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Isovanillin derived N-(un)substituted hydroxylamines possessing *ortho*-allylic group: valuable precursors to bioactive Nheterocycles

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GENERAL:

All reactions were carried out under an inert atmosphere using dry solvents, unless otherwise stated. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) on silica gel plates (60 F254), using UV light detection. Visualization of the spots on TLC plates were achieved either by using UV light or by staining the plates in 2,4-di-nitro phenyl hydrazine stain, Ninhydrin stain and charring on hot plate. Flash chromatography was performed on silica gel (230-400 mesh) using distilled hexane, ethyl acetate, dichloromethane. ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, 1D-NOE, and 2D-NOE spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ solution by using VARIAN 400 MHz spectrometers. Chemical shifts are reported as δ values relative to internal CDCl₃ δ 7.26 or TMS δ 0.0 for ¹H NMR and CDCl₃ δ 77.0 for ¹³C NMR. ¹H NMR data is presented as follows: chemical shift [multiplicity, coupling constant(s) *J* (Hz), relative integral] where multiplicity is defined as: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), dd (doublet of doublet), m (multiplet), bs (broad singlet). FTIR spectra were recorded on Bruker (Alpha) spectrometer. Mass spectra were recorded on Micro Mass VG-7070H mass spectrometer for ESI and are given in mass units (m/z). High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) [ESI+] were obtained using either a TOF or a double focusing spectrometer.

X-ray crystallographic studies

X-ray data was collected at room temperature using a Bruker Smart Apex CCD diffractometer with graphite monochromated MoK α radiation (λ =0.71073Å) with ω -scan method.¹ Preliminary lattice parameters and orientation matrices were obtained from four sets of frames. Unit cell dimensions were determined using 8485 reflections.

Integration and scaling of intensity data were accomplished using SAINT program.¹ The structures were solved by Direct Methods using SHELXS97² and refinement was carried out by full-matrix least-squares technique using SHELXL97.² Anisotropic displacement parameters were included for all non-hydrogen atoms. H atoms were positioned geometrically and treated as riding on their parent C atoms, with C-H distances of 0.93--0.96 Å, and with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ or $1.5U_{eq}$ for methyl atoms.

ORTEP diagram of 8a:



Crystal data for 8a: C₂₃H₃₁NO₃Si, M = 397.58, colorless block, 0.15 x 0.08 x 0.05 mm³, monoclinic, space group $P2_1/c$ (No. 14), a = 12.368(12), b = 13.474(14), c = 13.097(13) Å, $\beta = 102.866(17)^\circ$, V = 2128(4) Å³, Z = 4, $D_c = 1.241$ g/cm³, $F_{000} = 856$, CCD Area Detector, MoKα radiation, $\gamma = 0.71073$ Å, T = 294(2)K, $2\theta_{max} = 50.0^\circ$, 19940 reflections collected, 3744 unique (R_{int} = 0.0237). Final *GooF* = 1.033, RI = 0.0506, wR2 = 0.1381, R indices based on 3243 reflections with I>2σ(I) (refinement on F^2), 259 parameters, 0 restraints, $\mu =$ 0.134 mm⁻¹. **CCDC 908038** contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge at www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html [or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre (CCDC), 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK; fax: +44(0) 1223 336 033; email: deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk].

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2-Allyl-3-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-4-methoxybenzaldehyde (1a):



To a solution of 2-allyl-3-hydroxy-4-methoxybenzaldehyde (1.92 g, 10 mmo) and imidazole (1.36 g, 20 mmol) in *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide (6 mL) *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl chloride (3 g, 20 mmol) was added under N₂, and the solution was stirred for overnight. The resulting mixture was diluted with saturated NH₄Cl solution (10 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 50 mL). The combined organic layer was collected, washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and water, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under low vacuum to give the desired product (2.99 g, 98%). R_f = 0.7 (1:9 EtOAc : Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.10 (s, 1H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 6.10-5.92 (m, 1H), 4.99 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.86 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 1.07 (s, 9H), 0.18 (s, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.3, 154.5, 143.1, 136.8, 133.1, 128.2, 126.1, 115.3, 108.9, 54.8, 28.6, 26.1 (3C), 18.9, -3.7 (2C); Mass (ES): m/z 307.05 (M+H, 100%).

(E)-Ethyl4-(2-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-formyl-3-methoxyphenyl)but-2-enoate (1b):



An oven dried round bottomed flask fitted with a rubber septum containing a stir bar was charged with 2-allyl-3-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-4-methoxybenzaldehyde (0.95 g, 3.10 mmol), ethyl acrylate (0.99 mL, 9.10 mmol), freshly distilled CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL), Grubbs-2 catalyst (0.079 g, 9.10 µmol), and CuI (0.011 g, 9.10 µmol) under an N₂ atmosphere. The rubber septum was then replaced with a reflux condenser under an N₂ atmosphere. The solution was then heated at 50 °C (oil bath temperature) for 3h. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was concentrated under vacuum and the residue was purified by using column chromatography on silica gel (eluting with 30% EtOAc/hexane) to afford the desired product as a colorless oil (1.0 g, 86%); R_f = 0.3 (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3010, 2957, 2858, 2720 (CH aldehyde), 1720 (CO aldehyde), 1700 (CO ester), 1600, 1247; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.93 (s, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.15-7.05 (td, *J* =

15.7, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 4.09-4.01 (m, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.03 (s, 9H), 0.20 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.3, 166.5, 154.5, 147.0, 143.6, 130.4, 128.6, 128.1, 121.6, 109.2, 60.0, 54.9, 27.6, 26.0 (3C), 18.9, 14.2, -3.7 (2C); Mass (ES): m/z 379.15 (M+H, 100%).

