Supporting Information

Three-component synthesis of 1,4-benzothiazines via iodide-catalyzed aerobic C-H sulfuration with elemental

sulfur

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General information

All reactions were carried out under oxygen atmosphere unless otherwise noted. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (200-300 mesh). ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker-AV (400 and 100 MHz, respectively) instrument internally referenced to tetramethylsilane (TMS) or chloroform signals. Mass spectra were measured on Agilent 5975 GC-MS instrument (EI). High-resolution mass spectra were recorded with the Thermo Scientific LTQ Orbitrap XL mass spectrometer (ESI). The structures of compounds were further corroborated by comparing their ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR data and MS data with those of literature. All reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. The molecular weight of S is determined to be 32 g/mol unless otherwise noted.

General procedure for the synthesis of 1,4-benzothiazine

Acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol), S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol), KI (50 mol%), DMSO (4 equiv) and chlorobenzene (PhCl, 2.2 mL) were added successfully to a 10 mL oven-dried reaction vessel. The sealed reaction vessel was stirred at 150 °C for 16 h under oxygen atmosphere. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction was diluted with ethyl acetate (5 mL) and filtered through a short column of silica gel with additional ethyl acetate (15 mL), the volatiles were removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOA: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3a** as yellow solid (44.6 mg, 71%), mp: 142-143 °C.

Characterization data of products

(Z)-N,3-Diphenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3a)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3a** (44.6 mg, 71%) as yellow solid.

mp: 142-143 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.14 – 8.00 (m, 2H), 7.75 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.40 (m, 5H), 7.36 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.12 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01 – 6.87 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.8, 150.0, 149.6, 137.8, 137.6, 131.8, 130.0, 129.8, 129.6, 128.6, 127.9, 127.1, 125.4, 125.2, 124.4, 118.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₅N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 315.0951, found 315.0954.

(Z)-N-Phenyl-3-(p-tolyl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3b)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(p-tolyl)ethan-1-one (**1b**, 54 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3b** (33.5 mg, 51%) as orange solid. mp: 155-156 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.27 – 7.17 (m, 4H), 7.09 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.7, 150.1, 149.7, 140.3, 137.9, 134.8, 131.7, 129.8, 129.6, 128.6, 128.3, 127.0, 125.3, 125.1, 124.3, 118.8, 21.4; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₁₇N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 329.1107, found 329.1112.

(Z)-3-(4-Isobutylphenyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3c)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(4-isobutylphenyl)ethan-1-one (1c, 76 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (2a, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product 3c (43.7

mg, 59%) as yellow solid. mp: 94-95 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 4H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.96 – 1.86 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.7, 150.1, 149.7, 144.2, 137.9, 135.0, 131.7, 129.7, 129.6, 128.7, 128.3, 127.0, 125.3, 125.2, 124.4, 118.8, 45.4, 30.1, 22.4; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₄H₂₃N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 371.1577, found 371.1578.

(Z)-3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3d)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (**1d**, 60 mg, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 50/1) to yield the desired product **3d** (31.0 mg, 45%) as yellow solid. mp: 127-128 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 7.01 – 6.88 (m, 4H), 3.85 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.3, 154.8, 150.2, 149.6, 138.0, 131.6, 131.5, 129.9, 129.6, 128.1, 127.0, 125.3, 125.1, 124.2, 118.8, 113.3, 55.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₁₇N₂OS⁺ (M+H)⁺ 345.1056, found 345.1057.

(Z)-3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3e)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(4-fluorophenyl)ethan-1-one (**1e**, 49 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3e** (42.5 mg, 64%) as yellow solid. mp: 117-118 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 – 8.03 (m, 2H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.29 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.06 (m, 3H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.2, 162.7, 154.5, 150.1, 149.5, 137.7, 133.5 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz), 132.0 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 131.8, 129.7, 128.7, 127.2, 125.3 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz), 124.4, 118.7, 114.9 (d, *J* = 21.5 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -110.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₄FN₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 333.0856, found 333.0858.

(Z)-3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3f)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(4-chlorophenyl)ethan-1-one (**1f**, 54 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3f** (49.4 mg, 71%) as yellow solid. mp: 104-105 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.73 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.29 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.15 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.5, 149.9, 149.4, 137.6, 136.2, 135.9, 131.9, 131.3, 129.7, 128.8, 128.1, 127.2, 125.4(1), 125.3 (7), 124.5, 118.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₄ClN₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 349.0561, found 349.0560.

(Z)-3-(4-Bromophenyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3g)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(4-bromophenyl)ethan-1-one (**1g**, 82 mg, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3g** (50.9 mg, 65%) as yellow solid. mp: 116-117 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.49 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.12 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.6, 149.9, 149.4, 137.6, 136.4, 131.9, 131.5, 131.1, 129.7, 128.8, 127.2, 125.4(0), 125.3 (6), 124.6, 124.4, 118.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₄BrN₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 393.0056, found 393.0057.

