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Synthesis of Spiroindolenine-cyclopentenedione Skeletons and Their

Chemical Behaviors: First Example of Lactone-type spiroindolenine structure

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1. General information

All solvents were dried and distilled using standard procedures. Unless otherwise noted, reagents were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR were recorded in deuterated chloroform and dimethyl sulfoxide (CDCl₃ and d₆-DMSO). Coupling constants are recorded in hertz, and chemical shifts are recorded as δ values in ppm. The following abbreviations are used to describe multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, dd = double doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet. High-resolution mass spectra were carried out on a mass spectrometer with a TOF analyzer (ESI). Infrared spectra were recorded on a FT-IR spectrometer. Melting points were determined by using a local hot-stage melting point apparatus and are uncorrected.





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Figure S1. Visual representation of the cyclization reaction.



Scheme S1. General procedure for synthesis of 4a-e

In a 50 mL single neck flask, the corresponding indole-3-butenoic acid derivative (1 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous DCM (10 mL). Then DCC (1.3 mmol) was added to the mixture and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1h. After completion of the reaction, the crude reaction mixture was refrigerated for 1 h and filtered to remove DCU and then concentrated under reduced pressure. This crude residue was dissolved in dry ether (10 mL), and it was crystallized during refrigeration.

Ethyl 4,5-dioxo-2,2'-diphenylspiro[cyclopentane-1,3'-indol]-2-ene-3-carboxylate (4a)



Orange crystal (165-167 °C), Yield 88% (708 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (dt, *J*=0.8 and 7.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.76-7.73 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.54 (td, *J*=1.5 and 7.3, 1H, Ar-H), 7.40 (tt, *J*= 1.5 and 7.3, 1H, Ar-H), 7.37-7.24 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.19-7.14 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 6.99-6.96 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 4.39 (dq, *J*=2.2 and 7.2 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 1.27 (t, *J*=7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR

(100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.8, 182.4, 173.5, 171.5, 163.4, 156.0, 138.1, 137.9, 133.3, 132.0,

131.9, 131.2, 130.9, 129.3, 129.3, 128.0, 127.9, 127.5, 122.6, 121.7, 71.6, 62.6, 14.1. **HRMS** calculated for [C₂₇H₁₉NO₄+H]⁺ 422.1387, Found 422.1393.

Ethyl 2'-methyl-4,5-dioxo-2-phenylspiro[cyclopentane-1,3'-indol]-2-ene-3-carboxylate (4b)



Green-yellow solid (152-155 °C), Yield 86% (761 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, *J*=7.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.49 (td, *J*=1.3 and 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.44 (tt, *J*=1.2 and 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.30-7.22 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.18 (ddd, *J*=0.6, 1.3 and 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.02-7.00 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 4.39 (q, *J*=7.1 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 2.18 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.29 (t, *J*=7.1, 3H, CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.1, 182.1, 175.7, 169.8, 163.4, 156.6, 139.8, 137.5, 133.5, 131.1, 130.6, 129.5, 127.9, 127.1, 122.3, 121.7, 73.5, 62.7, 17.8, 14.1. HRMS calculated for [C₂₂H₁₇NO₄+H]⁺ 360.1230, Found 360.1235.

3-benzoyl-2,2'-diphenylspiro[cyclopentane-1,3'-indol]-2-ene-4,5-dione (4c)



Brick coloured solid (156-158 °C), Yield 82% (552 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92-7.89 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.85-7.82 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7,63-7.57 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.47-7.34 (m, 7H, Ar-H), 7.22 (t, *J*=1.2 and 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.06-7.02 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 6.96-6.93 (m, 2H, Ar-H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.1, 191.1, 183.9, 173.9, 169.8, 156.0, 144.4,

138.4, 135.3, 134.9, 133.4, 132.1, 132.0, 131.2, 130.9, 129.5, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 128.6, 128.0, 127.6, 122.8, 121.6, 71.9. **HRMS** calculated for $[C_{31}H_{20}NO_3 +H]^+ = 454.1443$, Found $[M+H]^+ = 454.1439$.

