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Supporting Information

Switchable Synthesis of 1,4-Bridged Dihydroisoquinoline-3-ones and Isoquinoline-1,3,4-triones Through Radical Oxidation of Isoquinolinium Salts with Phenyliodine (III) Diacetate

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1 General Methods

Unless otherwise noted, commercially available reagents were used as received. All solvents for chromatographic separations were distilled before use. Solvents for the water-free reactions were dried with standard procedures and stored with Schlenk flasks over molecular sieves. Column chromatography was carried out with 200–300 mesh silica gel. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on glassbacked silica plates. UV light, I_2 , and solutions of 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine were used to visualize products. Concentrating a solution under reduced pressure refers to distillation using a rotary evaporator attached to a vacuum pump (3–10 mmHg). Products obtained as solids or high boiling oils were dried under vacuum (1–3 mmHg). ¹ H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a 600 MHz NMR spectrometer at 293 K, and the chemical shifts (δ) were internally referenced by the residual solvent signals relative to tetramethylsilane (CDCl₃ at 7.26 ppm for ¹ H, and at 77.00 ppm for ¹³C). Data are reported as s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, b = broad; coupling constant(s) in Hz; integration. The yields in the text refer to isolated yields of compounds.

2 In situ NMR spectra for the mechanistic experiments



2.1 The in situ NMR spectra of the reaction mixture

Figure S1. In situ ¹H NMR of **1T**



Figure S2. In situ ¹³C NMR of **1T**



4,4-dibromo-2-ethyl-3-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl acetate (**1T**): ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (td, *J* = 8.3, 7.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (s, 1H), 3.88 (dq, *J* = 14.3, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (dq, *J* = 14.3, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.07 (s, 3H),

1.28 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 170.56, 164.48, 139.12, 134.94, 130.97, 130.64, 126.96, 126.59, 79.75, 52.99, 42.92, 21.09, 12.44. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₃H₁₃Br₂NNaO₃ [M + Na]⁺: 411.9154; found: 411.9152.



2.2 The ¹H NMR spectra of PIDA and its mixture with TBAB



Note: The ratios of integration (area) of proton signals are: (1) at 40 min, PIDA:PhI = 3.7:1; (2) at 70 min, PIDA:PhI = 3.4:1. At 40 min, 21.3% of PIDA converted to PhI, while at 70 min, 22.7% of PIDA converted to PhI, implying that this conversion slows down rapidly over time.

3 Investigations on the mechanism of the PIDA-mediated oxidation



3.1 The HRMS spectrum of the reaction mixture

Figure S6. The HRMS spectrum of the reaction mixture.



3.2 The ESI-MS spectrum of the TEMPO-added reaction mixture

Figure S7. The HRMS spectra of the TEMPO-added reaction mixture.



3.3 The NMR spectra and characterization data of (1,2-dibromoethyl)benzene

Figure S9. ¹³C NMR of (1,2-dibromoethyl)benzene

Characterization data of **(1,2-dibromoethyl)benzene**:^[1] Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether gave as white solid (16mg, 30%). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.46 – 7.36 (m, 5H), 5.18 (dd, *J* = 10.7, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 5.3 Hz, 1H),

4.06 (t, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 138.65, 129.21, 128.88, 127.68, 50.90, 35.03.



3.4 Possible reaction pathway for the PIDA-mediated oxidation

Scheme S1. Possible reaction pathway for the PIDA-mediated oxidation



Scheme S2. Possible reaction pathway for the TEMPO-added oxidation



Scheme S3. Possible reaction pathway for the styrene-added oxidation

4 Crystallographic data of 3a

| Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement for 3a. | | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Empirical formula | C ₂₅ H ₁₆ BrNO ₄ | | | | |
| Formula weight | 474.30 | | | | |
| Temperature/K | 292.00(10) | | | | |
| Crystal system | monoclinic | | | | |
| Space group | P21/c | | | | |
| a/Å | 9.50407(12) | | | | |
| b/Å | 13.07175(19) | | | | |
| c/Å | 16.7222(2) | | | | |
| α/° | 90 | | | | |
| β/° | 100.3725(13) | | | | |
| γ/° | 90 | | | | |
| Volume/ų | 2043.53(5) | | | | |
| Z | 4 | | | | |
| $\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$ | 1.542 | | | | |
| µ/mm⁻¹ | 3.024 | | | | |
| F(000) | 960.0 | | | | |
| Crystal size/mm ³ | 0.31 × 0.28 × 0.24 | | | | |
| Radiation | CuKα (λ = 1.54184) | | | | |
| 20 range for data collection/° | 8.64 to 143.728 | | | | |
| Index ranges | $-11 \le h \le 11, -15 \le k \le 11, -20 \le l \le 20$ | | | | |
| Reflections collected | 19329 | | | | |
| Independent reflections | 3926 [R _{int} = 0.0377, R _{sigma} = 0.0202] | | | | |
| Data/restraints/parameters | 3926/0/280 | | | | |
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.129 | | | | |
| Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)] | $R_1 = 0.0993$, $wR_2 = 0.2526$ | | | | |
| Final R indexes [all data] | R ₁ = 0.1065, wR ₂ = 0.2595 | | | | |
| Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å $^{-3}$ | 2.40/-2.09 | | | | |

Table S2. Bond lengths [Å] for 3a.

| | | | • • • | | |
|------|------|-----------|-------|------|-----------|
| Atom | Atom | Length/Å | Atom | Atom | Length/Å |
| Br1 | C17 | 1.938(6) | C8 | C9 | 1.437(7) |
| 01 | C9 | 1.207(7) | C8 | C10 | 1.510(7) |
| 02 | C1 | 1.366(7) | C10 | C11 | 1.510(7) |
| 02 | C9 | 1.370(7) | C11 | C12 | 1.378(9) |
| 03 | C7 | 1.353(6) | C11 | C16 | 1.407(9) |
| 03 | C17 | 1.464(7) | C12 | C13 | 1.421(15) |
| 04 | C18 | 1.219(7) | C13 | C14 | 1.333(18) |
| N1 | C10 | 1.469(7) | C14 | C15 | 1.367(17) |
| N1 | C18 | 1.341(8) | C15 | C16 | 1.387(8) |
| N1 | C19 | 1.467(6) | C16 | C17 | 1.480(9) |
| C1 | C2 | 1.397(7) | C17 | C18 | 1.537(8) |
| C1 | C6 | 1.380(7) | C19 | C20 | 1.502(8) |
| C2 | C3 | 1.368(9) | C20 | C21 | 1.383(8) |
| C3 | C4 | 1.368(10) | C20 | C25 | 1.391(9) |
| C4 | C5 | 1.375(9) | C21 | C22 | 1.372(9) |
| C5 | C6 | 1.404(8) | C22 | C23 | 1.359(10) |
| C6 | C7 | 1.443(7) | C23 | C24 | 1.356(10) |
| C7 | C8 | 1.344(7) | C24 | C25 | 1.380(10) |

