Application of Ynamides in the Synthesis of 2-Aminoindoles

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General methods

Solvents were dried according to standard procedures and flash chromatography was carried out on silica gel 60 (230–400 mesh). The ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz, ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 100 MHz and ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded at 377 MHz on a Varian Mercury 400 spectrometer. The chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to solvent residual peak. ¹ H NMR spectra are reported as follows (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, quin. = quintet, hex. = hextet, hep. = heptet, oct. = octet, br = broad; coupling constant(s) in Hz; integration). MS spectra were recorded on a LC TOF (ES) apparatus. Melting points were measured with a Büchi Melting Point B-540 apparatus. All indole reactions were carried out in 8 mL sample vials with a teflon sealed screwcap in a glovebox under an argon atmosphere. All purchased chemicals were used as received without further purification. TIPS-protected ynamides were synthesized according to literature procedure. ²

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Synthesis of terminal alkynes 1, 3-4

(S)-4-benzyl-3-ethynyloxazolidin-2-one (1)

(S)-4-benzyl-3-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)oxazolidin-2-one (48.7 mmol, 17.4 g) in 500 mL dry THF under an atmosphere of argon was cooled to -18 °C and TBAF (1 M in THF, 97.3 mmol, 97 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 10 min and then allowed to heat up to room temperature over 35 min. After quenching with 250 mL satd, ag. NH₄Cl the reaction mixture was extracted three times with Et₂O.

dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. After flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc in heptane in a gradient from 20–40%) the title compound was obtained as a pale yellow solid (8.45 g. 42.0 mmol, 86%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.32 (m, 3H), 7.21 (d, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz), 4.29 (m, 2H), 4.13 (dd, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz, 4.4 Hz), 3.23 (dd, 1H, J = 13.6 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 2.99 (s, 1H), 2.95 (dd, 1H, J = 13.6 Hz, 8.0 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 155.8, 134.1, 129.5 (2C), 129.1 (2C), 127.6, 71.8, 67.5, 62.0, 58.0, 37.6. HRMS (ES) calcd for C₁₂H₁₁NO₂Na (MNa+) 224.0682, found 224.0689. Spectroscopic data were in accordance with those reported in the literature.³ mp = 65.3 – 66.1 °C (Et₂O) [lit: 61.5–62.3 °C]³.

N-benzyl-*N*-ethynyl-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3)



H——Ns N-benzyl-4-methyl-N-((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)benzenesulfonamide (3.58 mmol, 1.58 g) in 40 mL dry THF under an atmosphere of argon was cooled to -18 °C and TBAF (1 M in THF, 7.15 mmol, 7.2 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 10 min and then allowed to heat up to room temperature over 20 min. After quenching with 25 mL satd. aq. NH₄Cl the reaction mixture was extracted three times with Et₂O, dried

over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. After flash chromatography on silica gel (10% Et₂O in pentane) and recrystallization from Et₂O the title compound was obtained as a colorless solid (459 mg, 1.61 mmol, 91%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.76 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.30 (m, 7H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 2.67 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 144.9, 134.8, 134.4, 129.9 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.5, 127.8 (2C), 76.4, 59.8, 55.4, 21.8. HRMS (ES) calcd for C₁₆H₁₅NO₂SNa (MNa⁺) 308.0721, found 308.0721. Spectroscopic data were in accordance with those reported in the literature. 4 mp = 109 – 112 °C (Et₂O) [lit: 102 – 103 °C] 45 .

Boc Hert-butyl benzyl((triisopropylsilyl)ethynyl)carbamate (5.31 mmol, 2.06 g) in 60 mL dry THF under an atmosphere of argon was cooled to 10.00 10.6 mmol, 10.6 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 10 min and then allowed to heat up to room temperature over 30 min. After quenching with 25 mL satd. aq. NH₄Cl the reaction mixture was extracted three times with Et₂O, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. After column chromatography on silica gel (Et₂O in pentane in a gradient from 4–5%) the title compound was obtained as an yellow oil (1.18 g, 5.12 mmol, 96%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.35 (m, 5H), 4.58 (s, 2H), 2.76 (s, 1H), 1.50 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 154.1, 136.4, 128.5 (2C), 128.1, 127.9 (2C), 82.8, 58.7, 53.0, 28.2 (3C). HRMS (ES) calcd for C₁₄H₁₇NO₂Na (MNa⁺) 254.1157, found 254.1151.

