Supporting Information

Mild rhodium (I) catalyzed ring opening of cyclopropane appended spirotricyclic olefins through C-H activation of aryl boronic acids

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General Methods

All chemicals were of the best grade commercially available and are used without further purification. All the solvents were purified according to standard procedure; dry solvents were obtained according to the literature methods and stored over molecular sieves. Analytical thin layer chromatography was performed on glass plates coated with silica gel containing calcium sulfate binder. Gravity column chromatography was performed using 60-120 or 100-200 mesh silica gel and mixtures of hexane-ethyl acetate were used for elution.

Melting points was determined on a Buchi melting point apparatus and is uncorrected. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (¹H NMR) were recorded on a Bruker Avance DPX 300 and Bruker AMX 500 spectrophotometer (CDCl₃ as solvent. Chemical shifts for ¹H NMR spectra are reported as δ in units of parts per million (ppm) downfield from SiMe₄ (δ 0.0) and relative to the signal of chloroform-d (δ 7.25, singlet). Multiplicities were given as: s (singlet); d (doublet); t (triplet); q (quadret); dd (double doublet); m (multiplet). Coupling constants are reported as J value in Hz. Carbon nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (¹³C NMR) are reported as δ in units of parts per million (ppm) downfield from SiMe₄ (δ 0.0) and relative to the signal of chloroform-d (δ 77.03, triplet). Mass spectra were recorded under ESI/HRMS at 5000 resolution using Thermoscientific Exactive mass spectrometer. IR spectra were recorded on Bruker FT-IR spectrometer.

General procedure for the preparation of spirotricyclic olefins



Spiro[2.4]hepta-4,6-diene **I**, prepared as per the literature procedure¹ was dissolved in DCM and cooled to 0 $^{\circ}$ C. Dialkylazodicarboxylate **II** was added to this and allowed to stir at room temperature for 12 hours. The solvent was evaporated in *vacuo* and the residue on silica gel (100-200 mesh) column chromatography yielded the cycloadducts **1a-d** in excellent yield.

General procedure for the reaction of spirotricyclic olefin with boronic acids

A mixture of spirotricyclic olefin (1.8 eqiuv.), boronic acid (1.0 equiv.), $[RhCl(COD)]_2$ (5 mol%) and Cs_2CO_3 (1.5 equiv.) were weighed in a schlenk tube and

degassed for 10 minutes. Dry THF (2 mL) was added and the reaction mixture was purged with argon and allowed to stir at 60 0 C for 12 hours. The solvent was evaporated in *vacuo* and the residue on silica gel (100-200 mesh) column chromatography yielded densely functionalized aromatic compounds.

General procedure for the copper assisted cross coupling reaction

A mixture of compound **3ba** (1.0 equiv.), indole (1.5 equiv.), CuI (10 mol%), cyclohexyldiamine (1 equiv.) and KO^tBu (1.5 equiv.) were weighed in a schlenk tube and degassed for 10 minutes. Dry toluene (2 ml) was added and the reaction mixture was purged with argon and allowed to stir at 110 $^{\circ}$ C for 12 hours. The solvent was removed and the residue on silica gel (100-200 mesh) column chromatography yielded the coupled product **6** in 72% yield.

Characterization of the Products

Compound 3aa



Yield: 75% as yellow viscous liquid. R_f : 0.26 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3289, 3059, 2981, 2928, 2853, 1748, 1706, 1606, 1496, 1468, 1413, 1316, 1256, 1156, 1124, 1018, 957, 921, 866, 765, 727, 605 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.39-8.29 (m, 1H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.16-7.12 (m, 1H), 5.61-5.57 (m, 2H), 4.86-4.80 (m, 1H), 4.50-4.39 (m, 1H), 4.26-4.02 (m, 9H), 3.65-3.60 (m, 2H), 2.60 (s, 1H), 2.20-2.17 (m, 1H), 1.33-1.26 (m, 12H), 1.01-0.80 (m, 6H), 0.60-0.52 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.4, 157.1, 156.2, 145.8, 140.0, 135.5, 130.9, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 121.8, 69.2, 66.3, 63.6, 63.0, 62.6, 61.5, 50.2, 44.0, 32.6, 31.2, 30.0, 15.7, 14.8, 14.7, 9.6, 7.7, 7.4, 2.7.

HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{32}H_{41}BrN_4O_8$, (M+Na): 711.20055; Found: 711.20034.

Compound 4aa

Yield: 20% as colourless viscous liquid.
R_f: 0.44 (7:3 hexane/EtOAc).
IR (Neat) v_{max}: 3374, 2957, 2919, 2851, 1744, 1689, 1462, 1257, 1122, 1039, 930,



860,774cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.34 (m, 1H), 5.69 (s, 1H), 5.41-5.39 (m, 1H), 4.25-4.12 (m, 6H), 1.33-1.25 (m, 6H), 0.85-0.73 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.2, 156.0, 142.8, 137.1, 131.8, 129.3, 127.5, 127.1, 124.5, 120.3, 70.3, 62.6, 62.1, 54.9, 31.4, 14.4, 14.1, 9.2.

LRMS (FAB): Calcd for $C_{19}H_{23}BrN_2O_4$,: 422.08; Found: 423.18 (M+1).

Compound 3ba



Compound 3ca

Yield: 60% as colourless viscous liquid. R_f : 0.35 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3328, 3056, 2978, 2928, 2853, 1748, 1711, 1607, 1496, 1468, 1415.

2853, 1748, 1711, 1607, 1496, 1468, 1415, 1318, 1258, 1156, 1124, 1017, 956, 921, 867, 765, 727, 605 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.44-8.28 (m, 1H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.12 (s, 1H), 5.64-5.55 (m, 2H), 5.01-4.93 (m, 4H), 4.81-4.79 (m, 1H), 4.29-4.06 (m, 2H), 3.65-3.60 (m, 2H), 2.60 (s, 1H), 2.17-2.13 (m, 1H), 1.31-1.20 (m, 24H), 0.89-0.83 (m, 6H), 0.61-0.48 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.4, 156.5, 156.2, 155.8, 146.0, 139.8, 131.6, 131.1, 129.2, 128.9, 121.7, 70.7, 70.1, 69.2, 68.6, 66.2, 49.8, 43.8, 32.6, 32.1, 29.9, 22.3, 22.2, 22.1, 22.0, 15.7, 9.7, 7.6, 2.6.

HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₃₆H₄₉BrN₄O₈, (M+Na): 767.26315; Found: 767.26334.

Yield: 64% as white solid. R_f : 0.84 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). Mp: 140-150 °C



Compound 3da



IR (Neat) ν_{max} : 3331, 3059, 2978, 2931, 1748, 1701, 1676, 1588, 1511, 1479, 1454, 1394, 1367, 1335, 1295, 1276, 1254, 1157, 1115, 1051, 1017, 992, 971, 958, 921, 899, 857, 814, 767, 703, 670 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.23 (s, 1H), 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.23 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 7.10-7.09 (m, 1H), 5.59-5.50 (m, 2H), 4.88 (m, 1H), 4.18-4.12 (m, 2H), 3.79-3.78 (m, 1H), 3.62 (m, 1H), 2.67-2.65 (m, 1H), 2.17 (brs, 1H), 1.56-1.38 (m, 36H), 0.89-0.83 (m, 4H), 0.73-0.34 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 157.2, 155.4, 154.3, 145.4, 138.9, 134.6, 131.3, 130.2, 128.6, 121.3, 81.9, 81.7, 80.6, 79.4, 69.1, 65.7, 49.3, 43.5, 32.5, 30.9, 29.7, 28.7, 28.4, 28.1, 28.0, 16.1, 10.2, 7.1, 2.5. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{40}H_{57}BrN_4O_8$, , (M+Na): 823.32575; Found: 823.32512.

