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Synthesis of alkynyl/alkenyl-substituted pyridine derivatives *via* heterocyclization and Pdmediated Sonogashira/Heck coupling process in one-pot: A new MCR strategy

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General information:

Melting points of various products obtained are determined (uncorrected). ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra are recorded on a Varian 400 MHz. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm with the internal TMS signal at 0.0 ppm as a standard. The data are reported as follows: chemical shift (ppm) and multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet or unresolved, br s = broad singlet), coupling constant(s) in Hz, integration assignment. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) and compound purity data are acquired on a Waters LCT premier XE TOF HRMS single quadrupole system equipped with electro spray ionization (ESI) source. Thin-layer chromatography is performed on silica gel (200-300 mesh). Chemicals and solvents are purchased from Sigma Aldrich and Merck. Isolated compounds are characterized by physical and spectroscopic data.

Typical experimental procedure for the preparation of 2-amino-4-(3-(3-hydroxyprop-1ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6a):

A mixture of 3-bromobenzaldehyde (1) [10.0 mmol], malononitrile (2) [11.0 mmol], acetophenone (3) [11.0 mmol] and NH₄OAc (4) [20.0 mmol] in presence of pyrrolidine (5.0 mmol) in a mixture of H₂O-DME (1:4 ratio) (10 vol) is stirred at reflux for 1.0 hr. The first phase progress of the reaction is monitored by TLC. After the completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture is cooled to RT and then, prop-2-yn-1-ol **5a** [15.0 mmol], PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂ [0.002 mmol] and CuI [0.005 mmol] are added. Again the entire reaction mixture is kept under reflux conditions for 3.0 hrs in open air. Final stage progress is monitored by TLC. After the completion of the reaction, the whole reaction mixture is cooled to RT and the solvent is removed under reduced pressure. The obtained crude product is purified by column chromatography using silica gel and 1:9 ratio of EtOAc - Petroleum ether (PE) to obtain pure compound **6a**. The isolated yield of product **6a** is 91%. The same procedure is followed for the preparation of 2-amino-4-(3-(alkynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile derivatives (**6b-k**) listed in **Table-2.** All the

synthesised compounds (6a-k) gave satisfactory spectroscopic data in accordance with their proposed structures.

Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-(3-hydroxyprop-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6a):

Off-white solid; Yield = 91%; mp. 161-164°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3441.2, 3336.8, 3218.9, 1635.7, 1567.5

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.0 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz, arom H), 7.68 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.61 - 7.55 (m, 2H,

arom H), 7.49 - 7.46 (m, 4H, arom H), 7.18 (s, 1H, arom H), 5.4 (br s, 2H, -NH₂), 4.5 (s, 2H, -OCH₂), 1.87 (br, 1H, -OH).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.8, 158.7, 153.8, 137.44, 137.41, 132.2, 130.8, 130.1, 129.1, 128.5, 128.4, 127.2, 122.9, 116.8, 109.2, 90.7, 86.4, 83.0, 49.4.

HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₁H₁₆N₃O (M+H)⁺ 326.1293, found 326.1290.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and HRMS for 2-amino-4-(3-(3-hydroxyprop-1-ynyl) phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6a):









Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-(4-hydroxybut-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (6b):

Off-white solid; Yield = 89%; mp. 117–120°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3440.6, 3333.3, 3281.3, 3053.8, 2352.1, 2220.6, 1639.4, 1567.0

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.13- 8.11 (m, 2H, arom H), 7.67-7.63 (m, 2H, arom H), 7.59–7.47 (m, 5H, arom H), 7.3 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.05 (s, 2H, -NH₂), 4.9 (t, 1H, *J* = 6.0 Hz, -OH), 3.62 (q, 2H, *J* = 6.8 Hz, -CH₂), 2.59 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.4 Hz, -CH₂)