(E)-2-allyl-3-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-4-methoxybenzaldehyde oxime (2):



To a solution of 2-allyl-3-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-4-methoxybenzaldehyde (0.612 g, 2 mmol) in MeOH (5 mL) was added NH₂OH·HCl (0.207 g, 3 mmol) and NaOAc (0.246 g, 3 mmol) and the mixture was refluxed for 1.0 h. After completion of the reaction, MeOH was removed using high vacuum and the residue was treated with water. The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The organic layer was collected, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated to afford the desired product as a light yellow oil (0.60 g, 88%); R_f = 0.75 (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3430, 3029, 2975, 2852, 1728 (CO, ester), 1612, 1583, 1456, 1255; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.30 (s, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 6.14-5.94 (m, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 1.08 (s, 9H), 0.19 (s, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.7, 148.1, 143.1, 136.9, 133.1, 128.3, 126.0, 115.3, 108.8, 56.7, 28.7, 26.1 (3C), 18.9, -3.5 (2C); Mass (ES): m/z 322.08 (M+H, 100%).

5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-3-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-6-methoxy-3,4 dihydro isoquinoline 2-oxide (3):



To a solution of (*E*)-ethyl-4-(2-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-formyl-3-methoxyphenyl)but-2-enoate (0.758 g, 2 mmol) in MeOH (5 mL) was added NH₂OH·HCl (0.207 g, 3 mmol) and NaOAc (0.246 g, 3 mmol) and the mixture was refluxed for 1.0 h. After completion of the reaction MeOH was removed using high vacuum and the residue was treated with water (5 mL). The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (2x20 mL). The combined organic layer was collected, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluting with 100% EtOAc) to afford the desired product as a colorless oil (0.69 g, 88%); R_f = 0.7 (8:2 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3030, 2965, 2862, 1728 (CO, ester), 1610, 1587, 1468, 1247; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67 (s, 1H), 6.75 (s, 2H), 4.50-4.60 (m, 1H), 4.24-4.11 (m, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.35-3.05 (m, 4H), 2.55-2.65 (dd, *J* = 16.3, 9.3 Hz, 1H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.03 (s, 9H), 0.17 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.2, 151.8, 142.5, 134.0, 121.5, 119.9, 119. 1, 110.1, 63.5, 60.9, 54.9, 35.6, 29.6, 27.1, 25.9 (3C), 18.7, 14.1, -3.9, -4.0; Mass (ES): m/z 394.20 (M+H, 10%), 192.17 (100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₃₂NO₅Si (M+H) ⁺ 394.2049 found 394.2035.

1,3-Dipolar addition of 3 with ethyl acrylate:

To a solution of 5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-3-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-6-methoxy-3,4 dihydroisoquinoline 2-oxide (0.393 g, 1 mmol) in ethanol (5 mL) was added ethylacrylate (0.5 g, 5 mmol) and the mixture was refluxed for 3.5 h. After completion of the reaction, solvent was removed under high vacuum and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluting with 10% EtOAc/hexane) to afford the desired product(s).

Ethyl7-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-5-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-8-methoxy-2,5,6,10btetrahydro-1*H*-isoxazolo [3,2-a] isoquinoline-1-carboxylate (4a):



Colorless viscous oil; Yield: 50%; $R_f = 0.6$ (2:8 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3050, 2966, 2862, 1735 (CO ester), 1725 (CO ester), 1620; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.76 (s, 2H), 4.76 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 4.40-4.35 (dd, J = 9.7, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.32-4.23 (m, 2H), 4.22-4.11 (m, 2H), 4.10-4.06 (dd, J = 8.1, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.44-3.33 (m, 2H), 3.17-3.12 (dd, J = 16.7, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.95-2.89 (dd, J = 15.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.54-2.41 (ddd, J = 21.1, 16.0, 8.5 Hz,

2H), 1.30 (m, 6H), 0.99 (s, 9H), 0.20 (s, 3H), 0.14 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.7, 172.1, 148.6, 141.6, 126.6, 124.4, 119.3, 110.2, 69.3, 67.4, 61.3, 60.5, 55.0, 54.9, 53.0, 39.5, 30.6, 26.0 (3C), 18.8, 14.2, 14.2, -3.8, -4.0; Mass (ES): m/z 494.25 (M+H, 100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₅H₄₀NO₇Si (M+H)⁺ 494.2574 found 494.2595.

Ethyl7-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-5-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-8-methoxy-2,5,6,10btetrahydro-1*H*-isoxazolo [3,2-a] isoquinoline-2-carboxylate (4b):



Colorless viscous oil; Yield: 20%; $R_f = 0.6$ (2:8 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3050, 2966, 2862, 1735 (CO ester), 1725 (CO ester), 1620; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.75 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (dd, J = 10.0, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (dd, J = 10.6, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.29-4.12 (m, 4H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.45-3.37 (m, 1H), 3.11 (dd, J = 16.7, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (dd, J = 15.5, 6.75 Hz, 1H), 2.83-2.75 (m, 1H), 2.62-2.41 (m, 3H), 1.34-1.27 (m, 7H), 0.99 (s, 9H), 0.21 (s, 3H), 0.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.3, 171.3, 148.3, 141.7, 127.3, 124.5, 119.3, 110.3, 75.7, 63.1, 61.4, 60.5, 54.9, 53.8, 40.8, 39.5, 30.8, 26.0 (3C), 18.8, 14.2, 14.1, -3.8, -4.0; Mass (ES): m/z 494.25 (M+H, 100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₅H₄₀NO₇Si (M+H)⁺ 494.2574 found 494.2595.

Ethyl 2-(5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-1,2,3,4 tetrahydroisoquinolin-3-yl) acetate (5):



To a solution of 5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-3-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-6-methoxy-3,4 dihydroisoquinoline 2-oxide (0.393 g, 1 mmol) in acetic acid (5 mL) was added activated zinc (0.64 g, 10 mmol) and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 0.5 h. After completion of the reaction NaOAc·H₂O was added followed by water (2.5 mL). The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (2x25 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated. The residue was purified by column

chromatography on silica gel (eluting with 100% EtOAc) to afford the desired product as a colorless oil (0.228 g, 60%); $R_f = 0.5$ (8:2 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3300, 3040, 2956, 2872, 1740 (CO ester), 1620; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.68 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.99 (q, J = 15.4 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.32-3.18 (m, 1H), 2.92-2.86 (dd, J = 16.7, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.64-2.51 (m, 2H), 2.37-2.30 (dd, J = 16.6, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (s, 1H), 1.27 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.99 (s, 9H), 0.16 (d, J = 20.0 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 172.2, 147.8, 142.3, 128.0, 125.9, 118.2, 109.3, 60.5, 54.9, 50.4, 47.2, 40.9, 30.5, 26.1 (3C), 18.9, 14.2, -3.8, -3.9; Mass (ES): m/z 380.22 (M+H, 100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₃₄NO₄Si (M+H)⁺ 380.2257 found 380.2249.

