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Expedient, regioselective C–H chalcogenation of 3,4-dihydro-1,4-benzoxazines using palladium-copper catalyst.

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1. General Information

All the experiments were carried out in an oven-dried 50 mL round botton flask under conventional heating. Commercial reagents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich, Alfa Aeser, Acros, TCI and other commercial suppliers and used as received without further purification. The analytical TLC was performed using 0.20 mm silica gel 60F plates with a 254 nm fluorescent indicator. The TLC plates were visualised by using ultra-violet light. Column chromatography was done using 150-230 mesh silica gel. ¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded on JEOL ECX-400P NMR or Brucker at 400 MHz and 100 MHz respectively using TMS as the internal standard and are reported as chemical shifts (δ) in parts per million (ppm). The spectra were measured in CDCl₃ (TMS, ¹H δ = 0; CDCl₃, ¹H δ = 7.26, ¹³C δ = 77.16) or DMSO-d₆ (TMS, ¹H δ = 0; DMSO-d₆, ¹H δ = 2.50, ¹³C δ = 39.52). The coupling constants (*J*) are reported in Hz. The following abbreviations are used for explaining the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet. HRMS (m/z) were recorded using an Agilent Technology 6530, Accurate mass, Q-TOF LCMS spectrometer. Melting points were recorded on a Buchi M-560 melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Single crystal was recorded in a Bruker Kappa APEC2 CCD Diffractometer with MoKa radiation. The structures were solved by SHELXT and refined with SHELX. Unless otherwise stated the benzoxazines were prepared following the literature procedure.¹

2. Experimental Section

2.1 General procedure for the synthesis of compounds 3a – 3q.



In an oven-dried 50 mL round bottom flask, with a stirring bar was charged with a mixture of 4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine **1a** (0.328 mmol), diphenyl disulfides **2a** (0.197 mmol, 0.6 equiv.), $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0328 mmol, 10 mol%), $CuBr_2$ (1.5 equiv. 0.492 mmol) and 1.5 mL DMF as solvent in air. The round bottom flask was kept for stirring in an oil bath by heating at 120 °C (oil bath temperature). The progress of the reaction was monitored using TLC. After 24 h, the reaction was stopped, and the reaction mixture was

cooled to the ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was extracted with $(3 \times 10 \text{ mL})$ ethyl acetate . The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and purified by column chromatography (ethyl acetate and *n*-hexane) to afford the targeted products **3a-3q**.



2.2 General procedure for the synthesis of compounds 5a–5h.

In an oven-dried 50 mL round bottom flask, with a stirring bar was charged with a mixture of 4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine **1a** (0.328 mmol), diphenyl diselenides **4a** (0.197 mmol, 0.6 equiv.), $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0328 mmol, 10 mol%), $CuBr_2$ (1.5 equiv. 0.492 mmol) and 1.5 mL DMF as solvent in air. The round bottom flask was kept for stirring in an oil bath by heating at 120 °C (oil bath temperature). The progress of the reaction was monitored using TLC. After 24 h, the reaction was stopped, and the reaction mixture was cooled to ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was extracted with (3 x 10 mL) ethyl acetate . The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and purified by column chromatography (ethyl acetate and *n*-hexane) to afford the targeted products **5a-5h**.

2.3 Gram Scale Synthesis



In an oven-dried 50 mL round bottom flask, with a stirring bar was charged with a mixture of 4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine **1a** (1000mg, 4.69 mmol, 1 equiv.), diphenyl disulfides **2a** (614.35 mg, 2.81 mmol, 0.6 equiv.), $Pd(OAc)_2$ (315.87 mg, 0.469 mmol, 10 mol%), CuBr₂ (1571 mg, 7.035 mmol) and 15 mL DMF as solvent in air. The round bottom flask was kept for stirring in an oil bath by heating at 120 °C (oil bath temperature). The progress of the reaction was monitored using TLC. After 24 h, the reaction was stopped, and the reaction mixture was cooled to the ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was extracted

with $(3 \times 30 \text{ mL})$ ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and purified by column chromatography (ethyl acetate and *n*-hexane) to afford the targeted products **3a** in 87% yield (1311 mg).