Ethyl 4,5-dioxo-2'-phenyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)spiro[cyclopentane-1,3'-indol]-2-ene-3 carboxylate (**4d**)



Brick coloured solid (157-159 °C), Yield 80%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (dt, *J*=0.7, 7.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.83-7.80 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.64 (dd, *J*=1.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 7.53 (ddd, *J*=2.0, 6.8, 7.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.20 (dd, *J*=1.1, 4.1 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 6.94 (dd, *J*=4.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 7.20 (dd, *J*=1.1, 4.1 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 6.94 (dd, *J*=4.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 7.20 (dd, *J*=1.1, 4.1 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 6.94 (dd, *J*=4.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 7.20 (dd, *J*=1.1, 4.1 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 6.94 (dd, *J*=4.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 7.20 (dd, *J*=1.1, 4.1 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 7.20 (dd, *J*=4.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 7.20 (dd, *J*=1.1, 4.1 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 7.20 (dd, *J*=4.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 7.20 (dd, J=4.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H, Thp-H), 7.20

H), 4.55 (q, J=7.12 Hz, 2H, -OCH₂), 1.46 (t, J=7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.3, 181.8, 173.9, 163.7, 159.9, 155.6, 138.1, 137.2, 135.1, 134.3, 132.9, 131.9, 131.8, 130.7, 129.4, 129.3, 127.7, 127.3, 122.5, 121.5, 71.3, 62.9, 14.1. HRMS Calculated for [C₂₅H₁₇NO₄S+Na]⁺ 450.0771, Found 450.0776.

Ethyl 2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4,5-dioxo-2'-phenylspiro[cyclopentane-1,3'-indol]-2-ene-3 carboxylate (**4e**)



Dark yellow solid (142-144 °C), Yield 92%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (dt, *J*=0.9, 7.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.80-7.77 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.70 (dd, *J*=0.6, 8.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.63 (d, *J*=8.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.59-7.55 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.54-7.49 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.45-7.42 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.39-7.34 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.04 (dd,

J=2.0, 8.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.47-4.39 (m, 2H, -OCH₂), 1.28 (t, J=7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.6, 182.2, 173.6, 170.8, 163.6, 155.8, 138.0, 137.9, 135.1, 132.4, 131.9, 131.7, 130.8, 129.8, 129.4, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.4, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 127.2, 123.7, 122.5, 121.6, 71.6, 62.6, 14.1. HRMS Calculated for $[C_{31}H_{21}NO_4+Na]^+$ 494.1363, Found 494.1370.



Scheme S3. General procedure for synthesis of 5a-c

In a 50 mL single neck flask, the corresponding spiroindolenine (**4a-c**) (1 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous benzene (10 mL). Then proparyl amine (1 mmol) was added to the mixture and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 4h. After completion of the reaction, the crude reaction filtered and compounds **5a-c** obtained without any purification.

Ethyl 3,4-dioxo-2-(phenyl(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)methylene)-4-(prop-2-yn-1-ylamino)butanoate (**5a**)



Claret red (112-114 °C), Yield 71% (160 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.17 (bs, 0.6H, NH-indole), 9.03 (bs, 0.4H, NH-indole), 7.58-7.56 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.42-7.39 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.34 (tt, *J*=1.3 Hz and 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.30-7.15 (m, 7H, Ar-H), 7.13-7.08 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.99-6.92 (m,

2H, Ar-H), 6.88 (t, J=5.6 Hz, 0.4H, NH-amide), 6.29 (t, J=5.6 Hz, 0.6H, NH-amide), 4.09-4.00 (m, 1.2H, OCH₂), 3.91 (ddd, J=2.6, 5.6 and 17.5 Hz, 0.8H, CH₂-propargyl), 3.82-3.61 (m, 0.8H, OCH₂), 3.51 (ddd, J= 2.6, 5.6 and 17.5 Hz, 1.2H, CH₂-propagryl), 2.21 (t, J=2.6 Hz, 0.4H, CH), 2.19 (t, J=2.6 Hz, 0.6H, CH), 1.00 (t, J=7.1 Hz, 1.8H, CH₃), 0.81 (t, J=7.1 Hz, 1.2H, CH₃). ¹³C **NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 190.2, 188.3, 167.2, 166.0, 160.8, 160.5, 156.9, 155.4, 141.7, 140.4, 140.0, 139.3, 136.4, 136.2, 131.5, 130.8, 130.7, 130.3, 129.9, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 123.3, 122.8, 121.4, 121.0, 120.3, 120.0, 113.1, 113.1, 111.7, 111.6, 78.5, 78.3, 72.3, 72.1, 61.2, 61.0, 29.1, 28.8, 13.7, 13.6. **HRMS** calculated for [C₃₀H₂₄N₂O₄+H]⁺ 477.1809, Found 477.1812.