(Z)-3-(4-Nitrophenyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3h)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(4-nitrophenyl)ethan-1-one (**1h**, 68 mg, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 50/1) to yield the desired product **3h** (41.7 mg, 58%) as orange solid. mp: 192-193 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.35 – 8.16 (m, 4H), 7.81 – 7.72 (m, 1H), 7.51 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.8, 149.6, 149.0, 148.4, 143.8, 137.4, 132.3, 130.9, 129.8, 129.6, 127.4, 125.6, 125.6, 124.7, 123.0, 118.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₄N₃O₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 360.0801, found 360.0797.

(Z)-4-(2-(Phenylimino)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-3-yl)benzonitrile (3i)



The reaction was conducted with 4-acetylbenzonitrile (**1i**, 59 mg, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 20/1) to yield the desired product **3i** (42.7 mg, 63%) as yellow solid. mp: 147-148 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.16 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.77 – 7.70 (m, 3H), 7.48 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.9, 149.6, 149.1, 142.0, 137.4, 132.2, 131.6, 130.5, 129.7, 129.4, 127.4, 125.6, 125.5, 124.6, 118.7, 113.2; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₁₄N₃S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 340.0902(9), found 340.0903(3).

(Z)-N-Phenyl-3-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3j)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)ethan-1-one (**1j**, 65 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3j** (56.5 mg, 71%) as yellow solid. mp: 103-104 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.13 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.19 (m, 5H), 7.15 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.97 – 6.87 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.3, 150.4, 150.0, 149.4, 137.6, 136.0, 131.9, 131.6, 129.7, 128.9, 127.2, 125.4, 124.5, 120.1, 118.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -57.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₁₄F₃N₂OS⁺ (M+H)⁺ 399.0773, found 399.0775.

(Z)-N-Phenyl-3-(m-tolyl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3k)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(m-tolyl)ethan-1-one (**1k**, 54 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S₈ (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3k** (39.4 mg, 60%) as orange solid. mp: 140-141 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.97 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.2, 150.1, 149.7, 137.8, 137.6, 137.6, 131.8, 130.9, 130.2, 129.6, 128.5, 127.7, 127.1, 127.0, 125.4, 125.2, 124.4, 118.8, 21.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₁₇N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 329.1107, found 329.1111.

(Z)-3-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3l)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(3-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (**11**, 56 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 5/1) to yield the desired product **31** (37.9 mg, 55%) as orange liquid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.12 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, J = 8.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.95 – 6.89 (m, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.2, 155.6, 150.0, 149.6, 138.9, 137.8, 131.8, 129.6, 128.9, 128.6, 127.1, 125.4, 125.2, 124.5, 122.4, 118.8, 115.9, 115.3, 55.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. for C₂₁H₁₇N₂OS⁺ (M+H)⁺ 345.1056, found 345.1050.

(Z)-3-(3-Chlorophenyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3m)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(3-chlorophenyl)ethan-1-one (**1m**, 53 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3m** (49.4 mg, 71%) as orange solid. mp: 92-93 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 – 8.00 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 7.75 (dd, 1H), 7.48 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.40 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 6.98 – 6.87 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.4, 149.7, 149.4, 139.3, 137.6, 133.9, 132.0, 130.0, 129.9, 129.7, 129.0(3), 128.9 (7), 128.1, 127.2, 125.4 (3), 125.3 (8), 124.6, 118.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₄ClN₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 349.0561, found 349.0564.

(Z)-3-(3-Bromophenyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3n)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(3-bromophenyl)ethan-1-one (**1n**, 54 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3n** (43.1 mg, 55%) as yellow solid. mp: 99-100 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.22 – 8.17 (m, 1H), 8.01 – 7.98 (m, 1H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.47 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.95 – 6.90 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.2, 149.7, 149.4, 139.6, 137.5, 132.9, 132.7, 132.0, 129.7, 129.3, 129.0, 128.6, 127.2, 125.4, 125.4, 124.5, 122.0, 118.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₄BrN₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 393.0056, found 393.0060.

(Z)-N-Phenyl-3-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (30)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethan-1-one (**10**, 62 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **30** (48.9 mg, 64%) as yellow solid. mp: 127-128 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.33 (s, 1H), 8.26 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (td, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.3, 149.7, 149.3, 138.3, 137.5, 133.2, 132.1, 130.4 (q, J = 31.8 Hz), 129.7, 129.1, 128.2, 127.3, 126.9 (q, J = 7.8 Hz), 126.5 (q, J = 7.5 Hz), 125.5, 125.4, 124.6, 124.0 (q, J = 272 Hz), 118.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₁₄F₃N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 383.0824, found 383.0823.

(Z)-N-Phenyl-3-(o-tolyl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3p)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(o-tolyl)ethan-1-one (**1p**, 53 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 100/1) to yield the desired product **3p** (29.5 mg, 45%) as orange liquid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.25 (m, 7H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 6.89 – 6.80 (m, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.0, 150.5, 150.0, 138.6, 137.5, 135.8, 132.0, 130.3, 129.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 127.2, 125.8, 125.6,

125.1, 124.4, 118.5, 20.2; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{21}H_{17}N_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 329.1107, found 329.1109.