General procedure for the 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition

To a solution of aldehyde (**1a-b**, 1.0 mmol) in ethanol (5 mL) was added aryl hydroxyl amine (**6**, 2 mmol) and MgSO₄ (5 mmol) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 3-5 h (for inversion in the yields of regio isomers the reaction mixture was heated at 130 °C for 12 h). After completion of the reaction, ethanol was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the desired product.

(*E*)-*N*-(2-allyl-3-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-4-methoxybenzylidene)-2-cyanoaniline oxide (7e):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; colorless solid; mp 176-178 °C; Yield (88%), $R_f = 0.5$ (2:8 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3277, 2935, 2857, 2120 (CN), 1725, 1662, 1600, 1247; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.28 (m, 1H), 6.88 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.06-5.93 (m, 2H), 5.06-5.03 (dd, J = 10.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.84-4.78 (dd, J = 17.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.69-3.51 (m, 2H), 1.04 (s, 9H), 0.19 (s, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.0, 150.2, 147.5, 142.9, 137.4, 133.7 (2C), 129.5, 128.9, 128.5, 120.2, 119.1, 115.5, 115.2, 114.4, 109.6, 54.5, 29.7, 26.1 (3C), 18.8, -3.8, -3.82; Mass (ES): m/z 423.2 (M+H, 100%).

5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno [1, 2-c] isoxazole (8a):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; colorless solid; m.p : 210-212 °C; Yield (36%), $R_f = 0.7(1:9 \text{ EtOAc: Hex})$; IR (cm⁻¹): 3050, 2967, 2847, 1620, 1575, 1465, 1280; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd, J = 17.3, 10.1 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.36 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.89-3.77 (m, 4H), 3.49-3.38 (m, 1H), 3.25-3.18 (dd, J = 16.8, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.08-2.98 (m, 1H), 1.03 (s, 9H), 0.20 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.9, 150.1, 140.6, 135.1, 134.4, 128.9 (2C), 121.6, 117.6 (2C), 114.6, 111.8, 76.3, 74.1, 55.4, 46.4, 35.6, 25.9 (2C), 18.6, -4.1, -4.15; Mass (ES): m/z 398.21 (M+H, 100%), 292.13 (30%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₃H₃₂NO₃Si (M+H)⁺ 398.2151 found 398.2165.

5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-1-*p*-tolyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-c] isoxazole (8b):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; yellow color solid; mp: 180-183 °C; Yield (32%), $R_f = 0.9$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3030, 2953, 2868, 1609,

1576, 1456, 1278; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (m, 4H), 7.09-7.01 (m, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.32 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.87-3.78 (m, 4H), 3.48-3.36 (m, 1H), 3.25-3.15 (dd, *J* = 16.8, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.05-2.95 (dd, *J* = 16.8, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.09 (s, 9H), 0.19 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.2, 148.7, 140.7, 135.2, 134.4, 131.1, 129.5, 117.7, 114.9 (2C), 111.9, 76.5, 74.2, 55.5, 46.4, 35.7, 25.9 (3C), 20.6, 18.7, -4.1, -4.0. Mass (ES): m/z 412.22 (M+H 100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₄H₃₄NO₃Si (M+H)⁺ 412.2307 found 412.2297.

4-(5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-c] isoxazol-1-yl) benzonitrile (8c):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; white color solid; mp: 210-214 °C; Yield (32%), $R_f = 0.9(1:9 \text{ EtOAc: Hex})$; IR (cm⁻¹): 3050, 2967, 2847, 2220, 1615, 1565, 1477, 1269; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.12-4.01 (m, 1H), 3.89- 3.86 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.61-3.49 (m, 1H), 3.33-3.15 (dd, J = 16.9, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.11-2.99 (dd, J = 16.9, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 1.07 (s, 9H), 0.18 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.1, 150.4, 140.8, 134.5, 133.9 (2C), 133.4, 119.5, 117.5, 114.0 (2C), 111.9, 103.7, 75.2, 74.5, 55.4, 46.6, 35.4, 25.9 (2C), 18.6, -4.0, -4.1; Mass (ES):m/z 423.20 (M+H 80%), 307.16 (100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₄H₃₁N₂O₃Si (M+H) + 423.2103 found 423.2093.

N-(3-(5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-c] isoxazol-1-yl) phenyl) methanesulfonamide (8d):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; yellow color solid; mp: 190-193 °C; Yield (30%), $R_f = 0.2$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3247, 3078, 2928, 2856, 1713, 1598, 1489, 1320, 1277; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28-7.24 (dd, J = 9.21, 6.90 Hz, 1H), 7.09-6.93 (m, 3H), 6.87-6.78 (m, 2H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 5.30 (d, J = 7.53 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (t, J = 7.96 Hz, 1H), 3.91-3.74 (m, 5H), 3.48-3.38 (m, 1H), 3.22-3.16 (dd, J = 16.8, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (s, 3H), 1.03 (s, 10H), 0.19 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.4, 150.2, 140.7, 137.6, 134.5, 130.2 (2C), 117.6, 113.3, 111.8 (2C), 111.4, 106.5, 76.11, 74.2, 55.4, 46.5, 39.3, 35.4, 25.9 (2C), 18.6, -4.1; Mass (ES): m/z 513.18 (M+Na, 100%), 491.20 (M+H 90%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₄H₃₅N₂O₅SiS (M+H)⁺ 491.2035 found 491.2021.

