

**Supporting Information for  
Metal-Free Tandem Reaction Synthesis of Spiro-cyclopropyl  
Fused Pyrazolin-5-one Derivatives**

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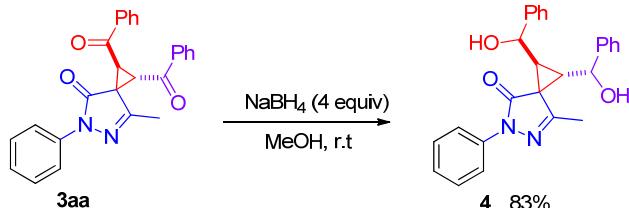
## 1. General Methods

NMR data were obtained for  $^1\text{H}$  at 400 MHz or 600 MHz, and for  $^{13}\text{C}$  at 100 MHz or 151 MHz. Chemical shifts were reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  solution. ESI HRMS was recorded on a Waters SYNAPT G2 and Water XEVO G2 Q-ToF. UV detection was monitored at 220 nm. The UV-vis spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu UV-2450 spectrometer. TLC was performed on glass-backed silica plates. 3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one was commercially available, other pyrazolones and sulfoxonium ylides were prepared according to the literature procedures.<sup>1,2</sup> 3-methyl-5-phenyl-1*H*pyrazole-4,5-dione **5** and unsaturated pyrazolone **6** were prepared according to the literature procedures<sup>3,4</sup>.

## 2. General Procedure for Synthesis of Spiropyrazolone Product **3aa**

3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one **1a** (8.7 mg, 0.05 mmol) and sulfoxonium ylide **2a** (29.4 mg, 3.0 equiv.) and *p*-nitrobenzoic acid (25.2 mg, 3.0 equiv.) were stirred in toluene (0.5 mL) at 120 °C for 12 h. After completion, the mixture was concentrated under vacuum and purified by flash chromatography eluting with ethyl acetate and petroleum ether (1:10) to give the product **3aa** as light yellow oil (19.0 mg, 93%).

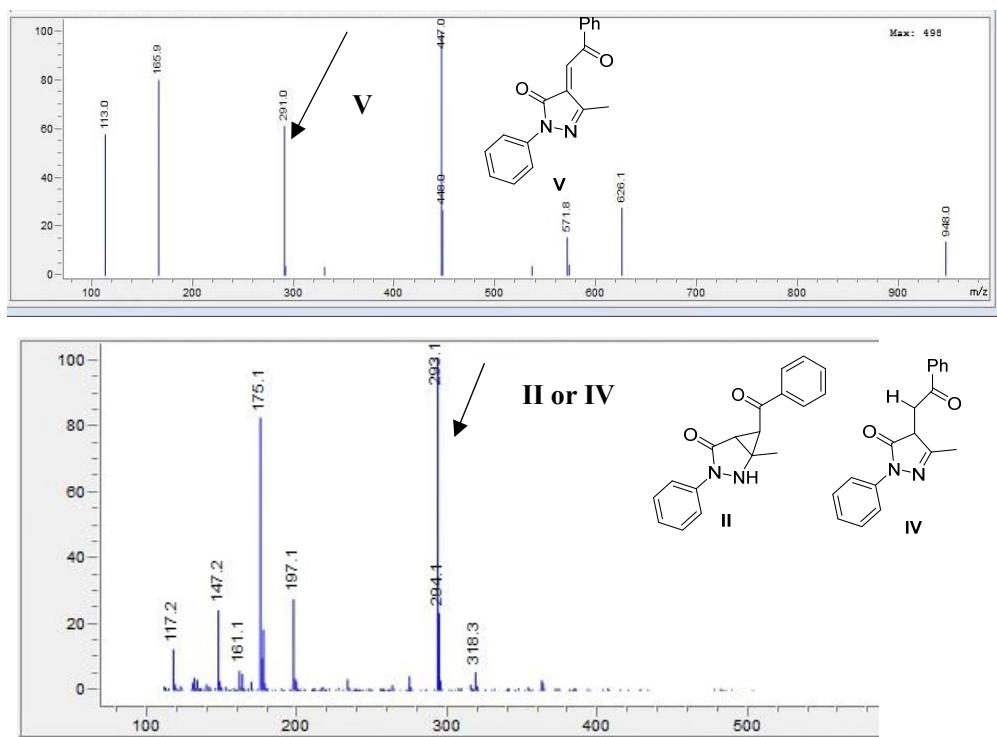
## 3. Synthetic Application of Spiropyrazolone Product **3aa**