(Z)-3-(2-Chlorophenyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3q)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(2-chlorophenyl)ethan-1-one (**1q**, 53 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3q** (29.3 mg, 42%) as orange liquid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.24 (m, 7H), 7.20 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.0, 149.8, 149.7, 138.3, 137.6, 132.5, 132.1, 130.5, 130.1, 129.6, 129.5, 129.1, 127.2, 127.0, 125.7, 125.2, 124.7, 118.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₄ClN₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 349.0561, found 349.0563.

(Z)-N-Phenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3r)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(thiophen-2-yl)ethan-1-one (**1r**, 44 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3r** (14.8 mg, 23%) as yellow solid. mp: 165-166 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.41 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 7.77 – 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.51 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 7.01 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.0, 148.5, 147.9, 140.4, 137.5, 132.7, 132.3, 131.5, 129.7, 128.1, 127.4, 127.1, 125.3, 125.2, 123.6, 119.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{18}H_{13}N_2S_2^+$ (M+H)⁺ 321.0515, found 321.0518.

(Z)-N-Phenyl-3-(thiophen-3-yl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3s)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(thiophen-3-yl)ethan-1-one (**1s**, 52 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3s** (15.4 mg, 24%) as yellow solid. mp: 146-147 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.69 – 8.54 (m, 1H), 8.05 – 7.99 (m, 1H), 7.75 – 7.68 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.8, 149.5, 149.0, 138.6, 137.7, 131.6, 131.1, 129.7, 129.5, 128.3, 127.0, 125.2, 125.2, 124.2, 124.1, 118.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₈H₁₃N₂S₂⁺ (M+H)⁺ 321.0515, found 321.0509.

(Z)-N-Phenyl-3-(pyridin-3-yl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3t)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(pyridin-3-yl)ethan-1-one (**1t**, 44 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 5/1) to yield the desired product **3t** (20.8 mg, 33%) as yellow solid. mp: 107-108 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.37 – 9.20 (m, 1H), 8.66 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 8.38 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.19 (m, 4H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H),

6.93 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.4, 150.8, 150.4, 149.7, 149.2, 137.5, 137.3, 133.4, 132.1, 129.7, 129.1, 127.3, 125.5, 125.4, 124.4, 122.5, 118.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₉H₁₄N₃S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 316.0903, found 316.0905.

(Z)-N-Phenyl-3-(pyridin-4-yl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3u)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(pyridin-4-yl)ethan-1-one (**1u**, 45 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 5/1) to yield the desired product **3u** (18.9 mg, 30%) as yellow solid. mp: 48-49 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.72 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.6, 149.6, 149.2, 149.1, 147.8, 145.1, 137.3, 132.3, 129.7, 129.5, 127.4, 125.6, 124.7, 123.9, 118.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₉H₁₄N₃S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 316.0903, found 316.0904.

(Z)-3-(Naphthalen-1-yl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3v)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(naphthalen-1-yl)ethan-1-one (**1v**, 63 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3v** (16.0 mg, 22%) as yellow solid. mp: 154-155 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.92 – 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.80 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.51 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.21 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 7.14 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.2, 150.7, 149.8, 137.6, 136.4, 133.7, 132.1, 131.2, 129.5, 129.5, 129.0, 128.5, 127.2, 127.0, 126.2, 125.8, 125.7, 125.5, 125.2, 125.1, 124.5, 118.4; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₄H₁₇N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 365.1107, found 365.1108.

(Z)-3-(Naphthalen-2-yl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3w)



The reaction was conducted with 1-(naphthalen-2-yl)ethan-1-one (**1w**, 69 mg, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3w** (19.7 mg, 27%) as yellow solid. mp: 175-176 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.61 (s, 1H), 8.15 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.95 – 7.78 (m, 4H), 7.55 – 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.29 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 7.01 – 6.90 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.7, 150.1, 149.6, 137.9, 135.0, 134.2, 132.9, 131.8, 130.1, 129.6, 129.0, 128.6, 127.6, 127.3, 127.1, 127.0, 126.8, 126.1, 125.4, 125.3, 124.4, 118.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₄H₁₇N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 365.1107, found 365.1108.

(Z)-3-(tert-Butyl)-N-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (3x)



The reaction was conducted with 3,3-dimethylbutan-2-one (**1x**, 52 μ L, 0.4 mmol), aniline (**2a**, 37 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **3x** (10.0 mg, 17%) as

yellow solid. mp: 116-117 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 7.05 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.55 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.2, 149.4, 147.5, 137.3, 131.2, 129.6, 127.7, 126.6, 125.0, 124.8, 124.4, 118.7, 41.8, 29.2; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₈H₁₉N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 295.1264, found 295.1266.

