

Supporting Information

A remarkable solvent effect on the reaction of 4-hydroxycoumarin with (*E*)-3-aryl-2-nitroprop-2-enol: Facile synthesis of highly substituted furo/pyrano[3,2-*c*]chromenes

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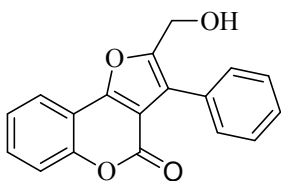
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General Information:

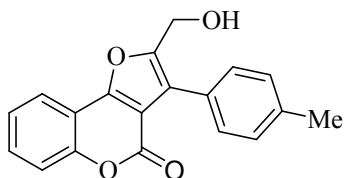
All reactions were carried out either under inert atmosphere or air and monitored by TLC using Merck 60 F₂₅₄ pre coated silica gel plates (0.25 mm thickness) and the products were visualized by UV detection. Flash chromatography was carried out with silica gel (200-300 mesh). FT-IR spectra were recorded on a BrukerTensor-27 spectrometer. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance (III) 400 MHz spectrometer. Data for ¹H NMR are reported as a chemical shift (δ ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constant *J* (Hz), integration, and assignment, data for ¹³C are reported as a chemical shift. High resolutions mass spectral analyses (HRMS) were carried out using ESI-TOF-MS. Single crystal X-ray structural studies were performed on a CCD Agilent Technologies (Oxford Diffraction) SUPER NOVA diffractometer. Data were collected at 293(2) K using graphite-monochromated Mo K α radiation ($\lambda_{\alpha} = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$). The strategy for the Data collection was evaluated by using the CrysAlisPro CCD software. The data were collected by the standard ϕ - ω scan techniques, and were scaled and reduced using CrysAlisPro RED software. The structures were solved by direct methods using SHELXS-97 and refined by full matrix least-squares with SHELXL-97, refining on F^2 .¹

General Procedure for the Synthesis of Furocoumarin Derivatives (3aa-3ec): A heterogeneous mixture of substituted 4-hydroxycoumarin (**1a-e**, 0.25 mmol) and (*E*)-3-aryl-2-nitroprop-2-enol (**2a-j**, 0.3 mmol) in water (0.6 mL) was heated at 70 °C for 5-10h (monitored by TLC). After completion of the reaction, water was decanted or removed by rotary evaporator under reduced pressure to give the gummy residue which was purified by column chromatography over silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/hexane = 1:9 to 1:4) to furnish the pure product **3aa-3ec**. All the products were characterized by their spectroscopic data (IR, ¹H and ¹³C NMR, HRMS).

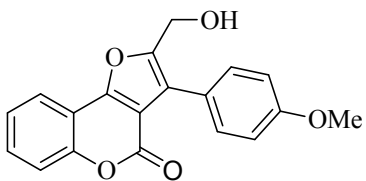
2-(Hydroxymethyl)-3-phenyl-4*H*-furo[3,2-*c*]chromen-4-one (3aa): Yield 83%; IR (KBr) ν 3509, 3048, 2924, 2853, 1743, 1631, 1558, 1502, 1452, 1426, 1373, 1324, 1277 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 7.97-7.99 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.60 (m, 3H), 7.47-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.46 (m, 2H), 5.68 (br s, 1H), 4.53 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.6, 157.4, 152.7, 152.4, 131.0, 129.9, 128.9, 128.4, 128.4, 124.4, 123.9, 121.0, 117.2, 112.6, 109.4, 55.6; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. For C₁₈H₁₂O₄ [M+Na]⁺: 315.0628; Found 315.0623.