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.6, 153.9, 137.4, 137.3, 132.2, 130.9, 130.0, 128.9, 128.5, 127.8, 127.2, 123.6, 116.8, 109.1, 89.5, 86.5, 80.4, 59.6, 23.3









Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-(5-hydroxypent-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (6c):

Off-white solid; Yield = 85%; mp. 112-115°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3511.0, 3467.4, 3306.1, 3193.6, 2209.0, 1628.1, 1578.4.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, 2H, J = 4.0 Hz, arom H), 7.62 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.56 – 7.42 (m, 6H, arom H), 7.18 (s, 1H, arom H), 5.38 (br, 2H, -NH₂), 3.83 (t, 2H, J = 6.4 Hz, -CH₂), 2.57 (t, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz, -CH₂), 1.88 (quintet, 2H, J = 6.4Hz, -CH₂), 1.6 (br, 1H, -OH).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.6, 153.9, 137.4, 137.3, 132.2, 130.8, 130.1, 128.9, 128.5, 127.8, 127.2, 123.7, 116.8, 109.1, 91.5, 86.5, 79.8 59.4, 31.4, 15.3.

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{23}H_{20}N_3O (M+H)^+ 354.1606$, found 354.1608.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and HRMS 2-amino-4-(3-(5-hydroxypent-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6c):







Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-(5-chloropent-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (6d):

Off-white solid; Yield = 87%; mp. 117–118°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3474.1, 3303.1, 3176.8, 2927.1, 2203.9, 1628.7, 1574.8, 1548.7.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.13 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz, arom H), 7.67 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.6 Hz, arom H), 7.63 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.2Hz, arom H), 7.61 - 7.45 (m, 5H, arom H), 7.28 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.03 (br, 2H, -NH₂), 3.77 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.4 Hz, -CH₂), 2.59 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz, -CH₂), 1.99 (quintet, 2H, *J* = 6.8 Hz, -CH₂). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.6, 153.9, 137.4, 137.3, 132.2, 131.0, 130.1, 128.9, 128.5, 128.0, 127.2, 123.4, 116.8, 109.1, 89.8, 86.5, 80.6, 44.1, 30.9, 16.2. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₃H₁₉N₃Cl (M+H)⁺ 372.1268, found 372.1270.



Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and HRMS for 2-amino-4-(3-(5-chloropent-1-ynyl) phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6d):





Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-(4-hydroxypent-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (6e):

Off-white solid, Yield = 89%; mp. 173-175°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3427.7, 3342.3, 3232.1, 3062.4, 2886.2, 2215.9, 1636.2, 1571.1, 1551.0.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.15 (dd, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 3.6 Hz, arom H), 7.67 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.65 – 7.62 (m, 2H, arom H), 7.56 - 7.48 (m, 4H, arom H), 7.04 (s, 2H, -NH₂), 4.86 (d, 1H, *J* = 5.2 Hz, -OH), 3.78-3.73 (m, 1H, -CH)2.60-2.41 (m, 1H, -CH), 2.37-2.29 (m, 1H, -CH), 1.11 (d, 3H, *J* = 5.6 Hz, -CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.6, 154.0, 137.4, 137.3, 132.2, 130.9, 130.1, 129.0, 128.6, 127.8, 127.2, 123.8, 116.8, 109.1, 89.3, 86.5, 81.0, 75.4, 29.3, 22.7.

HRMS (ESI): calculated for $C_{23}H_{20}N_3O (M+H)^+ 354.1606$, found 354.1604.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and HRMS for 2-amino-4-(3-(4-hydroxypent-1-ynyl) phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6e):







Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbut-1-ynyl) phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (6f):

Off-white solid; Yield = 85%; mp 172–174°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3410.4, 3337.4, 3235.0, 3054.8, 2312.1, 2221.9, 1648.7, 1555.0

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.0 (dd, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz, *J* = 3.2 Hz, arom H), 7.64 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.63 - 7.53 (m, 2H, arom H), 7.50 - 7.44 (m, 4H, arom H), 7.18 (s, 1H, arom H), 5.39 (s, 2H, -NH₂), 2.14 (br, 1H, -OH), 1.63 (s, 6H, -2CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.7, 153.9, 137.4, 132.1, 130.7, 130.1, 129.0, 128.5, 128.2, 127.2, 123.1, 116.8, 109.1, 96.8, 86.5, 79.8, 63.6, 31.5.