(Z)-7-Methyl-3-phenyl-N-(p-tolyl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4a)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), p-toluidine (**2b**, 43 mg, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4a** (42.4 mg, 62%) as yellow solid. mp: 139-140 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.0, 149.8, 147.1, 139.0, 137.9, 135.8, 134.8, 131.5, 130.1, 129.8, 129.8, 128.1, 127.8, 125.5, 124.3, 118.8, 21.3, 21.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₂H₁₉N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 343.1264, found 343.1266.

(Z)-7-Ethyl-N-(4-ethylphenyl)-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4b)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (1a, 47 µL, 0.4 mmol), 4-ethylaniline (2c, 51 µL,

0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4b** (45.9 mg, 62%) as orange solid. mp: 66-67 $^{\circ}$ C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 – 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 2.71 – 2.59 (m, 4H), 1.29 – 1.18 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.1, 149.8, 147.2, 145.3, 141.3, 137.9, 136.0, 131.6, 129.8, 128.9, 127.8, 127.0, 124.4, 124.3, 118.9, 28.5, 28.4, 15.5, 15.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₄H₂₃N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 371.1577, found 371.1580.

(Z)-7-Isopropyl-N-(4-isopropylphenyl)-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4c)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), 4-isopropylaniline (**2d**, 59 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4c** (54.9 mg, 69%) as orange liquid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 – 8.00 (m, 2H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 2.97 – 2.84 (m, 2H), 1.28 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H), 1.22 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.1, 149.8, 149.7, 147.3, 145.9, 137.9, 136.1, 131.6, 129.8, 129.8, 127.8, 127.4, 125.7, 124.3, 123.0, 118.9, 33.9, 33.7, 24.0, 23.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₆H₂₇N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 399.1890, found 399.1893.

(Z)-7-Methoxy-N-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4d)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), 4-methoxyaniline (**2e**, 50 mg, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 20/1) to yield the desired product **4d** (29.9 mg, 40%) as yellow solid. mp: 131-132 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 6.99 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 6.93 – 6.85 (m, 3H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.5, 157.3, 153.5, 149.2, 142.8, 138.1, 133.1, 132.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.6, 127.8, 126.1, 120.6, 114.7, 113.9, 109.3, 55.6, 55.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₂H₁₉N₂O₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 375.1162, found 375.1167.

(Z)-7-Chloro-N-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4e)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), 4-chloroaniline (**2f**, 52 mg, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4e** (26.0 mg, 34%) as yellow solid. mp: 158-159 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.37 (m, 5H), 7.31 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.12 (s, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.7, 149.5, 147.7, 137.1, 136.3, 134.6, 132.8, 130.8, 130.3, 129.8, 129.8, 128.0, 127.6, 125.7, 124.9, 120.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₃Cl₂N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 383.0171, found 383.0173. (Z)-7-Bromo-N-(4-bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4f)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), 4-bromoaniline (**2g**, 70 mg, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4f** (32.9 mg, 35%) as yellow solid. mp: 154-155 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.64 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.51 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.31 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 6.85 – 6.74 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.8, 149.5, 148.2, 137.1, 136.7, 133.0, 132.8, 130.6, 130.4, 129.8, 128.0, 127.8, 125.9, 122.6, 120.6, 118.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₃Br₂N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 470.9161, found 470.9163.

(Z)-6-Methyl-3-phenyl-N-(m-tolyl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4g)
(Z)-8-Methyl-3-phenyl-N-(m-tolyl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4g')



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), m-toluidine (**2h**, 44 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4g+4g'** (51.3 mg, 75%) as orange solid. mp: 79-80 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.64 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.47 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.35 – 6.97 (m, 4H), 6.85 – 6.64 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 5H), 2.21 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.8, 155.3, 150.1, 149.7, 149.4, 139.6, 139.6, 137.8, 137.8, 137.7, 137.6, 137.0, 133.5, 132.1,

129.9, 129.8, 129.6, 129.4, 127.8, 126.3, 125.9, 125.8, 125.0, 123.8, 121.0, 119.4, 119.4, 115.6, 115.5, 21.5, 20.9, 18.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{22}H_{19}N_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 343.1264, found 343.1265.

(Z)-6-(tert-Butyl)-N-(3-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4h)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), 3-(tert-butyl)aniline (**2i**, 65 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4h** (61.3 mg, 72%) as yellow liquid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 – 8.00 (m, 2H), 7.77 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.39 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (s, 1H), 6.78 – 6.71 (m, 1H), 1.34 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 18H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.0, 152.9, 150.6, 150.1, 149.5, 137.9, 137.5, 129.9, 129.8, 129.1, 128.7, 127.9, 126.1, 125.0, 122.1, 121.2, 116.2, 115.8, 34.9, 34.6, 31.3, 31.2; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₈H₃₁N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 427.2203, found 427.2207.