Ethyl5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-c]isoxazole-3-carboxylate (8f):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; Colorless oil: yield (78%), $R_f = 0.6$ (1: 9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3011, 2925, 2854, 1737, 1610, 1578, 1449, 1247; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36-7.22 (m, 4H), 7.07-6.96 (m, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.74-3.63 (m, 1H), 3.15 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 2H), 1.27 (q, J = 7.2, 3H), 1.05 (s, 9H), 0.19 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 150.6, 150.5, 141.3, 134.3, 133.2, 128.6, 122.2, 117.8, 115.8 (2C), 111.7, 83.4, 75.4,

61.4, 55.4, 50.1, 33.2, 29.7, 25.9 (3C), 18.6, 14.0, -4.0, -4.1; Mass (ES): m/z 470.23 (M+H, 100%), 366.18 (40%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{26}H_{36}NO_5Si$ (M+H)⁺ 470.2362 found 470.2348.

Compound (9a):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; Color less oil; yield (60%), $R_f = 0.5$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3060, 2977, 2857, 1610, 1567, 1455, 1291; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.13 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.12-5.03 (m, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.09 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.83- 2.78 (dd, J = 17.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (m, 1H), 1.99 (d, J = 11.1 Hz, 2H), 1.00 (s, 9H), 0.18 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.6, 149.2, 143.2, 130.4, 128.1 124.9, 121.9, 119.4, 116.2 (2C), 108.8, 73.7, 66.1, 54.5, 34.3, 32.6, 25.8 (3C), 25.3, 18.5, -3.9, -4.2,; Mass (ES):m/z 398.21 (M+H, 100%), 292.13 (30%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₃H₃₂NO₃Si (M+H) + 398.2151 found 398.2152.

Compound (9b):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; Light yellow oil; yield (68%), $R_f = 0.6$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3025, 2978, 2856, 1580, 1495, 1268; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.15-7.01 (m, 4H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.14-5.02 (m, 1H), 4.55 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.22-3.06 (m, 1H), 2.81 (d, J = 17.7 Hz, 1H), 2.38-2.23 (m, 4H), 1.98 (d, J = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 1.05 (s, 9H), 0.20 (d, J = 10.9

Hz, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 149.4, 143.5, 131.5, 130.8, 128.9 (2C), 125.2, 119.6, 116.6 (2C), 109.1, 73.9, 66.6, 54.7, 34.6, 32.6, 26.0 (3C), 20.5, 18.8, -3.7 -3.9; Mass (ES): m/z 412.23 (M+H 100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₄H₃₄NO₃Si (M+H)⁺ 412.2307 found 412.2309.

Compound (9c):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; Colorless oil; yield (62%), $R_f = 0.55$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3060, 2987, 2869, 2198, 1605, 1545, 1487, 1277;¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.12-5.01 (m, 1H), 4.76 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.15-3.05 (dd, J = 18.1, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 2.90-2.80 (dd, J = 18.0, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (td, J = 10.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 0.99 (s, 9H), 0.17 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.2, 149.7, 143.6, 132.8 (2C), 129.3, 124.7, 119.8, 119.6, 115.8 (2C), 108.9, 103.81, 74.3, 64.5, 54.8, 34.6, 34.6, 26.1 (3C), 18.9, -3.7, -3.8; Mass (ES): m/z 445.18 (M+Na 100%), 423.20 (M+H 80%), 307.16 (100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₄H₃₁N₂O₃Si (M+H) + 423.2103 found 423.2085.

Compound (9d):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; Brown color oil; yield (65%), $R_f = 0.2$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3233, 3063, 2954, 2854, 1713, 1595, 1479, 1310, 1257; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.17 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.88-6.98 (dd, J = 8.0,

6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.91-6.83 (m, 2H), 6.82-6.74 (m, 2H), 6.64 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (dd, J = 5.9, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 3H), 3.14-3.00 (m, 1H), 3.00-2.88 (m, 3H), 2.78-2.81 (dd, J = 17.9, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 2.30-2.35 (td, J = 10.7, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 0.97 (s, 9H), 0.23 (s, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 152.8, 149.6, 143.5, 137.2, 130.1, 129.7 (2C), 125.0, 120.0, 114.00, 113.4, 108.9, 106.6, 74.1, 65.8, 54.8, 39.0, 34.7, 26.1 (3C), 18.9, -3.70, -3.77; Mass (ES): m/z 513.18 (M+Na, 100%), 491.20 (M+H 90%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₄H₃₅N₂O₅SiS (M+H)⁺ 491.2035 found 491.2015.

Ethyl 5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-1-(2-cyanophenylamino)-3-hydroxy-6-methoxy-1,2, 3 4-tetrahydronaphthalene-2-carboxylate (10):



The title compound was synthesized by using the general procedure; white color solid; mp: 180-183 °C, Yield (58%), $R_f = 0.4$ (2:8 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3311, 2934, 2856, 2140 (CN), 1729, 1620, 1600, 1489, 1247; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (s, 1H), 5.46 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (s, 1H), 4.16-4.02 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.20 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 1.22 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 3H), 1.00 (s, 9H), 0.22 (s, 3H), 0.14 (s, 3H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.8, 163.8, 149.9, 146.8, 142.9, 133.1, 129.0, 124.9, 124.8, 119.9, 118.5, 117.8, 115.2, 110.1, 64.6, 60.6, 54.8, 44.2, 36.4, 27.3, 25.8 (3C), 18.7, 13.9, -3.9, -4.2; Mass (ES): m/z 519.22 (M+Na, 100%), 497.24 (M+H, 80%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₇H₃₇N₂O₅Si (M+H)⁺ 497.2471 found 497.2459.

