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Divergent Transformation of *C*,*N*-Cyclic-*N*'-acyl Azomethine Imines by Reaction with Diazo Compounds

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1. General information

NMR spectra were recorded on JEOL ECS-400 (400 MHz for ¹H, 100 MHz for ¹³C) using CDCl₃ as a solvent. Tetramethylsilane ($\delta = 0$ ppm) for ¹H NMR and CDCl₃ ($\delta = 77.0$ ppm) for ¹³C NMR were used as internal standards. IR spectra were acquired on a JASCO FT/IR-230 spectrometer. Melting points were determined on a micromelting apparatus (AS-ONE ATM-02) and are uncorrected. Mass spectra were recorded on Bruker Daltonics micrOTOF II-KA1 (ESI). X-ray crystallography was performed on a Bruker SMART APEX II (with Cu K α radiation). Purification of the products was performed by column chromatography on silica gel (Kanto Silica gel 60N, spherical, neutral or Fuji Silysia CHROMATOREX PSQ60B). Dehydrated solvents were purchased for the reactions and used without further desiccation.

C,*N*-Cyclic *N*'-acyl azomethine imines **1** were prepared according to the reported procedure.¹ Ethyl diazoacetate (containing CH_2Cl_2) and trimethylsilyldiazomethane (Et₂O solution) were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich and Oakwood Chemical, respectively, and used as they stand.

2. Procedure for the reaction with ethyl diazoacetate (Reaction A) and analytical data of 4

Ethyl 2-(2-Benzamido-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl)-2-diazoacetate (4a):² To a mixture of benzoyl(3,4-dihydroisoquinolin-2-ium-2-yl)amide (1a) (120 mg, 0.48 mmol) in benzene (12 mL) was added ethyl diazoacetate (328 mg, 85% with CH₂Cl₂, 2.49 mmol) and the mixture was heated at 60 °C (oil bath temperature) for 3 d. After being cooled to room temperature, xylene (10 mL) was added and the solvent and unreacted ethyl diazoacetate were removed under reduced pressure. The resulted crude products were purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 3/1) to give 4a (156 mg, 89% yield) as a solid. $R_f = 0.6$ (hexane/AcOEt = 1/1, v/v). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.78 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.53–7.40 (m, 4H), 7.24–7.14 (m, 4H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 4.17 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.48-3.42 (m, 1H), 3.38–3.24 (m, 2H), 2.93 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 1.17 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 167.7, 165.7, 134.7, 133.5, 132.3, 131.5, 128.8, 128.5, 127.6, 127.1, 126.6, 62.5, 61.2, 60.2, 52.2, 29.1, 14.3. CCDC-2129155 contains the supplementary crystallographic data for 4a.

In a similar manner, 4b-4g were obtained from the corresponding *C*,*N*-cyclic-*N*'-acyl azomethine imines 1b-1g.

Ethyl 2-Diazo-2-(2-(4-methylbenzamido)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl)acetate (4b): The reaction using 1b (77 mg, 0.29 mmol) was carried out for 3 d. The compound 4b (88 mg, 79% yield) was obtained as a solid after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 10/1, 6/1, 4/1 and then 3/1). $R_f = 0.7$ (hexane/AcOEt = 1/1, v/v). Mp. 137–139 °C (CHCl₃/hexane). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.68 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.28–7.12 (m, 6H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 4.16 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.48–3.42 (m, 1H), 3.38–3.22 (m, 2H), 2.90 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.17 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C {¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 167.7, 165.7, 141.9, 134.7, 132.3, 130.7, 129.1, 128.8, 127.6, 127.1, 126.5, 62.5, 61.1, 60.2, 52.3, 29.2, 21.4, 14.3; one signal overlaps. IR (KBr) 3250, 2979, 2929, 2105, 1692, 1648, 1542, 1374, 1292, 1260, 1101, 941, 914, 744 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₂₂N₄O₃Na 401.1590; Found 401.1601.