Ethyl 2-((2-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)(phenyl)methylene)-3,4-dioxo-4-(prop-2-yn-1-ylamino)butanoate (**5b**)



Yellow solid (182-184 °C), Yield 75% (86.6 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 11.68 (bs, 0.4H, NH-indole), 11.65 (bs, 0.6H, NH-indole), 8.98 (t, *J*=5.8 Hz, 0.4H, NH-amide), 8.75 (t, *J*=5.8 Hz, 0.6H, NH-amide), 7.48-7.25 (m, 5.4 H, Ar-H), 7.12 (d, *J*=7.2 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 7.04-6.98 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.84 (t, *J*=7.3 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.84 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.64 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.4H, Ar-H), 6.84 (t,

0.4H, Ar-H), 6.55 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 0.6H, Ar-H), 3.94 (q, *J*=7.1 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 3.82-3.80 (m, 0.8H, CH₂-propargyl), 3.46-3.38 (m, 1.2H, CH₂-propargyl), 3.11 (t, J=2.4 Hz, 0.4H, CH), 2.96 (t, J=2.4 Hz, 0.6H, CH), 2.11 (s, 2H, CH₃-indole), 2.07 (s, 1H, CH₃-indole), 0.95 (t, *J*=7.1Hz, 1H, CH₃), 0.90 (t, *J*=7.1Hz, 2H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 189.3, 167.0, 165.9, 162.7, 162.6, 155.7, 141.5, 140.7, 140.2, 136.5, 136.0, 134.9, 130.4, 130.4, 130.3, 129.9, 128.9, 128.7, 128.0, 127.7, 127.1, 122.1, 120.4, 119.9, 119.0, 113.4, 113.2, 111.5, 80.6, 80.5, 73.5, 73.2, 60.7, 28.5, 28.2, 14.0, 13.9, 13.1, 13.0. HRMS calculated for [C₂₅H₂₂N₂O₄+H]⁺ 415.1652, Found 415.1654.

3-benzoyl-2-oxo-4-phenyl-4-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-*N*-(prop-2-yn-1-yl)but-3-enamide (5c)



Orange solid (204-207 °C), Yield 78% (80.6 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 11.97 (bs, 0.45H, NH-indole), 11.54 (bs, 0.55H, NH-indole), 9.08 (t, *J*=5.9 Hz, 0.55H, NH-amide), 8.59 (t, *J*=5.8 Hz, 0.45H, NH-amide), 7.81-7.79 (m, 0.55H, Ar-H), 7.56-7.29 (m, 9.55H, Ar-H), 7.26-6.96 (m, 6.45H, Ar-H), 6.92-6.80 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 6.62 (d, *J*=7.9Hz, 0.45H, Ar-H), 3.77-3.74 (m, 1H,

CH₂-propargyl), 3.59-3.41 (m, 1H, CH₂-propargyl), 3.10 (t, *J*=2.4 Hz, 0.55H, CH), 3.03 (t, *J*=2.4 Hz, 0.45H, CH). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.7, 194.8, 191.3, 189.9, 160.8, 160.7, 141.6, 141.3, 139.5, 139.0, 137.5, 136.9, 136.2, 136.1, 136.1, 135.9, 132.7, 131.2, 131.0, 130.7, 130.7, 130.5, 130.2, 129.7, 129.2, 129.1, 129.1, 129.0, 129.0, 128.9, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.2, 123.6, 123.2, 121.8, 121.2, 120.6, 120.3, 114.2, 113.9, 111.6, 111.0, 78.5, 78.3, 72.5, 72.2, 29.3, 29.1. HRMS calculated for [C₃₄H₂₄N₂O₃+H] 509.1860, Found 509.1867.



Scheme S4. General procedure for synthesis of 5d-f

In a 50 mL single neck flask, the corresponding spiroindolenine (1 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous benzene (10 mL). Then methanol or deuterated methanol (1 mmol) was added to the mixture and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 4h. After completion of the reaction, the crude reaction filtered and compounds **5d-f** obtained without any purification.