Table S3. Bond Angles for 3a

| | | - | | | , | | |
|------|------|------|----------|------|----------|------|-----------|
| Atom | Atom | Atom | Angle/° | Atom | Atom | Atom | Angle/° |
| C1 | 02 | C9 | 121.0(4) | C12 | C11 | C16 | 120.7(6) |
| C7 | 03 | C17 | 121.8(4) | C16 | C11 | C10 | 115.1(5) |
| C18 | N1 | C10 | 119.2(4) | C11 | C12 | C13 | 118.4(9) |
| C18 | N1 | C19 | 120.5(5) | C14 | C13 | C12 | 119.3(9) |
| C19 | N1 | C10 | 119.3(5) | C13 | C14 | C15 | 123.7(10) |
| 02 | C1 | C2 | 116.4(5) | C14 | C15 | C16 | 118.6(10) |
| 02 | C1 | C6 | 121.8(4) | C11 | C16 | C17 | 114.0(5) |
| C6 | C1 | C2 | 121.8(5) | C15 | C16 | C11 | 119.2(7) |
| C3 | C2 | C1 | 118.3(6) | C15 | C16 | C17 | 126.7(7) |
| C4 | C3 | C2 | 121.1(5) | 03 | C17 | Br1 | 100.7(4) |
| C3 | C4 | C5 | 120.7(6) | 03 | C17 | C16 | 111.1(5) |
| C4 | C5 | C6 | 120.0(6) | 03 | C17 | C18 | 108.6(5) |
| C1 | C6 | C5 | 118.0(5) | C16 | C17 | Br1 | 113.5(4) |
| C1 | C6 | C7 | 117.4(4) | C16 | C17 | C18 | 112.4(5) |
| C5 | C6 | C7 | 124.6(5) | C18 | C17 | Br1 | 109.9(4) |
| 03 | C7 | C6 | 113.0(4) | 04 | C18 | N1 | 125.0(6) |
| C8 | C7 | 03 | 126.0(4) | 04 | C18 | C17 | 122.5(6) |
| C8 | C7 | C6 | 121.1(4) | N1 | C18 | C17 | 112.5(5) |
| C7 | C8 | C9 | 119.6(4) | N1 | C19 | C20 | 112.4(4) |
| C7 | C8 | C10 | 121.7(4) | C21 | C20 | C19 | 121.4(6) |

| C9 | C8 | C10 | 118.6(4) | C21 | C20 | C25 | 117.4(5) |
|-----|-----|-----|----------|-----|-----|-----|----------|
| 01 | C9 | 02 | 116.0(5) | C25 | C20 | C19 | 121.2(5) |
| 01 | C9 | C8 | 125.0(5) | C22 | C21 | C20 | 120.8(6) |
| 02 | C9 | C8 | 119.0(5) | C23 | C22 | C21 | 120.8(6) |
| N1 | C10 | C8 | 110.4(4) | C24 | C23 | C22 | 119.8(6) |
| N1 | C10 | C11 | 109.6(4) | C23 | C24 | C25 | 120.3(6) |
| C8 | C10 | C11 | 108.5(4) | C24 | C25 | C20 | 120.8(6) |
| C12 | C11 | C10 | 124.1(7) | | | | |



Figure S10. ORTEP drawing of 3a with thermal ellipsoids at 50 % probability.

5 Syntheses of compounds 1-6

5.1 General procedure for the syntheses of 1

$$R \stackrel{\text{II}}{=} N + R' - Br \xrightarrow{\text{MeCN, 90 °C}} R \stackrel{\text{II}}{=} N + R'$$

N-alkyl iminium salt **1** was prepared according to the literature procedure.^[2] An oven-dried flask was charged with CH₃CN (10 mL), Isoquinoline (3 mmol) and alkyl halide (3.3 mmol). The reaction mixture was refluxed until the Isoquinoline was consumed as indicated by TLC. Then it was cooled to room temperature, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was diluted with diethyl ether, and the iminium salt was precipitated quickly. The solid was washed with diethyl ether to give purified **1**. If the iminium salt could not be precipitated, the residue was thoroughly washed with diethyl ether by ultrasonic vibration. Normally, washing three times will lead to the purified salt.

5.2 General procedure for the syntheses of 2



4-Hydroxy-2H-chromen-2-one (2) was prepared according to the literature procedure.^[3] NaH (50 mmol, 5 equiv) in 40 mL toluene was cooled in an ice bath. To the suspension was added 2'hydroxyacetophenone (10 mmol, 1 equiv) in one portion and the result mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 30 min. Then diethyl carbonate (15 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added to the reaction mixture at room temperature by drop-wise. The reaction was heated to reflux and stirred for 4 h. On completing of the reaction monitored by TLC, the reaction was allowed to cool to room temperature and the precipitate was collected and washed with 1N HCl solution and water to give the crude product. It was further purified by column chromatography to give the desired 4-hydroxycoumarin 2 as a white solid.



Prepared according to a reported literature.^[4] A solution of bis(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl) malonate (0.92 g, 2 mmol) and 3-(diethylamino)phenol (0.34 g, 2 mmol) in 5 mL toluene was heated to reflux for 5 h. After cooling down, the precipitation was collected and washed with cold toluene and hexane to afford the desired compound **2e** (317 mg, 68%) as a gray solid.

5.3 General procedure for the syntheses of 3



Under an argon atmosphere, a 5 mL Schlenk flask was charged with iminium salt **1** (0.2 mmol), PIDA (0.6 mmol), KBr (0.2 mmol), H₂O (7 μ L), and dry MeCN (2 mL). The mixture was continually stirred at room temperature until **1** was consumed as indicated by thin-layer chromatography (TLC, typically, for 8 h). 4-Hydroxycoumarin **2** (0.4 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated at 70 °C in the oil bath until the intermediate was consumed as indicated by TLC (typically, for 8 h), then cooled to room temperature, diluted with water (5 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as the eluent) to give the desired product **3**.



15-benzyl-12-bromo-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromene-6,14-dione (3a). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3a** as a white solid (68mg, 72%). mp 172 - 174 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.45

(t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (s, 5H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 5.03 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.27, 160.63, 159.24, 152.68, 138.97, 135.08, 132.90, 131.75, 131.46, 130.19, 129.34, 128.81, 128.54, 128.18, 124.37, 123.04, 122.31, 116.65, 114.96, 106.29, 97.88, 52.94, 50.73. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₆BrNO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 496.0155; found: 496.0151.



12-bromo-15-(4-methylbenzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3b). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3b as a white solid (48mg, 49%) . mp 197 – 199 °C ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.75 – 7.72 (m, 1H), 7.53 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 14.5 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.22, 160.69, 159.24, 152.71, 139.02, 137.92, 132.86, 131.78, 130.16, 129.46, 129.28, 128.52, 124.36, 123.06, 122.31, 116.61, 115.02, 106.31, 97.91, 52.79, 50.45, 21.11. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 488.0492; found: 488.0487.



12-bromo-15-(4-(tert-butyl)benzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3c). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3c as a white solid (73mg, 69%). mp 196 – 198 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (td, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.4 HZ, 1H), 7.45 (td, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.2 HZ, 1H), 7.38 (td, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.2 HZ, 1H), 7.26 - 7.21 (m, 3H), 7.21-7.17 (m, 4H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 4.91 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (s, 9H).¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.30, 160.54, 159.07, 152.63, 151.16, 139.02, 132.77, 132.16, 131.72, 131.42, 130.19, 129.28, 128.24, 125.64, 124.31, 123.03, 122.33, 116.58, 114.99, 106.50, 97.89, 53.07, 50.54, 34.51, 31.22. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₉H₂₄BrNO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 552.0781; found: 552.0778.