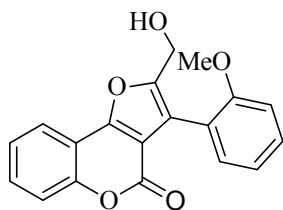
2-(Hydroxymethyl)-3-(4-methylphenyl)-4*H*-furo[3,2-*c*]chromen-4-one (3ab): Yield 84%; IR (KBr) ν 3417, 2924, 2855, 1750, 1630, 1556, 1516, 1497, 1452, 1428, 1372, 1321, 1277, 1217 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 7.97-7.99 (m, 1H), 7.63-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.27-7.29 (m, 2H), 5.65 (t, *J*₁ = 5.76 Hz, *J*₂ = 11.04 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (d, *J* = 5.52 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.6, 157.4, 152.7, 152.2, 138.4, 130.9, 129.8, 129.1, 125.9, 124.4, 123.9, 121.0, 117.2, 112.6, 109.4, 55.7, 21.3; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. For C₁₉H₁₄O₄ [M+Na]⁺: 329.0784; Found 329.0785.



2-(Hydroxymethyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4*H*-furo[3,2-*c*]chromen-4-one (3ac): Yield 88%; IR (KBr) ν 3465, 3069, 2935, 2837, 1746, 1649, 1628, 1599, 1570, 1516, 1452, 1429, 1408, 1373, 1349, 1309, 1292, 1276 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92-7.94 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.46-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.00-7.03 (m, 2H), 4.78 (s, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.03 (br s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.8, 157.8, 157.4, 152.8, 152.0, 131.2, 131.0, 124.5, 123.7, 121.2, 121.0, 117.2, 113.9, 112.7, 109.5, 55.7, 55.3; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd. For C₁₉H₁₄O₅[M+Na]⁺: 345.0733; Found 345.0732.



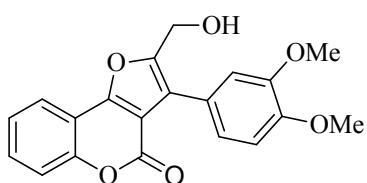
2-(Hydroxymethyl)-3-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3ad): Yield 87%;



IR (KBr) ν 3432, 2956, 2922, 2852, 1721, 1630, 1597, 1559, 1493, 1463, 1436, 1374, 1320, 1276, 1247, 1214 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92-7.95 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.02-7.10 (m, 2H), 4.63 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.16 (br s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.4, 157.3, 156.9, 153.1, 152.7, 132.2, 130.7, 130.2, 124.4, 121.0, 120.9, 118.9, 118.0, 117.2,

112.8, 111.5, 110.4, 56.2, 55.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_5[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 345.0733; Found 345.0738.

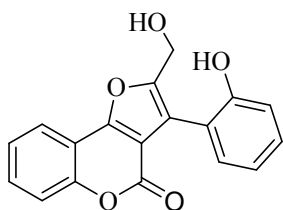
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1413, 1379, 1359, 1322, 1272 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93-7.96 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.37-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.16-7.20 (m, 1H), 6.97-7.00 (m, 1H), 4.82 (s, 2H), 3.96 (s, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.8, 157.3, 152.7, 152.1, 149.2, 148.6, 130.9, 124.4, 123.9, 122.3, 121.4,

121.0, 117.1, 113.5, 112.6, 110.9, 109.3, 55.9, 55.8, 55.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_6[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 375.0839; Found 375.0859.

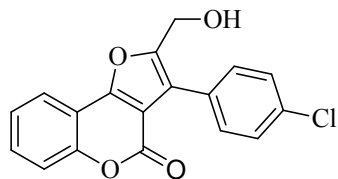
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(KBr) ν 3423, 2924, 2854, 1720, 1628, 1600, 1560, 1503, 1450, 1424, 1377, 1321, 1288, 1237 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d_6) δ 9.55 (br s, 1H), 7.95-7.97 (m, 1H), 7.61-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.26 (m, 2H), 6.85-6.92 (m, 2H), 4.44 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.3, 157.9, 153.6, 153.4, 152.5, 132.2, 131.2, 130.5, 124.8, 121.6, 121.2, 119.1, 118.5, 117.6, 117.3, 112.6,

110.4, 55.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_5[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 331.0577; Found 331.0578.