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{23}H_{20}N_3O$ (M+H) + 354.1606, found 354.1597.











Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-(hex-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (6g):

Off-white solid; Yield = 92%; mp. 99–102°C

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3473.9, 3303.8, 3162.9, 2914.4, 2209.6, 1638.6, 1552.3

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, 2H, J = 4.4 Hz, arom H), 7.74 – 7.61 (m, 1H, arom H), 7.65-7.38 (br, m, 7H, arom H), 7.18 (s, 1H, arom H), 5.38 (br, 2H, -NH₂), 2.43 (t, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz, -CH₂), 1.62-1.58 (m, 2H, -CH₂), 1.50 (quintet, 2H, J = 7.6 Hz, -CH₂), 0.956 (t, 3H, J = 6.8 Hz, -CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.6, 153.9, 137.4, 137.3, 132.1, 130.8, 130.0, 128.5, 127.8, 127.4, 127.2, 123.7, 116.8, 109.1, 91.5, 86.5, 79.9, 30.1, 21.4, 18.3, 13.4

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{24}H_{22}N_3$ (M+H)⁺ 352.1814, found 352.1812

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and HRMS for 2-amino-4-(3-(hex-1-ynyl) phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6g):











Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-(hept-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (6h):

Off-white solid; Yield = 90%; mp. 86–89°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3473.6, 3305.4, 2345.7, 2209.1, 1635.6, 1551.3.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.16 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.4 Hz, arom H), 7.66 - 7.61 (m, 2H, arom H), 7.55 - 7.47 (m, 5H, arom H), 7.30 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.05 (br, 2H, -NH₂), 2.45 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, -CH₂), 1.57 (quintet, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, -CH₂), 1.44 - 1.28 (m, 4H, -2CH₂), 0.89 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, -CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.6, 153.9, 137.4, 137.3, 132.1, 130.8, 130.0, 128.9, 128.5, 127.8, 127.2, 123.8, 116.8, 109.1, 91.6, 86.5, 79.9, 30.5, 27.7, 21.6, 18.6, 13.8.

HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₅H₂₄N₃ (M+H) + 366.1970, found 366.1955

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and HRMS for 2-amino-4-(3-(hept-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6h):









Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-(oct-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6i):

Off-white solid; Yield = 91%; mp. 89–91°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3471.8, 3302.3, 3162.8, 2924.0, 2318.8, 2208.2, 1634.7, 1550.8.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.14 (d, 2H, J = 4.0 Hz, arom H), 7.66 - 7.62 (m, 2H, arom H), 7.54 - 7.47 (m, 6H, arom H), 7.3 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.05 (br, 2H, -NH₂), 2.45 (t, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz, -CH₂), 1.56 (quintet, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz, -CH₂), 1.43 (sextet, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz, -CH₂), 1.33 - 1.23 (m, 4H, -2CH₂), 0.87 (t, 3H, J = 6.8 Hz, -CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.6, 153.9, 137.4, 137.3, 132.1, 130.8, 130.0, 129.0, 128.5, 127.8, 127.2, 123.8, 116.8, 109.1, 91.6, 86.5, 80.0, 30.7, 28.0, 27.9, 21.9, 18.6, 13.8.