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2.4 Procedure for late-stage modification of 5d to afford compound 6².

In an oven-dried, 50 mL round bottom flask with a stirring bar was charged with a mixture of 5-((4-bromophenyl)selanyl)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2H-benzo[b][1,4]oxazine**5d**0.1006 mmol) and CuCN (2.5 equiv., 0.251 equiv.) in DMF as solvent. The round bottom flask was kept for stirring in an oil bath by heating at 140 °C (oil bath temperature). The progress of the reaction was monitored using TLC. After 15 h, the reaction was stopped, and the reaction mixture was cooled to ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was extracted with (3 x 10 mL) ethyl acetate . The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and purified by column chromatography (10% ethyl acetate and*n*-hexane) to afford the targeted product**6**in 79% yield.

2.5 Procedure to afford compound 8.



In an oven-dried 50 mL round bottom flask, with a stirring bar was charged with a mixture of 5,6-dibromo-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline 7 (0.142 mmol), diphenyl disulfides **2a** (0.085 mmol, 0.6 equiv.), $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0142 mmol, 10 mol%), $CuBr_2$ (0.213 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) and 1.5 mL DMF as solvent in air. The round bottom flask was kept for stirring in an oil bath by heating at 120 °C (oil bath temperature). The progress of the reaction was monitored using TLC. After

24 h, the reaction was stopped, and the reaction mixture was cooled to ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was extracted with (3 x 10 mL) ethyl acetate . The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and purified by column chromatography (10% ethyl acetate and *n*-hexane) to afford the targeted product **8** in 78% product yield.

2.6 Procedure to afford compound 9.



In an oven-dried 50 mL round bottom flask, with a stirring bar was charged with a mixture of 5,6-dibromo-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline 7 (0.142 mmol), diphenyl diselenide **4a** (0.085 mmol, 0.6 equiv.), $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0142 mmol, 10 mol%), $CuBr_2$ (0.213 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) and 1.5 mL DMF as solvent in air. The round bottom flask was kept for stirring in an oil bath by heating at 120 °C (oil bath temperature). The progress of the reaction was monitored using TLC. After 24 h, the reaction was stopped, and the reaction mixture was cooled to ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was extracted with (3 x 10 mL) ethyl acetate . The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and purified by column chromatography (10% ethyl acetate and *n*-hexane) to afford the targeted product **9** in 88% product yield.

2.7 Procedure for deuteration of compound 1a for affording compound $1a[D_1]^3$.



In an oven-dried, 50 mL round bottom flask with a stirring bar was charged with a mixture of 4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine **1a** (0.328 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0328 mmol, 10 mol%), CuBr₂ (1.5 equiv. 0.492 mmol), 0.8 mL each of DMF and D₂O as solvents in air. The round bottom flask was kept for stirring in an oil bath by heating at 95 °C (oil bath temperature). The progress of the reaction was monitored using TLC. After 24 h, the reaction

was stopped, and the reaction mixture was cooled to the ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was extracted with $(3 \times 10 \text{ mL})$ ethyl acetate . The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and purified by column chromatography (10% ethyl acetate and *n*-hexane). However, the 86% of the compound **1a** was recovered with 4% deuteration.

3. Analytical data

3.1 5-(phenylthio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine. (1a)



Colour and physical state: Pale yellow solid Yield: 96% Melting point: 103-105 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.44 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 4H), 7.19-7.15 (m, 1H), 7.01 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.35-4.25 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.16, 157.92, 148.77, 138.03, 134.31, 130.85, 128.96, 128.42, 126.59, 126.21, 125.42, 116.33, 113.17, 66.33, 43.72. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₅N₃OS [M+H]⁺: 322.1009; found: 322.1019.

3.2 4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-5-(p-tolylthio)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine (3b)



336.1165; found: 336.1154.

