# **Supporting Information**

# Metal-Free Synthesis of 1,4-Benzodiazepines and Quinazolinones from Hexafluoroisopropyl 2-Aminobenzoates at Room Temperature

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# **General Information**

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on BRUKER DRX-400 spectrometer with CDCl<sub>3</sub> as the solvent. <sup>1</sup>H shifts were referenced to CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 7.26 ppm. <sup>13</sup>C shifts were referenced to CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 77 ppm. IR spectra were obtained with an infrared spectrometer on either potassium bromide pellets or liquid films between two potassium bromide pellets. GC-MS data were obtained using electron ionization. HRMS was carried out on a high-resolution mass spectrometer (LCMS-IT-TOF). TLC was performed using commercially available 100–400 mesh silica gel plates (GF<sub>254</sub>). Unless otherwise stated, all reagents and solvents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification.  $\alpha$ -Bromoamide were prepared according to literature.<sup>1</sup>

General procedure for synthesis of hexafluoroisopropyl 2-aminobenzoates **3**: A round bottom flask equipped with a magnetic stirrer bar was charged with the substituted isatoic anhydrides (3 mmol) in HFIP (6 mL). NEt<sub>3</sub> (3 mmol) was added and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The mixture was quenched with aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3  $\times$  20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The products can be used without further purification.



# 1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoropropan-2-yl 2-((1-((benzyloxy)amino)-2-methyl-1-oxopropan-2-yl)amino)benzoate (3a)<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.96 (s, 1H), 8.02 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 5H), 6.78 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.1, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.01 – 5.90 (m, 1H), 4.86 (s, 2H), 1.58 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.2, 164.6, 149.2, 136.2, 134.8, 132.2, 129.3, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 117.2, 115.0, 108.6, 78.1, 67.0 – 65.6 (m), 56.9, 26.1.

	NH · HCI	base (1.5 equiv)	NH
NH <sub>2</sub>	<sup>+</sup> Ph <sup>-</sup> NH <sub>2</sub>	solvent ( 2 mL )	N Ph
1a	5a		6a
Entry	Base	Solvent	Yield [%]
1	NEt <sub>3</sub>	DMF	53
2	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	92
3	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	96
4	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	97
5	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	DMF	99
6	DBU	DMF	95
7	NaHCO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	89
8	-	DMF	0
9	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	MeCN	98
10	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	toluene	81
11	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	dioxane	90
12	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	THF	97
13	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	68

Table 1. Optimization of the reaction conditions <sup>a</sup>

14	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	DMSO	94
15 <sup>b</sup>	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	DMF	83

<sup>*a*</sup> Reaction conditions: unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed with **1a** (0.3 mmol), **5a** (0.36 mmol), base (0.45 mmol) in solvent (2.0 mL) at room temperature for 10 h. Isolated yield. <sup>*b*</sup> 1 equiv  $K_3PO_4$  was used.

# **Experimental Section for Products 4**



General procedure for products 4: 2-aminobenzoates 1 (0.3 mmol),  $\alpha$ -bromoamide 2 (0.3 mmol), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.3 mmol), HFIP (3.0 mL), were added to a 25 mL tube with magnetic stirrer bar. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 0.5 h, the HFIP was removed under vacuum and added DMF (2.0 mL) to continue to react for 0.5 h. The mixture was quenched with aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether) on silica gel.

# **Experimental Section for Products 6**



General procedure for products 6: 2-aminobenzoates 1 (0.3 mmol), amidines hydrochloride 5 (0.36 mmol), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (0.45 mmol), DMF (2.0 mL), were added to a 25 mL tube with magnetic stirrer bar. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 h. The mixture was quenched with aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 10$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether) on silica gel.