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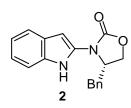
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Synthesis of indoles and benzofuranes (General method A)

To the 2-iodoaniline/2-iodophenol (1 equiv.) was added ynamide (1.2 equiv. unless otherwise stated) and Bu₄NOAc (3 equiv.) dissolved in 1.00 mL dry DMF followed by Pd(OAc)₂ (0.05 equiv.) and PPh₃ (0.20 equiv.) in 1.00 mL dry DMF. The sample vial was then fitted with a teflon sealed screwcap and removed from the glovebox. The reaction mixture was heated for the time stated for each product at 60 °C. After cooling to room temperature, water was added and the mixture was extracted three times with EtOAc, washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ and concentrated *in vacuo* on to a small amount of silica gel and purified by flash chromatography.

(S)-4-benzyl-3-(1H-indol-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (2) from General Method A



2-iodoaniline (0.50 mmol, 110 mg), **1** (0.60 mmol, 121 mg), Bu₄NOAc (1.50 mmol, 452 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.025 mmol, 6.0 mg), PPh₃ (0.10 mmol, 26 mg) were reacted for 24 h. After flash chromatography (20% EtOAc in pentane) the title compound was obtained as a pale yellow solid (118 mg, 0.40 mmol, 81%). 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.0 (s, 1H), 7.56 (dd, 1H, J = 6.8 Hz, 1.2 Hz), 7.30–7.38 (m, 5H), 7.12–7.20 (m, 4H), 6.00 (s, 1H), 4.59 (tt, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.8

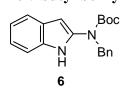
Hz), 4.45 (t, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 4.35 (dd, 1H, J = 8.8 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 3.36 (dd, 1H, J = 14.4 Hz, 2.4 Hz), 3.05 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz, 9.2 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 155.1, 134.7, 133.4, 133.1, 129.5 (2C), 129.2 (2C), 127.6, 127.3, 121.3, 120.5, 119.4, 111.0, 85.9, 67.1, 56.9, 36.8. HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{18}H_{16}N_2O_2Na$ (MNa⁺) 315.1104, found 315.1102. mp = 142.8 – 144.6 °C.

N-benzyl-N-(1H-indol-2-yl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (5) from General Method A

2-iodoaniline (0.30 mmol, 66 mg), **3** (0.36 mmol, 103 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 24 h. After flash chromatography (10% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as a colorless solid (72 mg, 0.19 mmol, 64%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.69 (s, 1H), 7.55 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.41 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.32 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.19–7.28 (m, 6H), 7.15 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.05 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 5.87 (s, 1H), 4.71 (s, 2H) 2.43 (s, 3H) ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 1.44.4 1.35.7 1.34.2 1.34.1 1.33.7

(t, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.19-7.28 (m, 6H), 7.15 (t, 1H, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.05 (t, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz), 5.87 (s, 1H), 4.71 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 144.4, 135.7, 134.2, 134.1, 133.7, 129.9 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 128.0, 127.7 (2C), 122.2, 120.3, 120.1, 111.0, 95.2, 54.3, 21.8. HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{22}H_{20}N_2O_2SNa$ (MNa⁺) 399.1143, found 399.1141. mp = 172.2 – 173.6 °C.

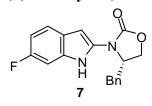
Tert-butyl benzyl(1H-indol-2-yl)carbamate (6) from General Method A



2-iodoaniline (0.30 mmol, 66 mg), **4** (0.36 mmol, 69 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 25 h. After flash chromatography (5% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as a colorless solid (39 mg, 0.12 mmol, 40%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.5 (s, 1H), 7.42 (d, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.24–7.34 (m, 6H), 7.07 (m,

2H), 5.84 (s, 1H), 4.98 (s, 2H), 1.50 (s, 9H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 128.7 (2C), 127.4 (2C), 126.6, 120.0, 119.2, 110.6, 87.0, 51.9, 28.3 (3C). HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{20}H_{22}N_2O_2Na$ (MNa⁺) 345.1579, found 345.1584.

