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Supporting Information

#### Synthesis of Indolines via Palladium-Catalyzed [4+1] Annulation of

## (2-Aminophenyl) Methanols with Sulfoxonium Ylides

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## 1. The structure of 3q



ORTEP representation (50% thermal probability ellipsoids) of the crystal structure of **complex 3q** (CCDC: 2368143)

#### 2. Analytic data of substrates 1 and 2

(2-(Methylamino)phenyl)(phenyl)methanol (1a). White solid, 89% yield, 759 mg; m.p. 127-128 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.41-7.29 (m, 5H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 1H), 6.97-6.91 (m, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 5.81 (s, 1H), 4.59 (s, 1H), 2.78 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  147.7 , 141.9, 129.3, 128.6, 128.5, 127.6, 126.9, 126.7, 116.6, 111.0, 75.1, 30.6 (*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2015**, *54*, 15540-15544). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 236.1045, found 236.1049.

(2-Aminophenyl)(phenyl)methanol (1b). White solid, 91% yield, 1.03 g; m.p. 118-119 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.41-7.29 (m, 5H), 7.13 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 3.96 (s, 2H), 2.73 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  144.9 , 142.0, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 127.7, 126.6, 118.5, 117.1, 74.9 (*J. Org. Chem.*, **2023**, 88, 12367-12375). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 200.1069, found 200.1068.

(2-(Ethylamino)phenyl)(phenyl)methanol (1c). White solid, 68% yield, 618 mg; m.p. 67-68 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.40-7.34 (m, 4H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.22 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.70-6.66 (m, 2H), 5.84 (s, 1H), 4.38 (s, 1H), 3.13-3.02 (m, 2H), 2.59 (s, 1H), 1.15 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  146.8, 142.1, 129.3, 128.7, 128.5, 127.6, 127.0, 126.6, 116.6, 111.8, 75.2, 38.3, 14.7 (*J. Org. Chem.*, **2023**, 88, 12367-12375). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 250.1202, found 250.1206.

(2-(Benzylamino)phenyl)(phenyl)methanol (1d). White solid, 60% yield, 695 mg; m.p. 72-73 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.40-7.35 (m, 5H), 7.31-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 4.29 (s, 2H), 2.66 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  146.3, 141.9, 139.3, 129.3, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 127.5, 127.3, 127.0, 126.9, 126.6, 116.7, 111.7, 75.3, 47.7 (*J. Org. Chem.*, **2023**, 88, 12367-12375). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 290.1539, found 290.1530.

(2-(Isopropylamino)phenyl)(phenyl)methanol (1e). White solid, 88% yield, 899 mg; m.p. 56-57 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.36 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.67-6.37 (m, 2H), 6.08 (q, *J* = 8.0 Hz 1H), 5.72 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 4.97 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.59-3.44 (m, 1H), 1.09 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  145.7, 143.8, 128.3, 128.1, 127.7, 126.6, 126.3, 115.0, 111.1, 73.3, 43.0, 22.7, 22.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 242.1539, found 242.1537.

Phenyl(2-(phenylamino)phenyl)methanol (**1f**). White solid, 82% yield, 587 mg; m.p. 110-111 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.42-7.32 (m, 6H), 7.24-7.22 (m, 3H), 7.12(dd, *J* = 7.6 and 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.97-6.89 (m, 4H), 6.43 (s, 1H), 5.94 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  143.4, 142.1, 141.9, s<sub>3</sub>

132.0, 129.4, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 127.9, 126.8, 121.1, 120.9, 118.7, 118.1, 74.8 (*J. Org. Chem.*, **2023**, *88*, 12367-12375). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 262.0838, found 262.0834.

N-(2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methyl)phenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (1g). White solid, 83% yield, 223mg; m.p. 147-148 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  9.46 (s, 1H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 7.26-7.21 (m, 3H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.13-7.07 (m, 2H), 6.93-6.91 (m, 1H), 6.25 (s, 1H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  143.92, 143.30, 138.36, 136.81, 134.46, 129.67, 128.45, 127.97, 127.64, 126.90, 126.78, 126.28, 125.39, 122.98, 70.67, 21.01 (*J. Org. Chem.*, **2023**, 88, 12367-12375). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 376.0977, found 376.0977.

N-(2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methyl)phenyl)acetamide (1h). White solid, 75% yield, 137 mg; m.p. 136-137 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.49 (s, 1H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.27 (m, 6H), 7.12-7.06 (m, 2H), 5.88 (s, 1H), 3.58 (s, 1H), 1.90 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  169.0, 141.7, 136.6, 132.8, 129.0, 128.9, 128.5, 127.7, 126.1, 124.5, 123.5, 75.2, 24.4 (*J. Org. Chem.*, **2023**, 88, 12367-12375). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 264.0995, found 264.1009.