1,2-bis(hydroxy(phenyl)methyl)-7-methyl-5-phenyl-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-6-en-4-one **4**: To a solution of the product **3aa** (20.4 mg, 0.05 mmol) in anhydrous  $\text{MeOH}$  (1 mL) was added  $\text{NaBH}_4$  (7.6 mg, 4 equiv) in small portions. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 5 min. After completion, the reaction mixture was separated and extracted with ethyl acetate (5 mL  $\times$  3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine and dried over anhydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . Concentration in vacuo and purification by column chromatography afforded the **4** (17.1 mg, 83%) as a white solid.

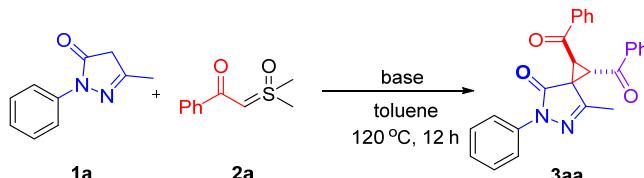
## 4. Determination of Products by LCMS Data

The intermediate **II** (or intermediate **IV**) and **V** could be observed by LCMS when **1a** and **2a** reacted under standard conditions for 1 h.



## 5. Experimental Section

**Table S1. Screening of bases.<sup>a</sup>**

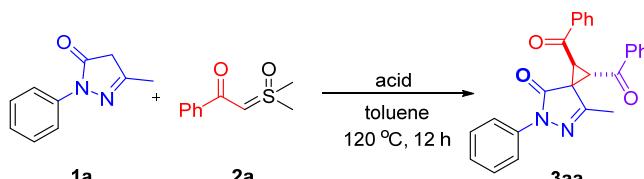


entry	base/equiv	yield (%) <sup>b</sup> <b>3aa</b>
1	NaOAc/1	13
2	KOAc/1	ND
3	LiOAc.H <sub>2</sub> O/1	ND
4	Zn(OAc) <sub>2</sub> .H <sub>2</sub> O/1	ND
5	t-BuOK/1	ND
6	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> /1	ND
7	Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub> /1	ND

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions unless otherwise specified: 0.05 mmol of **1a**, 3.0 equiv. of **2a**, 0.5 mL of toluene, 120 °C, under air, 12 h.

<sup>b</sup> Isolated yield

**Table S2. Screening of acids.<sup>a</sup>**

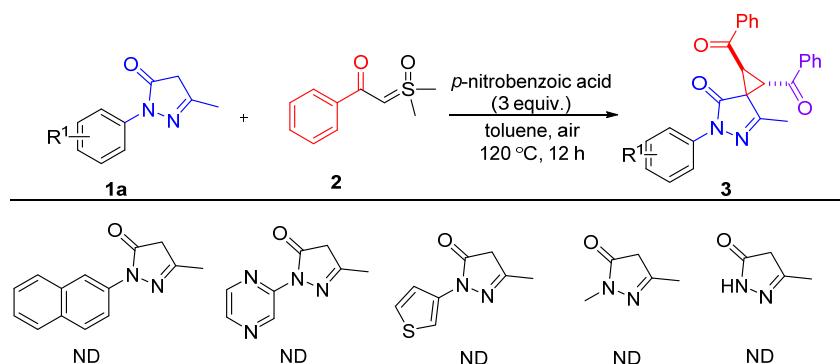


entry	base/equiv	yield (%) <sup>b</sup> <b>3aa</b>
1	4-(Trifluoromethyl)benzoic acid/1	62
2	4-Cyanobenzoic acid/1	55
3	Terephthalic acid/1	50
4	2-Nitrophenylacetic acid/1	34
5	3-Hydroxypivalic acid/1	47
6	HOAc/1	39
7	Citric acid/1	48
8	Cyanoacetic acid/1	31

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions unless otherwise specified: 0.05 mmol of **1a**, 3.0 equiv. of **2a**, 0.5 mL of toluene, 120 °C, under air, 12 h.