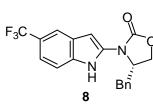
(S)-4-benzyl-3-(6-fluoro-1*H*-indol-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (7) from General Method A



5-fluoro-2-iodoaniline (0.30 mmol, 71 mg), **1** (0.36 mmol, 72 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 25 h. After flash chromatography (acetone in pentane in a gradient from 10–20%) the title compound was obtained as a colorless solid (64 mg, 0.21 mmol, 69%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.06 (s, 1H), 7.44 (dd, 1H, J = 8.8 Hz, 5.2 Hz), 7.29–7.38 (m, 3H), 7.18 (d, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz),

7.07 (dd, 1H, J = 9.2 Hz, 2.4 Hz), 6.90 (ddd, 1H, J = 9.6 Hz, 8.8 Hz, 2.4 Hz), 5.96 (d, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz), 4.56 (tt, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 4.44 (t, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 4.35 (dd, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 3.35 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 3.03 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz, 8.8 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.6, 158.2, 155.2, 134.6, 133.6 (d, J = 3.2 Hz), 133.0 (d, J = 12.5 Hz), 129.5 (2C), 129.2 (2C), 127.7, 123.6, 120.0 (d, J = 9.7 Hz), 108.9 (d, J = 23.9 Hz), 95.7 (d, J = 26.5 Hz), 85.7, 67.1, 57.0, 36.8. ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) -122.0 (td, J = 9.80 Hz, 5.28 Hz) . HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{18}H_{15}ClN_2O_2Na$ (MNa⁺) 333.1015, found 333.1024. mp = 148.8 – 150.1 °C.

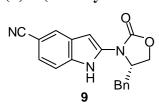
(S)-4-benzyl-3-(5-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-indol-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (8) from General Method A



2-iodo-4-(trifluoromethyl)aniline (0.30 mmol, 72 mg), 1 (0.36 mmol, 72 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 25 h. After flash chromatography (10% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as a colorless solid (52 mg, 0.15 mmol, 48%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.3 (s, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.29–7.45 (m, 5H), 7.18 (d, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz), 6.05 (s,

1H), 4.60 (tt, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 4.47 (t, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 4.38 (dd, 1H, J = 9.2 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 3.34 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 3.05 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz, 8.4 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 155.1, 135.4 (t, J = 5.8 Hz), 134.9, 134.53, 134.45, 130.4, 129.5 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 127.8, 126.80, 126.77, 124.1, 123.0 (q, J = 31.3 Hz), 121.4, 118.1 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 117.0 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 111.1, 86.3, 67.2, 56.9, 36.8. ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) -60.8 (s). HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{19}H_{15}F_3N_2O_2Na$ (MNa⁺) 383.0983, found 383.0989. mp = 150.0 – 152.6 °C.

(S)-2-(4-benzyl-2-oxooxazolidin-3-yl)-1H-indole-5-carbonitrile (9) from General Method A



4-amino-3-iodobenzonitrile (0.30 mmol, 73 mg), **1** (0.36 mmol, 72 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 25 h. After flash chromatography (20% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as a colorless solid (37 mg, 0.12 mmol, 38%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.4 (ppm) (s, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 7.41 (s, 2H), 7.29–7.38 (m, 3H), 7.18 (d, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz), 6.03

(d, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz), 4.61 (tt, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 4.49 (t, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 4.39 (dd, 1H, J = 8.8 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 3.35 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 3.05 (dd, 1H, J = 13.6 Hz, 8.4 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 155.1, 135.4, 134.9, 134.3, 129.5 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 127.9, 127.3, 124.5 (2C), 120.8, 111.7, 103.8, 86.0, 67.3, 56.9, 36.8. HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{19}H_{15}N_3O_2Na$ (MNa⁺) 340.1062, found 340.1056. mp = 179.3 – 181.3 °C.

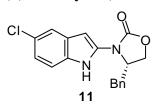
(S)-tert-butyl-2-(4-benzyl-2-oxooxazolidin-3-yl)-1H-indole-1-carboxylate (10)General Method A

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found 415.1644.