4-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-5-methoxy-1-(phenylamino)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-2-hydroxyacetate (11):



To a solution of (3R,3aR,8bR)-ethyl 5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-3, 3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno [1,2-c] isoxazole-3-carboxylate (**8f**) (0.470 g, 1.0 mmol) in MeOH (5 mL) was added 5% Pd/C (47 mg) under balloon pressure of H₂. TLC shows completion of reaction after 6h. The Pd was filtered through celite, and the filtrate was concentrated under high vacuum. The residue was purified by column chromatography with EtOAc/Hexane (2:8) as eluent to yield the desired product; yield (80%). R_f= 0.4 (2:8 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3340, 3079, 2930, 2847, 1681, 1650, 1585; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.82-6.65 (m, 5H), 5.15 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (q, *J* = 10.7, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.63 (dd, *J* = 10.7, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (bs, 1H), 3.26-2.96 (m, 2H), 1.11 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.01 (s, 9H), 0.17 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.7, 150.8, 141.2, 136.6, 135.9, 132.7, 128.8 (2C), 126.7, 125.3 (2C), 118.7, 109.9 (2C), 71.1, 65.6, 55.1, 42.7, 28.2, 25.9 (3C), 18.6, 14.4, -4.1 (2C); Mass (ES): m/z 494.23 (M+Na, 100%), 379.19 (100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₆H₃₇NO₅SiNa (M+Na)⁺ 494.2338 found 494.2341.

5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-3-hydroxy-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-1,3a,4,8*b* tetrahydroindeno [1,2-*b*]pyrrol-2(3*H*)-one (12):



To a solution of (3R,3aR,8bR)-ethyl 5-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-3, 3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno [1,2-c] isoxazole-3-carboxylate (0.470 g, 1.0 mmol) in AcOH: THF:H₂O (2:1:1, 40 mL) was added Zn dust (0.4 g, 6.1 mmol) at 60 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5h. After completion of the reaction the mixture was cooled to room temperature and Zn was filtered off. The filtrate was concentrated to remove THF, and neutralized with saturated NaHCO₃ solution. The reaction mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 20 mL) The combined organic layer was washed with brine (5 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/Hexane (3:7) as eluent to yield a colorless solid (0.255 g, 60%); mp: 160-163 °C $R_f = 0.4$ (3:7 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3450, 3088, 2965, 2874, 1700, 1630, 1565; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.20 (m, 3H), 6.46 (q, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.30 (d, J = 6.30 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.59-3.50 (m, 1H), 3.30 (s, 1H), 3.24-3.03 (m, 2H), 1.00 (s, 9H), 0.15 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) & 173.3, 150.7, 141.2, 136.6, 132.8, 128.8 (2C), 126.7, 125.4 (2C), 118.7, 109.9, 71.0, 65.6, 55.1, 42.6, 28.3, 26.0 (3C), 18.6, -4.04, -4.07; Mass (ES): m/z 448.19 (M+Na, 20%), 371.23 (40%), 313.19 (100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₄H₃₁NO₄SiNa (M+Na) + 448.1920 found 448.1909.

(4-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-5-methoxy-1-(phenylamino)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)methanol (13):



The title compound was synthesized by using a procedure similar to the synthesis of **11**; brown viscous oil, yield (88%), $R_f = 0.4$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3373, 3079, 2930, 2854, 1600, 1494, 1443; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27-7.22 (m, 2H), 6.89-6.80 (m, 3H), 6.73 (q, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.06 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.84-3.77 (m, 4H), 3.72 (dd, J = 11.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.40-3.27 (bs, 1H), 3.05-2.86 (m, 3H), 1.02 (s, 9H), 0.19 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 6H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.1, 148.0, 141.1, 137.3, 133.1, 129.4 (2C), 118.1, 116.1, 113.6 (2C), 110.8, 63.4, 61.0, 55.3, 44.5, 31.1, 25.9 (3C), 18.6, -4.0, -4.2; Mass (ES):

m/z 422.21 (M+H, 40%), 400.23 (35%), 307.17 (100%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{23}H_{34}NO_3Si$ (M+H)⁺ 400.2307 found 400.2313.

7-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-8-methoxy-1-phenyl-5,5a,6,10b-tetrahydro-1*H*indeno[1,2-*e*][1,4]oxazepin-2(3*H*)-one (14):



To a solution of (4-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-5-methoxy-1-(phenylamino)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)methanol (0.422 g, 1.0 mmol) in dry DMF (10 mL), was added ethylbromo acetate (0.2 g, 1.2 mmol) and oven dried K₂CO₃ (0.548 g, 4.0 mmol). The mixture was refluxed for 36 h. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was diluted with saturated NH₄Cl solution (20 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2x25 mL). The combined organic layer was collected, washed with 2N HCl and water, then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using EtOAc/Hexane (3:7) as eluent to afford the desired product as a brown solid (0.228 g, 60%); mp: 280-282 ° C; Yield (60%), $R_f = 0.4$ (3:7 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3021, 2973, 2877, 1720, 1615, 1585; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.23 (m, 1H), 6.92 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (d, J =7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (dd, J = 12.6, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.72 (dd, J = 12.7, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (dd, J = 20.0, 13.3 Hz, 3H), 1.00 (s, 9H), 0.20 (s, 3H), 0.13 (s, 3H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 172.6, 150.2, 144.5, 141.3, 134.8, 131.8, 129.2 (2C), 126.9, 126.5 (2C), 114.7, 110.5, 72.5, 71.7, 68.8, 55.2, 43.5, 32.0, 25.8 (3C), 18.5, -4.2, -4.4; Mass (ES): m/z 462.20 (M+Na, 100%), 440.22 (M+H, 10%), 289.16 (80%); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₅H₃₃NO₄NaSi (M+Na)⁺ 462.2076 found 462.2060.

A typical procedure for the removal of *tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy group of compound 8c:

To a solution of 4-(5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*indeno[1,2-c] isoxazol-1-yl) benzonitrile (**8c**) (1 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL), was added *tetra*butyl ammonium iodide (1.5 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 0.5 h, THF was removed under high vacuum followed by extraction with DCM (2x10 mL). The combined DCM layer was collected, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The residue was purified by using column chromatography over silica gel to give the product 4-(5-hydroxy-6-methoxy-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2c]isoxazol-1-yl)benzonitrile (**15**).