# Cell Culture and Evaluation of the Antiproliferative Activity

The compounds were evaluated for their in vitro cytotoxicity against the human cancer cell lines HCT116, A549 and MCF7 by 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5 -diphenyltetrazolium Bromide (MTT) assay. The cancer cell lines were purchased from American Type Culture Collection (ATCC). A549 HCT116 MCF7 cells were maintained in RPMI-1640 medium (Gibco). The medium for all cell lines were supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS, Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA) and 1% penicillin-streptomycin (Life Technologies, USA) and maintained in a humidified incubator at 37 °C adjusted to 5% CO<sub>2</sub>. Cells were seeded into 96-well plates at a density of 5000 cells/well. On the next day, medium containing the new compounds at different concentrations was added into per well for at least three cell doublings and incubated at 37°C for another 48 h, with 5-Fluorouracil (FU) as the positive control. At the indicated time, the culture medium was replaced with 100  $\mu$ L medium containing 10% MTT solution (5 mg/mL in PBS) and further incubated for 4 h. The absorbance was detected with a microplate reader at a wavelength of 570 nm. The IC<sub>50</sub> values were calculated by nonlinear regression analysis using GraphPad Prism 8.0.

# **Characterization Data for All Products**



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-benzo[e][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4H)-dione (4a)<sup>1</sup>

Yellow solid (90.3 mg, 97%); m.p.=120-122 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.23 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (s, 2H), 1.43 (s, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 171.7, 163.5, 144.7, 134.4, 134.4, 133.2, 129.8, 128.7, 128.3, 120.6, 119.8, 117.9, 77.7, 57.5, 24.6. IR (KBr): 2384, 2345, 1726, 1663, 1608, 1494, 1136, 772 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-7-fluoro-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4*H*)-dione (4b)<sup>2</sup>

Light yellow solid (88.7 mg, 90%); m.p.=96-97 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.88 (dd, J = 9.8, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.14 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 6.76 (dd, J = 8.8, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (s, 2H), 1.39 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.8, 162.5 (d, J = 2 Hz), 156.9 (d, J = 239 Hz), 141.2, 134.2, 129.8, 128.8, 128.3, 122.4 (d, J = 24 Hz), 121.6 (d, J = 7 Hz), 118.1, 117.8, 77.7, 57.8, 24.6. IR (KBr): 3357, 2379, 1722, 1663, 1498. 1285, 1213, 1154 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-7-chloro-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4*H*)-dione (4c)<sup>2</sup>

Brown solid (87.9 mg, 85%); m.p.=141-144 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.17 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 2.9 Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (s, 2H), 1.41 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 171.2, 162.5, 143.3, 134.4, 134.2, 132.1, 129.8, 128.8, 128.3, 125.6, 121.3, 118.5, 77.8, 57.4, 24.4. IR (KBr): 3358, 1720, 1662, 1485, 1392, 1286, 1216, 1150, 699 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-7-bromo-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4*H*)-dione (4d)<sup>2</sup>

Light yellow solid (107.4 mg, 92%); m.p.=136-137 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.32 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (s, 2H), 1.41 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 171.1, 162.5, 143.7, 137.1, 135.1, 134.2, 129.8, 128.9, 128.3, 121.6, 118.8, 112.4, 77.8, 57.3, 24.4. IR (KBr): 2377, 1718, 1662, 1479, 1390, 1285, 1149, 698 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-7-iodo-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-benzo[e][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4H)-dione (4e)

Light yellow solid (106.0 mg, 81%); m.p.=126-128 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.49 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 6.55 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (s, 2H), 1.41 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.0, 162.4, 144.2, 142.6, 141.1, 134.1, 129.8, 128.8, 128.3, 121.7, 119.2, 81.5, 77.8,57.1,24.4. IR (KBr): 3366, 2386, 1718,1661, 1473, 1387, 1285, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>IN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 437.0357; Found 437.0351.



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,7-trimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4*H*)-dione (4f)<sup>2</sup>

Yellow solid (84.7 mg, 87%); m.p.=101-103 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.01 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd, J = 7.3, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.17 (dd, J = 8.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.0, 163.5, 142.7, 135.6, 134.4, 132.5, 130.0, 129.7, 128.6, 128.2, 120.0, 117.7, 77.6, 57.6, 24.6, 20.3. IR (KBr): 3356, 1718, 1663, 1505, 1293, 1218, 1150, 699 cm<sup>-1.</sup>



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-7-methoxy-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4*H*)-dione (4g)

Brown solid (100.0 mg, 98%); m.p.=108-110 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.66 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd, J = 7.3, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 6.99 (dd, J = 8.8, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.4, 163.2, 153.8, 139.1, 134.4, 129.7, 128.7, 128.2, 123.7, 121.7, 118.7, 113.8, 77.6, 58.0, 55.6, 24.4. IR (KBr): 3363, 1715, 1658, 1500, 1290, 1221, 1143, 747 cm <sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 341.1496; Found 341.1487.