12-bromo-15-(4-methoxybenzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3d). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3d** as a white solid (66mg, 65%). mp 229 - 231 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.44 (td, J = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 3H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 4.97 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 162.15, 160.70, 159.53, 159.23, 152.70, 139.02, 132.85, 131.79, 131.41, 130.15, 130.01, 129.27, 127.12, 124.36, 123.05, 122.30, 116.64, 115.02, 114.21, 106.32, 97.93, 55.25, 52.66, 50.17. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrNO₅ [M + Na]⁺: 526.0261; found: 526.0258.



Methyl

4-((-12-bromo-6,14-dioxo-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromeN-15-yl)methyl)benzoate (3e). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3e** as a white solid (68mg, 64%). mp 210 - 212 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.07 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (td, J = 8.0, 7.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (td, J = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (dd, J = 5.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 5.13 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H). 13C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 166.60, 162.40, 160.73, 159.40, 152.71, 140.19, 138.75, 133.06, 131.66, 131.59, 130.26, 130.13, 130.04, 129.48, 128.33, 124.48, 123.07, 122.32, 116.74, 114.90, 106.02, 97.64, 53.26, 52.13, 50.41. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₇H₁₈BrNO₆ [M + Na]⁺: 554.0210; Found: 554.0207



4-((-12-bromo-6,14-dioxo-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromeN-15-yl)methyl)benzonitrile (3f). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3f** as a white solid (49mg, 49%). mp 230 - 232 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.07 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (td, *J* = 8.1, 2.1 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (td, J = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.29 -7.21 (m, 4H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 5.05 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.54, 160.72, 159.45, 152.71, 140.60, 138.54, 133.23, 132.64, 131.71, 131.56, 130.35, 129.63, 129.05, 124.57, 123.07, 122.32, 118.35, 116.79, 114.80, 112.24, 105.91, 97.40, 53.64, 50.53. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{26}H_{15}BrN_2O_4$ [M + Na]⁺: 521.0107; found: 521.0105.



12-bromo-15-(4-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3g). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3g as a white solid (46mg, 42%). mp 181 - 183 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 5.11 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.49, 160.72, 159.38, 152.71, 139.28, 138.66, 133.09, 131.63, 130.47(q, *J* = 33.2 Hz), 130.29, 129.53, 128.71, 125.80 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 124.48, 123.9 (q, *J* = 272.2 Hz), 123.03, 122.34, 116.73, 114.85, 106.01, 97.54, 53.45, 50.36. ¹⁹F NMR (565 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -62.72. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₅BrF₃NO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 564.0029; found: 564.0025.



12-bromo-15-(4-fluorobenzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2c]chromene-6,14-dione (3h). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3h** as a white solid (48mg, 49%). mp 182 - 184 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 4.98 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ162.60 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 162.26, 160.71, 159.31, 152.69, 138.83, 133.00, 131.69, 131.52, 130.98 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 130.40 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 130.22, 129.41, 124.44, 123.04, 122.28, 116.71, 115.84, 115.70, 114.91, 106.15, 97.74, 52.96, 50.06. ¹⁹F NMR (565 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -113.59. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₅BrFNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 492.0241; found: 492.0236.



12-bromo-15-(4-chlorobenzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3i). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3i** as a white solid (53mg, 52%). mp 228 - 230 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.06 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (td, *J* = 7.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.18 (m, 7H), 5.47 (s,

1H), 5.01 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 162.32, 160.75, 159.36, 152.71, 138.77, 134.17, 133.67, 133.03, 131.67, 131.56, 130.23, 129.91, 129.44, 129.02, 124.46, 123.05, 122.32, 116.73, 114.91, 106.08, 97.67, 53.08, 50.10. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₅BrClNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 507.9946; found: 507.9941.



12-bromo-15-(4-bromobenzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3j). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3j as a white solid (65mg, 59%). mp 231 - 233 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.28 - 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 5.00 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.34, 160.75, 159.36, 152.73, 138.76, 134.20, 133.03, 131.99, 131.67, 131.57, 130.23, 130.21, 129.44, 124.46, 123.05, 122.32 , 122.30, 116.74, 114.92, 106.07, 97.66, 53.12, 50.16. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₅Br₂NO₄ [M + H]⁺: 551.9441; found: 551.9435.



12-bromo-15-(2-methylbenzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3k). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3k as a white solid (66mg, 67%). mp 170 - 172 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (td, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 - 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.19 - 7.13 (m, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 5.42 (s, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.19 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.00, 160.66, 159.44, 152.73, 138.89, 137.08, 132.95, 132.58, 131.83, 131.46, 130.75, 130.15, 129.64, 129.34, 128.45, 126.36, 124.41, 123.06, 122.41, 116.70, 115.00, 106.00, 97.88, 52.01, 48.16, 19.10. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrNO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 510.0311; found: 510.0310.



12-bromo-15-(2-methoxybenzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3I). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3I** as a white solid (70mg, 69%). mp 182 - 184 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (s, 1H), 4.86 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.11, 160.32, 158.95, 157.70, 152.62, 139.50, 132.70, 131.80, 131.28, 130.89, 130.18, 129.65, 129.15, 124.29, 123.33, 122.97, 122.21, 120.58, 116.59, 115.12, 110.21, 106.56, 98.21, 55.11, 53.41, 46.70. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrNO₅ [M + Na]⁺: 526.0261; found: 526.0261.



12-bromo-15-(2-bromobenzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3m). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3m as a white solid (62mg, 56%). mp 206 - 208 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.07 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (dd, *J* = 11.7, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 7.17 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 5.08 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.28, 160.47, 159.38, 152.71, 138.97, 134.24, 133.25, 132.96, 131.70, 131.53, 130.59, 130.28, 129.82, 129.43, 127.75, 124.42, 124.10, 123.07, 122.42, 116.69, 115.03, 106.09, 97.79, 53.22, 50.88. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₅Br₂NO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 573.9260; found: 573.9255.



12-bromo-15-(2-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3n). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3n as a white solid (50mg, 46%). mp 189 - 191 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.22 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 4.1 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.78, 160.41, 159.32, 152.75, 138.86, 133.56, 133.04, 132.06, 131.68, 131.63, 130.35, 129.54, 128.94, 128.84 (q, *J* = 30.7 Hz), 128.07, 126.50 (q, *J* = 5.7 Hz), 124.44, 124.12 (q, *J* = 205.4 Hz), 123.07, 122.40, 116.73, 114.93, 106.04, 97.59, 53.31, 46.93 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (565 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -59.55. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₅BrF₃NO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 564.0029; found: 564.0026.



12-bromo-15-(3-methylbenzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3o). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3o** as a white solid (50mg, 51%). mp 175 - 177 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (td, *J* = 7.8, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.07 – 7.03 (m, 3H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.30, 160.57, 159.16, 152.69, 139.02, 138.51, 134.95, 132.86, 131.75, 131.41, 130.20, 129.30, 129.24, 128.90, 128.68, 125.56, 124.36, 123.04, 122.32, 116.61, 114.99, 106.42, 97.90, 52.98, 50.76, 21.14. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrNO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 510.0311; found: 510.0308.