Colour and physical state: Pale yellow solid

Yield: 90%

Melting point: 88-90 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.46 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 0H), 6.85 – 6.80 (m, 1H), 6.74 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.39-4.20 (m, 4H), 2.30 (s, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.15, 157.98, 148.63, 137.04, 135.53, 133.73, 132.01, 129.85, 127.78, 126.15, 124.35, 115.71, 113.15, 66.34, 43.79, 21.23. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₉H₁₇N₃OS [M+H]⁺:

3.3 5-((4-methoxyphenyl)thio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4] oxazine (3c)



Colour and physical state: Yellow solid Yield: 82% Melting point: 118-120 °C ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.48 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.84 – 6.69 (m, 5H), 4.31 (m, 4H), 3.79 (s, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.61, 159.08, 158.08, 148.21, 136.21, 134.40, 134.37, 127.28, 126.22, 125.62, 122.63, 114.98, 114.79, 113.46, 65.79, 55.23, 43.42. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₉H₁₇N₃O₂S [M+H]⁺: 352.1114; found: 352.1116.

3.4 5-((4-fluorophenyl)thio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine (3d)



Colour and physical state: Pale yellow semi-solid

Yield: 73%

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.45 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 2H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 2H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.96-6.91 (m, 2H), 6.86-6.82 (m, 2H), 6.75 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.37-4.21 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 162.51, 160.61, 160.07, 158.05, 148.40, 134.20, 133.05, 132.96, 129.53, 128.31, 127.20, 125.94, 124.40, 116.39, 116.17, 115.95, 113.55, 65.84, 43.22.
HRMS (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄FN₃OS [M+H]⁺: 340.0914; found: 340.0916.

3.5 5-((4-chlorophenyl)thio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine (3e)



Colour and physical state: White solid Yield: 72% Melting point: 113-115 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.43 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H),

7.16 (q, J = 8.7 Hz, 4H), 7.02 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (Hz, 2H), 6.74 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.61, 158.05, 148.52, 137.02, 132.73, 131.21, 131.06, 129.10, 128.94, 126.12, 125.44, 116.66, 113.63, 65.86, 43.16. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄ClN₃OS [M+H]⁺: 356.0619; found: 356.0623.

3.6 5-((4-bromophenyl)thio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine (3f)



Colour and physical state: White solid

Yield: 70%

Melting point: 162-164 °C

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.42 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 2H), 7.56-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.19 (m, 2H), 7.08-7.00 (m, 2H), 6.95-6.87 (m, 1H), 6.83-6.72 (m, 1H), 4.41-4.19 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.13, 157.95, 148.85, 137.65, 133.54, 132.01, 128.63, 126.37, 125.66, 120.36, 116.82, 113.30, 66.32, 43.66. HRMS (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄BrN₃OS [M+H]⁺: 400.0114; found: 400.0121.

3.7 5-((4-nitrophenyl)thio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine (3g)



Colour and physical state: Yellow solid

Yield: 89%

Melting point: 104-106 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.37 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 8.04 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.08 (m, 4H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.36-4.22 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.02, 157.88, 149.94, 149.28, 145.19, 130.01, 129.68, 127.77, 127.14, 126.79, 123.94, 118.80, 113.57, 66.30, 43.48. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄N₄O₃S [M+H]⁺: 367.0859; found: 367.0881.

3.8 N-(4-((4-(primidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazin-5-yl)thio)phenyl) acetamide (3h)



Colour and physical state: Yellow solid

Yield: 73%

Melting point: 87-89 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 10.00 (s, 1H), 8.51 (d, J = 4.8

Hz, 2H), 7.53-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.14 (m, 2H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.33-4.11 (m, 4H), 2.02 (s, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO) δ 168.77, 160.78, 158.21, 148.45, 138.77, 135.30, 132.57,

129.87, 127.93, 125.91, 123.65, 119.94, 115.46, 113.66, 65.96, 43.52, 24.10. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for $C_{20}H_{18}N_4O_2S$ [M+H]⁺ : 379.1223; found: 379.1248.