Yield: 77% as light yellow viscous liquid. R_f : 0.68 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3301, 3062, 3032, 3001, 2954, 1752, 1711, 1682, 1608, 1587, 1496, 1452, 1408, 1311, 1255, 1212, 1156, 1109, 1052, 1023, 970, 913, 822, 738, 698 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.52-8.44 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 23H), 5.59 (m, 2H), 5.47-4.94 (m, 8H), 4.87-4,85 (m, 1H), 4.28-4.10 (m, 2H), 3.64-3.51 (m, 2H), 2.53 (s, 1H), 2.21-2.16 (m, 1H), 0.90-0.79 (m, 6H), 0.54-0.33 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 157.9, 156.6, 156.2, 155.9, 145.2, 140.0, 136.1, 135.7, 130.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 121.7, 70.4, 70.3, 69.2, 68.4, 67.3, 49.9, 43.9, 32.5, 31.2, 29.9, 15.8, 11.1, 9.6, 7.8, 2.6. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{52}H_{49}BrN_4O_8$, (M+Na): 959.26315; Found: 959.26329.

Compound 3ab



Compound 4ab



Yield: 70% as white solid. R_f: 0.69 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). Mp: 65-70 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.34 (brm, 1H), 7.47-7.19 (m, 4H), 5.64-5.53 (m, 2H), 4.91 (brs, 1H), 4.50 (brs, 1H), 4.24-4.11 (m, 9H), 3.87-3.69 (m, 2H), 2.65 (s, 1H), 2.20 (s, 1H), 1.33-1.26 (m, 12H), 0.92-0.61 (m, 8H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.7, 158.3, 157.4, 156.2, 143.1, 139.1, 136.0, 130.1, 129.5, 127.4, 125.9, 70.4, 66.5, 63.6, 62.8, 62.4, 61.3, 50.0, 44.3, 32.5, 31.2, 29.9, 15.6, 14.6, 9.6, 7.7, 2.6. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{32}H_{42}N_4O_8$, (M+Na): 633.29003; Found: 633.29114.

Yield: 24% as colourless viscous liquid. R_f : 0.54 (7:3 hexane/EtOAc). IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3286, 3060, 2983, 2931, 2854, 1748, 1710, 1411, 1224, 1061, 925, 861,758 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 7.37-7.22 (m, 5H), 6.37-6.24 (m, 1H), 5.74-5.61 (m, 1H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 4.50-4.14 (m, 6H), 1.31-1.26 (m, 6H), 0.86-0.77 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.3, 156.0, 143.5, 136.5, 130.7, 128.5, 127.5, 126.5, 70.3, 62.6, 62.5, 55.6, 31.7, 14.4, 14.1, 9.2. LRMS (FAB): Calcd for $C_{19}H_{24}N_2O_4$,: 344.1736; Found: 345.1758 (M+1).

Compound 3ac



Yield: 72% as colourless viscous liquid. R_f : 0.28 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3292, 3058, 2982, 2929, 2855, 1751, 1709, 1680, 1604, 1565, 1512, 1468, 1414, 1376, 1314, 1215, 1172, 1106, 1060, 1019, 956, 921, 866, 836, 764, 698 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.43-8.31 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.43-7.30

(m, 5H), 5.74-5.69 (m, 1H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 4.96-4.86 (m, 1H), 4.52 (m, 1H), 4.26-4.04 (m, 9H), 3.70-3.68 (m, 2H), 2.69-2.67 (m, 1H), 2.23 (brs, 1H), 1.33-1.26 (m, 12H), 1.05-0.88 (m, 8H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.3, 156.9, 156.1, 140.8, 139.8, 129.9, 129.4, 128.8, 127.9, 127.2, 126.9, 126.8, 126.3, 124.4, 69.2, 66.6, 62.7, 62.3, 61.1, 49.8, 43.9, 32.4, 31.1, 29.7, 15.5, 14.4, 14.1, 9.4, 7.6, 2.5. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{38}H_{46}N_4O_8$, (M+Na): 709.32133; Found: 709.32179.