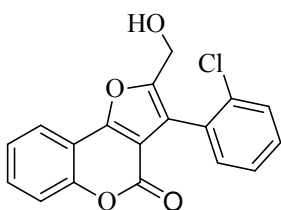
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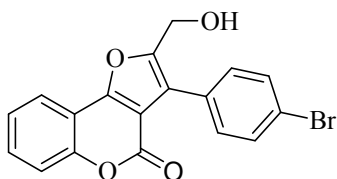
(KBr) ν 3529, 3444, 2956, 2924, 2853, 1883, 1733, 1628, 1556, 1499, 1451, 1423, 1400, 1323, 1275, 1214 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d_6) δ 7.98-7.99 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.69 (m, 1H), 7.60-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.46-7.50 (m, 1H), 5.71 (t, J = 5.52 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (d, J = 5.52 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.6, 157.5, 152.8, 152.5, 134.7, 131.3, 131.2, 128.6,

127.4, 124.6, 122.9, 121.1, 117.3, 112.5, 109.2, 55.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClO}_4[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 349.0238; Found 349.0241.

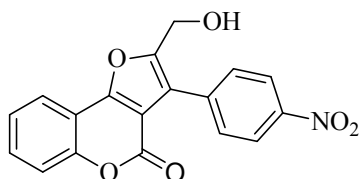
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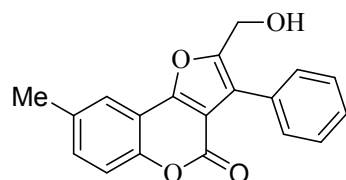
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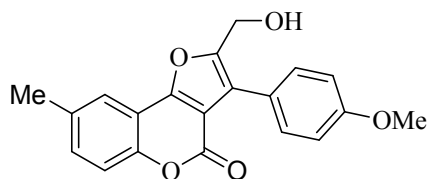
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2-(Hydroxymethyl)-8-methyl-3-phenyl-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3ba): Yield 86%; IR (KBr) ν 3430, 2924, 2854, 2362, 2342, 1719, 1652, 1629, 1570, 1497, 1451, 1433, 1389, 1313, 1277 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.45-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.43 (m, 1H), 7.32-7.33 (m, 2H), 4.76 (s, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.8, 157.5, 152.3, 151.0, 134.3, 132.1, 130.0, 129.1, 128.4 (2C), 123.9, 120.8, 116.9, 112.3, 109.3, 55.7, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 329.0784; Found 329.0780.

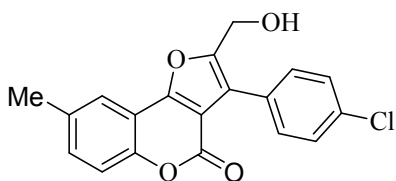


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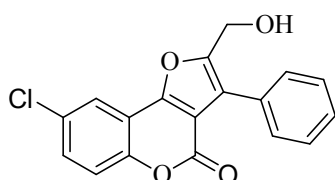
Yield 88%; IR (KBr) ν 3439, 2945, 2918, 2837, 2360, 2339, 1828, 1707, 1656, 1616, 1593, 1566, 1515, 1458, 1435, 1413, 1359, 1316, 1293 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (br s, 1H), 7.50-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.33 (m, 2H), 6.98-7.01 (m, 2H), 4.76 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.8, 159.7, 157.9, 157.4, 151.8, 150.9, 134.3, 132.0, 131.2, 123.7, 121.2, 120.7, 116.9, 113.9, 112.3, 55.7, 55.3, 20.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_5$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] $^+$: 337.1071; Found 337.1074.