#### 4-(Benzyloxy)-2,2-dimethyl-7-nitro-1,2-dihydro-3H-benzo[e][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4H)-dione (4h)<sup>2</sup>

Yellow solid (48.0 mg, 45%); m.p.=178-179 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.13 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, J = 6.4, 2.5 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 6.83 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (s, 2H), 1.52 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  169.3, 162.2, 148.6, 140.6, 133.9, 130.6, 130.0, 129.1, 128.8, 128.4, 119.7, 115.6, 78.1, 57.0, 24.3. IR (KBr): 2376, 2331, 1718, 1617, 1509, 1333, 698 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



#### 4-(Benzyloxy)-8-chloro-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-benzo[e][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4H)-dione (4i)<sup>1</sup>

Light yellow solid (94.1 mg, 91%); m.p.=146-147 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.15 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (dd, J = 6.4, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 6.93 (dd, J = 8.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (s, 2H), 1.41 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.1, 162.8, 145.5, 140.5, 134.7, 134.2, 129.8, 128.8, 128.3, 120.9, 119.1, 116.0, 77.7, 57.3, 24.5. IR (KBr): 3358, 1719, 1663, 1598, 1273, 1218, 1136, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-8-fluoro-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-benzo[e][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4H)-dione (4j)<sup>2</sup>

White solid (83.7 mg, 85%); m.p.=129-130 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.24 (dd, J = 9.1, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.31 (m, 3H), 6.74 – 6.64 (m, 1H), 6.47 (dd, J = 9.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (s, 2H), 1.42 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.0, 166.4 (d, J = 254 Hz), 162.7, 146.8 (d, J = 12 Hz), 136.3 (d, J = 11 Hz), 134.3, 129.8, 128.8, 128.3, 114.2, 108.8 (d, J = 22 Hz), 105.4 (d, J = 24 Hz), 77.7, 57.3, 24.5. IR (KBr): 3359, 1718, 1663, 1614, 1279, 1229, 746,698 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-9-bromo-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-benzo[e][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4H)-dione (4k)

Yellow oil (78.2 mg, 67%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.20 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (dd, J = 7.3, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 6.88 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (s, 2H), 1.46 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.7, 162.8, 141.9, 137.4, 134.3, 133.0, 129.8, 128.8, 128.3, 121.0, 119.7, 114.5, 77.8, 58.0, 24.7. IR (KBr): 3394, 1723, 1667, 1502, 1454, 1284, 743 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 389.0495; Found 389.0487.



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,9-trimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-benzo[e][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4H)-dione (4l)<sup>2</sup>

White solid (71.0 mg, 73%); m.p.=82-84 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.12 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.29 (m, 4H), 6.91 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (s, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 172.0, 163.8, 143.0, 135.4, 134.5, 131.4, 129.7, 128.7, 128.2, 125.7, 120.0, 118.4, 77.6, 57.4, 24.9, 17.5. IR (KBr): 3424, 1717, 1659, 1597, 1468, 1284, 1139, 747 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-7,8-dimethoxy-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4*H*)-dione (4m)<sup>3</sup>

Brown solid (86.6 mg, 77%); m.p.=165-166 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.61 (s, 1H), 7.53 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 6.20 (s, 1H), 5.01 (s, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.6, 162.8, 154.9, 143.9, 140.9, 134.5, 129.7, 128.7, 128.3, 113.2, 109.6, 101.8, 77.6, 57.4, 56.1, 56.0, 24.4. IR (KBr): 1710, 1650, 1613, 1506, 1383, 1239, 776, 698 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 4-(Benzyloxy)-1,2,2-trimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4*H*)-dione (4n)

Yellow oil (45.0 mg, 64%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.15 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.45 (m, 3H), 7.38 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.19 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 5.08 (s, 2H), 2.88 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.0, 163.9, 148.9, 134.6, 134.0, 132.2, 129.9, 128.8, 128.3, 125.8, 124.6, 123.3, 77.6, 62.9, 37.7, 24.6. IR (KBr): 2366, 2334, 1663,1224, 1135, 753, 699 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 325.1547; Found 325.1541.