Ethyl 2-(2-(4-Chlorobenzamido)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl)-2-diazoacetate (4c): The reaction using **1c** (82 mg, 0.29 mmol) was carried out for 2 d. The compound **4c** (102 mg, 88% yield) was obtained as a solid after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 10/1, 6/1 and then 3/1). $R_f = 0.8$ (hexane/AcOEt = 1/1, v/v). Mp. 147–148 °C (CHCl₃/hexane). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.24–7.11 (m, 4H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 4.17 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.42 (dd, J = 9.2, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.36–3.21 (m, 2H), 2.91 (dd, J = 12.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.18 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C {¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 167.8, 164.6, 137.7, 134.6, 132.0, 131.9, 128.9, 128.7, 128.6, 127.7, 127.0, 126.6, 62.4, 61.2, 60.1, 52.1, 29.1, 14.3. IR (KBr) 3379, 2972, 2102, 1682, 1656, 1483, 1372, 1300, 1260, 1103, 1014, 845, 737 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₁₉N4O₃ClNa 421.1043; Found 421.1014.

Ethyl 2-(2-Benzamido-5-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl)-2-diazoacetate (4d): The reaction using **1d** (75 mg, 0.28 mmol) was carried out at 60 °C for 2 d and at 80 °C for 2 d. The compound **4d** (58 mg, 54% yield) was obtained as a solid after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 10/1, 6/1, 4/1, 3/1 and then 2/1). $R_f = 0.7$ (hexane/AcOEt = 1/1, v/v). Mp. 159–161 °C (CHCl₃/hexane). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.79 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.45–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.17–7.03 (m, 3H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 4.17 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.54–3.45 (m, 1H), 3.31–3.22 (m, 1H), 3.14-3.03 (m, 1H), 2.88–2.78 (m, 1H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.17 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C {¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 167.8, 165.6, 136.5, 133.5, 133.2, 132.1, 131.5, 129.0, 128.5, 127.1, 126.4, 124.8, 62.8, 61.2, 60.3, 52.0, 26.9, 19.3, 14.3. IR (KBr) 3364, 2960, 2937, 2855, 2092, 1684, 1656, 1515, 1379, 1294, 1106, 1031, 762, 714, 691 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₂₂N₄O₃Na 401.1590; Found 401.1594.

Ethyl 2-(2-Benzamido-7-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl)-2-diazoacetate (4e): The reaction using 1e (39 mg, 0.15 mmol) was carried out for 3 d. The compound 4e (43 mg, 76% yield) was obtained as a solid after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 10/1, 6/1 and then 3/1). $R_f = 0.7$ (hexane/AcOEt = 1/1, v/v). Mp. 147–149 °C (CHCl₃/hexane). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.78 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.53–7.38 (m, 3H), 7.48 (s, 1H), 7.06–7.00 (m, 2H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 4.23–4.13 (m, 2H), 3.43 (dd, J = 8.7, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.35–3.21 (m, 2H), 2.92–2.85 (m, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.18 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C {¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 167.8, 165.7, 136.2, 133.6, 132.0, 131.6, 131.6, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 127.4, 127.1, 62.6, 61.2, 60.3, 52.4, 28.7, 21.1, 14.3. IR (KBr) 3371, 2970, 2928, 2093, 1681, 1656, 1519, 1487, 1373, 1301, 1259, 1103, 802, 711, 693 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₂₂N₄O₃Na 401.1590; Found 401.1602.