2-(Hydroxymethyl)-8-methyl-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3bg): Yield



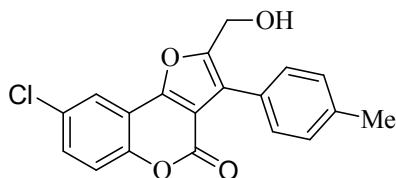
81%; IR (KBr) ν 3561, 3428, 2956, 2925, 2854, 2360, 1729, 1632, 1571, 1505, 1493, 1463, 1431, 1407, 1362, 1314, 1276 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (br s, 1H), 7.51-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.34 (m, 2H), 4.74 (s, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.8, 157.6, 152.3, 150.9, 134.6, 134.4, 132.3, 131.3, 128.6, 127.5, 122.9, 120.8, 116.9, 112.1, 109.1, 55.6, 20.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClO}_4$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] $^+$: 341.0575; Found 341.0608.

2-(Hydroxymethyl)-8-chloro-3-phenyl-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3ca): Yield 79%; IR



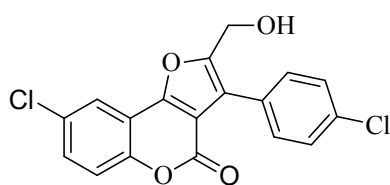
(KBr) ν 3555, 3063, 2925, 2360, 2340, 1747, 1632, 1556, 1502, 1447, 1419, 1362, 1307, 1262, 1241 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91-7.92 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.49 (m, 4H), 7.37-7.39 (m, 1H), 4.78 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.6, 156.8, 156.1, 153.0, 149.6, 138.1, 130.9, 130.0, 129.9, 128.6, 128.4, 121.3, 120.6, 118.7, 113.6, 55.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClO}_4$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$: 349.0238; Found 349.0234.

2-(Hydroxymethyl)-8-chloro-3-(4-methylphenyl)-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3cb): Yield



80%; IR (KBr) ν 3432, 2922, 2855, 1755, 1630, 1555, 1514, 1492, 1420, 1355, 1309, 1258, 1214 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.89-7.92 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.36-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.29 (m, 2H), 4.76 (s, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.0, 156.0, 152.8, 150.9, 138.6, 130.9, 130.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.2, 125.6, 124.0, 120.6, 118.7, 113.7, 55.6, 21.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClO}_4$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$: 363.0395; Found 363.0396.

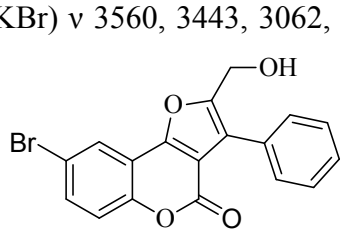
2-(Hydroxymethyl)-8-chloro-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3cg): Yield



77%; IR (KBr) ν 3429, 2924, 2853, 1750, 1629, 1555, 1494, 1465, 1421, 1355, 1369, 1259 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.96-7.97 (m, 1H), 7.66-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.57-7.61 (m, 3H), 7.53-7.56 (m, 2H), 5.70 (t, J = 5.52 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (d, J = 5.52 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 156.3,

155.0, 150.6, 133.1, 131.7, 130.9, 128.9, 128.2, 128.2, 127.8, 120.7, 120.0, 118.9, 113.3, 109.5, 53.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_4[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 382.9848; Found 382.9816.

2-(Hydroxymethyl)-8-bromo-3-phenyl-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3da): Yield 79%; IR

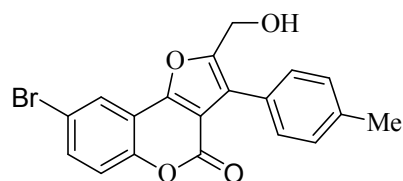


(KBr) ν 3560, 3443, 3062, 2853, 1747, 1630, 1584, 1552, 1499, 1446, 1417, 1359, 1305, 1263 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05-8.06 (m, 1H), 7.59-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.31-7.33 (m, 1H), 4.77 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.9, 155.9, 153.0, 151.5, 133.8, 129.9, 128.6, 128.4, 124.0, 123.6, 123.6, 118.9, 117.3, 114.1, 110.1, 55.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For

$\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{11}\text{BrO}_4[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 392.9733; Found 392.9704.