*tert*-Butyl (2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methyl)phenyl)carbamate (1i). White solid, 93% yield, 418 mg; m.p. 141-142 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.82 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.36-7.27 (m, 6H), 7.05-6.99 (m, 2H), 5.92 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.43 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  153.5 , 141.6 , 137.2, 132.4, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 127.7, 126.4, 123.5, 122.6, 80.3, 75.0, 28.4 (*J. Org. Chem.*, **2023**, 88, 12367-12375). HRMS (ESI) m/z (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> 322.1413, found 322.1409.

(2-(Methylamino)phenyl)(p-tolyl)methanol (11). Yellow solid, 68% yield, 618 mg; m.p. 67-68 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.28-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.81 (s, 1H), 2.79 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  147.7, 139.0, 137.4, 129.3, 128.5, 127.2, 126.7, 116.6, 110.9, 75.0, 30.7, 21.3 (*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2015, 54**, 15540-15544). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 228.1382, found 228.1380.

(3-Methoxyphenyl)(2-(methylamino)phenyl)methanol (**1n**). White solid, 69 % yield, 672 mg; m.p. 82 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.30-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.21 (m, 1H), 7.00-6.91 (m, 3H), 6.84 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.71-6.65 (m, 2H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 2.79 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.9, 147.8, 143.8, 129.7, 129.5, 128.7, 126.9, 119.1, 116.7, 113.2, 112.4, 111.0, 75.2, 55.4, 30.7 (*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2015, 54**, 15540-15544). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 244.1332, found 244.1335

(4-Fluorophenyl)(2-(methylamino)phenyl)methanol (1q). White solid, 83% yield, 768 mg; m.p. 56-57 °C.<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.34-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 1H), 7.05-7.01 (m, 2H), 6.92 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (ddd, J = 8.7, 5.6, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 5.80 (s, 1H), 2.77 (s, 3H).<sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  163.5, 161.1, 147.7, 137.7, 129.5, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 126.7, 116.7, 115.5, 115.2, 111.2, 74.7, 30.6 (*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2015, 54**, 15540-15544). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>FNO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 232.1132, found 232.1130.

1-(2-(Methylamino)phenyl)ethan-1-ol (**1s**). Yellow oil, 98% yield, 445 mg. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.23 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (dd, J =12.0, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 4.87 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (s, 3H), 1.58 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  147.9, 129.0, 127.8, 126.3, 116.4, 110.6, 69.9, 30.5, 21.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 174.0889, found 174.0880.

1-(2-(Methylamino)phenyl)propan-1-ol (**1t**). Yellow oil, 89% yield, 441 mg. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.21 (td, J = 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd, J = 7.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.71-6.63 (m, 2H), 5.04 (s, 1H), 4.55 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 1.93 (p, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  147.9, 128.9, 127.5, 126.7, 116.2, 110.6, 76.67, 30.5, 27.7, 11.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 166.1226, found 166.1232.

2-(Dimethyl(oxo)-  $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)-1-phenylethan-1-one (**2a**). White solid, 65 % yield, 3.57 g; m.p. 119 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3)  $\delta$  7.76 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.45-7.30 (m, 3H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 3.47 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl3)  $\delta$  182.4, 138.9, 130.8, 128.2, 126.6, 68.7, 42.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> S5

197.0630, found 197.0628.

2-(Dimethyl(oxo)-  $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)-1-(o-tolyl)ethan-1-one (**2b**). White solid, 55% yield, 3.24 g; m.p. 102 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.38 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 2H), 4.64 (s, 1H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  187.0, 141.1, 135.6, 130.9, 129.0, 127.3, 125.4, 71.6, 42.3, 20.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 233.0606; Found 233.0608.

2-(Dimethyl(oxo)- $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)-1-(m-tolyl)ethan-1-one (**2c**). White solid, 72% yield, 4.24 g; m.p. 114-115 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.62 (s, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.24 (m, 1H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 3.49 (s, 6H), 2.36 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  182.7, 138.9, 137.9, 131.6, 128.2, 127.3, 123.8, 68.4, 42.5, 21.5. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 233.0606, found 233.0605.

2-(Dimethyl(oxo)-  $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)-1-(p-tolyl)ethan-1-one (**2d**). White solid, 32% yield, 1.88 g; m.p. 141 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.65 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 3.54 (s, 6H), 2.32 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  180.40, 139.99, 136.80, 128.65, 126.45, 71.88, 40.65, 39.52, 20.99 (*Org. Lett,* **2020**, *22*, 1375-1379). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 233.0606, found 233.0604.

2-(Dimethyl(oxo)- $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (**2e**). White solid, 36% yield, 2.28 g; m.p. 132 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.76 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 4.91 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.50 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  181.9, 161.7, 131.5, 128.3, 113.3, 68.0, 55.3, 42.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 249.0555, found 249.0555.

2-(Dimethyl(oxo)- $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethan-1-one (**2f**). White solid, 77% yield, 5.70 g; m.p. 142 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.89 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 5.01 (s, 1H), 3.53 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  180.7, 141.7, 132.4, 132.1, 127.0, 125.3, 69.9, 42.3 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>11</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 287.0324, found 287.0328.

