Supporting Information Silver-Catalyzed Three-Component Reaction of Uracils, Arylboronic acids, and Selenium: Synthesis of 5-arylselanyluracils

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1. General Information

All chromatographic separations were accomplished with Silica Gel 60N (Kanto Chemical Co., Inc.). Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed with Macherey-Nagel Sil G25 UV₂₅₄ pre-coated TLC plates. Reagents were used without further purification unless otherwise specified. Melting points were recorded on a Yanagimoto micro melting point hot-stage apparatus (MP-S3) and are not corrected. IR spectra were recorded on a SHIMADZU FTIR-8400S spectrophotometer and are reported in frequency of absorption (cm⁻¹). Only selected IR peaks are reported. ¹H NMR (TMS: δ = 0.00 ppm as an internal standard), ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃: δ = 77.00 ppm and DMSO-*d*₆: δ = 39.52 ppm as an internal standard), ¹⁹F NMR (trifluoromethylbenzene: δ = -64.0 ppm as an external standard) and ⁷⁷Se NMR (Ph₂Se₂: δ = 436.15 ppm as an internal standard) spectra were recorded on a JEOL ECZ-400S (400 MHz, 100 MHz, 376 MHz and 76 MHz) spectrometer in CDCl₃ and DMSO-*d*₆ unless otherwise stated. GC-MS (EI) spectra were recorded on Agilent 5977E Diff-SST MSD-230V spectrometer. HRMS (ESI) spectra were recorded on Agilent 5977E Diff-SST MSD-230V system. The X-ray diffraction measurements carried out using a Rigaku XtaLAB Synergy, Single source at home/near, HyPix3000 diffractometer. Spectroscopic data of 5-arylselanyluracils **5a**, **p**, **q** and **s** are in accordance with the literature.¹⁻³

2. General procedure for the synthesis of 5-arylselanyluracil

Aryl boronic acid (2) (0.5 mmol, 1.0 eq.), Se powder (40 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 eq.), AgNO₃ (8.5 mg, 0.05 mmol, 10 mol%), and 1,3-dimethyluracil derivative (1) (0.5 mmol) were added to dimethylsulfoxide (3 mL) in around-bottom flask. After stirring at 120 °C for 5-24 h, the mixture was cooled to room temperature and evaporated to dryness under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified on a silica gel column chromatography to give the desired product **5a**, **p**, **q** and **s**.

1,3-Dimethyl-5-(phenylselanyl)pyrimidine-2,4-(1H,3H)-dione (5a)¹

Colorless prisms (143 mg, 96%). $R_{\rm f} = 0.5$ (EtOAc/hexane 1:1). mp 112–114 °C (CH₂Cl₂-hexane). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.56-7.51$ (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.41 (s, 1H, H-6), 7.30–7.28 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 3.39 (s, 3H, *N*-CH₃) 3.38 (s, 3H, *N*-CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 161.9$ (s, C), 151.6 (s, C), 129.3 (s, C), 103.2(s, C), 146.1 (s, CH), 132.6 (s, CH), 129.4 (s, CH), 127.8 (s, CH), 37.1 (s, CH₃), 28.7 (s, CH₃). ⁷⁷Se NMR (76 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 330.4$ (s). IR (KBr): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 1712vs (C=O), 1645vs cm⁻¹ (C=O). HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₂H₁₂N₂O₂Se+H⁺; 297.0142 [M+H]⁺: found: 297.0140.

5-(Phenylselanyl)-2',3',5'-triacetate-uridine (5p)²

Colorless oil (85 mg, 32%). $R_f = 0.5$ (EtOAc/hexane 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 9.29$ (s, 1H, NH), 7.76 (s, 1H, H-6), 7.52–7.48 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.31–7.26 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 6.09 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H, H-1'), 5.33–5.27 (m, 2H, CH₂-5'), 4.35 (q, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H, H-2'), 4.29 (dd, J = 12.3, 3.2 Hz, 1H,

H-3'), 4.24 (dd, J = 12.6, 3.0 Hz, 1H, H-4'), 2.14 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.12 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.10 (s, 3H, OAc). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 170.1$ (s, C), 169.6 (s, C), 161.0 (s, C), 150.2 (s, C), 143.0 (s, CH), 132.1 (s, CH), 129.5 (s, CH), 129.0 (s, C), 127.8 (s, CH), 105.4 (s, C), 87.0 (s, CH), 80.1 (s, CH), 72.9 (s, CH), 70.3 (s, CH), 63.2 (s, CH₂), 20.8 (s, CH₃), 20.5 (s, CH₃), 20.4 (s, CH₃). ⁷⁷Se NMR (76 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 325.4$ (s). IR (KBr): ν_{max}/cm^{-1} 1748vs (C=O), 1694vs (C=O). HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₂₂N₂O₉Se+H+; 527.0565 [M+H]⁺: found: 527.0550.