2-(Hydroxymethyl)-8-bromo-3-(4-methylphenyl)-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3db): Yield

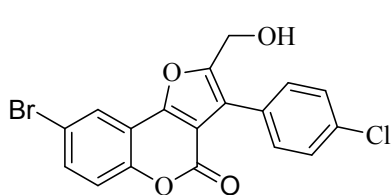
86%; IR (KBr) ν 3431, 2921, 2855, 2360, 2340, 1747, 1626, 1550, 1514, 1491, 1422, 1409,



1355, 1306, 1259 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05-8.06 (m, 1H), 7.60-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.29 (m, 2H), 4.76 (s, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.9, 155.9, 152.8, 151.5, 138.6, 133.7, 132.9, 129.8, 129.2, 125.6, 124.0, 123.6, 118.9, 117.3,

114.2, 55.6, 21.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrO}_4[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 406.9889; Found 406.9839.

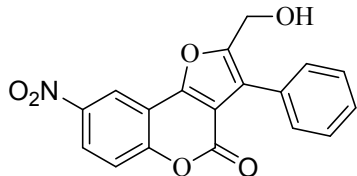
2-(Hydroxymethyl)-8-bromo-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3dg): Yield



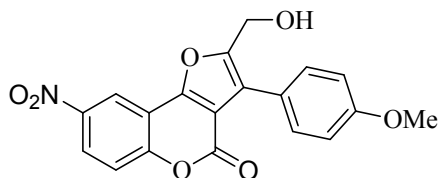
78%; IR (KBr) ν 3439, 2923, 2853, 2360, 2339, 1747, 1627, 1567, 1551, 1492, 1463, 1420, 1353, 1306, 1261 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.08-8.09 (m, 1H), 7.78-7.80 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.61 (m, 5H), 5.70 (br s, 1H), 4.52 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 156.3, 155.1, 154.9, 151.0, ,

133.8, 133.1, 131.7, 128.2, 127.8, 122.9, 120.7, 119.2, 116.7, 113.8, 109.5, 53.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClO}_4\text{Br}[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 426.9343; Found 426.9319.

2-(Hydroxymethyl)-8-nitro-3-phenyl-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3ea): 63%; IR (KBr) ν 3450, 1765, 1745, 1633, 1615, 1524, 1503, 1499, 1422, 1399, 1336, 1254 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.86-8.87 (m, 1H), 8.39-8.42 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.46-7.53 (m, 3H), 4.82 (br s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.0, 155.8, 155.7, 153.9, 144.1, 129.9, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 125.7, 124.2, 118.4, 117.4, 113.0, 110.8, 55.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_6[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 360.0479; Found 360.0544



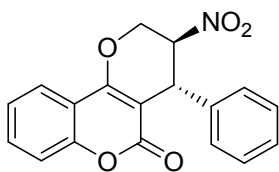
2-(Hydroxymethyl)-8-nitro-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4H-furo[3,2-c]chromen-4-one (3ec): 67%; IR (KBr) ν 3458, 3086, 2360, 1769, 1633, 1614, 1516, 1496, 1351, 1339, 1293, 1254 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.83-8.84 (m, 1H), 8.37-8.40 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.49-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.00-7.03 (m, 2H), 4.80 (br s, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.1, 156.1, 155.7, 155.5, 153.5, 144.1, 131.2, 125.5, 123.9, 120.4, 118.3, 117.3, 114.0, 113.0, 110.7, 55.5, 55.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_7[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 390.0584; Found 390.0588.



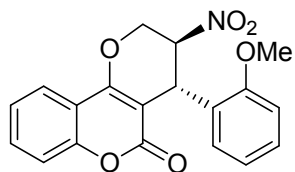
General Procedure for the Synthesis of Dihydropyrano[3,2-c]chromene Derivatives (4aa-4ec):

To a stirred solution of 4-hydroxycoumarin (**1a**, 40.5 mg, 0.25 mmol) and (*E*)-3-aryl-2-nitroprop-2-enol (**2a-k**, 0.3 mmol) in DMSO (0.6 mL) was added L-proline (5.75 mg, 0.05 mmol) at 70 °C for 4-6 h (monitored by TLC). After completion of the reaction, the mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×10 mL), washed with water, and dried with Na_2SO_4 . The combined organic phase was concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude residue which was purified by column chromatography over silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/hexane = 1:19) to give the pure products **4aa-4ec**. The products were characterized by their corresponding spectroscopic data (IR, ^1H and ^{13}C NMR, HRMS). The diastereomeric ratio of the crude product was determined by ^1H NMR spectrum.