12-bromo-15-(3,5-dimethylbenzyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3p). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3p as a white solid (54mg, 54%). mp 174 - 176 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 3H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 4.85 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.32, 160.48, 159.04, 152.70, 139.10, 138.37, 134.87, 132.80, 131.76, 131.37, 130.20, 129.73, 129.27, 126.29, 124.32, 123.02, 122.32, 116.57, 115.02, 106.57, 97.94, 53.03, 50.80, 21.02. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₇H₂₀BrNO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 524.0468; found: 524.0466.



12-bromo-15-(naphthaleN-1-ylmethyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3q). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3q as a white

solid (58mg, 55%). mp 191 - 193 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.06 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 5.7 Hz, 2H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 5.31 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.15, 159.91, 158.97, 152.51, 138.82, 133.76, 132.59, 131.55, 131.52, 131.36, 130.42, 130.18, 129.66, 129.27, 129.19, 128.56, 126.63, 125.72, 125.40, 124.16, 123.41, 122.83, 122.39, 116.47, 114.88, 106.28, 97.89, 51.88, 48.80. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₉H₁₈BrNO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 546.0311; found: 546.0307.



12-bromo-15-(thiopheN-3-ylmethyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3r). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3r as a white solid (44mg, 46%). mp 213 - 215 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (dt, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.53 (s, 1H), 4.91 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.04, 160.66, 159.14, 152.67, 138.94, 135.62, 132.90, 131.71, 131.48, 130.21, 129.35, 127.44, 126.78, 124.53, 124.38, 123.03, 122.33, 116.66, 114.94, 106.30, 97.77, 53.01, 45.84. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₃H₁₄BrNO₄S [M + Na]⁺: 501.9709; found: 501.9718.



12-bromo-15-ethyl-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromene-6,14-dione (3s). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3s as a white solid (46mg, 43%). mp 224 - 226 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (td, *J* = 7.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 - 7.24 (m, 3H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 3.80 - 3.65 (m, 2H), 1.24 (td, *J* = 7.2, 1.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.44, 160.91, 159.36, 152.76, 139.18, 132.94, 131.97, 131.40, 130.18, 129.32, 124.45, 123.12, 122.25, 116.72, 115.11, 106.64, 98.07, 53.49, 42.92, 13.17. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₁₄BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 412.0179; found: 412.0177.



12-bromo-15-butyl-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromene-6,14-dione (3t) . Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3t as a white solid (50mg, 57%). mp 164 - 166 °C. 1H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.05 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (td, J = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (td, J = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.52 (s, 1H), 3.71 – 3.60 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.31 – 1.23 (m, 2H), 0.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). 13C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 161.75, 160.95, 159.36, 152.75, 139.17, 132.95, 131.95, 131.41, 130.20, 129.32, 124.46, 123.13, 122.27, 116.73, 115.09, 106.49, 98.12, 53.83, 47.78, 29.95, 19.93, 13.64. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₂H₁₈BrNO₄ [M +H]⁺: 440.0492; found:440.0490.



12-bromo-15-heptyl-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromene-6,14-dione (3u). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3u as a white solid (46mg, 48%). mp 140 - 142 °C. 1H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.05 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.29 - 7.21 (m, 2H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 3.68 - 3.62 (m, 2H), 1.64 - 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.30 - 1.07 (m, 8H), 0.79 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). 13C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 161.73, 160.89, 159.32, 152.74, 139.21, 132.92, 131.96, 131.38, 130.20, 129.30, 124.43, 123.11, 123.10, 122.26, 116.70, 115.09 (d, J = 2.7 Hz), 106.56, 98.15, 53.86, 48.13, 31.52, 28.79, 27.92, 26.65, 22.40, 13.93. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₂₄BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 482.0961; found: 482.0959.



15-allyl-12-bromo-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromene-6,14-dione (3v). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3v as a white solid (55mg, 65%). mp 180 - 182 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.06 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.47 (td, J = 8.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 5.81 – 5.73 (m, 1H), 5.53 (s, 1H), 5.31 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (dd, J = 5.7, 1.5 Hz 1H), 4.09 (dd, J = 15.3, 6.9 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.80, 160.80, 159.44, 152.79, 139.02, 132.94, 131.93, 131.47, 130.94, 130.20, 129.34, 124.42, 123.10, 122.39, 119.97, 116.72, 115.08, 106.36, 97.81, 52.92, 49.71. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 424.0179; found: 424.0176.



12-bromo-15-(cyclopropylmethyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3w). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3w as a white solid (54mg, 62%). mp 204 - 206 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.06 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, J = 7.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, H), 7.44 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz 1H), 7.39 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 5.69 (s, 1H), 3.60 – 3.46 (m, 2H), 1.12 – 1.05 (m, 1H), 0.52 – 0.48 (m, 2H), 0.37 – 0.32 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 161.84, 160.95, 159.23, 152.73, 139.27, 132.87, 131.91, 131.40, 130.23, 129.30, 124.42, 123.12, 123.10, 122.33, 116.70, 115.11, 106.70, 98.08, 53.54, 52.14, 9.53, 3.78. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₂H₁₆BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 438.0355; found: 438.0332.



12-bromo-15-(cyclopentylmethyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3x). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3x as a white solid (44mg, 47%). mp 206 - 208 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.06 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.27 - 7.24 (m, 2H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 3.63 (dd, J = 13.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (dd, J = 13.5, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 2.33 - 2.28 (m, 1H), 1.72 - 1.58 (m, 3H), 1.57 - 1.43 (m, 3H), 1.30 - 1.23 (m, 1H), 1.20 - 1.13 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 162.03, 160.95, 159.33, 152.75, 139.24, 132.93, 131.95, 131.40, 130.24, 129.31, 124.45, 123.13, 122.28, 116.72, 115.06, 106.46, 98.24, 53.97, 52.49, 30.30, 30.19, 25.15, 24.97. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₄H₂₀BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 466.0648; found: 466.0646.



12-bromo-15-(cyclohexylmethyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3y). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3y as a white solid (53mg, 55%). mp 200 - 202 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.06 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.36

(d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 3.63 (dd, J = 13.8, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (dd, J = 13.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 1.76 – 1.71 (m, 1H), 1.68 – 1.52 (m, 5H), 1.20 – 1.06 (m, 3H), 1.04 – 0.91 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 162.12, 160.99, 159.34, 152.75, 139.16, 132.94, 132.01, 131.42, 130.22, 129.32, 124.44, 123.13, 122.32, 116.70, 115.06, 106.36, 98.21, 54.57, 54.31, 36.74, 30.75, 30.50, 26.20, 25.58. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₂₂BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 480.0805; found: 480.0801.



4-(-12-bromo-6,14-dioxo-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromeN-15-yl)butanoate (3z). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3z as a white solid (43mg, 43%). mp 138 - 140 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.05 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (td, J = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (td, J = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (td, J = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.27 - 7.24 (m, 2H), 5.55 (s, 1H), 4.08 - 4.03 (m, 2H), 3.81 - 3.76 (m, 1H), 3.65 - 3.61 (m, 1H), 2.27 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.98 (p, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.21 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 172.41, 162.04, 160.89, 159.37, 152.77, 139.00, 133.01, 131.80, 131.50, 130.21, 129.41, 124.46, 123.12, 122.43, 116.73, 115.04, 106.35, 97.89, 60.56, 54.03, 47.28, 31.35, 23.32, 14.15. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₄H₂₀BrNO₆ [M + H]⁺: 498.0547; found: 498.0549.



