1H, NH), 7.42-7.26 (m, 7H, 2Ph), 7.00-6.99 (m, 2H, Ph), 6.82-6.80 (m, 1H, Ph), 4.30 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 1H, HC-N), 2.97 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 1H, CH-C=N), 2.84 (s, 1H, CH), 2.51 (d, J=4.4 Hz, 1H, CH), 2.41-2.29 (m, 2H), 1.95 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.53-1.46 (m, 1H), 1.43 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>=3.2 Hz, J<sub>2</sub>=13.4 Hz, 1H).<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 176.0 (C=O), 156.9 (C=O), 150.1 (C=N), 145.6 (C, Ph), 131.3 (C, Ph), 129.3 (2C, Ph), 129.2 (2C, Ph), 128.5 (C, Ph), 126.2 (2C, Ph), 118.7 (C, Ph), 112.0 (2C, Ph), 64.1 (C<sub>qual.</sub>), 63.3 (HC-N), 58.2 (<u>C</u>H-C=N), 51.1 (CH), 41.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.4 (CH), 32.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 14.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>). HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, M+H): 387.1816, found: (M+H): 387.1813.



Figure S46. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the mixture of compounds **12e** and **13e**.



Figure S47. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the mixture of compounds **12e** and **13e**.



Figure S48. HMBC<sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the mixture of compounds **12e** and **13e**.



FigureS49. HSQC  $^1\text{H-}{}^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of the mixture of compounds 12e and 13e.

#### General procedure of 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition to methylidenehydantoin 5 using diffusion mixing technique.

A mixture of methylidenehydantion **5** (0.263 mmol, 0.049 g) and halogen derivative **6** or **7** (0.263 mmol) in 3 ml of chloroform was placed in a 15 ml vial **1** (diameter 1.3 cm) and closed with a glass stopper with holes. The vial **1** was then placed in a closed 50 ml vial **2** (diameter 3.5 cm) containing triethylamine (35.85 mmol, 5 ml) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for two days (TLC or NMR control). When the reaction was completed, the mixture from the inner vial was diluted with 10 ml of chloroform, transferred to a separating funnel and washed with 2% aqueous HCl (2 x 10 ml). The organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using methanol/chloroform (1:100) as an eluent.



3-(4-chlorophenyl)-8-phenyl-1-oxa-2,6,8-triazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7,9-dione (14a). From 49 mg (0.263 mmol) of methylidenehydantion 5 and 50 mg (0.263 mmol) of hydroximoyl chloride 6a compound 14a (86 mg, 96%) was obtained as a white crystalline solid.

crystalline solid. <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 9.80 (bs, 1H), 7.78-7.76 (m, 1H), 7.72-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.61-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.53-7.47 (m, 3H), 7.44-7.40 (m, 3H), 4.01 (d, J=18.5 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (d, J=18.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ 169.2, 155.9, 153.8, 133.8, 131.4, 131.0, 130.7, 130.2, 129.0, 128.3, 126.7, 126.5, 125.6, 93.2, 40.9. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, M+H): 342.0640, found: (M+H): 342.0640.







1,3,8-triphenyl-1,2,6,8-tetraazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7,9-dione (14d). From 49 mg (0.263 mmol) of methylidenehydantion 5 and 61 mg (0.263

<sup>1</sup> H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.68-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.38 (m, 6H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 4H), 7.18-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.08-7.04 (m, 1H), 6.76 (bs, 1H), 4.01 (d, J=17.6 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (d, J=17.6 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.8, 153.9, 147.5, 142.4, 131.2, 130.9, 129.7, 129.4, 129.3, 128.8, 128.7, 126.0, 125.9, 123.8, 117.9, 81.7, 45.2. HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for ( $C_{23}H_{19}N_4O_2$ , M+H): 383.1503, found: (M+H): 383.1507.



Figure S57. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **14d**.

0 HN Ph-N ١Ň 3-methyl-1,8-diphenyl-1,2,6,8-tetraazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7,9-dione (14e). From 49 mg (0.263 mmol) of methylidenehydantion 5 and 44 mg

(0.263 mmol) of imidoyl chloride **7b** compound **14e** (73 mg, 87%) was obtained as a yellow crystalline solid. **1 NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.48-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.37 (m, 1H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.12-7.09 (m, 2H), 7.07-7.03 (m, 1H), 6.84 (bs, 1H), 3.55 (d, J=17.9 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (d, J=17.9 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 171.1, 154.2, 148.9, 142.9, 130.9, 129.3, 128.6, 125.9, 123.6, 118.1, 81.9, 48.6, 15.5.HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd. for (C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, M+H): 321.1346, found: (M+H): 321.1344.







Figure S58. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound 14e.



Figure S59. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **14e**.



Figure S61. HSQC<sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **14e**.



Figure S63. TOSCY<sup>1</sup> H NMR spectra of compound **14e**.

7.50

7.40

7.30

7.60

7.10

7.00

6.90

6.80

7.20 ppm

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