(Z)-6-Chloro-N-(3-chlorophenyl)-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4i)

(Z)-8-Chloro-N-(3-chlorophenyl)-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4i')



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), 3-chloroaniline (**2j**, 43 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4i**+**4i**' (45.1 mg, 59%) as yellow solid. mp: 110-111 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.77 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.97 – 6.87 (m, 1H), 6.84 – 6.74 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.4, 150.4, 150.3, 138.5, 136.9, 135.3, 132.7, 131.4, 130.9, 130.5, 129.8, 128.7, 128.0, 126.2, 125.3, 122.4, 118.9, 116.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₃Cl₂N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 383.0171, found 383.0173.

(Z)-6-Bromo-N-(3-bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4j) (Z)-8-Bromo-N-(3-bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4j')



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), 3-bromoaniline (**2k**, 44 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4j+4j'** (48.9 mg, 52%) as yellow solid. mp: 149-150 °C, 114-115 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.12 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.75 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.35 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.93 – 6.83 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.1, 151.6, 150.3, 139.5, 136.6, 132.3, 131.2, 131.0, 130.4, 129.9, 128.2, 128.0, 127.7, 125.6, 123.4, 121.8, 119.5, 117.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₃Br₂N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 470.9161, found 470.9164.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.93 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.38 (m, 4H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.88 – 6.80 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.4, 150.6, 150.3, 138.7, 136.9, 134.4, 131.5, 131.1, 130.5, 129.8, 128.2, 128.0, 126.4, 123.3, 123.1, 121.8, 120.2, 117.4; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₃Br₂N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 470.9161, found 470.9165.

(Z)-N-(2,3-Dimethylphenyl)-5,6-dimethyl-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4k)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), 2,3-dimethylaniline (**2l**, 50 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4k** (17.0 mg, 23%) as yellow solid. mp: 137-138 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.22 – 8.09 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.17 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 7.08 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 2.32 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 6H), 2.04 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.4, 149.9, 148.8, 138.6, 138.3, 138.2, 135.9, 135.7, 130.0, 129.8, 127.8, 126.5, 126.3, 125.7, 122.1, 115.3, 20.3 (4), 20.2 (7), 14.0, 13.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₄H₂₃N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 371.1577, found 371.1579.

(Z)-N-(2,4-Dimethylphenyl)-5,7-dimethyl-3-phenyl-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (4l)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), 2,4-dimethylaniline (**2m**, 51 μ L, 0.4 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 200/1) to yield the desired product **4I** (16.3 mg, 22%) as yellow liquid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.14 (dd, J = 6.6, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.14 – 6.96 (m, 3H), 6.81 – 6.55 (m, 2H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.6, 150.0, 146.3, 139.8, 138.7, 138.2, 134.5, 134.0, 131.8, 130.0, 129.7, 127.7,

127.4, 127.3, 124.9, 123.3, 117.4, 21.2, 21.0, 18.1, 17.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{24}H_{23}N_2S^+$ (M+H)⁺ 371.1577, found 371.1580.

(Z)-3-phenyl-N-(p-tolyl)-2H-benzo[b][1,4]thiazin-2-imine (5a)



The reaction was conducted with acetophenone (**1a**, 47 μ L, 0.4 mmol), *p*-toluidine (**2b**, 22 mg, 0.2 mmol), 2-aminobenzenethiol (21 μ L, 0.2 mmol) and S (25.6 mg, 0.8 mmol). The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc: 100/1) to yield the desired product **5a** (40.7 mg, 62%) as yellow liquid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 – 8.01 (m, 2H), 7.78 – 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.29 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.0, 149.5, 147.0, 137.9, 137.7, 135.0, 131.7, 130.1, 130.0, 129.8, 128.5, 127.9, 127.0, 125.4, 124.5, 118.9, 21.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₁₇N₂S⁺ (M+H)⁺ 329.1104, found 329.1107.

Crystal date and structure refinement for 4a



Table 1 Crystal date and structure refinement for 4a

Crystal data	
Identification code	4a
Chemical formula	$C_{22}H_{18}N_2S$
Mr	342.44
Crystal system	Monoclinic,
Space group	$P2_1$
Temperature (K)	173
a, b, c (Å)	9.768 (2), 5.0226 (10), 17.193 (3)
β (°)	95.43 (3)
$V(\text{\AA}^3)$	839.7 (3)
Ζ	2
F(000)	360
Density (calculated)	1.354 Mg/m ³
Radiation type	Μο Κα
$\mu (\mathrm{mm}^{-1})$	0.20
Crystal size (mm)	$0.46 \times 0.07 \times 0.03$
Theta range for date collection	2.5 to 27.5°
Data collection	
Diffractometer	Saturn724+CCD
Absorption correction	Multi-scan CrystalClear (Rigaku Inc.,
2007)	
T_{\min}, T_{\max}	0.716, 1.000
No of measured reflections	6116
No of independent reflections	3658
No of observed $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$ reflections	3175
Rint	0.050