1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-(dimethyl(oxo)-l6-sulfaneylidene)ethan-1-one (**2g**). White solid, 74% yield, 4.78 g; m.p. 153-154 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.70 (d, J =

8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 4.95 (s, 1H), 3.48 (s, 6H).<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  181.0, 137.4, 136.8, 128.4, 128.0, 68.9, 42.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>11</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 253.0060, found 253.0062.

4-(2-(Dimethyl(oxo)- $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)acetyl)benzonitrile (**2h**). Yellow solid, 13% yield, 805 mg; m.p. 197-198 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.92 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  178.0, 143.4, 132.3, 127.2, 118.8, 112.6, 74.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 244.0402, found 244.0406.

2-(Dimethyl(oxo)- $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)-1-(2-fluorophenyl)ethan-1-one (**2i**). Yellow solid, 70% yield, 4.20 g; m.p. 93-94 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.88 (td, J = 7.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.37–7.32 (m, 1H), 7.18–7.14 (m, 1H), 7.05–7.0 (m, 1H), 5.14 (s, 1H), 3.50 (s, 6H) . <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  177.5, 162.1, 159.6, 132.0, 130.1 , 126.8 , 124.1, 116.1, 73.7 , 42.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>11</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 237.0356, found 2237.0332.

2-(Dimethyl(oxo)- $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)ethan-1-one (**2J**). White solid, 76% yield, 4.56 g; m.p. 119 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.99-7.96 (m, 2H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 3.69 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  181.14, 165.71, 163.22, 135.17, 128.9, 128.8, 115.2, 115.0, 68.47, 42.45. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>11</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na)<sup>+</sup> 237.0356, found 237.0357.

2-(Dimethyl(oxo)- $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)-1-(naphthalen-2-yl)ethan-1-one (**2k**). White solid, 44% yield, 3.03 g; m.p. 178-179 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.35 (s, 1H), 8.02 - 7.97 (m, 1H), 7.95 - 7.88 (m, 3H), 7.58 - 7.51 (m, 2H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 3.60 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  180.2, 136.9, 134.0, 132.5, 128.9, 127.6, 127.6, 127.1, 126.4, 126.2, 124.0, 72.8, 40.6. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 247.0787, found 247.0781.

1-(Dimethyl(oxo)- $\lambda^6$ -sulfaneylidene)propan-2-one (21). Yellow oil, 54% yield, 2.03 g. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  4.38 (s, 1H), 3.37 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 6H), 1.92 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  188.2, 69.8, 42.2, 27.8. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 135.0474, found 135.0470.

#### 3. Copies of NMR spectra





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Figure S6. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1c** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S8.  $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$  NMR spectrum of 1d (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23  $^{o}C)$ 



Figure S10. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1e** (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)





Figure S12. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1f** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)















Figure S16.  $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$  NMR spectrum of 1h (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23  $^{\rm o}C)$ 





Figure S18. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1i** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S20. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1j** (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)





Figure S24.  $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$  NMR spectrum of 11 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23  $^{o}C)$ 



Figure S26. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1m** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)









Figure S32. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1p** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S34. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1q** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)

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Figure S36. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1r** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)







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220 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 -20Figure S42. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1u** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S44. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **1v** (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



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Figure S52. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **2a** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



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Figure S58. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **2d** (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)


Figure S60. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **2e** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S62. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **2f** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)









Figure S68.  $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$  NMR spectrum of 2i (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23  $^{o}C)$ 





Figure S72. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **2k** (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



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Figure S77. NOE spectrum of **3a** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 23 °C)





Figure S79. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3c** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)

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Figure S81.  $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$  NMR spectrum of 3d (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23  $^{o}C)$ 





 $\begin{array}{c} 7.79\\ 7.79\\ 7.79\\ 7.75\\$ 



Figure S85. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3f** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)







Figure S89. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3k** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)





Figure S93. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3m** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S95. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3n** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S97. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **30** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)

 $\begin{array}{c} 7.87\\ 7.78\\ 7.78\\ 7.78\\ 7.78\\ 7.78\\ 7.78\\ 7.78\\ 7.78\\ 7.78\\ 7.78\\ 7.78\\ 7.75\\$ 



Figure S99. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3p** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)





Figure S103. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3r** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



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Figure S105. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3s** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



220 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 -20 Figure S107.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum of **3t** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S109.  $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$  NMR spectrum of 3u (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23  $^{o}C)$ 



Figure S111. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3v** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S113. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3w** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)





Figure S115. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3x** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)





Figure S117. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3y** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



220 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 -20 Figure S119.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum of **3z** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S121. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3aa** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S123. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3ab** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S125.  $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$  NMR spectrum of **3ac** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23  $^{o}C$ )



Figure S127. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3ad** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)



Figure S129. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3ae** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)


Figure S131.  $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$  NMR spectrum of **3af** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23  $^{o}C)$ 



Figure S133.  $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$  NMR spectrum of **3ag** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23  $^{o}C)$ 



Figure S135. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **3ah** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)









Figure S141. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of **5** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)





Figure S144. NOE spectrum of 6 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 23 °C)



Figure S146. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of 7 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz, 23 °C)