3.9 7-methyl-5-(phenylthio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine (3i)



Colour and physical state: Yellow solid

Yield: 88%

Melting point: 128-130 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.43 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.17 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.73 – 6.67 (m, 2H), 4.34 – 4.23 (m, 4H), 2.20 (s, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.30, 157.92, 148.41, 138.26, 136.35, 133.37, 130.47, 128.94, 126.38, 125.98, 117.11, 113.01, 66.25, 43.83, 21.17. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₉H₁₇N₃OS [M+H]⁺: 336.1165; found: 336.1173.

3.10 7-nitro-5-(phenylthio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine (3j)



Colour and physical state: Yellow solid

Yield: 86%

Melting point: 124-126 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.50 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 2H),

7.72-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.22 (m, 5H), 6.84 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.38-4.29 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.52, 158.16, 148.50, 145.08, 137.03, 135.35, 133.42, 132.44, 129.55, 128.19, 118.99, 114.31, 111.07, 66.37, 43.64. HRMS (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄N₄O₃S [M+H]⁺ : 367.0859; found: 367.0859.

3.11 7-chloro-5-(phenylthio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4] oxazine (3k)



Colour and physical state: Yellow solid

Yield: 91%

Melting point: 122-124 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.46 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 1H), 6.87-6.80 (m, 2H), 6.76 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.39-4.17 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.97, 158.04, 149.08, 136.54, 136.35, 131.88, 131.10, 129.28, 127.47, 126.60, 123.97, 116.13, 113.45, 66.38, 43.60. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄ClN₃OS [M+H]⁺: 356.0619; found: 356.0647.

3.12 N-(5-(phenylthio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazin-7-yl) acetamide (3l)



Colour and physical state: Pale yellow solid Yield: 72% Melting point: 251-253 °C

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.77 (s, 1H), 9.20 (s, 1H), 8.85-8.74 (m, 1H), 8.31 (s, 1H), 7.68-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.33 (m, 3H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 7.05 (t, 1H), 4.42-4.27 (m, 4H), 2.00 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 168.20, 159.58, 157.89, 148.53, 136.87, 136.16, 131.78, 129.29, 129.13, 126.54, 125.96, 123.52, 112.85, 109.40, 66.23, 42.01, 24.90. HRMS (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₂₀H₁₈N₄O₂S [M+H]⁺: 379.1223; found: 379.1223.

3.13 7,8-dibromo-5-(phenylthio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4] oxazine (3m)



Colour and physical state: White solid

Yield: 79%

Melting point: 163-165 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.44 (s, 2H), 7.28-7.24 (m,

5H), 6.98 (dd, J = 17.1, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 4.36-4.18 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 159.11, 158.33, 149.31, 136.56, 136.08, 131.70, 129.36, 127.56, 126.90, 126.80, 119.15, 118.99, 110.21, 66.38, 43.82. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₃Br₂N₃OS [M+H]⁺: 477.9212; found: 477.9241. 3.14 7-nitro-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-5-(p-tolylthio)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine

(3n)



Colour and physical state: Yellow solid

Yield: 78%

Melting point: 149-151 °C

¹**H NMR** ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.44 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.60 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (m, 4H), 2.26 (s, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.52, 158.20, 148.39, 145.09, 138.76, 138.14, 133.37, 132.78, 131.08, 130.45, 118.06, 114.26, 110.57, 66.36, 43.72, 21.33. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₉H₁₆N₄O₃S [M+H]⁺: 381.1016; found: 381.1037.

3.15 7-chloro-5-((4-chlorophenyl)thio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*]

[1,4]oxazine (3o)



Colour and physical state: White solid

Yield: 80%

Melting point: 108-110 °C

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.45 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H),

7.25-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 2H), 6.86 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.36-4.19 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.93, 158.03, 149.15, 135.92, 135.22, 133.43, 132.88, 131.18, 129.42, 126.79, 124.11, 116.50, 113.53, 66.35, 43.52. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₃Cl₂N₃OS [M+H]⁺: 390.0229; found: 390.0228.

