Supporting Information for

Synthesis of a class of 5-((5-(pyrrol-2-yl-methylene)-pyrrol-2-yl)methylene)furan-2ones and the formation of a furanone dipyrrin imino ether

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Fig. S7 HHCOSY NMR (F1 and F2: 400 MHz) spectrum of 1b.





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Fig. S16 HHCOSY NMR (F1 and F2: 400 MHz) spectrum of 2a-1.



Fig. S17 HMQC(red) and HMBC(blue) NMR (F1: 100 MHz, F2: 400 MHz) spectra of 2a-1.



Fig. S18 ¹H NMR (400 MHz) spectrum of **2b-1**.









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Fig. S28 HR ESI(+) TOF mass spectrum of 3: calculated and observed spectra.

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Crystallographic data of 2b-1

A crystalline red plate of $C_{22}H_8N_3O_3F_5Cl_2$ having approximate dimensions of $0.12 \times 0.25 \times 0.40$ mm was mounted on a glass fiber. All measurements were made on a Bruker X8 APEX II diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo-K α radiation. The data were collected at a temperature of $-100.0 \pm 0.1^{\circ}C$ to a maximum 2 θ value of 56.0°. Data were collected in a series of ϕ and ω scans in 0.50° oscillations with 10.0 second exposures. The crystal-to-detector distance was 36.00 mm.

Of the 20418 reflections that were collected, 4938 were unique ($R_{int} = 0.024$); equivalent reflections were merged. Data were collected and integrated using the Bruker SAINT^{S1} software package. The linear absorption coefficient, μ , for Mo-K α radiation is 3.91 cm⁻¹. Data were corrected for absorption effects using the multi-scan technique (SADABS^{S2}), with minimum and maximum transmission coefficients of 0.890 and 0.954, respectively. The data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects.

The structure was solved by direct methods^{S3}. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All C-H hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions but were not refined. The N-H hydrogen atom was located in a difference map and refined isotropically. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement^{S4} on F^2 was based on 4938 reflections and 321 variable parameters and converged (largest parameter shift was 0.00 times its esd) with unweighted and weighted agreement factors (R1 = 0.046 and wR2 = 0.102).

The standard deviation of an observation of unit weight^{S5} was 0.99. The weighting scheme was based on counting statistics. The maximum and minimum peaks on the final difference Fourier map corresponded to 0.41 and -0.32 e⁻/Å³, respectively.

Neutral atom scattering factors were taken from Cromer and Waber^{S6}. Anomalous dispersion effects were included in Fcalc^{S7}; the values for $\Delta f'$ and $\Delta f''$ were those of Creagh and McAuley^{S8}. The values for the mass attenuation coefficients are those of Creagh and Hubbell^{S9}. All refinements were performed using the SHELXTL^{S10} crystallographic software package from Bruker-AXS.

Table S1. Parameters for the hydrogen-bonds of 2b-1.

Donor HAcceptor	D – H (Å)	HA (Å)	DA (Å)	D – HA (°)
N(1) -H(1n)N(2)	0.84(3)	2.18(2)	2.7618(19)	127(2)
N(1) -H(1n)O(2)	0.84(3)	2.39(2)	2.8605(18)	116.3(18)



Fig. S29 ORTEP structure of 2b-1. Thermal ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.

Crystallographic data of 2a-2

A crystalline black prism of $C_{25}H_{17}N_3O_3Cl_4$ having approximate dimensions of $0.40 \times 0.45 \times 0.55$ mm was mounted on a glass fiber. All measurements were made on a Bruker X8 APEX II diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo-K α radiation. The data were collected at a temperature of $-100.0 \pm 0.1^{\circ}C$ to a maximum 20 value of 56.2°. Data were collected in a series of ϕ and ω scans in 0.50° oscillations with 10.0 second exposures. The crystal-to-detector distance was 36.00 mm.

Of the 38352 reflections that were collected, 5806 were unique ($R_{int} = 0.028$); equivalent reflections were merged. Data were collected and integrated using the Bruker SAINT^{S1} software package. The linear absorption coefficient, μ , for Mo-K α radiation is 5.16 cm⁻¹. Data were corrected for absorption effects using the multi-scan technique (SADABS^{S2}), with minimum and maximum transmission coefficients of 0.674 and 0.814, respectively. The data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects.

The structure was solved by direct methods^{S3}. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All C-H hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions but were not refined. The N-H hydrogen atom was located in a difference map and refined isotropically. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement^{S4} on F² was based on 5806 reflections and 321 variable parameters and converged (largest parameter shift was 0.00 times its esd) with unweighted and weighted agreement factors (R1 = 0.057 and wR2 = 0.118).

The standard deviation of an observation of unit weight^{S5} was 1.08. The weighting scheme was based on counting statistics. The maximum and minimum peaks on the final difference Fourier map corresponded to 0.51 and -0.38 e⁻/Å³, respectively.

Neutral atom scattering factors were taken from Cromer and Waber^{S6}. Anomalous dispersion effects were included in Fcalc^{S7}; the values for Δf and $\Delta f''$ were those of Creagh and McAuley^{S8}. The values for the mass attenuation coefficients are those of Creagh and Hubbell^{S9}. All refinements were performed using the SHELXTL^{S10} crystallographic software package from Bruker-AXS.



Table S2. Parameters for the hydrogen-bonds of 2a-2.



Fig. S30 ORTEP structure of 2a-2. Thermal ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.

Table S3. Crystallographic data of 2a-2 and 2b-1.

	2a-2	2b-1
Formula	C ₂₅ H ₁₇ Cl ₄ N ₃ O ₃	$C_{22}H_8Cl_2F_5N_3O_3$
Mw	549.22	528.21
Crystal System	triclinic	triclinic
Space group	P-1	P-1
a / Å	7.5524(4)	7.0689(13)
b / Å	12.9084(7)	9.6348(19)
c / Å	13.1120(7)	16.074(3)
α / \deg	102.326(2)	94.959(7)
β / \deg	94.333(2)	95.467(7)
γ / deg	98.378(2)	106.429(7)
$V/\text{\AA}^3$	1227.94(11)	1037.9(3)
Z	2	2
$D_{\rm c}$ / g cm ⁻¹	1.485	1.690
$\mu(MoK\alpha)$ cm ⁻¹	0.71073	0.71073
Number of observed data $(I > 0.00\sigma(I))$	5806	4938
Reflection / Parameter Ratio	18.09	15.38
$R1^{\rm a}$; $wR2^{\rm b}$	0.0574; 0.1179	0.0456; 0.1019
GOF	1.075	0.990
Number of observed data $(I > 2\sigma(I))$	4685	4046
$(R1; wR2)^{c}$	0.0409; 0.1008	0.0347; 0.0926
^a R1 = $\Sigma \omega \parallel \text{Fo} \mid - \mid \text{Fc} \parallel \Sigma \omega \mid \text{Fo} \mid$, ^b wR2 = $\sqrt{\Sigma}$	$\Sigma{\omega(Fo^2-Fc^2)^2}/\Sigma\omega(Fo^2)^2$, c re	fined on F, $I \ge 2\sigma(I)$

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- Standard deviation of an observation of unit weight: $[\Sigma w (F_o^2 F_c^2)^2 / (N_o N_v)]^{1/2}$ S5.

Where: $N_0 =$ number of observations

 N_v = number of variables

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