Ethyl 2-(2-Benzamido-6-methoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl)-2-diazoacetate (4f): The reaction using 1f (63 mg, 0.23 mmol) was carried out for 2 d. The compound 4f (70 mg, 78% yield) was obtained as a solid after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 6/1, 3/1 and then 2/1). $R_f = 0.4$ (hexane/AcOEt = 1/1, v/v). Mp. 147–148 °C (CHCl₃/hexane). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.78 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.45–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 4.16 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.44 (dd, J = 9.2, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.35–3.20 (m, 2H), 2.92–2.84 (m, 1H), 1.17 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 167.7, 165.6, 158.8, 136.1, 133.5, 131.5, 128.5, 128.2, 127.1, 124.3, 113.1, 113.0, 62.2, 61.1, 60.2, 55.2, 52.2, 29.4, 14.3. IR (KBr) 3369, 2968, 2931, 2091, 1679, 1656, 1522, 1505, 1372, 1261, 1110, 794, 704, 691 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₂₂N₄O₄Na 417.1539; Found 417.1530.

Ethyl 2-(2-Benzamido-7-bromo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl)-2-diazoacetate (4g): The reaction using 1g (75 mg, 0.23 mmol) was carried out for 2 d. The compound 4g (74 mg, 74% yield) was obtained as a solid after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 9/1, 6/1, 3/1 and then 2/1). $R_{\rm f} = 0.7$ (hexane/AcOEt = 1/1, v/v). Mp. 150–152 °C (CHCl₃/hexane). ¹H

NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.77 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.35–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.03 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 4.16 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 3.48–3.40 (m, 1H), 3.34–3.18 (m, 2H), 2.88–2.80 (m, 1H), 1.17 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 167.4, 165.8, 134.7, 133.8, 133.4, 131.7, 130.8, 130.5, 129.8, 128.5, 127.1, 120.1, 62.0, 61.3, 60.0, 52.0, 28.8, 14.3. IR (KBr) 3369, 2974, 2090, 1685, 1655, 1520, 1487, 1373, 1305, 1257, 1102, 797, 711, 692 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₁₉N₄O₃⁷⁹Br 465.0538; Found 465.0532. Calcd for C₂₀H₁₉N₄O₃⁸¹Br 467.0518; Found 467.0516.

3. Procedure for the reaction with trimethylsilyldiazomethane (Reaction B) and analytical data of 5

3-Phenyl-6,7-dihydro-1*H***-1,5-methanobenzo[***g***][1,3,4]oxadiazonine (5a):³ To a mixture of** *C***,***N***-cyclic-***N***²-acyl azomethine imine 1a** (76 mg, 0.30 mmol) in butyronitrile (3 mL) and MeOH (0.3 mL) was added trimethylsilyldiazomethane (0.45 mL, 2 M solution in Et₂O, 0.90 mmol) and the mixture was stirred at rt for 1 d. After addition of acetic acid (0.06 mL) followed by toluene (3 mL) to the reaction mixture, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The resulted crude products were purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 10/1, 8/1, 5/1, 2/1 and then 1/1) to give **5a** as a solid (52 mg, 65% yield). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.89 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.38–7.28 (m, 4H), 7.20–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.08–7.06 (m, 1H), 5.39 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.80–3.72 (m, 1H), 3.67–3.58 (m, 2H), 3.48–3.39 (m, 2H), 2.56–2.47 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 155.5, 139.9, 138.0, 132.4, 131.4, 131.2, 129.9, 128.8, 127.9, 126.5, 126.0, 78.5, 54.0, 49.9, 33.6.

Addition of 1a in three separate parts: To a mixture of C,N-cyclic-N'-acyl azomethine imine 1a (26 mg) in butyronitrile (3 mL) and MeOH (0.3 mL) was added trimethylsilyldiazomethane (0.45 mL, 2 M solution in Et₂O, 0.90 mmol) and the mixture was stirred at rt. After 2 h, 1a (26 mg) was added to the reaction mixture. After 4 h, another 1a (25 mg) was added (totally 0.31 mmol) and the mixture was stirred at rt for 1 d . After addition of acetic acid (0.06 mL) followed by similar work-up, 5a (65 mg, 80% yield) was obtained as a solid.

In a similar manner of the former method for 5a by one-pot addition of 1a, 5b-5g were obtained from the corresponding *C*,*N*-cyclic-*N*'-acyl azomethine imines 1b-1g.