White color solid; mp 180 °C; Yield (88%), $R_f = 0.2$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3430, 3256, 3060, 2973, 2868, 2205, 1620, 1555, 1486, 1276; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 5.35 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.10-4.05 (m, 1H), 3.98-3.85 (m, 4H), 3.56-3.48 (m, 1H), 3.30-3.22 (m, 1H), 3.03 (dd, J = 16.9, 3.1 Hz, 1H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.0, 146.6, 141.4, 134.5 (2C), 133.4, 128.6, 119.5, 116.1, 114.0 (2C), 110.7, 103.8, 75.0, 74.6, 56.4, 46.7, 34.2, 29.7; Mass (ES): m/z 309.13 (M+H 100%).

6-methoxy-1-phenyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-c]isoxazol-5-ol (16):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; colorless solid; mp 180 °C; Yield (90%), $R_f = 0.2$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3360, 3040, 2957, 2832, 1620, 1565, 1445, 1290; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.65 (s, 1H), 5.35 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.84-3.82 (m, 1H), 3.48-3.42 (m, 1H), 3.25-3.18 (dd, J = 16.8, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.08-2.98 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.1, 145.0, 141.6, 135.1, 134.4, 128.9 (2C), 121.6, 117.6 (2C), 114.6, 111.8, 76.3, 74.1, 55.4, 46.4, 25.9; Mass (ES): m/z 284.21 (M+H, 100%).

6-Methoxy-1-p-tolyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1H-indeno [1, 2-c] isoxazol-5-ol (17):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; light yellow solid; m.p: 170 °C; Yield (86%), $R_f = 0.2$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3296, 3050, 2963, 2878, 1619, 1567, 1476, 1286; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.19-7.09 (m, J = 8.7 Hz, 4H), 6.97 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.79-3.68 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.47-3.37 (m, 1H), 3.19 (dd, J = 16.8, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 2.99 (dd, J = 16.8, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.6, 146.4, 141.4, 135.9, 131.21, 129.5, 116.2, 114.9 (2C), 110.7, 76.3, 74.2, 56.4, 46.6, 34.4, 20.5. Mass (ES): m/z 298.13 (M+H 100%).

N-(3-(5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-c] isoxazol-1-yl) phenyl) methanesulfonamide (18):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; yellow solid; mp: 190-193 °C; Yield (70%), $R_f = 0.2$ (3:7 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3437, 3068, 2948, 2856, 1711, 1588, 1482, 1310, 1287; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25-7.21 (dd, J = 9.21, 6.90 Hz, 1H), 7.11-6.95 (m, 3H), 6.89-6.79 (m, 2H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 5.32 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.93-3.77 (m, 5H), 3.51-3.41 (m, 1H), 3.24-3.19 (dd, J = 16.8, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (s, 3H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.4, 151.2, 141.2, 138.2, 135.1, 130.9 (2C), 118.5, 113.6, 112.2, 111.9 (2C), 105.7, 77.41, 75.2, 56.4, 47.5, 39.8, 36.4, 26.9; Mass (ES): m/z 377.10 (M+H 100%).

Compound 19:



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; colorless viscous oil; Yield (72%), $R_f = 0.15$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3423, 3070, 2992, 2876, 2198, 1615, 1565, 1497, 1287; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (s, 1H), 5.11-5.02 (m, 1H), 4.78 (d, J = 4.40 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.11 (dd, J = 18.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (dd, J = 18.0, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 2.47-2.31 (m, 1H), 2.17 (d, J = 11.1 Hz, 1H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.3, 149.7, 143.6, 140.3, 132.8 (2C), 124.7 (2C), 119.7, 119.6, 115.8, 108.9, 103.6, 74.2, 64.5, 54.8, 41.0, 24.3; Mass (ES): m/z 309.16 (M+H 100%).

Compound (20):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; brown semi solid, Yield (80%), $R_f = 0.2$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3345, 3050, 2967, 2875, 1620, 1566, 1465, 1298; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.79 (s, 1H), 5.12-5.00 (m, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.84-3.74 (m, 3H), 3.10 (dd, J = 17.7, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (dd, J = 17.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (td, J = 10.9, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 2.04-1.96 (m, 1H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.6, 146.7, 141.8, 132.8, 129.3, 124.7, 119.8, 119.6, 115.9, 108.9, 103.8, 74.2, 64.5, 54.8, 48.9, 34.6, 26.1; Mass (ES): m/z 284.21 (M+H, 100%).

Compound 21:



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; colorless semi solid; Yield (90%), $R_f = 0.8$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3346, 3053, 2987, 2867, 1590, 1505, 1286; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.07-7.01 (m, 4H), 6.77 (d, J = 8.1Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.12-4.98 (m, 1H), 5.98-5.45 (m, 1H), 4.53 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.10 (dd, J = 17.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (dd, J = 17.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.38-2.29 (m, 1H), 2.29 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 3H), 1.99 (d, J = 11.1 Hz, 1H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 146.1, 144.1, 131.7, 131.2 (2C), 129.1, 119.8, 118.4, 116.7 (2C), 108.3, 73.9, 66.6, 56.1, 33.2, 33.0, 20.6; Mass (ES): m/z 298.13 (M+H 100%).

Compound (22):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; colorless semi solid; yield (85%), $R_f = 0.2$ (3:7 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3420, 3253, 3083, 2965, 2874, 1713, 1585, 1489, 1320, 1267; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.80-6.73 (m, 2H), 6.67 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.12-5.03 (m, 1H), 4.66 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 5.93-5.46 (m, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.11 (dd, J = 17.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (s, 3H), 2.85 (dd, J = 17.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.45-2.35 (m, 1H), 2.10 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 152.8, 146.1, 144.0, 137.1, 130.4, 129.7 (2C), 119.5, 118.6 (2C), 113.9, 113.4, 108.6, 108.1, 74.0, 65.6, 56.0, 39.1, 33.9; Mass (ES): m/z 513.18 (M+Na, 100%), 377.20 (M+H 90%).