$(\sin \theta / \lambda) \max (\text{\AA}^{-1})$	0.650
Index range	$h = -12 \rightarrow 12, k = -6 \rightarrow 6, l = -22 \rightarrow 22$
Refinement	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)], wR(F^2), S$	0.070, 0.136, 1.13
No of reflections	3658
No of parameters	228
No of restraints	1
H-atom treatment	H-atom parameters constrained
$\Delta \rho_{\text{max}}, \Delta \rho_{\text{min}} (e \text{ Å}^{-3})$	0.25, -0.32
Absolute structure	Flack x determined using 1022 quotients
	[(I+)-(I-)]/[(I+)+(I-)] (Parsons and Flack
	(2004), Acta Cryst. A60, s61).
Absolute structure parameter	0.02 (9)

Table 2 Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters $({\rm \AA2})$

	x	У	Ζ	Uiso*/Ueq
S 1	0.21314 (13)	0.6567 (3)	0.22140 (7)	0.0343 (3)
N1	0.4432 (4)	0.8013 (9)	0.3543 (2)	0.0274 (9)
N2	0.4087 (4)	0.8909 (9)	0.1469 (2)	0.0304 (10)
C1	0.0753 (5)	-0.0278 (11)	0.4280(3)	0.0321 (12)
H1A	0.1282	-0.1826	0.4443	0.048*
H1B	0.0125	-0.0713	0.3835	0.048*
H1C	0.0246	0.0314	0.4700	0.048*
C2	0.1700 (5)	0.1891 (10)	0.4067 (3)	0.0266 (10)
C3	0.2809 (5)	0.2695 (10)	0.4591 (3)	0.0294 (11)
H3	0.2959	0.1858	0.5074	0.035*
C4	0.3684 (5)	0.4707 (11)	0.4403 (3)	0.0293 (11)
H4	0.4396	0.5232	0.4768	0.035*
C5	0.3520 (5)	0.5974 (9)	0.3673 (3)	0.0257 (11)
C6	0.2425 (5)	0.5160 (10)	0.3144 (3)	0.0266 (11)
C7	0.1532 (5)	0.3148 (11)	0.3342 (3)	0.0299 (11)
H7	0.0810	0.2636	0.2982	0.036*
C8	0.3679 (5)	0.8348 (10)	0.2137 (3)	0.0254 (10)
C9	0.4526 (5)	0.9136 (10)	0.2872 (3)	0.0243 (10)
C10	0.5601 (5)	1.1257 (11)	0.2847 (2)	0.0248 (10)
C11	0.6634 (5)	1.1404 (12)	0.3469 (2)	0.0305 (11)
H11	0.6634	1.0186	0.3876	0.037*
C12	0.7653 (5)	1.3320(11)	0.3491 (3)	0.0340 (12)
H12	0.8319	1.3396	0.3914	0.041*
C13	0.7685 (6)	1.5134 (11)	0.2881 (3)	0.0325 (12)
H13	0.8380	1.6401	0.2886	0.039*
C14	0.6663 (5)	1.5013 (11)	0.2270 (3)	0.0322 (12)
H14	0.6666	1.6232	0.1863	0.039*
C15	0.5631 (5)	1.3107 (10)	0.2250 (3)	0.0309(11)
H15	0.4953	1.3071	0.1833	0.037*
C16	0.3295 (5)	0.8121 (10)	0.0769 (3)	0.0261 (10)

C17	0.3812 (5)	0.6133 (11)	0.0319 (3)	0.0341 (12)
H17	0.4636	0.5291	0.0486	0.041*
C18	0.3087 (6)	0.5416 (12)	-0.0381 (3)	0.0370 (13)
H18	0.3440	0.4085	-0.0680	0.044*
C19	0.1859 (5)	0.6603 (13)	-0.0649 (2)	0.0323 (11)
C20	0.1373 (5)	0.8623 (12)	-0.0205 (3)	0.0362 (13)
H20	0.0560	0.9487	-0.0380	0.043*
C21	0.2083 (5)	0.9390 (11)	0.0501 (3)	0.0341 (12)
H21	0.1742	1.0757	0.0793	0.041*
C22	0.1075 (6)	0.5730 (12)	-0.1411 (3)	0.0395 (14)
H22	0.1705	0.5511	-0.1802	0.059*
H22	0.0404	0.7058	-0.1579	0.059*
H22	0.0620	0.4070	-0.1334	0.059*