1-Ethyl 4-methyl-3-oxo-2-(phenyl(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)methylene)succinate (5d)



Orange solid (195-198 °C), Yield 91% (195.8 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 12.19 (bs, 1H, NH), 7.55-7.50 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.47-7.44 (m,4H, Ar-H), 7.42-7.35 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 7.19-7.15 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.95-6.91 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.67-6.65 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 4.06-3.91 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.77 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 0.98 (t, *J*=7.1

Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 183.6, 166.0, 162.5, 155.0, 144.6, 138.3, 136.8, 130.9, 129.9, 129.7, 129.4, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 123.2, 121.0, 119.6, 112.0, 110.6, 60.7, 51.5, 13.5. HRMS calculated for [C₂₃H₂₁NO₅+H] 454.1649, Found 454.1652.

Methyl 3-benzoyl-2-oxo-4-phenyl-4-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)but-3-enoate (5e)



Yellow solid (268-270 °C), Yield 89% (143.5 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 12.20 (s, 1H, NH), 7.84 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.64-7.57 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.50-7.29 (m, 12H, Ar-H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.99 – 6.95 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.75 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 2.87 (s, 3H, OCH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO)

δ 194.2, 185.3, 162.7, 155.1, 144.7, 138.0, 136.9, 136.7, 136.2, 133.3, 130.7, 130.6, 130.0, 129.8, 128.9, 128.8 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 123.2, 121.0, 119.6, 112.0, 111.6, 51.8. **HRMS** calculated for [C₃₂H₂₃NO₄+H]⁺ 486.1700, Found 486.1708.

Methyl-d₃ 3-benzoyl-2-oxo-4-phenyl-4-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)but-3-enoate (5f)



Yellow solid (260-263 °C), Yield 92% (148.9 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 12.20 (s, 0.8H, NH, %20 ND), 7.84 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.64-7.56 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.48-7.42 (m, 6H, Ar-H), 7.38 – 7.29 (m, 6H, Ar-H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.98 – 6.95 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.76 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 194.2, 185.3, 162.7, 155.1, 144.6, 137.9, 136.8, 136.2, 133.4, 130.7, 129.9, 129.8, 128.9, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 127.3, 123.2, 120.9, 119.7, 111.9, 111.5. HRMS calculated for $[C_{32}H_{20}D_3NO_4+H]^+$ 489.1888, Found 489.1891.



Scheme S5. General procedure for synthesis of 7a-k

In a 50 mL single neck flask, the corresponding spiroindolenine (1 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous benzene (10 mL). Then 1,2-diamine derivative (1 mmol) was added to the mixture and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 4h. After completion of the reaction, the crude reaction filtered and compounds **7a-k** obtained without any purification.



Scheme S6. The reaction attempt of indole-3-butyric acid and 1,2-diamino benzene (cat: AcOH or TFA)

In a 50 mL single neck flask, compound 3b (1 mmol) was dissolved in benzene (10 mL). Then 1,2-diaminobenzene (1 mmol) was added to the solution and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 18h. After 18h, TLC analysis was utilized, and the reaction media was analyzed with ¹H-NMR. Same rection was also run using catalytic amount of organic acid such as AcOH and TFA, but the result was the same.

Ethyl 2-(3-hydroxyquinoxalin-2-yl)-3-phenyl-3-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)acrylate (7**a**)



Yellow solid (202-205 °C), Yield 82% (99.2 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 12.10 (bs, 1H, OH), 11.48 (s, 1H, NHindole), 7.50-7.47 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.28-7.16 (m, 10H, Ar-H), 7.11-7.06 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.01-6.97 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.84-6.80 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 3.94 (q, J=7Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 0.90 (t, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 167.4,

157.6, 153.6, 147.8, 141.2, 138.2, 135.9, 131.7, 131.7, 131.6, 130.0, 129.02, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 127.6, 122.9, 121.6, 119.5, 118.9, 114.9, 113.0, 111.4, 60.0, 13.6. **HRMS** calculated for $C_{33}H_{25}N_3O_3+H]^+$ 512.1969, Found 512.1973.