Ethyl-5-hydroxy-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-c]isoxazole-3-carboxylate (23):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; Light yellow color oil; yield (88%), $R_f = 0.2$ (1:9 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3367, 3067, 2954, 2874, 1742, 1620, 1565, 1435, 1255; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.00 (ddd, J = 8.3, 6.9, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.84-6.73 (m, 2H), 5.70 (s, 1H), 5.37 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 4H), 3.73 (ddd, J = 13.4, 6.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 3.23-3.08 (m, 2H), 1.25 (t, J = 7.14 Hz, 4H); ¹³C NMR(100MHz,CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 150.4, 146.2, 141.9, 134.8, 128.6 (2C), 127.4, 122.2, 116.3, 115.9 (2C), 110.5, 83.4, 75.1, 61.4, 56.3, 50.2, 32.2, 14.0; Mass (ES): m/z 355.24 (M+H, 100%).

2-(Hydroxyl methyl)-5-methoxy-1-(phenylamino)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-4-ol (24):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; yellow color viscous oil, Yield (88%), $R_f = 0.3$ (3:7 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3383, 3089, 2950, 2864, 1610, 1534, 1484, 1453; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27-7.12 (m, 2H), 6.80-6.69 (m, 5H), 5.05 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.79-3.72 (m, 1H), 3.65 (dd, J = 11.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.04-2.92 (m, 2H), 2.87 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.0, 146.4, 141.8, 137.9, 129.4 (2C), 127.4, 118.2, 114.5, 113.7 (2C), 109.8, 63.4, 61.0, 56.3, 44.6, 29.9; Mass (ES): m/z 285.21 (M+H, 100%).

2-Methoxy-5-(phenylamino)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydronaphthalene-1,7-diol (25):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; yellow color viscous oil, Yield (88%), $R_f = 0.3$ (3:7 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3383, 3089, 2950, 2864, 1610, 1534, 1484, 1453; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25-7.15 (m, 2H), 6.95 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.77-6.68 (m, 4H), 6.16-6.15 (m, 1H), 6.13-5.50 (m, 1H), 4.66 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.33-4.19 (m, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.03 (dd, J = 17.1, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (dd, J = 17.1, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.28-2.20 (m, 1H), 2.06-1.95 (m, 1H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.0, 145.4, 143.1, 131.0, 129.4 (2C), 121.0, 118.9, 117.9, 113.6 (2C), 108.9, 65.9, 56.1, 36.4, 32.4; Mass (ES): m/z 285.21 (M+H, 100%).

3-(2-Ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-5-hydroxy-6-methoxy-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline-2-oxide (26):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; colorless oil (88%); $R_f = 0.4$ (8:2 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3326, 3060, 2985, 2872, 1720 (CO, ester), 1621, 1575, 1474, 1257; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 (s, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 6.12-5.99 (m, 1H), 4.53-4.48 (m, 1H), 4.22-4.15 (m, 2H), 3.92 (s,

5H), 3.20-3.13 (m, 3H), 3.12-3.06 (m, 1H), 2.65-2.56 (m, 1H), 1.28 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 4H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.8, 152.0, 142.5, 135.1, 121.3, 119.9, 109. 8, 63.5, 60.9, 55.0, 35.8, 27.1, 14.1; Mass (ES): m/z 280.20 (M+H, 100%).

7-Hydroxy-8-methoxy-1-phenyl-5,5a,6,10b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-e][1,4]oxazepin-2(3*H*)-one (27):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; Brown solid (90%); mp: 250 °C; Yield (90%), $R_f = 0.2$ (3:7 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹): 3345, 3051, 2983, 2867, 1710, 1625, 1575; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (dd, J = 12.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 5.29 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (dd, J = 12.6, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 3H), 3.79 (dd, J = 12.6, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.08-2.89 (m, 3H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) 172.3, 146.4, 144.9, 141.9, 136.0, 129.3 (2C), 127.0 (2C), 126.6 (2C), 112.9, 109.4, 72.7, 72.1, 68.8, 56.2, 43.8, 31.2; Mass (ES): m/z 326.20.

3,5-Dihydroxy-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-1,3a,4,8b-tetrahydroindeno[1,2-b]pyrrol-2(3*H*)-one (28):



The title compound was synthesized by following the typical procedure for synthesis of compound **15**; Colorless solid (80%); mp: 168 °C $R_f = 0.25$ (3:7 EtOAc: Hex); IR (cm⁻¹):

3434, 3085, 2975, 2864, 1718, 1628, 1576; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.20 (m, 3H), 6.46 (q, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.30 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.59-3.50 (m, 1H), 3.30 (s, 1H), 3.24-3.03 (m, 2H); ¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.3, 146.5, 144.7, 141.2, 136.6, 136.0, 132.8, 128.8 (2C), 126.7, 125.4 (2C), 118.7, 109.9, 71.0, 65.6, 55.1, 42.6, 28.3, 26.0; Mass (ES): m/z 312.18 (M+H, 100%).

EVALUATION OF TEST COMPOUNDS FOR CAPSAICIN LIKE ACTIVITY IN ZEBRAFISH MODEL OF ANXIETY

The compounds synthesised were inspired from Capsaicin and hence were assessed to evaluate their Capsaicin like activity. Capsaicin is known to show anxiogenic activity in various animal models [2] and therefore, was expected to show the same in zebrafish model of anxiety. We used the adult zebrafish model of light/dark box anxiety test to assess the activity [1]. This method was used as it is simple and does not require invasive procedures or euthanasia [1]. We first tested the hypothesis that Capsaicin administration results in anxiogenic behaviour in adult zebrafish. Thereafter, test compounds were tested in this model to identify the most potent anxiogenic compounds.



Light/Dark Box Aquarium (With Adult Zebrafish)



Normal Zebrafish Movement (Freely Across both Light & Dark Box)



Anxiety Behaviour of Zebrafish (Maximum Time in Dark Box)

Graphical Abstract: The figure shows the evaluation of anxiety like behaviours in the adult zebrafish using light/dark box paradigm. Normal fish move across freely in both light and dark environments, however, when anxious their movements and higher in the dark environment as compared to light.