Table 3 Atomic displacement parameters (Å2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
S1	0.0302	0.0491	0.0222 (6)	-0.0073 (7)	-0.0053	0.0075 (6)
N1	0.029(2)	0.033	0.0198	0.0009(19)	-0.0012	-0.0036(18)
N2	0.034(2)	0.038	0.019(2)	-0.007(2)	-0.0006	-0.0013 (18)
C1	0.033 (3)	0.033	0.029(3)	-0.001 (2)	0.001 (2)	0.001 (2)
C2	0.028 (2)	0.026	0.026(2)	-0.001 (2)	0.0041	0.001 (2)
C3	0.032(3)	0.037	0.018(2)	0.003 (2)	0.001 (2)	0.003 (2)
C4	0.032(3)	0.033	0.022(2)	0.002 (2)	0.001 (2)	-0.003 (2)
C5	0.027(2)	0.029	0.021 (2)	-0.002(2)	0.0006	-0.0025 (19)
C6	0.029(3)	0.033	0.018 (2)	0.001 (2)	0.0020	0.000(2)
C7	0.028 (3)	0.038	0.023 (2)	0.004 (2)	-0.001 (2)	-0.002(2)
C8	0.024 (2)	0.029	0.023 (2)	-0.001 (2)	0.0004	0.002(2)
C9	0.023 (2)	0.028	0.022(2)	0.001 (2)	0.0009	-0.0001 (19)
C10	0.022 (2)	0.028	0.023 (2)	0.003 (2)	0.0020	-0.001 (2)
C11	0.034 (3)	0.035	0.021 (2)	0.002(3)	-0.0048	0.001 (2)
C12	0.029(3)	0.044	0.027(3)	0.007 (3)	-0.007 (2)	-0.001 (2)
C13	0.030(3)	0.034	0.034(3)	-0.005 (2)	0.003 (2)	-0.002(2)
C14	0.037 (3)	0.029	0.029(3)	-0.003 (2)	-0.001 (2)	0.002(2)
C15	0.032 (3)	0.035	0.024 (2)	0.001 (2)	-0.003 (2)	-0.004(2)
C16	0.027 (2)	0.033	0.018 (2)	-0.008(2)	-0.0011	0.005 (2)
C17	0.037(3)	0.037	0.027(2)	0.001 (3)	-0.003 (2)	-0.006(2)
C18	0.039(3)	0.043	0.029(3)	0.001 (3)	0.000(2)	-0.009(2)
C19	0.034 (3)	0.044	0.018 (2)	-0.006(3)	-0.0005	0.000(3)
C20	0.029(3)	0.049	0.029(3)	0.001 (3)	-0.004(2)	0.001 (2)
C21	0.033 (3)	0.039	0.030(3)	0.002(3)	0.002 (2)	-0.005 (2)
C22	0.038 (3)	0.053	0.026(3)	-0.010(3)	-0.003 (2)	-0.001 (2)

Table 4 Geometric param	eters (Å, º))
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S1—C6	1.747 (5)
S1—C8	1.772 (5)
N1—C5	1.389(6)
N1—C9	1.294 (6)
N2—C8	1.281 (6)
N2—C16	1.424 (6)
C1—H1A	0.9600
C1—H1B	0.9600
C1—H1C	0.9600
C1—C2	1.497 (7)
C2—C3	1.401 (6)
C2—C7	1.392 (6)
С3—Н3	0.9300
C3—C4	1.381 (7)
C4—H4	0.9300
C4—C5	1.403 (6)
С5—С6	1.398 (6)
C6—C7	1.398 (7)
С7—Н7	0.9300
C8—C9	1.498 (6)
C9—C10	1.500(7)
C10-C11	1.400(6)
C10—C15	1.387(7)
C11—H11	0.9300
C11—C12	1.382(7)
C12—H12	0.9300
C12—C13	1.391 (7)
С13—Н13	0.9300
C13—C14	1.381 (7)
C14—H14	0.9300
C14—C15	1.388 (7)
С15—Н15	0.9300
C16—C17	1.387 (7)
C16—C21	1.384 (7)
С17—Н17	0.9300
C17—C18	1.385 (7)

C18—H18	0.9300
C18—C19	1.379(7)
C19—C20	1.380 (8)
C19—C22	1.519 (6)
С20—Н20	0.9300
C20—C21	1.395 (7)
C21—H21	0.9300
C22—H22A	0.9600
С22—Н22В	0.9600
С22—Н22С	0.9600

C6—S1—C8	101.9 (2)
C9—N1—C5	124.4 (4)
C8—N2—C16	120.4 (4)
H1A—C1—H1B	109.5
H1A—C1—H1C	109.5
H1B—C1—H1C	109.5
C2—C1—H1A	109.5
C2—C1—H1B	109.5
C2—C1—H1C	109.5
C3—C2—C1	120.7 (4)
C7—C2—C1	121.8 (4)
С7—С2—С3	117.6 (5)
С2—С3—Н3	119.4
C4—C3—C2	121.2 (4)
С4—С3—Н3	119.4
C3—C4—H4	119.3
C3—C4—C5	121.4 (5)
С5—С4—Н4	119.3
N1—C5—C4	117.3 (4)
N1—C5—C6	125.0 (4)
C6—C5—C4	117.7 (4)