Tert-butyl 2-iodophenylcarbamate (0.30 mmol, 96 mg, 75 µL), 1 (0.50 mmol, 100 mg, 1.67 equiv.), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 25 h. After flash chromatography (10% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as an yellow oil (90 mg, 0.23 mmol, 77%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.11 (d, 1H, J = 8.8Hz), 7.56 (d, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.37 (ddd, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz), 7.22-7.31 (m, 4H), 7.12 (d, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz), 6.65 (s, 1H), 4.41-4.47 (m, 2H), 4.23 (m, 1H), 3.19 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz, 3.6 Hz), 2.84 (dd, 1H, J = 13.6 Hz, 9.6 Hz), 1.69 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 149.4, 135.34, 135.29, 130.0, 129.04 (2C), 129.01 (2C), 127.3, 127.1, 125.4, 123.2, 121.1, 116.0, 84.9, 68.6, 59.2, 39.3, 28.3 (3C), HRMS (ES) calcd for C₂₃H₂₄N₂O₄Na (MNa⁺) 415.1634,

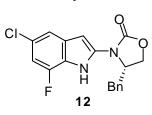
(S)-4-benzyl-3-(5-chloro-1*H*-indol-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (11) from General Method A



4-chloro-2-iodoaniline (0.30 mmol, 76 mg), 1 (0.36 mmol, 72 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 25 h. After flash chromatography (15% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as a pale green solid (85 mg, 0.26 mmol. 87%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.13 (s, 1H), 7.50 (d, 1H, J = 2.4 Hz, 7.28–7.38 (m, 4H), 7.17 (dd, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, 1.6 Hz), 7.11 (dd,

1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.0 Hz), 5.91 (d, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz), 4.54 (tt, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 4.43 (t, 1H, J = 8.4Hz), 4.34 (dd, 1H, J = 9.2 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 3.32 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 3.01 (dd, 1H, J = 13.6 Hz, 8.4 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 155.0, 134.54, 134.51, 131.4, 129.5 (2C), 129.2 (2C), 128.4, 127.7, 126.0, 121.4, 118.8, 112.0, 85.5, 67.1, 56.8, 36.8. HRMS (ES) calcd for C₁₈H₁₅ClN₂O₂Na (MNa^{+}) 349.0720, found 349.0720. mp = 74.5 – 76.5 °C.

(S)-4-benzyl-3-(5-chloro-7-fluoro-1*H*-indol-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (12) from General Method A



4-chloro-2-fluoro-6-iodoaniline (0.30 mmol, 81 mg), 1 (0.36 mmol, 72 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 25 h. After flash chromatography (10% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as a colorless solid (90 mg, 0.26 mmol, 87%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.2 (s, 1H), 7.29-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, 1H, J = 1.2 Hz), 7.17 (dt, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz, 1.6 Hz),

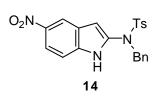
6.90 (dd, 1H, J = 12.0 Hz, 1.6 Hz), 5.94 (t, 1H, J = 2.4 Hz), 4.57 (tt, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 4.46 (t, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 4.37 (dd, 1H, J = 8.8 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 3.33 (dd, 1H, J = 13.6 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 3.04 (dd, 1H, J = 13.6 Hz), 3 13.6 Hz, 8.8 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 155.0, 149.8, 147.3, 135.1, 134.4, 131.03, 130.97, 129.5 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 127.8, 125.64, 125.56, 119.7, 119.6, 114.9, 114.8, 107.9, 107.7, 86.32, 67.2, 56.9, 36.9. ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) -132.8 (dd, J = 11.2 Hz, 4.2 Hz). HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{18}H_{14}CIFN_2O_2Na$ (MNa⁺) 367.0626, found 367.0619. mp = 133.5 – 135.0 °C.