Ethyl 2-(3-hydroxyquinoxalin-2-yl)-3-(2-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-3-phenylacrylate (7b)



H), 6.89 (t, J=7.3 Hz, 0.5H, Ar-H), 6.78-6.71 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 4.12-3.96 (m, 2H, OCH₂), 2.15

(s, 1.5 H, -CH₃), 1.99 (s, 1.5 H, -CH₃), 0.97 (t, *J*=7.1 Hz, 1.5 H, -CH₃), 0.88 (t, *J*=7.1 Hz, 1.5 H, -CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 167.6, 167.0, 159.2, 158.4, 154.5, 154.1, 149.6, 148.7, 141.8, 141.4, 136.9, 136.4, 135.5, 135.4, 131.8, 131.8, 131.7, 131.6, 130.1, 130.0, 129.7, 129.1, 128.6, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 126.9, 126.3, 123.2, 123.1, 120.7, 120.5, 119.2, 119.0, 118.7, 118.6, 115.2, 115.0, 113.1, 112.8, 110.8, 110.6, 59.9, 59.8, 13.7, 13.5, 12.5, 12.4. HRMS calculated for [C₂₈H₂₃N₃O₃+H]⁺ 450.1812, Found 450.1816.

2-(3-hydroxyquinoxalin-2-yl)-1,3-diphenyl-3-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)prop-2-en-1-one (7c)



Orange solid (280-283 °C), Yield 80% (144 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 12.34 (bs, 0.5H, OH-indole), 12.09 (bs, 0.5H, OH-quinoxaline), 11.54 (bs, 0.5H, NH-indole), 11.35 (bs, 0.5H, NH-quinoxaline), 7.86-7.84 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.73-7.71 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.54-7.45 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.39-6.95 (m, 16.5H, Ar-H), 6.90-

6.85 (m, 1.5H, Ar-H), 6.82-6.75 (m, 1H, Ar-H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 196.3, 195.2, 160.5, 159.4, 154.3, 153.5, 148.1, 146.9, 140.7, 140.0, 138.6, 138.4, 138.2, 136.2, 136.1, 135.5, 135.1, 132.2, 131.9, 131.8, 131.7, 131.6, 131.1, 130.3, 130.2, 130.1, 129.7, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.2, 126.7, 123.3, 122.9, 122.0, 121.7, 119.7, 119.7, 119.6, 119.0, 115.3, 114.9, 113.5, 113.2, 111.5, 111.1. HRMS calculated for [C₃₇H₂₅N₃O₂+H] 544.2020, Found 544.2000.

Ethyl 2-(6-bromo-3-hydroxy-8-methylquinoxalin-2-yl)-3-phenyl-3-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)acrylate (**7d**)



Orange solid (213-216 °C), tautomer ratio: OH (1:1), NH (1:1), Yield 72% (154.8 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 11.89 (bs, 0.5H, OH-indole), 11.76 (bs, 0.5H, OHquinoxaline), 11.63 (bs, 0.5H, NH-indole), 11.53 (bs, 0.5H, NH-quinoxaline), 7.80-7.78 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.54 (bs, 1H- Ar-

H), 7.44-7.42 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.36-7.30 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.30-7.17 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.13-7.05 (m, 3.5H, Ar-H), 7.02-6.98 (m, 1.5H, Ar-H), 6.93-6.89 (m, 0.5H, Ar-H), 6.84-6.80 (m, 0.5H, Ar-H), 3.94 (qd, J=1.1, 7.0 Hz, 1H, OCH₂), 3.66-3.47 (m, 1H, OCH₂), 2.39 (s, 1.5H, CH₃-quinoxaline), 2.29 (s, 1.5H, CH₃-quinoxaline), 0.91 (t, J= 7.1 Hz, 1.5H, CH₃), 0.61 (t, J= 7.1 Hz, 1.5H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 167.3, 166.3, 159.8, 158.5, 154.6, 153.8, 149.5, 148.4, 141.0, 140.8, 138.4, 137.7, 136.3, 136.1, 133.5, 133.2, 132.8, 132.6, 131.6, 131.5, 129.7, 129.6, 129.1, 128.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 126.7, 126.3, 121.9, 121.7, 119.7, 119.7, 119.1, 119.1, 114.4, 113.8, 113.0, 112.8, 111.6, 111.5, 126.7, 126.3, 121.9, 121.7, 119.7, 119.7, 119.1, 119.1, 114.4, 113.8, 113.0, 112.8, 111.6, 111.5, 126.7, 126.3, 121.9, 121.7, 119.7, 119.7, 119.1, 119.1, 114.4, 113.8, 113.0, 112.8, 111.6, 111.5, 126.7, 126.3, 121.9, 121.7, 119.7, 119.7, 119.1, 119.1, 114.4, 113.8, 113.0, 112.8, 111.6, 111.5, 126.7, 126.7, 126.3, 121.9, 121.7, 119.7, 119.7, 119.1, 119.1, 114.4, 113.8, 113.0, 112.8, 111.6, 111.5, 126.7, 126.