12-bromo-15-(2-methoxyethyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3aa). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3aa** as a white solid (44mg, 50%). mp 140 - 142 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.07 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 3.94 (m, 1H), 3.79 (m, 1H), 3.61 – 3.52 (m, 2H), 3.23 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.07, 160.86, 158.76, 152.72, 139.54, 132.74, 131.72, 131.36, 130.19, 129.19, 124.34, 123.06, 122.44, 116.64, 115.18, 106.89, 97.95, 70.29, 58.68, 55.18, 47.96. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₁H₁₆BrNO₅ [M + H]⁺: 442.0285; found: 424.0282.



12-bromo-15-isopropyl-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromene-6,14-dione (3ab). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3ab** as a white solid (35mg, 41%). mp 232 - 234 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (td, *J* = 7.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 4.87 – 4.81 (m, 1H), 1.28 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.24 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.27, 160.51, 159.33, 152.80, 139.67, 132.88, 131.97, 131.46, 130.27, 129.30, 124.44, 123.15, 121.98, 116.72, 115.13, 107.20, 98.50, 48.07, 47.14, 20.54, 19.36. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₁H₁₆BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 426.0355; found: 426.0331.



12-bromo-15-(1-phenylethyl)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2c]chromene-6,14-dione (3ac). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3ac** as a white solid (34mg, 35%). mp 245 - 247 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.4, Hz, 1H), 7.53 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 5H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.97 – 5.92 (m, 1H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 1.65 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.60, 160.40, 159.35, 152.79, 139.51, 138.21, 132.90, 131.58, 131.29, 130.07, 129.15, 128.73, 128.07, 127.44, 124.43, 123.15, 121.89, 116.71, 115.06, 107.08, 98.34, 53.47, 48.84, 16.94. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 488.0492; found: 488.0487.



15-benzhydryl-12-bromo-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromene-6,14-dione (3ad). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3ad as a white solid (35mg, 32%). mp 255 - 257 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.09 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.33 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 5.4, 1.8 Hz, 3H), 7.24 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 7.15 (s, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.10 – 7.05 (m, 2H), 5.61 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.94, 159.56, 158.39, 152.49, 139.84, 137.99, 137.02, 132.64, 131.66, 131.23, 130.69, 129.54, 129.45, 128.74, 128.69, 128.44, 127.82, 124.22, 122.98, 122.02, 116.47, 114.79, 107.15, 97.97, 62.84, 50.92. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₃₁H₂₀BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 550.0648; found: 550.0463.



15-benzyl-11-bromo-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2c]chromene-6,14-dione (3ae). Until iminium salt **1ae** was consumed as indicated by TLC (for 8 h). 4-Hydroxycoumarin **2a** (0.4 mmol) and anhydrous DMF (0.5 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was heated at 70 °C in the oil bath until the intermediate was consumed as indicated by TLC (for 8 h), then cooled to room temperature. Diluted with water (5 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The ctude prduct was purified by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) **3ae** as a white solid (36 mg, 38%). mp 255 - 257 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.81 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.27 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.23 (s, 1H), 5.45 (s, 1H), 5.02 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 165.63, 160.98, 159.29, 152.78, 143.67, 135.23, 132.85, 132.76, 132.04, 129.61, 128.79, 128.38, 128.07, 124.26, 123.79, 123.12, 121.74, 116.63, 115.70, 106.13, 79.30, 53.20, 48.76. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₆BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 474.0335; found: 474.0335.



15-benzyl-12-bromo-10-methyl-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3af). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3af** as a white solid (43mg, 44%). mp 226 - 228 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.86 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.45 (s, 1H), 5.04 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.35, 160.68, 159.17, 152.67, 139.51, 136.22, 135.14, 132.80, 131.90, 131.59, 130.70, 128.78, 128.50, 128.12, 124.33, 123.02, 122.27, 116.62, 115.05, 106.53, 98.13, 52.68, 50.68, 21.37. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrNO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 510.0311; found: 510.0310.



15-benzyl-10,12-dibromo-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromene-6,14-dione (3ag). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3ag as a white solid (62mg, 56%). mp 223 - 226 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.21 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (dp, *J* = 7.9, 4.1 Hz, 6H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 5.05 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.65, 160.50, 159.33, 152.72, 137.76, 134.82, 134.43, 133.58, 133.32, 133.11, 128.87 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 128.53 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 128.30, 124.50, 123.93, 123.36, 123.02, 116.71 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 114.78, 105.90, 96.58, 52.33, 50.72. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₅Br₂NO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 573.9260; found: 573.9257.



15-benzyl-12-bromo-9-methoxy-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3ah). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3ah as a white solid (44mg, 44%). mp 178 - 180 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.73 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 6H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.43 (s, 1H), 5.04 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.20, 160.69, 160.52, 159.04, 152.65, 135.11, 133.11, 132.79, 131.43, 128.78, 128.50, 128.12, 124.35, 123.70, 122.99, 116.63, 116.37, 116.25, 115.04, 106.88, 98.04, 55.68, 52.37, 50.68. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrNO₅ [M + Na]⁺: 526.0261; found: 526.0259.



15-benzyl-12-bromo-2-methyl-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2c]chromene-6,14-dione (3aj). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3aj** as a white solid (70mg, 72%). mp 224 - 226 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.27 - 7.23 (m, 5H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 5.02 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.29, 160.81, 159.26, 150.88, 139.02, 135.11, 134.26, 133.94, 131.79, 131.41, 130.13, 129.27, 128.78, 128.53, 128.15, 122.59, 122.29, 116.40, 114.61, 106.16, 97.90, 52.99, 50.72, 20.87. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrNO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 510.0311; found: 510.0309.



15-benzyl-12-bromo-2-chloro-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2c]chromene-6,14-dione (3ak). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3ak** as a white solid (61mg, 60%). mp 228 - 230 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (s, 5H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 4.98 (dd, *J* = 14.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (dd, *J* = 14.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.04, 160.06, 158.06, 151.01, 138.74, 135.02, 132.88, 131.57, 130.28, 130.09, 129.50, 128.82, 128.56, 128.24, 122.57, 122.35, 118.12, 116.10, 107.21, 97.80, 52.91, 50.82. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₅BrClNO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 529.9765; found: 529.9763.



15-benzyl-2,12-dibromo-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-

c]chromene-6,14-dione (3al). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3al as a white solid (53mg, 48%). mp 224 - 226 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (s, 6H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 4.97 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.03, 159.99, 157.96, 151.49, 138.73, 135.71, 135.02, 131.57, 130.29, 129.51, 128.83, 128.57, 128.24, 125.58, 122.35, 118.38, 117.31, 116.51, 107.20, 97.81, 52.91, 50.83. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₈Br₂NO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 573.9260; found: 573.9256.