3-(*p*-Tolyl)-6,7-dihydro-1*H*-1,5-methanobenzo[*g*][1,3,4]oxadiazonine (5b):³ The reaction of 1b (80 mg, 0.30 mmol) with trimethylsilyldiazomethane (0.45 mL, 2 M solution in Et₂O, 0.90 mmol) was carried out for 1 d. The compound **5b** (64 mg, 77% yield) was obtained as an oil after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 8/1, 5/1, 2/1 and then 1/1). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35–7.08 (m, 4H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.39 (dd, *J* = 3.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.78–3.75 (m, 1H), 3.64–3.62 (m, 2H), 3.50–3.41 (m, 2H), 2.54–2.46 (m, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 156.0, 140.1, 138.3, 131.4, 131.2, 129.7, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 126.5, 126.1, 78.8, 54.0, 50.1, 33.6, 21.3.

3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6,7-dihydro-1*H***-1,5-methanobenzo**[*g*][**1,3,4**]**oxadiazonine** (**5c**):³ The reaction of **1c** (85 mg, 0.30 mmol) with trimethylsilyldiazomethane (0.45 mL, 2 M solution in Et₂O, 0.90 mmol) was carried out for 1 d. The compound **5c** (57 mg, 64% yield) was obtained as a solid after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 8/1, 5/1, 3/1, 2/1 and then 1/1). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.33–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.24–7.19 (m, 2H), 7.11–7.08 (m, 1H), 5.43 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.80–3.74 (m, 1H), 3.68 (dd, *J* = 14.2, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 3.61–3.35 (m, 2H), 2.56 (ddd, *J* = 15.6, 5.0, 2.3 Hz, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR

(CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 154.5, 139.8, 137.9, 136.0, 131.5, 131.3, 130.9, 129.0, 128.2, 127.4, 126.7, 78.6, 54.1, 50.0, 33.7.

8-Methyl-3-phenyl-6,7-dihydro-1*H***-1,5-methanobenzo[***g***][1,3,4]oxadiazonine (5d):³ The reaction of 1d (79 mg, 0.30 mmol) with with trimethylsilyldiazomethane (0.45 mL, 2 M solution in Et₂O, 0.90 mmol) was carried out for 1 d. The compound 5d (52 mg, 62% yield) was obtained as a solid after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 6/1, 4/1 and then 3/1). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): \delta 7.91 (dd,** *J* **= 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.41–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.17–7.07 (m, 3H) 5.44 (d,** *J* **= 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (ddd,** *J* **= 14.2, 5.0, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.67–3.58 (m, 2H), 3.42 (ddd,** *J* **= 14.2, 11.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (ddd,** *J* **= 16.5, 11.0, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (ddd,** *J* **= 16.5, 5.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): \delta 157.1, 138.7, 138.6, 137.1, 132.4, 131.3, 130.1, 129.6, 128.0, 126.3, 126.2, 79.8, 53.7, 50.0, 26.8, 21.3.**

10-Methyl-3-phenyl-6,7-dihydro-1*H***-1,5-methanobenzo**[*g*][**1,3,4**]**oxadiazonine** (**5e**):³ The reaction of **1e** (79 mg, 0.30 mmol) with trimethylsilyldiazomethane (0.45 mL, 2 M solution in Et₂O, 0.90 mmol) was carried out for 1 d. The compound **5e** (68 mg, 81% yield) was obtained as an oil after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 6/1, 4/1 and then 3/1). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.40–7.32 (m, 3H), 7.13 (s, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.79–3.73 (m, 1H), 3.67–3.64 (m, 2H), 3.46–3.37 (m, 2H), 2.53–2.46 (m, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 155.8, 138.0, 136.9, 136.1, 132.5, 132.4, 131.3, 123.0, 129.4, 128.0, 126.2, 78.8, 54.2, 50.2, 33.3, 20.7.