Compound 4ac



Compound 3ad

Yield: 11% as colourless viscous liquid. R_f : 0.54 (7:3 hexane/EtOAc).

IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3288, 3058, 2978, 2922, 2848, 1746, 1712, 1408, 1228, 1051, 922, 859,756 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 7.58-7.54 (m, 4H), 7.44-7.33 (m, 5H), 6.46-6.41 (m, 1H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 5.43 (d, *J* = 5 Hz, 1H), 4.35-4.13 (m, 6H), 1.33-1.25 (m, 6H), 0.88-0.87 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.3, 156.0, 139.4, 136.6, 130.7, 128.8, 128.7, 128.2, 127.9, 127.3, 127.0, 69.9, 62.5, 62.1, 55.2, 31.7, 14.4, 14.1, 9.2. LRMS (FAB): Calcd for $C_{25}H_{28}N_2O_4$,: 420.2049; Found: 421.2046 (M+1).

Yield: 69% as yellow viscous liquid. R_f : 0.26 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3288, 3056, 2981, 2929, 2855, 1750, 1708,1677, 1608,1575, 1497, 1466, 1414, 1377, 1314, 1255, 1217, 1171, 1153, 1122, 1102, 1059, 1018, 958, 923, 864, 837, 815, 763, 726 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.45-8.33 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.12 (m, 1H), 6.84 (s. 1H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 5.63-5.53 (m, 2H), 4.85-



4.79 (m, 1H), 4.49-4.41 (m, 1H), 4.25-4.02 (m, 9H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.65-3.58 (m, 2H), 2.58 (s, 1H), 2.22-2.17 (m, 1H), 1.32-1.21 (m, 12H), 1.00-0.50 (m, 8H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.7, 159.0, 157.2, 156.3, 145.1, 139.3, 137.3, 129.6, 129.3, 128.8, 128.5, 113.5, 111.1, 69.6, 66.9, 62.9, 62.5, 61.4, 55.4, 50.7, 43.8, 32.6, 31.5, 30.0, 15.8, 14.9, 14.8, 14.7, 11.1, 9.7, 7.7, 2.7.

HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₃₃H₄₄N₄O₉, (M+Na): 663.30060; Found: 663.30865.

Compound 3bd



Compound 3dd

Yield: 65% as white viscous liquid.

 R_f : 0.25 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc).

IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3286, 3052, 2971, 2918, 2852, 1750, 1706,1673, 1609,1565, 1487, 1463, 1412, 1371, 1312, 1251, 1212, 1170, 1151, 1124, 1106, 1057, 1017, 956, 921, 861, 833, 812, 753, 7126 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.50-8.33 (m, 1H), 7.14 (brs, 1H), 6.94-6.85 (m, 1H), 6.69 (s, 1H), 5.61-5.50 (m, 2H), 5.00-4.98 (m, 4H), 4.82-4.78 (m, 1H), 4.23 (m, 2H), 3.76 (m, 4H), 3.62 (brs, 1H), 2.59 (brs, 1H), 2.16-2.03 (m, 1H), 1.38-1.17 (m, 24H), 0.94-0.83 (m, 6H), 0.56 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.8, 158.2, 156.5, 156.1, 144.9, 139.1, 130.0, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 113.5, 111.1, 70.5, 69.9, 69.7, 68.5, 66.4, 55.3, 50.5, 43.5, 32.5, 32.0, 29.9, 22.3, 22.2, 22.1, 22.0, 15.9, 9.9, 7.6, 2.6. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{37}H_{52}N_4O_9$, (M+Na): 719.36320; Found: 719.36670.