Trans-3-nitro-4-phenyl-3,4-dihydropyrano[3,2-c]chromen-5(2H)-one (4aa): Yield 88%; IR (KBr) ν 3441, 2924, 1711, 1631, 1612, 1575, 1554, 1494, 1453, 1404, 1375, 1325, 1271 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.82-7.84 (m, 1H), 7.57-7.61 (m, 1H), 7.31-7.39 (m, 5H), 7.27-7.28 (m, 2H), 5.10 (dt, $J_1 = 13.04$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.28$ Hz, 1H), 5.01 (br s, 1H), 4.83-4.84 (m, 1H), 4.40 (dd, $J_1 = 13.04$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.24$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.1, 159.7, 152.7, 138.9, 132.5, 129.4, 128.3, 127.9, 124.2, 122.8, 116.9, 114.4, 99.1, 82.2, 62.8, 38.2; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_5[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 346.0686; Found 346.0687.

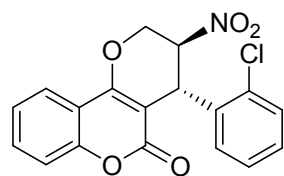


Trans-3-nitro-4-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3,4-dihydropyrano[3,2-c]chromen-5(2H)-one



(4ad): Yield 90%; IR (KBr) ν 3446, 2923, 2852, 1710, 1628, 1577, 1550, 1491, 1460, 1437, 1407, 1377, 1357, 1315, 1286, 1271 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.79-7.82 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.37 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.32 (m, 2H), 6.86-6.96 (m, 3H), 5.28 (br s, 1H), 5.05 (dd, $J_1 = 12.56$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.28$ Hz, 1H), 4.96 (m, 1H), 4.28-4.31 (m, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.2, 160.2, 156.4, 152.7, 132.4, 129.5, 128.6, 126.3, 124.1, 122.7, 120.9, 116.8, 110.8, 99.2, 79.9, 63.6, 55.6, 32.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_6[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 354.0972; Found 354.0975

Trans-3-nitro-4-(2-chlorophenyl)-3,4-dihydropyrano[3,2-c]chromen-5(2H)-one (4ah): Yield



85%; IR (KBr) ν 3434, 2924, 2853, 1710, 1627, 1611, 1573, 1552, 1493, 1456, 1439, 1405, 1373, 1358, 1314, 1275 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.82-7.84 (m, 1H), 7.59-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.49-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.28-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.22-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.05-7.07 (m, 1H), 5.37 (br s, 1H), 5.12 (dd, $J_1 = 12.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.28$ Hz, 1H), 4.95 (m, 1H), 4.29-4.33 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.9, 160.4, 152.8, 135.8, 133.9, 132.7, 130.7, 129.7, 129.3, 127.6, 124.3, 122.8, 116.9, 114.3, 98.7, 79.8, 63.2, 35.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClNO}_5[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 380.0296; Found 380.0296.

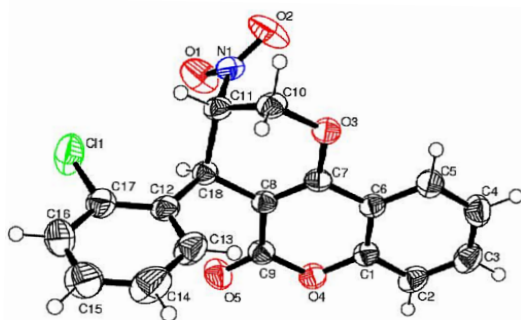


Figure 1. ORTEP diagram of 4ah.