15-benzyl-12-bromo-3-fluoro-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2c]chromene-6,14-dione (3am). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3am** as a white solid (54 mg, 55%). mp 185 - 187 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (s, 5H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (td, S26) J = 7.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd, J = 8.7, 1.5, Hz, 1H), 5.45 (s, 1H), 5.00 (d, J = 15.0Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H). 13 C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 165.16 (d, J = 255.3 Hz), 162.17, 160.43, 158.90, 153.86 (d, J = 13.1 Hz), 138.90, 135.02, 131.65, 131.54, 130.23, 129.39, 128.82, 128.55, 128.23, 125.09 (d, J = 10.4 Hz), 122.32, 112.65 (d, J = 22.7 Hz), 111.58 (d, J = 2.7 Hz), 105.40 (d, J = 2.4 Hz), 104.20 (d, J = 25.9 Hz), 97.87, 52.92, 50.77. 19 F NMR (565 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -103.11. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₅BrFNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 492.0241; found: 492.0240.



15-benzyl-12-bromo-3-(diethylamino)-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3an). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave 3an as a white solid (80 mg, 73%). mp 156 - 158 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.51 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (td, *J* = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.69 (s, 1H), 5.43 (s, 1H), 5.06 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 4H), 1.16 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.86, 162.16, 160.59, 155.33, 151.03, 142.71, 135.68, 130.44, 130.28, 128.66, 128.57, 128.33, 128.24, 127.75, 123.93, 122.32, 108.74, 104.07, 101.06, 97.15, 80.35, 53.68, 48.66, 44.88, 12.35. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₉H₂₅BrN₂O₄ [M + H]⁺: 545.1070; found: 545.1073.



15-benzyl-12-bromo-3-methoxy-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3ao). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3ao** as a white solid (65 mg, 64%). mp 175 - 177 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (s, 5H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 5.45 (s, 1H), 5.04 (d, *J* = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 163.69, 162.39, 161.10, 159.79, 154.59, 139.19, 135.13, 131.87, 131.37, 130.13, 129.15, 128.78, 128.53, 128.11, 124.21, 122.23, 112.68, 108.09, 103.49, 100.44, 97.89, 55.81, 53.01, 50.64. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₁₈BrNO₅ [M + H]⁺: 504.0441; found: 504.0441.



15-benzyl-12-bromo-2,4-di-tert-butyl-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-

(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (3ap). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8/1, v/v) gave **3ap** as a white solid (81mg, 69%). mp 193 - 195 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.53 (s, 1H), 5.05 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (d, *J* = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 1.35 (s, 9H).¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.47, 160.28, 159.92, 149.55, 146.60, 139.06, 137.19, 135.22, 131.90, 131.32, 130.15, 129.18, 128.74, 128.59, 128.09, 128.08, 122.29, 116.96, 114.55, 105.36, 97.88, 52.92, 50.67, 35.11, 34.81, 31.29, 29.89. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₃₃H₃₂BrNO₄ [M + H]⁺: 586.1587; found: 586.1592.

5.4 General procedure for the syntheses of 4



To the mixture of *N*-alkyl iminium salt **1** (0.3 mmol), PIDA (0.9 mmol), TBAB (0.3 mmol) was added dry MeCN (2 mL) and H₂O (5.5 μ L) in a 5 mL reaction flask. The mixture was continually stirred at room temperature until **1** was consumed as indicated by TLC (typically, for 8 h). TBHP (0.6 mmol, in decane) was added. The reaction mixture was heated at 60 °C in the oil bath until the intermediate was consumed as indicated by TLC (typically, for 48 h), then cooled to room temperature, diluted with water (5 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as the eluent) to give the desired product **4**.



2-benzylisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4a) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4a** (76mg, 96%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 5.24 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.60, 162.15, 156.98, 136.03, 135.90, 134.47, 130.86, 129.94, 129.89, 129.41, 128.61, 128.04, 127.80, 44.34.



2-(4-methylbenzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4b) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4b** (70mg, 84%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.91 – 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.83 – 7.79 (m, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 5.21 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.66, 162.14, 157.01, 137.86, 136.02, 134.43, 132.95, 130.83, 129.93, 129.44, 129.27, 127.77, 44.10, 21.11.



2-(4-(tert-butyl)benzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4c) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4c** (78mg, 81%) as a light light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.21 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.68, 162.16, 157.02, 151.07, 136.03, 134.44, 132.90, 130.82, 129.93, 129.28, 129.26, 127.76, 125.52, 43.99, 34.53, 31.28.



2-(4-methoxybenzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4d) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4d** (69mg, 78%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.68, 162.15, 159.40, 156.96, 136.00, 134.41, 131.07, 130.84, 129.94, 129.90, 128.17, 127.76, 113.94, 55.25, 43.79.



4-((1,3,4-trioxo-3,4-dihydroisoquinolin-2(1H)-yl)methyl)benzonitrile (4e) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4e** (63mg, 72%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.36 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (s, 4H), 5.28 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.22, 162.12, 156.89, 140.85, 136.24, 134.82, 132.46, 130.86, 130.05, 129.51, 128.02, 118.43, 112.11, 43.92.



methyl 4-((1,3,4-trioxo-3,4-dihydroisoquinolin-2(1H)-yl)methyl)benzoate (4f) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4f** (81mg, 72%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.36 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.28 (s, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.40, 166.65, 162.12, 156.93, 130.87, 130.01, 129.93, 129.87, 129.69, 129.18, 127.92, 52.10, 44.04.



2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4g) ^[6]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4g** (64mg, 64%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.36 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.29 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.34, 162.13, 156.92, 139.67, 136.17, 134.70, 130.85, 130.32 (q, *J* = 32.5 Hz), 130.01, 129.70, 129.63, 127.94, 125.59 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 123.95 (q, *J* = 271.8 Hz), 43.85. ¹⁹F NMR (565 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -62.73.



2-(4-fluorobenzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4h) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4h** (64mg, 67%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (td, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.8 Hz 2H), 6.99 (td, *J* = 8.6, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 5.20 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.52,162.48(d, *J* = 247.03 Hz), 162.13, 156.94, 136.10, 134.57, 131.72 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 131.50 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 130.83, 129.96, 129.78, 127.86, 115.54 (d, *J* = 21.1 Hz), 115.40, 43.60. ¹⁹F NMR (565 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -113.75.



2-(4-chlorobenzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4i) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4i** (73mg, 81%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.20 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.46, 162.11, 156.93, 136.12, 134.61, 134.31, 134.06, 130.97, 130.83, 129.97, 129.73, 128.79, 127.89, 43.67.



2-(4-bromobenzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4j) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4j** (86mg, 83%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.19 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.45, 162.11, 156.94, 136.14, 134.80, 134.63, 131.77, 131.28, 130.82, 129.98, 129.72, 127.90, 122.22, 43.74.



2-(2-methylbenzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4k) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4k** (77mg, 92%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.36 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (dd, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (td, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (td, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.08 (m, 4H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 2.51 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.60, 162.27, 157.17, 136.17, 136.12, 134.55, 133.71, 130.91, 130.54, 130.05, 129.90, 127.87, 127.60, 126.93, 126.17, 41.83, 19.44.



2-(2-methoxybenzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4I). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4I** (71mg, 80%) as a light yellow solid. mp 168 - 170 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.34 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 4.8 Hz, 2H), 5.29 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.84, 162.08, 157.28, 156.99, 136.02, 134.37, 130.94, 130.05, 129.94, 128.79, 128.43, 127.77, 123.70, 120.43, 110.62, 55.52, 40.12. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₇H₁₃NO₄ [M + H]⁺: 296.0917; found: 296.0915.