60.1, 59.7, 16.5, 16.4, 13.6, 13.4. **HRMS** calculated for $[C_{34}H_{26}BrN_3O_3+H]^+=604.1231$, Found 604.1234

Ethyl 2-(6-bromo-3-hydroxy-8-methylquinoxalin-2-yl)-3-(2-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-3-phenylacrylate (7e)



Mustard coloured solid (254-258 °C), Yield 77% (174 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 11.91 (bs, 0.45H, OHindole), 11.82 (bs, 0.55H, OH-quinoxaline), 11.45 (bs, 0.55H, NH-indole), 11.18 (bs, 0.45H, NH-quinoxaline), 7.51-7.35 (m, 3.55H, Ar-H), 7.30 (d, *J*=8.0Hz, 0.55H, Ar-H), 7.23-

7.14 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.04-6.98 (m, 1.55H, Ar-H), 6.90-6.87 (m, 0.55H, Ar-H), 6.82 (t, J=7.4 Hz, 0.55H, Ar-H), 6.74-6.68 (m, 1.45H, Ar-H), 3.95-3.88 (m, 2H, OCH₂), 2.40 (s, 1.65H, CH₃-quinoxaline), 2.33 (s, 1.35H, CH₃-quinoxaline), 2.15 (s, 1.65H, CH₃-indole), 1.90 (s, 1.35H, CH₃-indole), 0.90-0.85 (m,3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 167.5, 166.8, 160.1, 159.3, 154.9, 154.3, 150.2, 149.4, 141.6, 141.3, 137.2, 136.6, 135.5, 133.3, 133.3, 132.8, 132.7, 129.7, 129.6, 129.1, 128.8, 128.5, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.5, 126.7, 126.5, 126.4,

125.6, 120.7, 120.6, 119.3, 119.2, 118.7, 118.6, 114.3, 114.1, 113.1, 112.9, 110.8, 110.7, 60.0, 59.9, 16.5, 16.4, 13.7, 13.6, 12.6. **HRMS** calculated for [C₂₉H₂₄BrN₃O₃+H]⁺ 542.1074, Found 542.1078.

2-(6-bromo-3-hydroxy-8-methylquinoxalin-2-yl)-1,3-diphenyl-3-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)prop-2-en-1-one (**7f**)



Yellow solid (235-238 °C), Yield 75% (105.4 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 11.59 (bs, 1H, OH), 11.58 (bs, 1H, NH), 7.84-7.83 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.47-7.45 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.42 (bs, 1H, Ar-H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.34-7.29 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.17-7.15 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.12-7.02 (m, 8H, Ar-H),

6.85 (t, J=7.5Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 2.28 (s, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 195.9, 160.0, 153.5, 147.4, 140.6, 138.8, 138.2, 136.2, 134.4, 133.1, 133.0, 132.7, 132.0, 131.6, 129.9, 129.5, 128.9, 128.7, 128.4, 128.4, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 126.3, 121.8, 119.8, 119.2, 113.7, 113.3, 111.6, 16.4. HRMS calculated for [C₃₈H₂₆BrN₃O₂+H]⁺ 636.1281, Found 636.1293.

Ethyl 2-(3-hydroxypyrido[2,3-b]pyrazin-2-yl)-3-phenyl-3-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)acrylate (**7g**)



Orange solid (198-200 °C), Yield 70% (150.6 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.57 (bs, 0.33H, NH-indole), 8.49 (dd, *J*=1.7 and 4.8 Hz, 0.33H, Py-H), 8.40 (bs, 0.66H, NH-indole), 8.38 (dd, *J*=1.7 and 4.8 Hz, 0.66H, Py-H), 7.95 (dd, *J*=1.7 and 8.0 Hz, 0.33H, Py-H), 7.72-7.70 (m, 0.66H, Ar-H), 7.61 (dd, *J*=1.7 and 8.0 Hz,