3.16 5-(cyclohexylthio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine (3p)



Colour and physical state: Light brown semi-solid

Yield: 61%

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.42 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H),

7.11 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.08-7.03 (m, 1H), 6.86-6.79 (m, 1H), 6.70 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H),

4.32-4.22 (m, 4H), 3.06-2.97 (m, 1H), 1.86-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.72-1.65 (m, 2H), 1.35-1.25 (m,

6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.30, 158.18, 157.90, 148.65, 133.91, 125.86, 124.50, 115.75, 112.98, 66.28, 47.79, 43.86, 33.52, 33.30, 29.84, 26.25, 25.92. HRMS (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₂₁N₃OS [M+H]⁺: 328.1478; found: 328.1495.

3.17 5-(propylthio)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine (3q)



Colour and physical state: Light brown semi-solid Yield: 57%

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.44 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 2H),

7.08-7.02 (m, 2H), 6.80 (dd, J = 7.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.34-4.21 (m, 4H), 2.80 (t, 2H), 1.54-1.50 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.49, 158.12, 149.55, 127.62, 126.62, 124.22, 121.39, 116.23, 113.94, 65.85, 43.93, 35.74, 21.92, 13.13. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₅H₁₇N₃OS [M+H]⁺ : 288.1165; found: 288.1169.

3.18 5-(phenylselanyl)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine (5a)



Colour and physical state: Pale yellow solid

Yield: 91% Melting point: 110-112 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.45 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.46-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.18 (m, 3H), 7.03 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.70-3.93 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.12, 158.03, 148.52, 133.92, 133.48, 131.96, 129.14, 128.64, 127.17, 126.44, 126.41, 116.29, 113.13, 66.33, 43.35. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₅N₃OSe [M+H]⁺: 370.0453; found: 370.0466. 3.19 5-((4-fluorophenyl)selanyl)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4] oxazine (5b)



Colour and physical state: White solid

Yield: 86%

Melting point: 98-100 °C

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.46 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 5.6 Hz, 2H), 6.96-6.89 (m, 4H), 6.87-6.81 (m, 1H), 6.75 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.71-3.87 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 163.75, 161.30, 161.10, 158.08, 148.52, 136.09, 136.01, 132.42, 128.36, 128.27, 128.24, 126.45, 125.81, 116.46, 116.24, 116.22, 113.20, 77.48, 76.84, 66.32, 43.34. HRMS (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄FN₃OSe [M+H]⁺: 388.0351; found: 388.0359.

3.20 5-((4-chlorophenyl)selanyl)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4] oxazine (5c)



Colour and physical state: White solid

Yield: 94%

Melting point: 134-136 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.36 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 2H),

7.28-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.08 (m, 2H), 6.93-6.83 (m, 2H), 6.79 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.46-4.00 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.05, 158.01, 148.54, 134.65, 133.25, 132.40, 131.61, 129.27, 128.67, 126.52, 126.38, 116.56, 113.21, 66.28, 43.25. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄ClN₃OSe [M+H]⁺: 404.0090; found: 404.0078.

3.21 5-((4-bromophenyl)selanyl)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4] oxazine (5d)



Colour and physical state: White solid Yield: 91% Melting point: 200-202 °C ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.46 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.37-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.04-6.94 (m, 2H), 6.89 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.61-3.99 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.09, 158.05, 148.57, 134.85, 133.22, 132.21, 131.47, 128.75, 126.57, 126.51, 121.33, 116.65, 113.25, 66.32, 43.27. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄BrN₃OSe [M+H]⁺: 447.9558; found: 447.9547.

3.22 7-nitro-5-(phenylselanyl)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4] oxazine (5e)



Colour and physical state: Yellow solid

Yield: 84%

Melting point: 136-138 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.50 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.24 (m, 3H), 6.85 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.42-4.29 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.38, 158.27, 148.18, 144.93, 134.49, 134.03, 133.76, 132.02, 129.65, 128.42, 120.54, 114.25, 111.36, 66.37, 43.16. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄CN₄O₃Se [M+H]⁺: 415.0304; found: 415.0305.