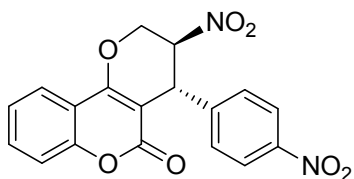
Table 1. Crystal data for compound 4ah.

Compound	Compound 4ah
Empirical formula	$\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClNO}_5$
Molecular weight	357.74
Temperature	150(2) K
Wavelength (\AA)	0.7107A
Crystal system, space group	monoclinic, P 21/c

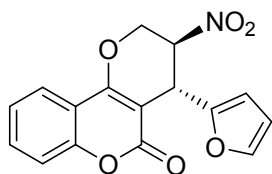
a (Å)	$a = 14.7809(9)$ Å
b (Å)	$b = 8.0602(3)$ Å
c (Å)	$c = 14.9746(8)$ Å
α (°)	$\alpha = 90$ deg.
β (°)	$\beta = 116.158(7)$ deg.
γ (°)	$\gamma = 90$ deg.
Volume (Å ³)	$1601.31(14)$ Å ³
Z, Calculated density (mg/m ³)	4, 1.484 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	0.268 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	736
Crystal size (mm)	0.15 x 0.11 x 0.05 mm
θ range (deg)	2.95 to 25.00 deg.
Limiting indices	$-17 \leq h \leq 17, -9 \leq k \leq 9, -17 \leq l \leq 16$
Reflections collected / unique	12705 / 2809 [R(int) = 0.0511]
Completeness to $\theta = 25$	99.9 %
Max. and min. transmission	0.9867 and 0.9608
Data / restraints / parameters	2809 / 0 / 226
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.072
Final R indices [I > 2 σ (I)]	R1 = 0.0579, wR2 = 0.1461
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0664, wR2 = 0.1517
Largest diff. peak and hole (e.Å ⁻³)	0.281 and -0.313 e.Å ⁻³
CCDC	1011395

***Trans*-3-nitro-4-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3,4-dihydropyrano[3,2-*c*]chromen-5(2*H*)-one**

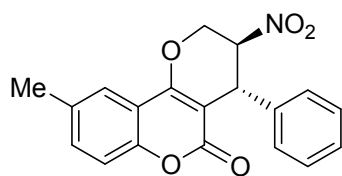
(4aj): Yield 87%; IR (KBr) ν 3439, 2925, 2853, 2360, 1710, 1629, 1576, 1553, 1518, 1494, 1454, 1411, 1376, 1350, 1321, 1273 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23-8.27 (m, 2H), 7.84-7.87 (m, 1H), 7.61-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.49-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.39 (m, 2H), 5.12-5.20 (m, 2H), 4.85-4.87 (m, 1H), 4.36-4.40 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.0, 160.4, 152.8, 147.8, 146.0, 133.1, 129.0, 124.6, 124.5, 123.0, 117.0, 114.1, 98.3, 81.6, 62.8, 38.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₁₈H₁₂N₂O₇[M+H]⁺: 369.0717; Found 369.0726.



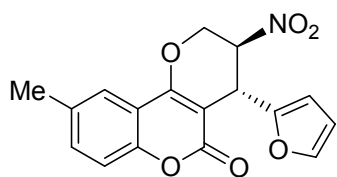
***Trans*-3-nitro-4-(2-furyl)-3,4-dihydropyrano[3,2-*c*]chromen-5(2*H*)-one (4ak):** Yield 85%; IR (KBr) ν 3433, 2924, 2853, 1718, 1631, 1556, 1495, 1456, 1410, 1377, 1359, 1321, 1274 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79-7.81 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.29-7.38 (m, 3H), 6.26-6.35 (m, 2H), 5.20 (dd, $J_1 = 12.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.06-5.07 (m, 2H), 4.58-4.62 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.1, 159.5, 152.6, 150.5, 143.0, 132.7, 124.2, 122.9, 116.8, 114.5, 111.0, 109.4, 97.9, 79.0, 64.1, 32.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₁₆H₁₁NO₆[M+H]⁺: 314.0659; Found 314.0603.