(S)-methyl 2-(4-benzyl-2-oxooxazolidin-3-yl)-1H-indole-6-carboxylate (13) from General Method A

Methyl 3-amino-4-iodobenzoate (0.30 mmol, 83 mg), **1** (0.36 mmol, 72 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 25 h. After flash chromatography (20% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as an off-white solid (45 mg, 0.13 mmol, 42% . ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.25 (s, 1H), 8.10 (kv, 1H, J = 0.8 Hz), 7.85 (dd,

1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 1.6 Hz), 7.55 (dt, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 0.8 Hz), 7.29–7.38 (m, 3H), 7.18 (dt, 2H J = 6.8 Hz, 1.6 Hz), 6.02 (dd, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz, 0.8 Hz), 4.60 (tt, 1H, J = 8.8 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 4.46 (t, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 4.37 (dd, 1H, J = 9.2 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.36 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 3.05 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz, 8.8 Hz). 13°C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 168.1, 155.1, 136.3, 134.5, 132.3, 131.3, 129.5 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 127.8, 122.9, 122.0, 118.8, 113.1, 86.3, 67.2, 56.9, 52.0, 36.9. HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{20}H_{18}N_2O_4Na$ (MNa⁺) 373.1164, found 373.1166. mp = 179.0 – 181.5 °C.

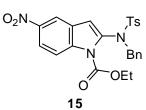
N-benzyl-4-methyl-N-(5-nitro-1H-indol-2-yl)benzenesulfonamide (14) from General Method A



2-iodo-4-nitroaniline (0.30 mmol, 79 mg), **3** (0.36 mmol, 103 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 24 h. After flash chromatography (10% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as an yellow solid (33 mg, 0.079 mmol, 26%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.18 (s, 1H), 8.35 (d, 1H, J = 2.4 Hz), 8.05 (dd, 1H, J = 8.8 Hz, 2.0 Hz), 7.53 (dt, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.0 Hz),

7.27–7.33 (m, 6H), 7.22–7.25 (m, 2H), 5.98 (dd, 1H, J = 2.4 Hz, 0.8 Hz), 4.72 (s, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 145.1, 142.2, 137.2, 136.6, 135.0, 133.6, 130.1 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 128.3, 128.1 (2C), 127.5 (2C), 126.3, 118.0, 117.3, 111.0, 96.2, 53.9, 21.8. HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{22}H_{19}N_3O_4SNa$ (MNa⁺) 444.0994, found 444.0996. mp = 203.0 – 205.4 °C.

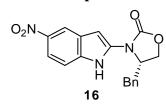
Ethyl 2-(N-benzyl-4-methylphenylsulfonamido)-5-nitro-1*H*-indole-1-carboxylate (15) from General Method A



Ethyl 2-iodo-4-nitrophenylcarbamate (0.30 mmol, 101 mg), **3** (0.36 mmol, 103 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 24 h. After flash chromatography (10% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as an yellow solid (82 mg, 0.17 mmol, 55%) in addition there was obtained 28 mg (0.066 mmol, 22% of **14**. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.32 (dd, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz, 0.8 Hz),

8.22 (s, 1H), 8.21 (d, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz), 7.57 (dt, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.0 Hz), 7.29 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.21–7.24 (m, 3H), 7.14–7.17 (m, 2H), 6.12 (d, 1H, J = 0.4 Hz), 4.77 (s, 2H), 4.51 (q, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.55 (s, 3H, J = 7.6 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 150.2, 144.3, 143.8, 138.3, 136.2, 136.0, 135.1, 129.8 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.4, 127.8 (2C), 126.3, 120.5, 117.3, 116.1, 109.1, 64.6, 55.9, 21.8, 14.3. HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{25}N_{23}N_3O_4SNa$ (MNa⁺) 516.1205, found 516.1218. mp = 57.0 – 59.8 °C.

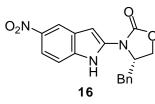
(S)-4-benzyl-3-(5-nitro-1H-indol-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (16) from General Method A via carbamate protected aniline



Ethyl 2-iodo-4-nitrophenylcarbamate (0.30 mmol, 101 mg), **1** (0.36 mmol, 72 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 23 h. After flash chromatography (20% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as an yellow solid (80 mg, 0.24 mmol, 79%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.5 (s, 1H), 8.48 (d, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz), 8.08 (dd, 1H, J = 8.8 Hz, 2.4

Hz), 7.30–7.41 (m, 4H), 7.19 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.11 (d, 1H, J = 1.6 Hz), 4.63 (tt, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 4.51 (t, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 4.41 (dd, 1H, J = 9.2 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 3.37 (dd, 1H, J = 14.4 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 3.07 (dd, 1H, J = 14.4 Hz, 8.8 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 155.1, 142.6, 136.3, 136.1, 134.3, 129.5 (2C), 129.4 (2C), 127.9, 126.9, 117.2, 116.3, 110.8, 87.2, 67.4, 56.9, 36.9. HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{18}H_{15}N_3O_4Na$ (MNa⁺) 360.0960, found 360.0966. mp = 187 – 189.3 °C.