9-Methoxy-3-phenyl-6,7-dihydro-1*H***-1,5-methanobenzo**[*g*][1,3,4]oxadiazonine (5f):³ The reaction of 1f (82 mg, 0.29 mmol) with trimethylsilyldiazomethane (0.45 mL, 2 M solution in Et₂O, 0.90 mmol) was carried out for 1 d. The compound 5f (48 mg, 55% yield) was obtained as an oil after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 10/1, 8/1, 5/1, 3/1, 2/1 and then 1/1). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.89 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.32–7.39 (m, 3H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.62 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 3.38–3.49 (m, 2H), 2.43–2.52 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 159.5, 155.7, 141.6, 133.0, 132.5, 130.6, 129.9, 128.0, 126.1, 117.2, 110.7, 78.1, 55.1, 54.1, 50.4, 33.8.

10-Bromo-3-phenyl-6,7-dihydro-1*H***-1,5-methanobenzo**[*g*][**1,3,4**]**oxadiazonine** (5g):³ The reaction of **1g** (98 mg, 0.30 mmol) with trimethylsilyldiazomethane (0.45 mL, 2 M solution in Et₂O, 0.90 mmol) was carried out for 1 d. The compound **5g** (86 mg, 85% yield) was obtained as an oil after purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 8/1, 5/1, 2/1 and then 1/1) ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.88 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.41–7.30 (m, 4H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.79–3.73 (m, 1H), 3.67–3.58 (m, 2H), 3.47–3.33 (m, 2H), 2.53–2.46 (m, 1H). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 155.4, 140.1, 138.9, 134.2, 132.9, 132.2, 131.6, 130.1, 128.2, 128.1, 126.1, 120.0, 77.7, 53.8, 49.8, 33.2.

4. Procedure for the conversion of 4a to 6 and analytical data of 6

Ethyl 3-Benzamido-2,3-dihydro-1*H***-benzo**[*d*]**azepine-4-carboxylate (6):** The mixture of the diazo compounds **4a** (53 mg, 0.15 mmol) and Rh₂(OAc)₄ (2 mg, 0.005 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (18 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 18 h.⁴ The reaction mixture was passed through a pad of silica gel and the solution was condensed under reduced pressure. The resulted crude products were purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 6/1, 3/1 and then 2/1) to give 6 as a solid (48 mg, 97% yield). $R_{\rm f} = 0.6$ (hexane/AcOEt = 1/1, v/v). Mp. 191–192 °C (AcOEt/hexane). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 9.03 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.13–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.06–6.96 (m, 1H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.50–6.44 (m, 1H), 3.78–3.71(m, 2H), 3.49–3.42 (m, 2H), 3.15–3.10 (m, 2H), 0.93–0.88 (m, 3H). ¹³C {¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 167.2, 165.3, 141.4, 135.4, 133.3, 132.2, 132.0, 129.4, 128.7, 127.6 127.4, 126.1, 120.6, 61.7, 54.3, 35.0, 13.5; one signal overlaps. IR (KBr) 3230, 3054, 1716, 1655, 1620, 1542, 1302, 1251, 1215, 1067, 918, 774, 694 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₀H₂₁N₂O₃ 337.1552; Found 337.1553. CCDC-2129011 contains the supplementary crystallographic data for **6**.

5. ORTEPs of 4a and 6 (Ellipsoid contour percent probability level is 50%)



Figure S1. X-ray Structure of **4a** (CCDC-2129155) Unit cell parameters: *a* = 4.9174(3), *b* = 16.0704(9), *c* = 11.6190(7), *P*2₁. *R* = 0.0562.

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Hall group	P 2yb	P 2yb			
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Figure S2. X-ray Structure of **6** (CCDC-2129011) Unit cell parameters: *a* = 9.8436(4), *b* = 18.8060(7), *c* = 18.8060(7), *Pbca*. *R* = 0.0347.

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7. NMR Spectra of compounds



























2) ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3-benzazepine derivatives 5a-5g

3) ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of **6**