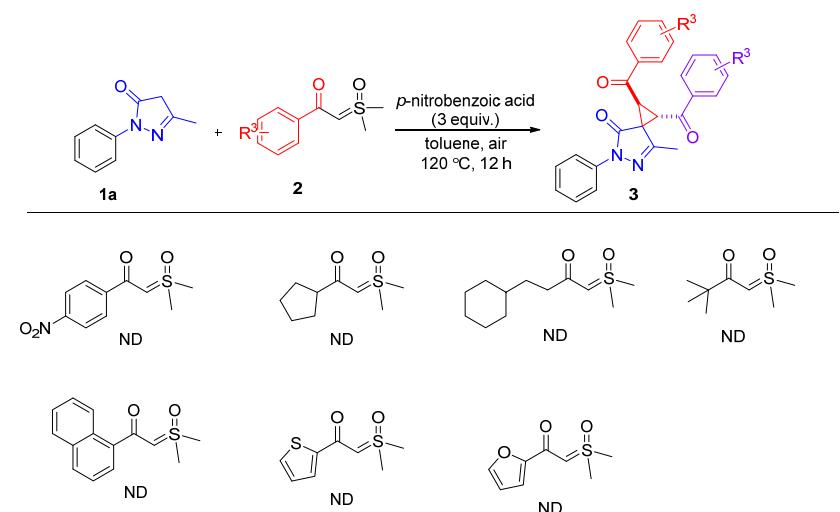
<sup>b</sup> Isolated yield

## 6. The Scope of *N*-arylpnazol-5-ones<sup>a</sup>



**Scheme S1:**<sup>a</sup> Unless otherwise mentioned all reactions were performed with 0.05 mmol of **1a**, 3.0 equiv. of **2**, 3.0 equiv. of *p*-nitrobenzoic acid, toluene (0.5 mL), 120 °C, 12 h, under air. Isolated yield

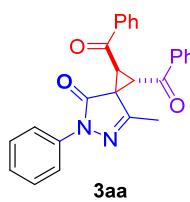
## The Scope of Sulfoxonium Ylides<sup>a</sup>



**Scheme S2:**<sup>a</sup> Unless otherwise mentioned all reactions were performed with 0.05 mmol of **1a**, 3.0 equiv. of **2**, 3.0 equiv. of *p*-nitrobenzoic acid, toluene (0.5 mL), 120 °C, 12 h, under air. Isolated yield

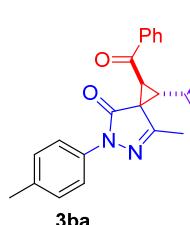
## 7. Characterization Data for Pyrazolin-5-one Derivatives

(4-methyl-7-oxo-6-phenyl-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3aa**). Light yellow oil, 12 h, 19.0 mg, 93% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.04-8.02 (s, 1H), 7.79



(dd,  $J_1$  = 8.8 Hz,  $J_2$  = 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (t,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.6 Hz,  $J_2$  = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 191.1, 188.8, 166.8, 155.0, 137.9, 135.7, 135.7, 134.6, 134.0, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.8, 128.4, 125.2, 118.6, 45.0, 39.2, 38.3, 15.1 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3+\text{H}$  409.1552, found 409.1555.

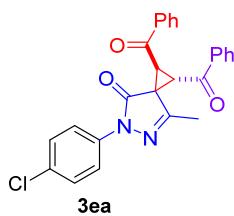
(4-methyl-7-oxo-6-(p-tolyl)-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3ba**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 15.4 mg, 73% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.03



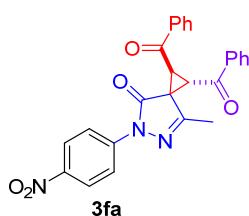
(d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.86 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.65-7.62 (m, 3H), 7.55 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.33 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 190.6, 188.4, 166.9, 155.2, 145.0, 138.0, 133.3, 133.3, 129.8, 129.6, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 125.1, 118.6, 44.9, 39.3, 38.4, 21.7, 21.7, 15.1 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3+\text{H}$  423.1709, found 423.1711.