2-(2-bromobenzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4m) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4m** (85mg, 82%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.36 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.43, 162.05, 156.99, 136.22, 134.72, 134.50, 133.11, 130.96, 130.11, 129.69, 129.02, 127.98, 127.60, 127.56, 123.02, 44.77.



2-(2-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4n). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4n** (73mg, 73%) as a light yellow solid. mp 210 - 212 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.37 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.48 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.31, 162.09, 157.02, 136.28, 134.82, 133.97, 132.11, 131.00, 130.13, 129.58, 128.04,127.74 (q, *J* = 30.9 Hz) 127.40, 127.03, 126.42 (q, *J* = 5.7 Hz), 124.30 (q, *J* = 274.2 Hz), 41.36 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (565 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -60.42. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₇H₁₀F₃NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 334.0686; found: 334.0681.



2-(3-methylbenzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (40) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **40** (66mg, 79%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.36 (dd, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (dd, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.2Hz, 1H), 7.89 (td, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.2Hz, 1H), 7.82 (td, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (s, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.65, 162.14, 157.02, 138.34, 136.04, 135.78, 134.46, 130.85, 130.02, 129.97, 129.93, 128.80, 128.50, 127.80, 126.43, 44.33, 21.33.



2-(3,5-dimethylbenzyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4p) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4p** (60mg, 68%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.34 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (s, 2H), 6.89 (s, 1H), 5.16 (s, 2H), 2.27 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.66, 162.13, 156.99, 138.19, 135.99, 135.74, 134.40, 130.86, 129.96, 129.95, 129.66, 127.74, 127.07, 44.26, 21.20.



2-(naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4q). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4q** (68mg, 72%) as a light yellow solid. mp 188 - 190 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.33 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.91 – 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.81 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 Hz, 1

1H), 5.73 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.52, 162.33, 157.24, 136.10, 134.55, 133.79, 131.23, 130.88, 130.07, 129.88, 128.83, 128.54, 127.83, 126.53, 126.02, 125.85, 125.22, 123.34, 41.95. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₁₃NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 316.0968; found: 316.0967



2-(naphthalen-2-ylmethyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4r). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4r** (78mg, 80%) as a light yellow solid. mp 186 - 188 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.88 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.83 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (qd, *J* = 6.6, 2.1 Hz, 2H), 5.40 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.60, 162.19, 157.08, 136.05, 134.49, 133.26, 132.96, 130.85, 129.97, 129.87, 128.70, 128.37, 128.00, 127.82, 127.60, 127.04, 126.23, 126.22, 44.52. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₁₃NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 316.0968; found: 316.0967



2-(thiophen-3-ylmethyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4s). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4s** (63mg, 77%) as a light yellow solid. mp 154 - 156 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.34 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.61, 161.94, 156.72, 136.03, 135.90, 134.47, 130.86, 129.87, 129.84, 128.76, 127.79, 125.76, 125.73, 38.94. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₄H₉NO₃S [M + H]⁺:272.0376; found: 232.0374.



2-ethylisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4t) ^[7]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4t** (49mg, 80%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.30 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.74, 161.96, 156.82, 136.00, 134.36, 130.83, 130.03, 129.76 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 127.75 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 36.40 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz), 13.18.



2-butylisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4u)^[8]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4u** (51mg, 73%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H),

7.83 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.70 – 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.38 (m, 2H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.69, 162.15, 157.00, 135.95, 134.30, 130.88, 130.03, 129.76, 127.68, 41.00, 29.97, 20.18, 13.65.



2-heptylisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4v). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4v** (62mg, 76%) as a yellow solid. mp 68 - 70 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.70 – 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.41 – 1.23 (m, 8H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.71, 162.15, 157.00, 135.96, 134.30, 130.88, 130.04, 129.78, 127.70, 41.27, 31.65, 28.86, 27.91, 26.90, 22.53, 13.99. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₆H₁₉NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 274.1438; found: 274.1435.



2-allylisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4w)^[8]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4w** (48mg, 74%) as a brown solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.36 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.95 – 5.89 (m 1H), 5.36 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.62, 161.87, 156.71, 136.08, 134.49, 130.88, 130.84, 129.88, 129.88, 127.85, 119.25, 43.16.



2-(cyclopropylmethyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4x). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4x** (57mg, 83%) as a light yellow solid. mp 76 - 78 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 1.29 1.23 (m, 1H), 0.51- 0.48 (m, 2H), 0.45 – 0.42 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.82, 162.39, 157.25, 135.97, 134.33, 130.92, 130.06, 129.82, 127.72, 45.64, 10.00, 3.95. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₃H₁₁NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 230.0812; found: 230.0811.



2-(cyclopentylmethyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4y). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4y** (54mg, 70%) as a

light yellow solid. mp 95 - 97 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.41 - 2.34 (m, 1H), 1.74 - 1.66 (m, 4H), 1.58 - 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.36 - 1.58 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.71, 162.47, 157.32, 135.96, 134.30, 130.92, 130.03, 129.85, 127.66, 45.41, 38.80, 30.37, 24.77. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₅H₁₅NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 258.1125; found: 258.1125.



2-(cyclohexylmethyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4z). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4z** (52mg, 64%) as a yellow solid. mp 122 - 124 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 1.85 - 1.78(m, 1H), 1.74 - 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.69 - 1.62 (m, 3H), 1.23 - 1.15 (m, 3H), 1.10 - 1.04 (m, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.67, 162.50, 157.34, 135.98, 134.32, 130.92, 129.98, 129.89, 127.69, 46.88, 36.52, 30.82, 26.20, 25.73. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₆H₁₇NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 272.1281; found: 272.1281.



ethyl 4-(1,3,4-trioxo-3,4-dihydroisoquinolin-2(1H)-yl)butanoate (**4aa**). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4aa** (58mg, 67%) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.34 (dd, J = 8.7, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (dd, J = 8.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.17 – 4.06 (m, 4H), 2.42-2.37 (m, 2H), 2.06 – 2.00 (m, 2H), 1.26 – 1.20 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.52, 172.57, 162.20, 157.08, 135.99, 134.41, 130.87, 129.89, 129.79, 127.73, 60.49, 40.41, 31.75, 23.15, 14.15. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₅H₁₅NO₅ [M + H]⁺: 290.1023; found: 290.1022.



2-(2-methoxyethyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4ab). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4ab** (47mg, 67%) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.37 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (t, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.69 (t, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.35 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.53, 162.25, 157.10, 135.99, 134.41, 130.92, 129.91, 127.76, 69.03, 58.69, 39.96. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₂H₁₁NO₄ [M + H]⁺: 234.0761; found: 234.0758.



2-isopropylisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4ac) ^[9]. Purification by flash column chromatography

eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4ac** (45mg, 69%) as a light yellow solid. mp 134 - 136 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.34 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.23 - 5.18 (m, 1H), 1.54 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 2.4 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.96, 162.37, 157.27, 135.93, 134.14, 130.86, 130.59, 129.82, 127.47, 46.68, 19.58.



2-(1-phenylethyl)isoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4ad). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4ad** (46mg, 55%) as a light yellow solid. mp 146 - 148 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.31 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 6.30 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.74, 162.15, 157.03, 139.27, 136.00, 134.31, 130.89 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 130.33 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 129.99 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 128.27 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 127.62, 127.55 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 51.80 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 16.35. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₇H₁₃NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 280.0968; found: 280.0967.