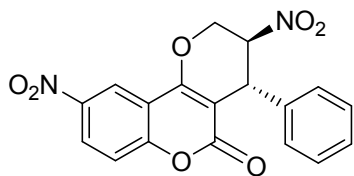
Trans-3-nitro-4-phenyl-9-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrano[3,2-c]chromen-5(2H)-one (4ba): Yield 93%; IR (KBr) ν 3441, 2924, 2853, 2360, 1710, 1634, 1586, 1552, 1494, 1454, 1425, 1397, 1373, 1355, 1306, 1270 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.30-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.29 (m, 3H), 5.09 (dd, $J_1 = 12.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.28$ Hz, 1H), 5.00 (br s, 1H), 4.83 (br s, 1H), 4.38 (dd, $J_1 = 12.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.3, 159.7, 150.9, 138.9, 134.0, 133.5, 129.4, 128.2, 127.9, 122.5, 116.6, 114.0, 98.9, 82.2, 62.7, 38.3, 20.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_5[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 360.0842; Found 360.0843.



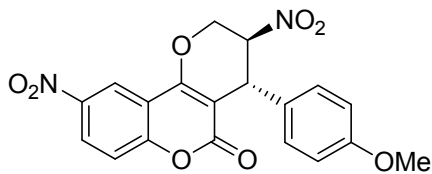
Trans-3-nitro-4-(2-furyl)-9-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrano[3,2-c]chromen-5(2H)-one (4bk): Yield 90%; IR (KBr) ν 3434, 2924, 2853, 1714, 1635, 1586, 1554, 1498, 1455, 1427, 1401, 1374, 1357, 1307, 1277 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.36-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.25 (m, 1H), 6.25-6.35 (m, 2H), 5.19 (dd, $J_1 = 12.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.28$ Hz, 1H), 5.05-5.06 (m, 2H), 4.56 (dd, $J_1 = 12.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.3, 159.5, 150.8, 150.6, 142.9, 134.1, 133.7, 122.6, 116.6, 114.1, 111.0, 109.3, 97.7, 79.0, 64.0, 32.4, 20.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_6[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 350.0635; Found 350.0642.



Trans-3,9-dinitro-4-phenyl-3,4-dihydropyrano[3,2-c]chromen-5(2H)-one (4ea): Yield 92% IR (KBr) ν 3464, 1742, 1556, 1527, 1488, 1455, 1401, 1343, 1308, 1258, 1212 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.76-8.77 (m, 1H), 8.44-8.47 (m, 1H), 7.48-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.27-7.28 (m, 1H), 5.20 (dd, $J_1 = 12.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.00-5.01 (m, 1H), 4.89-4.90 (m, 1H), 4.46-4.50 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.6, 158.4, 156.1, 144.1, 138.1, 129.7, 128.7, 127.8, 127.3, 119.5, 118.2, 114.9, 101.0, 81.9, 63.3, 38.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_7[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 391.0537; Found 391.0545.



Trans-3,9-dinitro-4-phenyl-3,4-dihydropyrano[3,2-c]chromen-5(2H)-one (4ec): Yield 89% IR (KBr) ν 3456, 2360, 1737, 1643, 1625, 1610, 1557, 1527, 1513, 1487, 1455, 1400, 1341, 1257 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.75-8.76 (m, 1H), 8.43-8.46 (m, 1H), 7.48-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 2H), 6.90-6.93 (m, 2H), 5.17 (dd, $J_1 = 12.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.85-4.94 (m, 2H), 4.46-4.50 (m, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.7, 159.6, 158.2, 156.0, 144.1, 129.9, 128.9, 127.2, 119.5, 118.1, 115.0, 114.9, 101.3, 82.0, 63.3, 55.4, 37.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_8[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 421.0642; Found 421.0650.



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