(6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-methyl-7-oxo-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3ca**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 7.9 mg, 36% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.97-7.94 (m, 2H), 7.80-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.64 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.49 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.80-6.76 (m, 2H), 4.26 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 191.2, 188.9, 166.4, 157.1, 154.8, 135.7, 134.0, 131.3, 129.1, 128.9, 128.4, 120.5, 113.9, 55.4, 44.9, 39.0, 38.2, 15.1 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4+\text{Na}$  461.1477, found 461.1476.

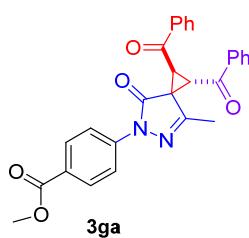
(6-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-methyl-7-oxo-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3da**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 16.0 mg, 75% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.03 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.86 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.76-7.74 (m, 2H), 7.64 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t,  $J$  = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 191.0, 188.7, 176.4, 166.7, 159.9 ( $J_{CF}$  = 243.4 Hz), 155.2, 135.7 ( $J_{CF}$  = 4.1 Hz), 134.6, 134.1, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 120.5 ( $J_{CF}$  = 8.0 Hz), 115.5 ( $J_{CF}$  = 22.5 Hz), 44.8, 39.2, 38.4, 15.1 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{19}\text{FN}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Na}$  449.1277, found 449.1277.



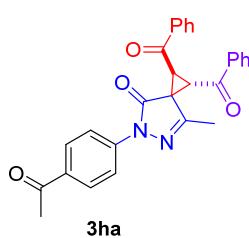
(6-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-methyl-7-oxo-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3ea**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 14.1 mg, 64% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.02 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.86 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d,  $J$  = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (t,  $J$  = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 190.9, 188.6, 166.8, 155.4, 136.5, 135.7, 135.6, 134.6, 134.1, 130.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 119.7, 44.9, 39.3, 38.5, 15.2 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{19}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_3+\text{H}$  465.0982, found 465.0979.



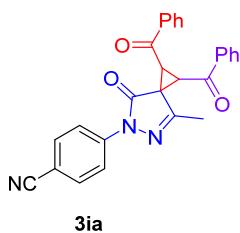
(4-methyl-6-(4-nitrophenyl)-7-oxo-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3fa**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 14.3 mg, 63% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.21 (d,  $J$  = 9.6 Hz, 2H), 8.07 (d,  $J$  = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 8.03 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.88 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.38 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 190.6, 188.2, 167.5, 156.6, 144.1, 142.8, 135.5, 135.5, 134.8, 134.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.4, 124.8, 117.8, 44.8, 39.8, 38.9, 15.3 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_3\text{O}_5+\text{H}$  454.1403, found 454.1404.



methyl 4-(1,2-dibenzoyl-7-methyl-4-oxo-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-6-en-5-yl)benzoate (**3ga**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 14.9 mg, 64% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.02 (t,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.94 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.87 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.36 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 190.8, 188.5, 167.2, 166.5, 155.8, 135.6, 134.7, 134.1, 130.5, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 117.6, 52.0, 44.9, 39.5, 38.6, 15.2 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5+\text{H}$  467.1607, found 467.1607.

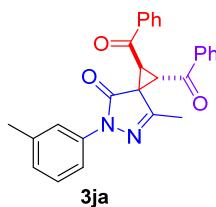


(6-(4-acetylphenyl)-4-methyl-7-oxo-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3ha**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 11.5 mg, 51% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.03 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.97-7.93 (m, 4H), 7.87 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.37 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 196.9, 190.8, 188.5, 167.2, 155.9, 135.6, 134.7, 134.2, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 117.7, 44.9, 39.5, 38.6, 26.4, 15.2 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4+\text{H}$  451.1658, found 451.1657.

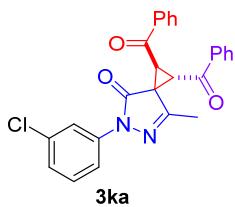


4-(1,2-dibenzoyl-7-methyl-4-oxo-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-6-en-5-yl)benzonitrile (**3ia**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 16.0 mg, 74% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.03-8.00 (m, 4H), 7.88-7.86 (m, 2H), 7.65-7.61 (m, 3H), 7.57 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.36 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 190.6, 188.3, 167.4, 156.3, 134.8, 134.2, 133.0, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 118.7, 118.2, 108.1, 44.9, 39.7, 38.8, 15.2 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3+\text{H}$  434.1505, found 434.1502.