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{26}H_{26}N_3$ (M+H)⁺ 380.2127, found 380.2109.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and HRMS for 2-amino-4-(3-(oct-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6i):









Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-(dec-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (6j):

Off-white solid; Yield = 91%; mp. 82–83°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3473.7, 3303.1, 3163.5, 2955.1, 2209.3, 1638.5, 1552.2.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.15 (dd, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz, J = 4.4 Hz, arom H), 7.65 - 7.61 (m, 2H, arom H), 7.53 - 7.47 (m, 5H, arom H), 7.30 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.05 (br, 2H, -NH₂), 2.44 (t, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz, -CH₂), 1.55 (quintet, 2H, J = 7.0 Hz, -CH₂), 1.44-1.39 (m, 2H, -CH₂), 1.29 - 1.22 (m, 8H, -CH₂), 0.84 (t, 3H, J = 6.4 Hz, -CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.6, 153.9, 137.4, 137.3, 132.1, 130.8, 130.0, 128.9, 128.5, 127.8, 127.2, 123.8, 116.8, 109.1, 91.6, 86.5, 80.0, 31.2, 28.5, 28.4, 28.2, 28.0, 22.0, 18.6, 13.9.

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{28}H_{30}N_3$ (M+H)⁺ 408.2440, found 408.2440

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and HRMS for 2-amino-4-(3-(dec-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (6j):







Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(3-((1-hydroxycyclohexyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (6k):

Off-white solid; Yield = 85%; mp. 86.7–89.8°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3355.4, 3212.0, 3059.8, 2932.0, 2855.6, 2209.9, 1615.8, 1569.1.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.15 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.4 Hz, arom H), 7.66 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.8 Hz, arom H), 7.56 - 7.48 (m, 5H, arom H), 7.31 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.06 (br, 2H, -NH₂), 5.5 (s, 1H, -OH), 1.89 – 1.82 (m, 2H, -CH₂), 1.66 – 1.59 (m, 2H, -CH₂), 1.56-1.50 (m, 6H, -3CH₂).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.7, 153.9, 137.4, 132.1, 130.7, 130.1, 129.1, 128.6, 128.2, 127.2, 123.2, 116.8, 109.2, 95.8, 86.5, 82.1, 67.0, 24.9, 22.7.

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{26}H_{24}N_3O$ (M+H) ⁺ 394.1919, found 394.1919









Typical experimental procedure for the preparation of 2-amino-4-(2-(3-hydroxyprop-1ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (7a):

A mixture of 2-bromobenzaldehyde (1a) [10.0 mmol], malononitrile (2) [11.0 mmol], acetophenone (3) [11.0 mmol] and NH₄OAc (4) [20.0 mmol] in the presence of pyrrolidine (5.0 mmol) in a mixture of H₂O-DME (1:4 ratio) (10 vol) is stirred at reflux for 1.0 hr. The first phase progress of the reaction is monitored by TLC. After the completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture is cooled to RT and then, prop-2-yn-1-ol **5a** [17.0 mmol], PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂ [0.002 mmol] and CuI [0.005 mmol] are added. Again the entire reaction mixture is kept under reflux conditions for 3.5 hrs in open air. Final stage progress is monitored by TLC. After the completion of the reaction, the whole reaction mixture is cooled to RT and the solvent is removed under reduced pressure. The obtained crude product is purified by column chromatography using silica gel and 1:9 ratio of EtOAc - Petroleum ether (PE) to obtain pure product **7a**. The isolated yield of product **7a** is 80%. The same procedure is followed for the preparation of 2-amino-4-(2-(alkynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile derivatives (**7b-d**) listed in **Table-3.** Synthesized compounds (**7a-d**) gave satisfactory spectroscopic data in accordance with their proposed structures.

Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(2-(3-hydroxyprop-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (7a):

Off-white solid, Yield = 90%; mp145-147°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3466.6, 3301.6, 3185.4, 2915.8, 2207.3, 1632.7, 1577.7, 1541.9.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.09 (d, 2H, *J* = 6.8 Hz, arom H), 7.63 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz, arom H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 6H, arom H), 7.23 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.01 (s, 2H, -NH₂), 5.23 (t, 1H, *J* = 6.0 Hz, -OH), 4.15 (d, 2H, *J* = 5.6 Hz, -OCH₂).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.5, 154.6, 139.6, 138.01, 133.1, 130.5, 129.7, 129.6, 129.1, 129.0, 127.6, 121.6, 116.9, 110.5, 94.1, 88.8, 82.1, 49.7.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR 2-amino-4-(2-(3-hydroxyprop-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (7a):





Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(2-(4-hydroxybut-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (7b):

Off-white solid, Yield = 91%; mp 158–161°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3428.3, 3341.9, 2885.5, 2216.1, 1636.6, 1573.6, 1550.7.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.1 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.0 Hz, arom H), 7.57 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.48 (s, 6H, arom H), 7.23 (s, 1H, arom H), 6.99 (s, 2H, -NH₂), 4.75 (t, 1H, *J* = 5.2 Hz, -OH), 3.36-3.32 (m, 2H, -OCH₂), 2.39 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.8 Hz, -CH₂).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.2, 157.9, 154.3, 139.3, 137.4, 132.3, 130.0, 129.1, 128.9, 128.6, 128.1, 127.0, 121.8, 116.5, 110.0, 92.3, 88.5, 79.4, 76.1, 65.9, 59.5, 59.3, 23.2, 22.9.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR for 2-amino-4-(2-(4-hydroxybut-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (7b):





Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(2-(3-hydroxy-3-methyl but-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (7c):

Off-white solid, Yield = 88%; mp. 157–161°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3511.0, 3467.4, 3306.1, 3193.6, 2975.1, 2209.0, 1628.1, 1578.4, 1546.3.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.1 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.4 Hz, arom H), 7.55 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 6H, arom H), 7.22 (s, 1H, arom H), 6.99 (s, 2H, -NH₂), 5.30 (s, 1H, -OH), 1.21 (s, 6H, -2CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.1, 157.9, 154.2, 139.7, 137.4, 131.8, 130.0, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 121.3, 116.4, 110.0, 100.0, 88.4, 78.7, 63.4, 31.1.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR for 2-amino-4-(2-(3-hydroxy-3-methyl but-1-ynyl) phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (7c):





Characterization data for 2-amino-4-(2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbut-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6phenylnicotinonitrile (7d):

Off-white solid, Yield = 87%; mp. 99–101°C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.1 (d, 2H, J = 4.0 Hz, arom H), 7.56 (d, 1H, J = 4.0 Hz, arom H), 7.48 – 7.47 (m, 6H, arom H), 7.23 (s, 1H, arom H), 6.97 (s, 2H, -NH₂), 2.25 (t, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz, -CH₂), 1.24 (t, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz, -CH₂), 1.1 – 0.99 (m, 6H, -3CH₂), 0.72 (t, 3H, J = 6.8 Hz, -CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.2, 157.8, 154.5, 139.5, 137.4, 132.0, 129.9, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 127.9, 127.0, 116.8, 122.0, 116.4, 109.9, 94.8, 88.4, 78.9, 30.6, 27.7, 27.6, 21.8, 18.6, 13.8.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR for 2-amino-4-(2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbut-1-ynyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (7d):





Typical experimental procedure for the preparation of (*E*)-methyl 3-(3-(2-amino-3-cyano-6-phenylpyridin-4-yl)phenyl)acrylate (9a):