Colour and physical state: White solid

Yield: 89%

Melting point: 150-152 °C

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.46 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 2H),

7.47 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.26 (t, J = 2.6 Hz, 3H), 6.93 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.51-4.09 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.02, 158.13, 148.88, 134.10, 133.64, 132.76, 131.21, 129.43, 127.83, 127.22, 125.42, 116.32, 113.41, 66.37, 43.27. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₄ClN₃OSe [M+H]⁺: 404.0063; found: 404.0068.

3.24 7,8-dibromo-5-(phenylselanyl)-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*] [1,4] oxazine (5g)



Colour and physical state: White solid Yield: 71% Melting point: 170-172 °C

 $^1\mathrm{H}$ NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.45 (s, 2H), 7.45-7.40 (m,

2H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.62-3.95 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.16, 158.40, 149.10, 133.92, 133.58, 132.42, 129.50, 128.29, 127.92, 127.38, 119.33, 119.18, 110.11, 66.33, 43.55. HRMS (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₃Br₂N₃OSe [M+H]⁺: 477.9219; found: 477.9241.

3.25 5-((4-bromophenyl)selanyl)-7-nitro-4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*] [1,4]oxazine (5h)



Colour and physical state: Pale yellow solid

Yield: 92%

Melting point: 126-128 °C

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.49 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.33-7.28 (m, 2H), 6.86 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.41-4.30 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.43, 158.28, 148.31, 145.07, 135.78, 134.24, 133.13, 132.78, 131.34, 122.82, 120.78, 114.35, 111.76, 66.40, 43.10. HRMS (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₃BrN₄O₃Se [M+H]⁺: 492.9409; found: 492.9412. **3.26 4-((4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2***H***-benzo[***b***][1,4]oxazin-5-yl)selanyl) benzonitrile (compound 6)**



Colour and physical state: White solid Yield: 79% Melting point: 134-136 °C ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.40 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.11 (m, 1H), 7.04 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.98 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 6.75 (t, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.45-4.14 (m, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 161.05, 157.97, 148.86, 143.42, 132.29, 131.15, 129.64, 129.10, 127.95, 126.93, 119.07, 117.94, 113.45, 109.49, 66.31, 43.15. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₉H₁₄N₄OSe [M+H]⁺: 395.0406; found: 395.0436.

3.27 4,5-dibromo-7-(phenylthio)-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (8)



Colour and physical state: Pale yellow solid

Yield: 78%

Melting point: 184-186 °C

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.44 (s, 2H), 7.28-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.15 (m, 2H), 4.41 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.13 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.92, 157.81, 142.70, 136.96, 136.82, 133.39, 131.78, 129.29, 128.44, 127.52, 126.21, 116.93, 109.71, 52.89, 29.60. **HRMS** (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₃Br₂N₃S [M+H]⁺: 461.9270; found: 461.9296.

3.28 4,5-dibromo-7-(phenylselanyl)-1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)indoline (compound 9)



Colour and physical state: White solid Yield: 88% Melting point: 139-141 °C

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.45 (s, 2H), 7.47 (dd, J = 7.3, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 7.19 (s, 2H), 4.43 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.13 (t, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 158.85, 157.89, 143.11, 136.45, 134.42, 134.24, 133.57, 129.48, 128.05, 126.15, 124.73, 117.05, 109.44, 52.07, 29.42. HRMS (ESI+) m/z: calculated for C₁₈H₁₃Br₂N₃Se [M+H]⁺: 509.8714; found: 509.8719.

3.29 4-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazine-5-*d* (compound 1a[D₁] and 1a)



Colour and physical state: White solid

Yield: 86%

Melting point: 135-137 °C

¹H NMR (77a[D₁]) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.44 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 2H), 8.01 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02-6.97 (m, 1H), 6.95-6.89 (m, 2H), 6.72 (t, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (t, 2H), 4.28 (t, 2H). ¹H NMR (77a) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.44 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 2H), 8.01 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.03-6.96 (m, 1H), 6.94-6.89 (m, 2H), 6.72 (t, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (t, 2H), 4.28 (t, 2H).

HRMS (ESI+) m/z 77a[D₁]: calculated for $C_{12}H_{10}DN_3O$ [M+H]⁺: 214.0975; found: 214.0983. HRMS (ESI+) m/z 77a: calculated for $C_{12}H_{11}N_3O$ [M+H]⁺: 215.1038; found: 215.1037.