0.66H, Py-H), 7.47-7.44 (m, 1.33H, Ar-H), 7.39-7.37 (m, 0.33H, Ar-H), 7.35-7.26 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 2.31H, Ar-H), 7.12-6.97 (m, 5.61H, Ar-H), 6.89-6.85 (m, 0.66H, Ar-H), 4.07-4.00 (m, 1.33H, OCH₂), 3.86-3.68 (m, 0.66H, OCH₂), 0.96 (t, *J*=7.1Hz, 2H, CH₃), 0.71 (t, *J*=7.1Hz, 1H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.5, 167.4, 160.4, 158.8, 155.5, 151.1, 149.4, 143.6, 143.3, 141.3, 141.0, 138.1, 137.5, 137.2, 136.2, 136.0, 131.9, 131.8, 130.4, 129.6, 129.4, 129.1, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 122.8, 122.7, 120.9, 120.8, 120.4, 119.9, 119.5, 119.4, 114.9, 113.9, 111.0, 61.00, 60.8, 13.8, 13.7. HRMS calculated for [C₃₂H₂₄N₄O₃+H]⁺ 513.1921, Found 513.1928.

Ethyl 2-(3-hydroxypyrido[2,3-b]pyrazin-2-yl)-3-(2-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-3-phenylacrylate (7**h**)



Yellow solid (294-295 °C), Yield 74% (114.4 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 12.93 (bs, 0.45H, OH-indole), 12.82 (bs, 0.55H, OH-quinoxaline), 11.47 (bs, 0.55H, NH-indole), 11.21 (bs, 0.45H, NH-quinoxaline), 8.46 (dd, *J*=1.7 and 4.7 Hz, 0.55H, Py-H), 8.41 (dd, *J*=1.7 and 4.7 Hz, 0.45H, Py-H), 7.91 (dd, *J*=1.7 and 8.0 Hz, 0.55H, Py-H), 7.87 (dd, *J*=1.7 and 8.0

Hz, 0.45H, Py-H), 7.42-7.35 (m, 1.35H, Ar-H), 7.31-7.25 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.24-7.21 (m, 1.35H, Ar-H), 7.19-7.13 (m, 1.90H, Ar-H), 7.04-6.98 (m, 1.65H, Ar-H), 6.89-6.80 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.74-6.67 (m, 1.55H, Ar-H), 3.95-3.87 (m, 2H, OCH₂), 2.16 (s, 1.65H, CH₃-indole), 1.88 (s, 1.35H, CH₃-indole), 0.86 (t, *J*=7.1Hz, 1.35H, CH₃), 0.85 (t, *J*=7.1Hz, 1.65H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 167.5, 166.7, 160.4, 159.6, 155.9, 155.3, 150.5, 150.1, 150.0, 149.6, 143.5, 143.3, 141.6, 141.2, 137.3, 136.9, 136.3, 136.2, 135.5, 135.4, 129.8, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6, 128.1, 127.8, 127.4, 126.9, 126.8, 126.2, 125.4, 120.8, 120.7, 119.9, 119.8, 119.3, 119.2, 118.7, 118.6, 113.0, 112.8, 110.8, 110.8, 60.1, 60.0, 13.7, 13.5, 12.6. HRMS calculated for [C₂₇H₂₂N₄O₃+H]⁺ 451.1765, Found 451.1769.

2-(3-hydroxypyrido[2,3-b]pyrazin-2-yl)-1,3-diphenyl-3-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)prop-2-en-1one (7i)



Orange solid (233-236 °C), Yield 72% (77.9 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 12.54 (bs, 1H, OH), 11.60 (bs, 1H, NH), 8.36 (dd, *J*=1.7 and 4.7 Hz, 1H, Py-H), 7.85-7.82 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.54 (dd, *J*=1.6 and 8.0Hz, 1H, Py-H), 7.44-7.42 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.41-7.35 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.16-7.13 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.09-7.00 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 6.86-6.82 (m, 1H,

Ar-H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 196.6, 195.4, 164.2, 163.0, 154.1, 153.2, 149.3, 147.8, 145.5, 145.1, 143.0, 142.8, 140.8, 140.7, 140.5, 139.2, 138.4, 138.3, 136.4, 136.3, 135.1, 134.5, 132.2, 131.7, 131.2, 130.7, 130.3, 130.0, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 127.0, 125.4, 125.1, 124.5, 124.0, 122.3, 122.0, 120.1, 120.0, 119.9, 119.2, 113.4, 111.9, 111.4, 109.8. HRMS calculated for [C₃₆H₂₄N₄O₂+Na]⁺ 567.1792, Found 567.1794.