A mixture of 3-bromobenzaldehyde (1) [10.0 mmol], malononitrile (2) [11.0 mmol], acetophenone (3) [11.0 mmol] and NH₄OAc (4) [20.0 mmol] in presence of pyrrolidine (5.0 mmol) in a mixture of H₂O-DME (1:4 ratio) (10 vol) is stirred at reflux for 1.0 hr. The first phase progress of the reaction is monitored by TLC. After the completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture is cooled to RT and then, methyl acrylate (8a) [16.0 mmol] and PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂ [0.002 mmol] are added. Again, the entire reaction mixture is kept under reflux conditions for 3.0 hrs in open air. Final stage progress is monitored by TLC. After the completion, the whole reaction mixture is cooled to RT and the solvent is removed under reduced pressure. The obtained crude product is purified by column chromatography using silica gel and 1:9 ratio of EtOAc - Petroleum ether (PE) to obtain pure compound (9a). The isolated yield of product 9a is 88%. The same procedure is followed for the preparation of 2-amino-4-(3-(alkenyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile derivatives (9b-f) listed in Table-4. Synthesized compounds (9a-f) gave satisfactory spectroscopic data in accordance with their proposed structures. Based on ¹H NMR data, all the prepared alkenes (9a-f) are confirmed as 'E' isomers (J= 16.0 - 16.5 Hz).

Characterization data for (*E*)-Methyl-3-(3-(2-amino-3-cyano-6-phenylpyridin-4-yl) phenyl) acrylate (9a):

Off-white solid; Yield = 88%; mp. 180-182°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3440.8, 3352.1, 3229.7, 3063.5, 2211.5, 1698.5, 1628.4, 1260.6.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.21(dd, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz, *J* = 4.4 Hz, arom H), 8.12 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.95 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz, arom H), 7.85 –7.79 (m, 2H, arom H and *trans* H), 7.66 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz, arom

H), 7.61 – 7.54 (m, 3H, arom H), 7.41 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.11 (br, 2H, -NH₂). 6.85 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, *trans* H), 3.80 (s, 3H, -OCH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 166.5, 160.8, 158.7, 154.1, 143.8, 137.6, 137.5, 134.5, 130.1, 130.1, 129.2, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 127.2, 118.9, 116.9, 109.3, 86.5, 51.5. MS (ESI) m/z: (M+H)⁺ 356.20.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and Mass for (*E*)-Methyl-3-(3-(2-amino-3-cyano-6-phenylpyridin-4-yl) phenyl) acrylate (9a):







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Characterization data for (*E*)-Ethyl-3-(3-(2-amino-3-cyano-6-phenylpyridin-4-yl) phenyl) acrylate (9b):

Off-white solid; Yield = 82%; mp. 161–163°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3455.3, 3355.7, 3240.1, 3020.7, 2217.4, 1716.2, 1639.3, 1569.2, 1553.4, 1191.9.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.16 (dd, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 3.2 Hz, arom H), 8.06 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz, arom H), 7.79-7.69 (m, 2H, arom H and *trans* H), 7.61 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, arom H), 7.55-7.49 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.9 Hz, arom H), 7.36 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.05 (s, 2H, NH₂), 6.79 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, *trans* H), 4.21 (quartet, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz, OCH₂), 1.276 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, CH₃)

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 166.1, 160.8, 158.7, 154.1, 143.6, 137.58, 137.52, 134.6, 130.1, 129.29, 129.24, 128.5, 128.2, 127.2, 119.2, 116.9, 109.3, 86.5, 60.1, 14.1 MS (ESI) m/z: (M+H)⁺ 370.30.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and Mass for (*E*)-Ethyl-3-(3-(2-amino-3-cyano-6-phenylpyridin-4-yl) phenyl) acrylate (9b):





Characterization data for (*E*)-t-butyl-3-(3-(2-amino-3-cyano-6-phenylpyridin-4-yl) phenyl) acrylate (9c):

Off-white solid; Yield = 83%; mp. 202–204°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3488.6, 3354.9, 3215.7, 2219.0, 1703.7, 1640.1, 1623.9, 1573.9, 1553.5.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.21 (dd, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz, *J* = 4.0 Hz, arom H), 8.08 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.91 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, arom H), 7.78 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz, arom H), 7.71 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, *trans* H), 7.65 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz, arom H), 7.56 – 7.54 (m, 4H, arom H), 7.41 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.10 (br, 2H, -NH₂), 6.73 (d, 1H, *J* = 15.6 Hz, *trans* H), 1.55 (s, 9H, -3CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 165.4, 160.8, 158.6, 154.1, 142.8, 137.55, 137.52, 134.7, 130.0, 129.9, 129.2, 128.5, 128.1, 127.2, 120.9, 116.9, 109.3, 86.5, 80.0, 27.8 MS (ESI) m/z: (M+H)⁺ 398.30.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and Mass for (*E*)-t-butyl-3-(3-(2-amino-3-cyano-6-phenylpyridin-4-yl) phenyl) acrylate (9c):