(4-methyl-7-oxo-6-(m-tolyl)-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3ja**).

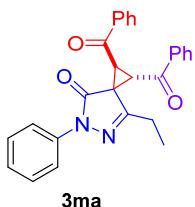


Yellow oil, 12 h, 15.0 mg, 71% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.05 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.68-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.59 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 1H), 6.99 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 191.1, 188.8, 166.8, 154.9, 138.8, 137.9, 135.7, 135.7, 134.6, 134.0, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 126.1, 119.2, 115.7, 45.0, 39.2, 38.2, 21.5, 15.1 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Na}$  445.1528, found 445.1528.



(6-(3-chlorophenyl)-4-methyl-7-oxo-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3ka**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 15.0 mg, 68% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.96-7.93 (m, 2H), 7.82 (t,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80-7.78 (m, 2H), 7.69-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.57 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.19-7.15 (m, 1H), 7.05-7.02 (m, 1H), 4.28 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 190.9, 188.5, 166.9, 155.5, 138.9, 135.6, 135.6, 134.7, 134.6, 134.1, 129.9, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 125.1, 118.5, 116.3, 44.9, 39.4, 38.5, 15.1 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{19}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Na}$  465.0982, found 465.0988.

(4-ethyl-7-oxo-6-phenyl-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3ma**).