5-(Phenylselanyl)pyrimidine-2,4-(1H,3H)-dione (5q)¹

Pale yellow needles (113 mg, 84%). $R_f = 0.6$ (EtOAc/hexane 4:1). mp 250–253 °C (CH₂Cl₂-hexane). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): $\delta = 11.4$ (s, 1H, N-H), 11.2 (s, 1H, N-H), 7.77 (s, 1H, H-6), 7.36 (dt, J = 6.9, 1.4 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.28 (tt, J = 6.6, 1.4 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.23 (tt, J = 7.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): $\delta = 162.5$ (s, C), 151.4 (s, C), 148.2 (s, CH), 131.2 (s, C), 129.8 (s, CH), 129.3 (s, CH), 126.6 (s, CH), 99.6 (s, C). ⁷⁷Se NMR (76 MHz, DMSO- d_6): $\delta = 301.2$ (s). IR (KBr): v_{max}/cm^{-1} 1771vs (C=O), 1734vs (C=O). HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₀H₈N₂O₂Se+Na⁺; 290.9649 [M+Na]⁺: found: 290.9649.

6-Chloro-1,3-dimethyl-5-(phenylselanyl)pyrimidine-2,4-(1H,3H)-dione (5s)³

Colorless plates (143 mg, 87%). $R_f = 0.5$ (EtOAc/hexane 1:2). mp 88–90 °C (CH₂Cl₂-hexane). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.50$ (dd, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.27–7.24 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 3.67 (s, 3H, *N*-CH₃), 3.38 (s, 3H, *N*-CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 160.4$ (s, C), 151.7 (s, C), 150.8 (s, C), 132.0 (s, CH), 130.1 (s, C), 129.3 (s, CH), 127.6 (s, CH), 104.3 (s, C), 35.7 (s, CH₃), 29.6 (s, CH₃). ⁷⁷Se NMR (76 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 356.8$ (s). IR (KBr): v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 1701s (C=O), 1651vs (C=O). HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₂H₁₁N₂O₂Se+H⁺; 330.9753 [M+H]⁺: found: 330.9755.

3. Single crystal X-ray diffraction experiment

The X-ray diffraction measurements of compounds **5a** was carried out using an XtaLAB Synergy, Single source at home/near, HyPix3000 diffractometer. The crystal was kept at 100 K during data collection. Using Olex2⁴, the structure was solved with the SHELXT⁵ structure solution program using Intrinsic Phasing and refined with the SHELXL⁶ refinement package using Least Squares minimisation.

Crystal Data for **5a**. C₁₂H₁₂N₂O₂Se (M = 295.20 g/mol): monoclinic, space group $P2_1/c$ (no. 14), a = 12.30260(10) Å, b = 10.19280(10) Å, c = 56.9658(4) Å, $\beta = 94.7340(10)^\circ$, V = 7119.03(10) Å³, Z = 24, T = 100 K, μ (Cu K α) = 4.228 mm⁻¹, $D_{calc} = 1.653$ g/cm³, 38140 reflections measured ($6.228^\circ \le 2\Theta \le 136.808^\circ$), 12880 unique ($R_{int} = 0.0346$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0332$) which were used in all calculations. The final R_1 was 0.0424 (I > 2 σ (I)) and wR_2 was 0.1006 (all data).

The experimental and refinement details of the X-ray crystallographic structures of compound can be

obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre (http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk), CCDC 2093049.

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5. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra

1 H NMR of **5**a



¹³C NMR of **5a**





¹³C NMR of **5b**



















¹³C NMR of **5**f













¹³C NMR of **5m**





13C NMR of 5n



















¹³C NMR of **5q**





¹³C NMR of **5**r





¹³C NMR of **5s**





¹³C NMR of **5**t