C5—C6—S1	121.8 (4)
C5—C6—C7	120.6 (4)
C7—C6—S1	117.6 (4)
С2—С7—С6	121.5 (5)
С2—С7—Н7	119.3
С6—С7—Н7	119.3
N2—C8—S1	121.2 (4)
N2—C8—C9	120.3 (4)
C9—C8—S1	118.5 (3)
N1—C9—C8	123.8 (4)
N1—C9—C10	116.4 (4)
C8—C9—C10	119.7 (4)
C11—C10—C9	118.1 (4)
C15—C10—C9	124.1 (4)
C15—C10—C11	117.7 (5)
C10-C11-H11	119.3
C12—C11—C10	121.5 (5)
C12—C11—H11	119.3
C11—C12—H12	119.9
C11—C12—C13	120.2 (5)
C13—C12—H12	119.9
C12—C13—H13	120.7
C14—C13—C12	118.6 (5)
C14—C13—H13	120.7
C13—C14—H14	119.3
C13—C14—C15	121.3 (5)
C15—C14—H14	119.3
C10—C15—C14	120.7 (4)
C10—C15—H15	119.7
C14—C15—H15	119.7
C17—C16—N2	118.3 (4)
C21—C16—N2	122.1 (5)

C21—C16—C17	119.4 (4)
С16—С17—Н17	120.4
C18—C17—C16	119.3 (5)
С18—С17—Н17	120.4
С17—С18—Н18	118.8
C19—C18—C17	122.4 (5)
С19—С18—Н18	118.8
C18—C19—C20	117.8 (4)
C18—C19—C22	121.0 (5)
C20—C19—C22	121.1 (5)
С19—С20—Н20	119.5
С19—С20—С21	121.0 (5)
С21—С20—Н20	119.5
C16—C21—C20	120.1 (5)
С16—С21—Н21	119.9
С20—С21—Н21	119.9
С19—С22—Н22А	109.5
С19—С22—Н22В	109.5
С19—С22—Н22С	109.5
H22A—C22—H22B	109.5
H22A—C22—H22C	109.5
H22B—C22—H22C	109.5

S1—C6—C7—C2	179.2 (4)
S1—C8—C9—N1	20.1 (7)
S1—C8—C9—C10	-162.8 (4)
N1-C5-C6-S1	3.2 (7)
N1C5C7	-177.6(5)
N1-C9-C10-C11	16.1 (7)
N1-C9-C10-C15	-163.2(5)
N2-C8-C9-N1	-158.4(5)
N2-C8-C9-C10	18.7 (7)

N2—C16—C7—C18	-177.3 (5)
N2-C16-C7-C20	177.3 (5)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-179.5 (5)
C1—C2—C7—C6	-179.6 (5)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-1.8 (8)
C3—C2—C7—C6	-0.7 (8)
C3—C4—C5—N1	178.7 (5)
C3—C4—C5—C6	1.0 (7)
C4—C5—C6—S1	-179.2 (4)
C4—C5—C6—C7	-0.1 (7)
C5—N1—C9—C8	-1.3 (8)
C5—N1—C9—C10	-178.5 (4)
C5—C6—C7—C2	0.0 (8)
C6—S1—C8—N2	155.9 (4)
C6—S1—C8—C9	-22.6 (4)
C7—C2—C3—C4	1.6 (8)
C8—S1—C6—C5	12.4 (5)
C8—S1—C6—C7	-166.7 (4)
C8—N2—C16—C17	-110.1 (6)
C8—N2—C16—C21	74.2 (7)
C8—C9—C10—C11	-161.3 (5)
C8—C9—C10—C15	19.4 (7)
C9—N1—C5—C4	170.8 (5)
C9—N1—C5—C6	-11.7 (8)
C9—C10—C11—C12	-179.4 (4)
C9—C10—C15—C14	180.0 (5)
C10-C11-C12-C13	-1.1 (8)
C11—C10—C15—C14	0.7 (7)
C11—C12—C13—C14	1.6 (8)
C12—C13—C14—C15	-0.9 (8)
C13—C14—C15—C10	-0.2 (8)
C15—C10—C11—C12	-0.1 (8)
C16—N2—C8—S1	0.4 (7)
C16—N2—C8—C9	178.9 (4)
C16—C17—C18—C19	-0.2 (8)
C17—C16—C21—C20	1.6 (8)
C17—C18—C19—C20	1.7 (9)
C17—C18—C19—C22	-178.7 (5)
C18—C19—C20—C21	-1.6 (8)

C19—C20—C21—C16	-0.1 (8)
C21—C16—C17—C18	-1.5 (8)
C22—C19—C20—C21	178.9 (5)

Copies of ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of all products

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3a



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3b



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3c



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3d



¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR spectra of 3e











¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3g





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3h





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3i





¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR spectra of 3j







¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3k



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3l





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3m





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3n

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¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR spectra of 30





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3p





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3q





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3r





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3s





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3t





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3u











¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3w





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 3x





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4a





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4b





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4c





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4d





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4e





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4f





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4g+4g'





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4h





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4i+4i'





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4j+4j'







¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4k





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 4l





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 5a