2-benzhydrylisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4ae). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4ae** (31mg, 30%) as a light yellow solid. mp 214 - 216 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.32 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 5H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 7.27 – 7.30 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.60, 162.17, 157.06, 137.46, 136.09, 134.48, 130.97, 130.26, 130.23, 128.87, 128.39, 127.71, 127.68, 60.34. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₂H₁₅NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 342.1125; found: 342.1124.



2-benzyl-5-bromoisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4af). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave 4af (56mg, 54%) as a light yellow solid. mp 172 - 174 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.38 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 173.02, 161.15, 156.51, 141.13, 135.56, 135.30, 132.63, 129.82, 129.42, 128.78, 128.65, 128.15, 123.78, 44.59. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₆H₁₀NO₃ [M + H]⁺: 343.9917; found: 343.9914.



2-benzyl-6-methylisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4ah) ^[5]. Purification by flash column
chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4ah** (62mg, 74%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.20 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 2.51 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.82, 162.19, 157.14, 145.90, 136.02, 130.70, 129.99, 129.39, 128.57, 127.96, 127.95, 127.42, 44.20, 21.65.



2-benzyl-6-bromoisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4ai) ^[5]. Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4ai** (85mg, 82%) as a light yellow solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.31 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 5.22 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 173.68, 161.55, 156.41, 139.09, 135.65, 131.75, 131.45, 130.55, 130.02, 129.43, 128.65, 128.48, 128.14, 44.46.



2-benzyl-6-methoxyisoquinoline-1,3,4(2H)-trione (4aj). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4aj** (77mg, 87%) as a light yellow solid. mp 167 - 169 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.23 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (s, 2H), 3.95 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.78, 164.39, 161.87, 157.16, 136.08, 132.58, 131.99, 129.38, 128.56, 127.94, 123.41, 122.74, 110.12, 56.19, 44.10. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₇H₁₃NO₄ [M + H]⁺: 296.0917; found: 296.0916.



2-benzyl-1,3,4-trioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-6-carbonitrile (4ak). Purification by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5/1, v/v) gave **4ak** (53mg, 61%) as a light yellow solid. mp 212 - 214 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.49 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.46 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 5.25 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 173.04, 160.73, 155.93, 138.33, 135.27, 132.47, 131.38, 131.25, 130.85, 129.55, 128.74, 128.35, 118.59, 116.18, 44.78. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₇H₁₀N₂O₃ [M + Na]⁺: 313.0584; found: 313.0584.

5.5 Scale-up synthesis of 3a



Under an argon atmosphere, a 50 mL Schlenk flask was charged with iminium salt **1a** (5 mmol), PIDA (15 mmol), KBr (5 mmol), H₂O (180 μ L), and dry MeCN (20 mL). The mixture was continually stirred at room temperature until **1a** was consumed as indicated by TLC (ca. 12 h). 4-Hydroxycoumarin **2a** (10 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated at 70 °C in the oil bath until the intermediate was consumed as indicated by TLC (ca. 8 h), then cooled to room temperature, diluted with water (20 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as the eluent) to give the desired product **3a** (1210 mg, 51%).

5.6 Scale-up synthesis of 4a



To the mixture of *N*-alkyl iminium salt **1a** (5 mmol), PIDA (15 mmol), TBAB (5 mmol) was added dry MeCN (15 mL) and H_2O (90 μ L) in a 50 mL reaction flask. The mixture was continually stirred at room temperature until **1a** was consumed as indicated by TLC (ca. 10 h). TBHP (10 mmol, in decane) was added. The reaction mixture was heated at 60 °C in the oil bath until the intermediate was consumed as indicated by TLC (ca. 60 h), then cooled to room temperature, diluted with water (20 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as the eluent) to give the desired product **4a** (995 mg, 75%).

5.7 Synthesis of 5 via debrominative reduction of 3a



Under an argon atmosphere, a 10 mL Schlenk flask was charged with 1,4-bridged dihydroisoquinoline-3-ones **3a** (0.2 mmol), NaBH₄ (0.4 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.01 mmol) and anhydrous DMF (2 mL). The mixture was continually stirred at room temperature until **3a** was consumed as indicated by TLC (ca. 18 h). The reaction mixture was quenched by water, and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried S38

over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate=6:1) to give the desired product **5** (70 mg, 89%) as a white solid, m. p. 150–152 °C.



15-benzyl-7,12-dihydro-6H-7,12-(epiminomethano)benzo[5,6]oxepino[3,2-c]chromene-6,14-dione (5). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.76 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td, *J* = 7.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 8H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 5.00 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.38, 161.11, 159.28, 152.75, 142.10, 135.47, 132.53, 130.72, 129.86, 128.83, 128.78, 128.73, 128.30, 127.94, 124.14, 122.93, 122.54, 116.63, 115.90, 106.55, 80.61, 53.40, 48.88. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₁₇NO₄ [M + Na]⁺: 418.1050; found: 418.1051.

5.8 Synthesis of 6 via rearrangement/reduction of 4a



Base-promoted rearrangement of 4a. A 5 mL reaction flask was charged with sodium methoxide (0.04 mmol), CH₃OH (2 mL), and isoquinoline-1,3,4-triones **4a** (0.2 mmol). The mixture was refluxed at 70 °C in the oil bath until **4a** was consumed as indicated by TLC (ca. 1 h), then cooled to room temperature. Most of the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was diluted with ethyl acetate (5 mL) and water (5 mL), and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate=3:1) to provide methyl 2-benzyl-1-hydroxy-3-oxoisoindoline-1-carboxylate as a white solid (56 mg, 94% yield).



methyl 2-benzyl-1-hydroxy-3-oxoisoindoline-1-carboxylate ^[10]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.89 (dt, *J* = 5.2, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (td, *J* = 4.2, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.94 – 4.86 (m, 1H), 4.35 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 171.55, 167.83, 143.57, 136.33, 132.56, 131.53, 130.35, 129.14, 128.35, 127.60, 123.86, 121.60, 86.89, 53.50, 42.32.

Reduction of methyl 2-benzyl-1-hydroxy-3-oxoisoindoline-1- carboxylate. To the solution of 2-benzyl-1-hydroxy-3- oxoisoindoline-1-carboxylate (0.2 mmol) and $HSiEt_3$ (0.6 mmol) in DCM was added $BF_3 \bullet Et_2O$ (0.6 mmol) dropwise at 0 °C. The mixture was continually stirred at 0 °C until the carboxylate was consumed as indicated by TLC (ca. 8 h). It was quenched with saturated NH_4CI

solution (5 mL), and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as the eluent) to give the desired product **6** (55 mg, 98%) as colorless oil.

methyl 2-benzyl-3-oxoisoindoline-1-carboxylate (6) ^[11]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.82 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 5.38 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.86 (s, 1H), 4.22 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 168.61, 168.52, 139.34, 136.23, 132.06, 131.61, 129.36, 128.88, 128.53, 127.91, 124.21, 122.86, 61.40, 52.89, 45.32.

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7. NMR spectra of compounds 2 – 6





























¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **3n**







¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **3q**





















¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **3aa** (recrystal in DCM)
























































¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **4n**











^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra of compound 4s
























¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **4ae**









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