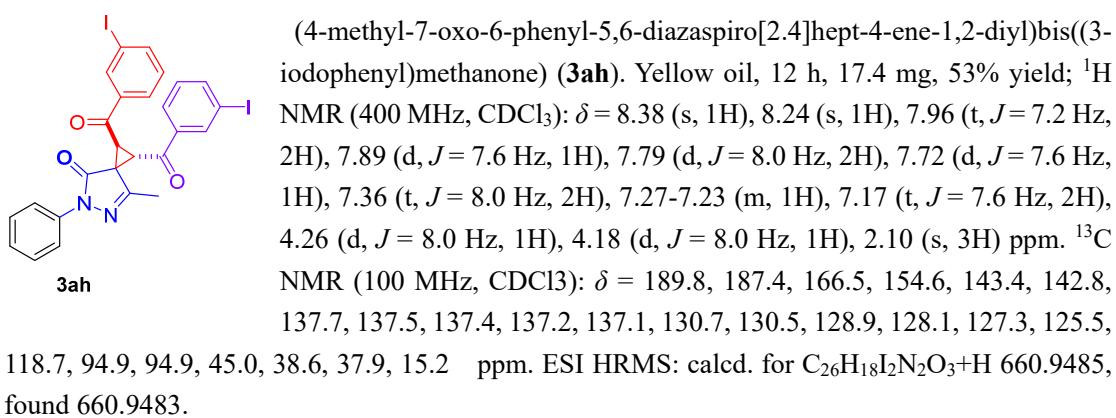
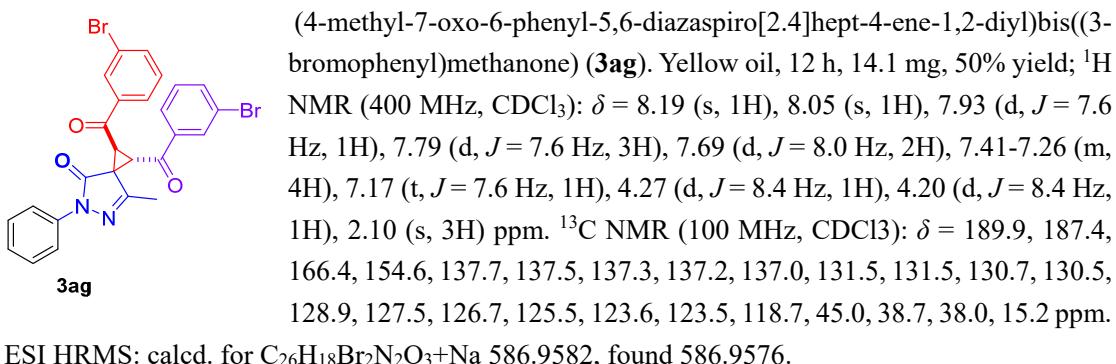
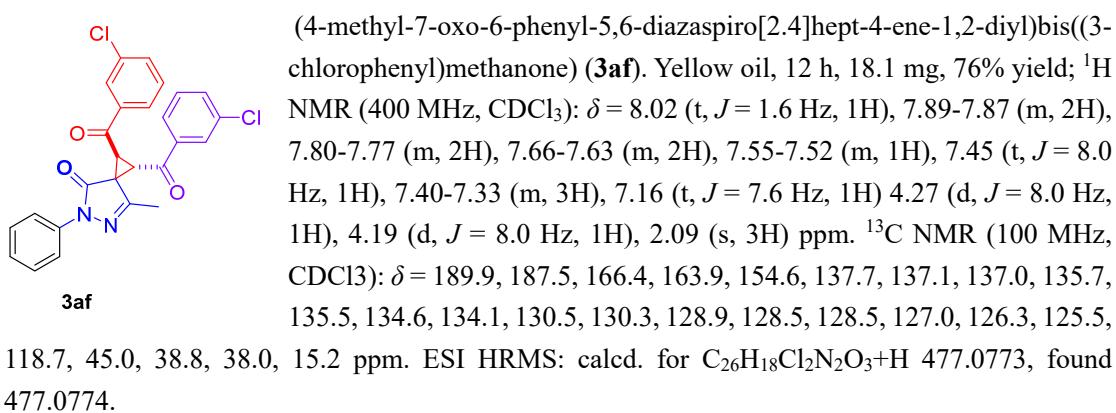
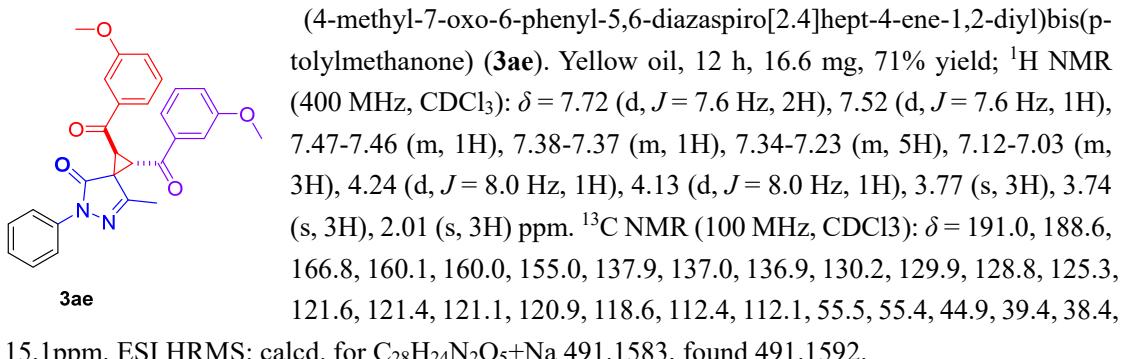
Yellow oil, 12 h, 12.4 mg, 59% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.95-7.93 (m, 2H), 7.84-7.75 (m, 4H), 7.56 (tt,  $J_1$  = 7.2 Hz,  $J_2$  = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (tt,  $J_1$  = 7.6 Hz,  $J_2$  = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.07 (tt,  $J_1$  = 8.4 Hz,  $J_2$  = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.37-2.29 (m, 1H), 2.17-2.07 (m, 1H), 1.20 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 191.2, 188.9, 167.0, 158.8, 138.1, 135.7, 134.6, 134.0, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.4, 125.2, 118.6, 44.8, 39.4, 38.3, 22.0, 9.9 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Na}$  445.1528, found 445.1525.

(7-oxo-4,6-diphenyl-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone) (**3na**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 13.4 mg, 57% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.02 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (q,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.33 (m, 6H), 7.27 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 191.0, 188.6, 166.8, 160.1, 160.0, 155.0, 137.9, 137.0, 136.9, 130.2, 129.9, 128.8, 125.3, 121.6, 121.4, 121.1, 120.9, 118.6, 112.4, 112.1, 55.5, 55.4, 44.9, 39.4, 38.4, 15.1 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3+\text{H}$  471.1709, found 471.1709.