Yield: 62% as brown viscous liquid. R_f : 0.50 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3302, 3062, 3033, 3001, 2954, 2855, 1752, 1711, 1682, 1608, 1577, 1498, 1454, 1410, 1312, 1255, 1213, 1123, 1047, 1025, 971, 913, 860, 822, 741, 698 cm⁻¹



Compound 3de



¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.57-8.47 (m, 1H), 7.31-7.08 (m, 20H), 6.98-6.93 (m, 1H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 5.61-5.54 (m, 2H), 5.29-4.95 (m, 8H), 4.88-4.85 (m, 1H), 4.26-4.12 (m, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.60-3.52 (m, 2H), 2.55 (brs, 1H), 2.19 (brm, 1H), 0.90-0.76 (m, 6H), 0.57 (brs, 1H), 0.33 (brs, 1H).

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¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.8, 158.0, 156.7, 156.0, 139.5, 135.9, 130.0, 129.5, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 113.4, 111.0, 69.6, 68.3, 67.2, 55.3, 43.7, 32.5, 31.4, 29.9, 16.1, 9.6, 7.7, 2.6.

HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₅₃H₅₂N₄O₉, (M+Na): 911.36320; Found: 911.36066.

Yield: 58% as light yellow solid. R_f : 0.26 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). Mp: 58-62 °C.

IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3313, 3061, 3031, 2954, 2922, 2853, 1740, 1707, 1681, 1660, 1599, 1494, 1454, 1406, 1381, 1344, 1310, 1252, 1212, 1177, 1156, 1119, 1047, 1024, 970, 917, 846, 768, 696, 664 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.53-8.34 (m, 1H), 7.76-7.75 (m, 3H), 7.65-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.44 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 17H), 7.09-6.95 (m, 2H), 5.58 -5.39 (m, 2H), 5.29-4.97 (m, 9H), 4.46-4.17 (m, 2H), 3.78 -3.66 (m, 2H), 2.67 (s, 1H), 2.35-2.26 (m, 1H), 0.90-0.83 (m, 5H), 0.65-0.36 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 196.5, 158.0, 156.5, 155.3, 137.5, 136.4, 136.0, 135.5, 132.5, 130.1, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.6, 70.5, 69.0, 68.3, 67.1, 49.8, 44.5, 32.6, 31.1, 29.7, 15.9, 9.6, 7.7, 2.6. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{59}H_{54}N_4O_9$, (M+Na): 985.37885; Found: 985.37634.

Compound 3ae

Yield: 71% off-white solid. R_f : 0.02 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc).



Mp: 53-58 °C.

IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3298, 3059, 2982, 2933, 2873, 1751, 1706, 1676, 1560, 1511, 1470, 1444, 1411, 1376, 1314, 1255, 1217, 1173, 1124, 1103, 1060, 1019, 956, 922, 899, 865, 839, 764, 724, 702,662 cm⁻¹

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.39-8.17 (m, 1H), 7.78-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.66 (d, J =6 Hz, 2H), 7.59-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 3H), 5.65-5.61 (m, 1H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 4.96-4.89 (m, 1H), 4.50-4.44 (m, 1H), 4.23-4.07 (m, 9H), 3.71 (m, 2H), 2.71-2.69 (m, 1H), 2.26 (brs, 1H), 1.33-1.26 (m, 12H), 0.94-0.55 (m, 8H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 196.3, 159.9, 158.0, 156.7, 156.1, 139.6, 137.6, 136.4, 132.4, 130.1, 129.9, 128.2, 69.0, 66.2, 62.7, 62.4, 61.2, 50.0, 44.3, 32.5, 31.0, 29.7, 15.7, 14.6, 14.5, 14.4, 9.5, 7.6, 2.6.

HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₃₉H₄₆N₄O₉, (M+Na): 737.31625; Found: 737.31415.

Compound 3be



Yield: 64% as white solid. R_f : 0.55 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc).

Mp: 136-145 °C.

IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3304, 3059, 2980, 2929, 2854, 1749, 1703, 1673, 1601, 1560, 1509, 1493, 1467, 1451, 1407, 1376, 1310, 1289, 1256, 1218, 1178, 1144, 1107, 1043, 1018 960, 922, 831, 767, 719,700, 663 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.48-8.08 (m, 1H), 7.78-7.75 (m, 3H), 7.67 (s, 2H), 7.59-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.48-7.40 (m, 2H), 5.64-5.57 (m, 1H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 5.01-4.93 (m, 4H), 4.85-4.80 (m, 1H), 4.35-4.29 (m, 2H), 3.94-3.60 (m, 2H), 2.73 (s, 1H), 2.23-2.18 (m, 1H), 1.29-1.13 (m, 24H), 0.89-0.50 (m, 8H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 196.4, 159.7, 157.9, 156.2, 143.6, 139.6, 137.7, 136.3, 132.4, 132.2, 130.1, 130.0, 129.9, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.5, 127.2, 126.9, 70.6, 70.0, 69.2, 68.4, 66.1, 50.2, 44.2, 32.5, 31.6, 29.7, 22.1, 22.0, 21.9, 21.8, 21.5, 15.9, 9.7, 7.5,

2.6. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{43}H_{54}N_4O_9$, (M+Na): 793.37885; Found: 793.37683.

IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3298, 3058, 2982, 2933, 2873, 1751, 1708, 1678, 1604, 1509, 1480, 1411, 1377, 1314, 1254, 1216, 1172,1156, 1124, 1104, 1060, 1019, 956, 922, 900, 866,

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.39-8.28 (m, 1H), 7.99 (m, 1H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.63-5.59 (m, 2H), 4.93 (m, 1H), 4.49 (m, 1H), 4.30-4.03 (m, 9H), 3.66 (m, 2H), 2.74 (brs, 1H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.26-2.22 (brs, 1H), 1.34-1.23 (m, 12H),

Yield: 67% as yellow solid. R_f: 0.22 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc).

834, 762, 730, 699 cm⁻¹.

Mp: 77-84 °C.

Compound 3af



1.02-0.84 (m, 8H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 192.5, 159.3, 158.1, 156.8, 156.0, 140.7, 139.9, 129.4, 128.8, 127.2, 126.9, 126.3, 124.4, 69.2, 66.2, 62.7, 62.3, 61.2, 50.1, 43.9, 32.5, 31.1, 29.7,

15.5, 14.5, 9.4, 7.6, 6.5, 2.5. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{34}H_{44}N_4O_9$, (M+Na): 675.30060; Found: 675.30058.

Compound 3dg



Yield: 74% as off-white solid. R_f : 0.60 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). Mp: 55-60 °C.

IR (Neat) v_{max}: 3305, 3062, 3032, 3003,2934, 2925, 2854, 2732, 1749, 1709, 1678, 1609, 1586, 1498, 1453, 1409, 1312, 1255, 1213, 1176,1151, 1122, 1104, 1081, 1052, 1025, 975, 914, 822, 739, 697 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.54 (m, 1H), 7.29-6.98 (m, 23H), 5.61-5.53 (m, 2H), 5.14-5.00 (m, 9H), 4.24 (m, 2H), 3.64 (m, 2H), 2.58 (brs, 1H), 2.29 (m, 4H), 0.88-0.34 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.5, 155.9, 155.6, 138.9, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 127.6, 127.1, 126.5, 68.1, 67.0, 49.8, 43.8, 32.4, 30.9, 21.1, 15.5, 9.4, 7.7, 2.3. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{53}H_{52}N_4O_8$, (M+Na): 895.36828; Found: 895.36639.