# 4-Methoxy-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4*H*)-dione (40)<sup>2</sup>

Yellow oil (58.3 mg, 83%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.25 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 6H).<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.4, 163.2, 144.8, 134.5, 133.2, 120.5, 119.8, 117.7, 63.5, 57.3, 24.6. IR (KBr): 3351, 1719, 1661, 1606, 1294, 1221, 902, 753 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



4-Ethoxy-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-benzo[e][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4H)-dione (4p)<sup>2</sup>

Yellow oil (57.4 mg, 77%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.21 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.33 (m, 1H), 6.98 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.43 (s, 6H), 1.30 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.8, 163.6, 144.8, 134.4, 133.1, 120.4, 119.7, 117.6, 71.4, 57.3, 24.6, 13.3. IR (KBr): 3350, 1718, 1661, 1293, 1221, 1136, 925, 752 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 4-(tert-Butoxy)-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-benzo[e][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4H)-dione (4q)<sup>2</sup>

White solid (50.6 mg, 61%). m.p.=196-197 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.18 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 6.99 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.23 (s, 9H), 1.19 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.6, 166.2, 145.2, 134.3, 133.1, 120.3, 119.6, 118.0, 84.4, 58.2, 28.7, 26.6, 21.7. IR (KBr): 3311, 1727, 1654, 1606, 1293, 1103, 920, 755 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 4-(Allyloxy)-2,2-dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4*H*)-dione (4r)<sup>2</sup>

Brown oil (61.7 mg, 79%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.22 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.00 – 6.96 (m, 1H), 6.77 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.10 – 6.00 (m, 1H), 5.38 – 5.24 (m, 2H), 4.51 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.45 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.8, 163.6, 144.7, 134.4, 133.2, 131.6, 121.1, 120.5, 119.8, 117.8, 76.9, 57.5, 24.8. IR (KBr): 3379, 1715, 1655, 1606, 1293, 1135, 752 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 2-Phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6a)<sup>4</sup>

White solid (66.0 mg, 99%); m.p.=244-245 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 11.83 (br, 1H), 8.33 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.31 – 8.24 (m, 2H), 7.88 – 7.76 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.55 (m, 3H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.0, 151.9, 149.4, 134.9, 132.7, 131.7, 129.0, 127.9, 127.5, 126.8, 126.3, 120.8. IR (KBr): 2364, 2331, 1709, 1666, 1602, 1342, 1293, 767 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



#### 6-Fluoro-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6b)<sup>5</sup>

White solid (70.6 mg, 98%); m.p.=240-241 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  12.55 (br, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.85 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.73 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.51 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  161.8, 160.0 (d, J = 244 Hz), 152.0, 145.6, 132.6, 131.5, 130.3, 128.7, 127.8, 123.1(d, J = 24 Hz), 122.3(d, J = 8 Hz), 110.6 (d, J = 23 Hz). IR (KBr): 2362, 2335, 1687, 1610, 1567, 1522, 687 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

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6-Chloro-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6c)<sup>4</sup>

White solid (75.5 mg, 98%); m.p.=292-293 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 12.66 (br, 1H), 8.17 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.53 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 161.4, 152.9, 147.6, 134.8, 132.5, 131.7, 130.9, 129.8, 128.7, 127.9, 125.0, 122.3. IR (KBr): 2364, 2329, 1296, 1673, 1531, 1197, 770, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 6-Bromo-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6d)<sup>4</sup>

White solid (88.5 mg, 97%); m.p.=256-257 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 12.66 (br, 1H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.19 – 8.15 (m, 2H), 7.97 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.62 –7.53 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 161.3, 153.1, 147.9, 137.6, 132.6, 131.8, 130.0, 128.8, 128.1, 128.0, 122.7, 119.1. IR (KBr): 2366, 2329, 1853, 1673, 1610, 1471, 1299, 681 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