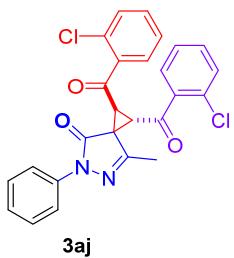
(4-methyl-7-oxo-6-phenyl-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(p-tolylmethanone) (**3ab**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 16.4 mg, 75% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.92 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.76 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 190.6, 188.4, 166.9, 155.2, 145.8, 145.0, 138.0, 133.3, 129.8, 129.6, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 125.1, 118.6, 44.9, 39.3, 38.4, 21.8, 21.7, 15.1 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3+\text{H}$  437.1865, found 437.1859.

(4-methyl-7-oxo-6-phenyl-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(p-tolylmethanone) (**3ac**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 19.3 mg, 81% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.02 (t,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.89-7.87 (m, 2H), 7.80-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.66-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.55-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.45 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.16 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 189.8, 187.5, 166.5, 154.6, 141.4, 140.7, 137.7, 133.9, 133.8, 130.1, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 128.8, 125.4, 118.5, 44.8, 38.8, 38.0, 15.1 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{18}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Na}$  499.0592, found 499.0595.

(4-methyl-7-oxo-6-phenyl-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis((4-bromophenyl)methanone) (**3ad**). Yellow oil, 12 h, 12.1 mg, 43% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.88 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.07 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 190.1, 187.8, 166.5, 154.7, 134.3, 134.3, 132.5, 132.4, 130.3, 130.2, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 125.4, 118.6, 44.9, 38.9, 125.4, 118.6, 44.9, 38.9, 38.0, 15.1 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{18}\text{Br}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Na}$  586.9582, found 586.9574.

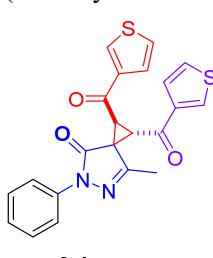


(4-methyl-7-oxo-6-phenyl-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis((2-chlorophenyl)methanone)

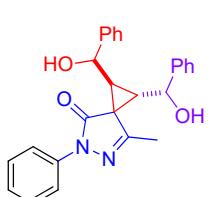


**(3aj).** Yellow oil, 12 h, 9.3 mg, 39% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.80 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.42 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.31 (m, 7H), 7.15 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 193.1, 191.1, 167.1, 155.5, 137.9, 137.2, 137.0, 133.5, 133.2, 132.5, 131.9, 131.7, 131.0, 130.5, 130.4, 128.8, 127.3, 127.3, 125.3, 118.8, 48.0, 43.5, 41.9, 15.4 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{18}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_3+\text{H}$  477.0773, found 477.0772.

(4-methyl-7-oxo-6-phenyl-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-4-ene-1,2-diyl)bis(thiophen-3-ylmethanone)



**(3ak).** Yellow oil, 12 h, 13.9 mg, 66% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.82 (dd,  $J_1$  = 4.0 Hz,  $J_2$  = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.71 (dd,  $J_1$  = 4.8 Hz,  $J_2$  = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (dd,  $J_1$  = 5.2 Hz,  $J_2$  = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd,  $J_1$  = 4.0 Hz,  $J_2$  = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.12-7.06 (m, 2H), 7.04-7.02 (m, 1H), 4.19 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.07 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 183.3, 181.1, 166.7, 155.1, 143.0, 142.4, 137.9, 136.1, 134.8, 13.4, 132.8, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 125.2, 118.6, 45.0, 39.7, 38.8, 15.2 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}_2+\text{Na}$  443.0500, found 443.0504



1,2-bis(hydroxy(phenyl)methyl)-7-methyl-5-phenyl-5,6-diazaspiro[2.4]hept-6-en-4-one (**4**). White solid, 5 min, 17.1 mg, 83% yield;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.90 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.13-7.08 (m, 1H), 5.21 (dd,  $J_1$  = 8.4 Hz,  $J_2$  = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (d,  $J_1$  = 9.6 Hz,  $J_2$  = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.82-2.76 (m, 1H), 2.65-2.61 (m, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 171.4, 157.8, 142.2, 141.5, 138.4, 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 127.6, 125.4, 125.4, 125.1, 119.1, 73.6, 69.2, 46.7, 45.4, 41.8, 15.8 ppm. ESI HRMS: calcd. for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Na}$  435.1685, found 435.1684.

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## 8. NMR Spectra of Pyrazolin-5-one Derivatives