Materials and Methods:

Wild type Zebrafish (*Danio rerio*) were maintained as per the procedure mentioned by us earlier [3]. The studies on anxiety assessment using the light/dark box paradigm were conducted based on a parameters of percentage time spent in light, duration of erratic movement and number of erratic movement from the published protocol [1]. Drug

administration was carried out by a procedure reported earlier [4]. Clonidine, an anxiolytic agent was used as a positive control to ascertain the validity of the experiments. Evaluation was conducted in three parts: (a) screening of Capsaicin for assessment of its anxiogenic activity in adult zebrafish, (b) screening of test compounds at single dose to identify the most potent anxiogenic agent, and, (c) multi-dose studies on the most potent agent to verify anxiogenic activity.

Statistical analysis:

Statistical analysis was performed using graph pad prism software. Data were represented using Mean and Standard Error of the Mean (\pm SEM). Data was analysed using analysis of variance (ANOVA) followed by Tukey's multiple comparative test. Statistical significance was set at the p<0.05 level.

Results:

Capsaicin when tested in the adult zebrafish model of anxiety using the dark light box paradigm showed clear anxiogenic behaviour, which was evident from the fact that the percentage time spent in light box was significantly lower in the Capsaicin treated fish as compared to control at 10 µg/kg dose and the effect was dose dependent (Fig 1 A). The erratic movement (number and duration) were also observed and they increased in a dose dependent manner in Capsaicin treated fish (Fig 1 B & 1 C). This concludes that Capsaicin shows anxiogenic effect in adult zebrafish that is similar to the effect seen in other mammalian species. Screening of test compound in a single dose screening was performed and screening suggested that compound -15 was the most potent anxiogenic compound (Fig 2). Multi-dose evaluation of Compound-15 confirmed the anxiogenic activity as the fish administered with this compound showed significant reduction in the percentage time spent in the light as compared to control fish (Fig 3 A). The erratic movement (number and duration) were also observed and there is dose-dependent increase in Compound -15 group (Fig 3 B & 3 C). This verifies that Compound -15 has anxiogenic activity which is an activity similar to Capsaicin.



Figure 2: Screening of compounds for anxiolytic activity. Effect of compounds was assessed at 10 mg/kg) in the light/dark box paradigm to evaluate the parameter of percentage time spent in light. Compound-15 was found have maximum effect in this study.



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¹H & ¹³C NMR SPECTRA





¹³CNMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

(E)-Ethyl 4-(2-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-formyl-3-methoxyphenyl) but-2-enoate (1b):





(*E*)-2-allyl-3-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-4-methoxybenzaldehyde oxime (2):



5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-3-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-6-methoxy-3,4 dihydro isoquinoline 2-oxide (3):

Ethyl 7-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-5-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-8-methoxy-2, 5, 6, 10b-tetrahydro-1H-isoxazolo [3, 2-a] isoquinoline-1-carboxylate (4a):





Expansion of ¹H- ¹H COSY NMR of Compound 4a





Expansion of 1D NOE of Compound 4a

Ethyl7-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-5-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-8-methoxy-2, 5, 6, 10b-tetrahydro-1H-isoxazolo [3, 2-a] isoquinoline-2-carboxylate (4b):



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹H- ¹H COSY NMR of Compound 4b



Expansion of ¹H- ¹H COSY NMR of Compound 4b



Ethyl2-(5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-1, 2, 3, 4 tetrahydroisoquinolin-3-yl) acetate (5):



(*E*)-N-(2-allyl-3-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-4-methoxybenzylidene)-2-cyanoaniline oxide (7e):



¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-3, 3a, 4, 8b-tetrahydro-1*H*- indeno [1, 2-c] isoxazole (8a):



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Expansion of ¹H- ¹H COSY NMR of Compound 8a

5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-1-p-tolyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-c] isoxazole (8b):



4-(5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno [1,2-*c*] isoxazol-1-yl) benzonitrile (8c):







N-(3-(5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-*c*] isoxazol-1-vl) phenvl) methanesulfonamide (8d):

Ethy5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-*c*]isoxazole-3-carboxylate (8f):







Compound 9a:









Expansion of ¹H- ¹H COSY NMR of Compound 9a

Compound (9b):



Compound (9c):



Compound (9d):





Ethyl 5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-1-(2-cyanophenylamino)-3-hydroxy-6-methoxy-1,2, 3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-2-carboxylate (10):



Expansion of 2D NOESY of Compound 10



4-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-5-methoxy-1-(phenylamino)-2, 3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-2-hydroxyacetate (11):



5-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-3-hydroxy-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-1,3a,4,8b-tetrahydroindeno[1,2-b]pyrrol-2(3*H*)-one (12):

(4-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-5-methoxy-1-(phenylamino)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl) methanol (13):



7-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-8-methoxy-1-phenyl-5,5a,6,10b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-e][1,4]oxazepin-2(3*H*)-one (14):



4-(5-Hydroxy-6-methoxy-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno [1, 2-c] isoxazol-1-yl) benzonitrile (15):



6-Methoxy-1-phenyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-*c*]isoxazol-5-ol (16):



6-Methoxy-1-*p*-tolyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-*c*]isoxazol-5-ol (17):



¹³ C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

Compound 19



Compound 20:



Compound 21:





Ethyl 5-hydroxy-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-*c*]isoxazole-3-carboxylate (23):



¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)







2-methoxy-5-(phenylamino)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydronaphthalene-1,7-diol (25):



¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

3-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-5-hydroxy-6-methoxy-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline 2-oxide (26):



7-hydroxy-8-methoxy-1-phenyl-5,5a,6,10b-tetrahydro-1*H*-indeno[1,2-*e*][1,4]oxazepin-2(3*H*)-one (27):



¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

3,5-dihydroxy-6-methoxy-1-phenyl-1,3a,4,8b-tetrahydroindeno[1,2-*b*]pyrrol-2(3*H*)-one (28):