Ethyl 2-(3-hydroxyquinoxalin-2-yl)-3-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)acrylate (7j)



Yellow solid (207-209 °C), Yield 94%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 12.44 (s, 1H, -NH), 11.78 (s, 1H, -OH), 7.80-7.78 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.75 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.57-7.53 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.46 (d, *J*=8.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.41 (dd, *J*=1.1, 4.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.36-7.28 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.16-7.12

(m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.01-6.97 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.76-6.71 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 3.65-3.55 (m, 2H, -OCH₂), 0.55 (t, *J*=7.1 Hz, 3H, -CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 166.8, 158.9, 154.4, 143.8, 141.0, 137.4, 136.4, 132.6, 132.5, 132.1, 131.3, 131.0, 130.4, 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.8, 128.0, 127.5, 126.9, 123.8, 122.4, 120.1, 119.4, 115.8, 113.3, 111.9, 60.1, 13.7. HRMS Calculated for [C₃₁H₂₄N3O₃S+H]⁺ 518.1538, Found 518.1522.

Ethyl 2-(3-hydroxyquinoxalin-2-yl)-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-(2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)acrylate (7k)



Mustard yellow solid (230-232 °C), Yield 96%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 12.38 (bs, 0.4H, OH-indole), 12.17 (bs, 0.6H, OH-quinoxaline), 11.81 (bs, 0.4H, NH-indole), 11.57 (bs, 0.6H, NH-quinoxaline), 7.84-7.81 (m, 1.8H, Ar-H), 7.75-7.69 (m, 1.6H, Ar-H), 7.65-7.57 (m, 1.4H, Ar-H), 7.52-7.45 (m,

3.2H, Ar-H), 7.43-7.36 (m, 1.5H, Ar-H), 7.34-7.28 (m, 2.2H, Ar-H), 7.24-7.05 (m, 6.2H, Ar-

H), 7.01-6.97 (m, 0.8H, Ar-H), 6.92-6.88 (m, 0.6H, Ar-H), 6.82-6.78 (m, 0.7H, Ar-H), 3.95-3.89 (m, 1H, -OCH₂), 3.68-3.53 (m, 1H, -OCH₂), 0.80 (t, *J*=7.1 Hz, 1.8H, -CH₃), 0.61 (t, *J*=7.1 Hz, 1.2H, -CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 167.8, 167.0, 159.2, 158.1, 154.6, 154.1, 149.1, 148.3, 139.2, 139.0, 138.8, 138.0, 136.7, 136.4, 133.2, 133.0, 132.8, 132.7, 132.3, 132.2, 132.2, 132.1, 132.0, 131.9, 130.7, 130.5, 129.9, 129.5, 129.2, 129.0, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 127.0, 126.9, 126.6, 123.7, 123.4, 122.3, 122.1, 120.1, 120.0, 119.5, 119.3, 115.7, 115.4, 113.7, 113.4, 112.0, 111.9, 60.4, 60.1, 14.0, 13.8. HRMS Calculated for [C₃₇H₂₈N₃O₃+H]⁺ 562.2131, Found 562.2111.

Copies of ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **4a**



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **4a**



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **4b**



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **4b**



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **4**c



 $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ spectrum of compound 4c



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound 4d



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **4d**



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **4e**







¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **5**a



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **5a**



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **5b**



 $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ spectrum of compound 5b



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **5**c



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **5**c



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **5d**



 $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ spectrum of compound **5d**



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **5e**



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **5**e



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **5**f



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **5**f



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound 7a



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound 7a



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound 7b



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **7b**



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound 7c



 13 C-NMR spectrum of compound **7**c



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **7d**



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound 7d



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound 7e



 13 C-NMR spectrum of compound **7e**



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **7f**



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **7f**



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound 7g



 13 C-NMR spectrum of compound **7g**



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **7h**



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **7h**



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound 7i



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound 7i



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound 7j



¹³C-NMR spectrum of compound **7**j



¹H-NMR spectrum of compound 7k



 $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ spectrum of compound 7k

7. Copies of LC/MS spectra

















LC/MS Spectrum of compound 7c



LC/MS Spectrum of compound 7d





LC/MS Spectrum of compound 7i







User Spectra



LC/MS Spectrum of compound 7k