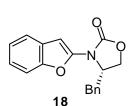
(S)-4-benzyl-3-(5-nitro-1*H*-indol-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (16) from General Method A



2-iodo-4-nitroaniline (0.30 mmol, 79 mg), **1** (0.50 mmol, 100 mg, 1.67 equiv.), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 22 h. After flash chromatography (EtOAc in pentane in a gradient 30–50%) the title compound was obtained as an yellow solid (32 mg, 0.09 mmol, 32%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 10.5 (s, 1H), 8.48 (d, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz),

8.08 (dd, 1H, J = 8.8 Hz, 2.4 Hz), 7.30–7.41 (m, 4H), 7.19 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.11 (d, 1H, J = 1.6 Hz), 4.63 (tt, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 4.51 (t, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 4.41 (dd, 1H, J = 9.2 Hz, 2.8 Hz), 3.37 (dd, 1H, J = 14.4 Hz, 3.2 Hz), 3.07 (dd, 1H, J = 14.4 Hz, 8.8 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 155.1, 142.6, 136.3, 136.1, 134.3, 129.5 (2C), 129.4 (2C), 127.9, 126.9, 117.2, 116.3, 110.8, 87.2, 67.4, 56.9, 36.9. HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{18}H_{15}N_3O_4Na$ (MNa+) 360.0960, found 360.0966. mp = 187 – 189.3 °C.

(S)-3-(benzofuran-2-vl)-4-benzyloxazolidin-2-one (18) from General Method A



2-iodophenol (0.30 mmol, 66 mg), **1** (0.51 mmol, 103 mg, 1.7 equiv.), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 23 h. After flash chromatography (10% acetone in pentane) 35 mg of a mixture of the title compound and (S)-3-acetyl-4-benzyloxazolidin-2-one was obtained in a 1.5 : 1 ratio. Corrected yield of (**18**) is 23.1 mg, 0.079 mmol, 26% (colorless solid). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) *inter alia* 7.34–7.36 (m, 1H), 7.11–7.28 (m, 7H), 6.68 (d, 1H, J = 0.8 Hz), 4.73 (tt, 1H, J =

7.45–7.47 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.36 (m, 1H), 7.11–7.28 (m, 7H), 6.68 (d, 1H, J = 0.8 Hz), 4.73 (tt, 1H, J = 9.2 Hz, 4.0 Hz), 4.33 (t, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 4.20 (dd, 1H, J = 9.2 Hz, 4.0 Hz), 2.22 (dd, 1H, J = 14.0, 4.0), 2.88 (dd, 1H, J = 13.6 Hz, 8.8 Hz). HRMS (ES) calcd for $C_{18}H_{15}NO_3Na$ (MNa⁺) 316.0950, found 316.0948.

N-(benzofuran-2-yl)-N-benzyl-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (19) from General Method A

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2-iodophenol (0.30 mmol, 66 mg), **3** (0.36 mmol, 103 mg), Bu₄NOAc (0.90 mmol, 271 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.015 mmol, 3.4 mg), PPh₃ (0.060 mmol, 16 mg) were reacted for 24 h. After flash chromatography (5% acetone in pentane) the title compound was obtained as a colorless solid (35 mg, 0.09 mmol, 31%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.67 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.45 (d, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.21–7.32 (m,

9H), 7.18 (td, 1H, J = 8.8 Hz, 1.2 Hz), 6.48 (d, 1H, J = 0.8 Hz), 4.81 (s, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) 152.4, 147.8, 144.3, 136.0, 135.5, 129.9 (2C), 128.63 (2C), 128.59 (2C), 128.1, 127.8 (2C), 124.6, 123.1, 121.3, 111.1, 103.0, 53.3, 21.8. HRMS (ES) calcd for C₂₂H₁₉NO₃SNa (MNa⁺) 400.0983, found 400.0983. mp = 111.8 – 114.3 °C.

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