## 6-Iodo-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6e)<sup>6</sup>

White solid (101.3 mg, 97%); m.p.= 236-237 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 12.62 (br, 1H), 8.42 (s, 1H), 8.17 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 8.10 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.49 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 155.7, 143.0, 143.0, 134.3, 132.6, 131.7, 129.7, 128.7, 127.9, 126.5, 122.9, 91.5. IR (KBr): 2386, 2341, 1667, 1610, 1568, 1463, 837 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 6-Methyl-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6f)<sup>4</sup>

Yellow solid (70.2 mg, 99%); m.p.=265-267 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  12.40 (s, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.65 (s, 2H), 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  162.5, 151.8, 147.0, 136.7, 136.2, 133.0, 131.5, 128.9, 127.9, 127.6, 125.5, 120.9, 21.1. IR (KBr): 2367, 2334, 1667, 1599, 1566, 1090, 830, 696 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



### 6-Methoxy-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6g)<sup>4</sup>

White solid (70.4 mg, 93%); m.p.=246-247 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  12.49 (br, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.53 (m, 4H), 7.46 –7.43 (m, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  162.2, 157.9, 150.3, 143.4, 132.9, 131.3, 129.4, 128.8, 127.7, 124.3, 121.9, 106.0, 55.8. IR(KBr): 2368, 2333, 1668, 1600, 1564, 1532, 1485, 861 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



6-Nitro-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6h)<sup>4</sup>

White solid (73.0 mg, 91%); m.p.=235-236 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  12.76 (br, 1H), 8.26 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 8.15 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.62 – 7.56 (m, 3H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  162.0, 153.0, 146.2, 138.0, 132.5, 131.9, 128.8, 128.0, 127.4, 125.8, 122.7, 122.3. IR (KBr): 2379, 2343, 1677, 1568, 1542, 1512, 1475, 761 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



#### 7-Fluoro-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6i)<sup>7</sup>

White solid (71.3 mg, 99%); m.p.=255-256 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  12.63 (br, 1H), 8.25 – 8.13 (m, 3H), 7.64 – 7.48 (m, 4H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  165.9 (d, J = 250 Hz), 161.6, 153.8, 151.0 (d, J = 14 Hz), 132.5, 131.7, 129. 0 (d, J = 11 Hz), 128.7, 128.0, 118.1, 115.2 (d, J = 23 Hz), 112.6 (d, J = 22 Hz). IR (KBr): 2382, 2343, 1679, 1647, 1457, 1313, 770 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



## 7-Chloro-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6j)<sup>4</sup>

White solid (66.2 mg, 86%); m.p.=277-278 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 12.66 (br, 1H), 8.18 –8.12 (m, 3H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.52 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 161.7, 153.9, 150.0, 139.3, 132.5, 131.8, 128.7, 128.0, 126.9, 126.7, 119.9. IR (KBr): 2378, 2340, 1670, 1586, 1548, 1469, 1099, 698 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



#### 7-Bromo-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6k)<sup>5</sup>

White solid (88.5 mg, 98%); m.p.=294-295 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  12.67 (br, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 8.06 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 –7.54 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  161.9, 153.8, 150.0, 132.5, 131.8, 129.8, 129.6, 128.7, 128.2, 128.0, 120.2. IR (KBr): 2379, 2342, 1672, 1625, 1572, 1509, 708 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 8-Methyl-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6l)<sup>7</sup>

White solid (65.2 mg, 92%); m.p.=256-257 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  12.52 (br, 1H), 8.23 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.57 –7.55 (m, 3H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  162.6, 151.1, 147.2, 135.7, 135.0, 133.0, 131.4, 128.7, 127.8, 126.1, 123.6, 121.0, 17.2. IR (KBr): 2379, 2348, 1678, 1618, 1578, 1549, 1459, 764 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 6,7-Dimethoxy-2-phenylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (6m)<sup>8</sup>

White solid (83.8 mg, 99%); m.p.=262-263 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 12.40 (br, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 7.59 – 7.46 (m, 4H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.89 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 161.7, 154.9, 150.9, 148.7, 144.9, 132.9, 131.1, 128.7, 127.5, 114.1, 108.4, 105.1, 56.1, 55.8. IR (KBr): 2379, 2333, 1659, 1561, 1502, 1447, 1283, 771 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