4. Copies of ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR Spectra



e 1: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **3a** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



Figure 2: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3a (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



Figure 3: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **3b** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



Figure 4: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **3b** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



Figure 5: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 3c (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



e 6: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3c (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



e 7: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 3d (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



e 8: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3d (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



Figure 9: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **3e** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



Figure 10: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **3e** (DMSO, 100 MHz)



Figure 11: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **3f** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



Figure 12: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **3f** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)





Figure 14: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3g (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)





ure 16: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **3h** (DMSO, 100 MHz)



e 18: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3i (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



e 20: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3j (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



Figure 21: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 3k (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



e 22: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3k (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



e 23: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 3I (DMSO, 400 MHz)



e 24: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3l (CDCl3, 100 MHz)



e 25: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 3m (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



e 26: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3m (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



Figure 27: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **3n** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



Figure 28: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **3n** (CDCl3, 100 MHz)



e 29: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 30 (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



Figure 30: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 30 (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



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Figure 32: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3p (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)

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e 33: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 3q (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



e 34: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3q (DMSO, 100 MHz)



Figure 35: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 5a (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)





e 37: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 5b (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



e 38: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 5b (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)







e 41: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 5d (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



Figure 42: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 5d (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)





e 44: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 5e (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)

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e 45: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 5f (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



e 46: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 5f (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



e 47: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 5g (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



e 48: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 5g (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



e 50: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 5h (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



e 51: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound compound 6 (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



e 52: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound compound 6 (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



e 53: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 8 (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



e 54: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 8 (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



e 55: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 9 (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)







e 57: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 1a [D₁] (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) with 4% deuteration



Figure 58: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 1a (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)

5. X-ray Structure of 5h^{4, 5, 6}

The single crystals were grown by slow evaporation at room temperature using ethyl acetate for compounds **5h**. The data for X-ray intensity were collected at room temperature (110 K) on Bruker CCD diffractometer and MoKα radiation having wavelength 0.71073 was used. The structures were solved by SHELXL. All the non-hydrogens were refined by full matrix least square on F2 using SHELXL-2019/3. The ORTEP diagrams were generated using Mercury (**Figure 57**). The CCDC number is **2299902** for compound **5h**. The supplementary crystallographic data can be obtained *via* CCDC www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif, or by emailing data_request@ccdc.cam.ac.uk, or by contacting The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK; fax: +44 1223 336033.



Figure 59. ORTEP diagram of the compound 5h (CCDC 2299902).

Identification code	5h
Emperical Formula	C ₁₈ H ₁₃ Br N ₄ O ₃ Se
Formula weight	492.19
Temperature	110 K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Orthorhombic
Space group	P 21 21 21
Unit cell dimentions	a/Å = 6.0959(3) Å
	b/Å = 14.8987(6) Å
	c/Å = 19.7130(7) Å
	$\alpha/\circ = 90$
	$\beta/2 = 90$
	$\gamma = 90$
7	1/90.33(13) A ³
L Density (selevilated)	4 1.826 Mada 2
Absorption coefficient	1.820 Mg/m3
	4:557 mm
F(000)	908 0.221 x 0.070 x 0.044 mm ³
These remove	$0.331 \times 0.070 \times 0.044 \text{ mm}^{\circ}$
Deflections collected	5.589 . to 50.852 .
Reflections collected	11/40 4227 [D(int) = 0.0442]
	4337 [K(IIII) - 0.0442]
Index ranges	$-0 \le n \le \delta$ $-10 \le k \le 21$
	-26<1<22
Completeness of data	99.5%
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2
Data/restraint/parameters	4337/956/417
Goodness of fit on F ²	1.059
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1=0.0710, wR2=0.1816
R indices (all data)	R1=0.0800, wR2=0.1869
Absolute structure parameter	0.52(4)
Largest diff. peak and hole [e Å-3]	1.651 and -1.585 e.Å ⁻³

 Table 1: Crystal data and structure refinement for 5h, CCDC 2299902.

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