Compound 3ah



Yield: 54% as light yellow solid. R_f : 0.26 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). Mp: 62-68 °C. IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3289, 3058, 2981, 2928, 2853, 1747, 1706, 1678, 1606, 1496, 1468, 1413, 1377, 1316, 1256, 1220, 1173,1156, 1124, 1104, 1061, 1018, 957, 921, 903, 866, 837, 765, 727, 696 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.32 (brs, 1H), 7.30-7.22 (m, 3H), 6.71-6.62 (m, 1H), 5.72-5.66 (m, 2H), 5.56-5.41 (m, 1H), 5.23-5.20 (m, 1H), 4.89 (m, 1H), 4.49 (brs, 1H), 4.24 (m, 9H), 3.77 (m, 2H), 2.63 (s, 1H), 2.20 (brs, 1H), 1.34-1.27 (m, 12H), 0.99-0.62 (m, 8H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.2, 156.3, 156.0, 136.6, 127.6, 125.8, 125.7, 123.5, 115.6, 113.7, 69.2, 66.1, 62.7, 62.3, 61.5, 61.2, 50.2, 44.2, 32.5, 30.9, 29.7, 15.4, 14.6, 14.5, 14.1, 9.4, 7.6, 2.6. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{34}H_{44}N_4O_8$, (M+Na): 659.30568; Found: 659.30359.

Compound 3dh



Yield: 48% as yellow viscous liquid.

 R_f : 0.35 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc).

IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3308, 3063,3032, 3003, 2954, 2928, 2854, 1752, 1709, 1677, 1630, 1606, 1586, 1497, 1454, 1407, 1312,1254, 1213, 1178,1156, 1103, 1052, 1026, 987, 906, 829, 739, 696 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.51 (m, 1H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 23H), 6.66-6.62 (m, 1H), 5.72-5.57 (m, 3H), 5.20-5.01 (m, 10H), 4.27 (m, 2H), 3.66 (m, 2H), 2.60 (brs, 1H), 2.17 (m,

1H), 0.99-0.21 (m, 8H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.1, 157.9, 156.0, 139.2, 136.5, 136.4, 136.1, 129.8, 129.3, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 127.6, 125.5, 123.5, 113.7, 68.2, 67.0, 50.3, 44.0, 32.4, 31.2, 29.7, 15.5, 9.5, 7.6, 2.4. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{54}H_{52}N_4O_8$, (M+Na): 907.36828; Found: 907.36353.

Compound 6



Yield: 72% as off-white solid. R_f : 0.52 (5:5 hexane/EtOAc). Mp: 68-75 °C.

IR (Neat) v_{max} : 3291, 2979, 2925, 2856, 2308, 1748, 1709, 1673, 1510, 1462, 1378, 1310, 1254, 1219, 1108, 1021, 966, 926, 831, 768, 718, 666, 611, 558 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): δ 8.27 (m, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.35 (brs, 1H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.14 (m, 2H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 5.63-5.52 (m, 2H), 5.01-4.94 (m, 4H), 4.84-4.79 (m, 1H), 4.29-4.24 (m, 2H), 3.78-3.60 (m, 2H), 2.70-2.60 (m, 1H), 2.24-2.13 (m, 1H), 1.43-1.20 (m, 24H), 0.90-0.84 (m, 6H), 0.61-0.48 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.3, 153.7, 137.2, 136.4, 133.2, 128.4, 126.9, 126.6, 126.3, 125.1, 119.8, 119.1, 118.6, 117.9, 68.8, 68.0, 67.5, 66.7, 65.9, 47.7, 41.2, 30.0, 19.7, 19.6, 19.5, 19.4, 12.9, 11.8, 7.0, 4.9. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $C_{54}H_{52}N_4O_8$, (M+H): 782.41289; Found: 782.41003.



¹³C NMR of **3aa**



¹³C NMR of **4aa**

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¹³C NMR of **3ba**



¹³C NMR of **3ca**



¹³C NMR of **3da**



¹³C NMR of **3ab**



¹³C NMR of **4ab**



¹³C NMR of **3ac**



¹³C NMR of **4ac**



¹³C NMR of **3ad**



¹³C NMR of **3bd**



¹³C NMR of **3dd**



¹³C NMR of **3de**



¹³C NMR of **3ae**



¹³C NMR of **3be**







¹³C NMR of **3dg**



¹³C NMR of **3ah**



¹³C NMR of **3dh**



 13 C NMR of **6**



¹H NMR of **3aa** in d₆-DMSO



NMR of compound 3aa at different temperatures







ORTEP Drawing: 3ca



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