#### 1-Methyl-2-phenylquinazolin-4(1H)-one (6n)9

Yellow solid (70.1 mg, 99%); m.p.=153-154 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  8.15 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (dd, J = 7.3, 2.1 Hz, 2H), 7.62 – 7.53 (m, 4H), 3.65 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  167.9, 162.2, 141.9, 135.3, 134.1, 130.4, 128.8, 128.6, 127.2, 126.2, 119.9, 117.0, 38.0. IR (KBr): 2372, 2332, 1644, 1601, 1532, 1487, 1394, 764 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



#### 2-Methylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (60)<sup>5</sup>

White soild (46.6 mg, 97%); m.p.=234-235 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ12.18 (br, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 161.7, 154.3, 149.0, 134.3, 126.6, 125.9, 125.7, 120.7, 21.5. IR (KBr): 2375, 2338, 1666, 1626, 1474, 1145, 778 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



## 2-(Dimethylamino)quinazolin-4(3H)-one (6p)<sup>10</sup>

White solid (46.0 mg, 81%); m.p.=237-238 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  11.12 (br, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 3.08 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  163.1, 151.3, 151.0, 134.3, 126.0, 124.6, 121.6, 116.4, 37.5. IR (KBr): 2394, 2347, 1697, 1602, 1555, 1156, 756 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# 2,2-Dimethyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-benzo[e][1,4]diazepine-3,5(4H)-dione (8)<sup>2</sup>

Light yellow solid (43.5 mg, 71%); m.p.=167-168 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  10.70 (br, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (br, 1H), 1.30 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO)  $\delta$  173.8, 165.2, 146.9, 134.2, 132.0, 120.2, 118.8, 117.0, 56.7, 23.6. IR (KBr): 3334, 3216, 1687, 1643, 1604, 1484, 1326, 757 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



N,2-Diphenylquinazolin-4-amine (9a)<sup>11</sup>

Yellow solid (66.9 mg, 75%); m.p.=153-154 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.55 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 8.01 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.94 – 7.87 (m, 3H), 7.77 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (br, 1H), 7.55 – 7.41 (m, 6H), 7.20 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  160.3, 157.3, 150.8, 138.6, 132.9, 130.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 126.1, 124.1, 121.3, 120.3, 113.8. IR (KBr): 2380, 2334, 1696, 1566, 1528, 1445, 756, 711 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



# *N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylquinazolin-4-amine (9b)<sup>11</sup>

Brown solid (76.6 mg, 78%); m.p.=167-168 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.52 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.74 –7.72 (m, 3H), 7.48– 7.46 (m, 5H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 160.3, 157.5, 156.4, 150.7, 138.5, 132.7, 131.5, 130.2, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 125.9, 123.4, 120.3, 114.1, 113.7, 55.5. IR (KBr): 2370, 2341, 1570, 1524, 1424, 1377, 1245, 764 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



#### 4-(4-Chlorophenoxy)-2-phenylquinazoline (10a)

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White solid (76.9 mg, 77%); m.p.=176-177 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.37 –8.34 (m, 3H), 8.11 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.42 (m, 5H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  166.5, 159.7, 152.4, 151.1, 137.2, 134.3, 130.9, 130.8, 129.5, 128.5, 128.0, 127.1, 123.5, 123.4, 114.9. IR (KBr): 2377, 2344, 1483, 1381, 1214, 764, 705 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>14</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O 333.0789; Found 333.0781.



#### 4-(4-Methoxyphenoxy)-2-phenylquinazoline (10b)

White solid (81.8 mg, 83%); m.p.=135-136 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.39 –8.35 (m, 3H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 –7.42 (m, 3H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.9, 152.9, 150.0, 145.4, 139.1, 130.6, 126.9, 123.5, 121.4, 121.3, 121.0, 119.8, 116.5, 115.7, 108.1, 107.4, 48.6. IR (KBr): 2376, 2337, 1571, 1484, 1379, 1345, 1199, 765 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 329.1285; Found 329.1278.

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# NMR Spectra for All Compounds



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<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 4a









<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 4d







































