Characterization data for (*E*)-2-amino-4-(3-(3-oxobut-1-enyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl nicotinonitrile (9d): Off-white solid; Yield = 86%; mp. 182–184°C.

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3456.1, 3357.8, 2963.1, 2210.0, 1716.7, 1689.7, 1625.1, 1611.4, 1569.0, 1547.9, 1260.8.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.16 (s, 2H, arom H), 8.03 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.88 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, arom H), 7.74-7.70 (m, 2H, arom H and *trans* H), 7.63 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, arom H), 7.5 (s, 3H, arom H), 7.35 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.06 (br, 2H, -NH₂), 6.96 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.4 Hz, *trans* H), 2.36 (s, 3H, CH₃).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 198.1, 160.8, 158.7, 154.2, 132.3, 137.6, 137.5, 135.0, 130.1, 129.35, 129.31, 128.6, 128.2, 128.1, 127.2, 116.9, 109.2, 86.6, 27.4 MS (ESI) m/z: (M+H)⁺ 340.20.

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and Mass (E)-2-amino-4-(3-(3-oxobut-1-enyl) phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (9d):





Characterization data for (*E*)-3-(3-(2-amino-3-cyano-6-phenylpyridin-4-yl) phenyl) acrylamide (9e):

Off-white solid; Yield = 87%; mp. 199–201°C

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3497.1, 3384.8, 3044.1, 2221.5, 2201.6, 1615.1, 1573.9, 1549.5

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.14 (d, 2H, J = 3.6 Hz, arom H), 7.98 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.82 – 7.74 (m,

3H, arom H and *trans* H), 7.65 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz, arom H), 7.5 (s, 4H, arom H), 7.33 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.08 (s, 2H, -NH₂), 6.63 (d, 2H, *J* = 16.4 Hz, *trans* H)

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.7, 158.7, 154.0, 149.9, 137.7, 137.4, 134.3, 130.7, 130.1, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 127.5, 127.2, 118.6, 116.8, 109.2, 97.9, 86.5

MS (ESI) m/z: (M+H) + 341.30

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and Mass (*E*)-3-(3-(2-amino-3-cyano-6-phenylpyridin-4-yl) phenyl) acrylamide (9e):







Characterization data for (*E*)-2-amino-4-(3-(2-cyanovinyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (9f): Off-white solid; Yield = 85%; mp. $178-181^{\circ}$ C

FT-IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3341.7, 3164.1, 2207.5, 1680.7, 1621.4, 1585.9, 1569.5, 1257.9

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.16 (d, 2H, *J* = 2.9 Hz, arom H), 7.86 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.74-7.62 (m, 3H, arom H and *trans* H), 7.60-7.49 (m, 6H, arom H), 7.35 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.16 (s, 1H, arom H), 7.05 (s, 2H, NH₂), 6.74 (d, 2H, *J* = 15.6 Hz, *trans* H)

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 166.5, 160.8, 158.7, 154.4, 138.5, 137.59, 137.50, 135.4, 132.0, 130.5, 130.1, 129.3, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 109.2, 86.5.27.5, 127.2, 123.3, 116.9, 109.2, 86.5

MS (ESI) m/z (%): (M+H) + 323.20

Copies of FTIR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR and Mass (E)-2-amino-4-(3-(2-cyanovinyl)phenyl)-6-phenylnicotinonitrile (9f):





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