

Solid-Phase Synthesis of Quinolinone Library

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: Quinolinones have various biological activities, including antibacterial, anticancer, and antiviral properties. The 3-substituted amide quinolin-2(1H)-ones not only show antibacterial activity, but also act as immunomodulators, 5-HT₄ receptor agonists, cannabinoid receptor inverse agonists, and AchE and, BuchE inhibitors. To investigate the potent biological activity of 3-substituted amide quinolin-2(1H)-ones, a large number of 3,5-amide substituted-2-



oxoquinolinones were prepared by parallel solid-phase synthesis. The compound 5-amino-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-1,2dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid was loaded onto 4-formyl-3,5-dimethoxyphenoxy (PL-FDMP) resin by reductive amination with high efficiency. Various building blocks were attached to the 3 and 5 positions to yield 3,5-disubstituted-2-oxoquinolinones with high purity and good yield. The ability some of these compound to inhibit the release of IL-1 β , a cytokine involved in the immune response was measured, and they showed about 50% inhibition at 10 μ M.

KEYWORDS: quinolinone, solid-phase synthesis, IL-1 β , immune response

INTRODUCTION

A large number of pharmacologically active molecules have been generated by synthesizing derivatives of quinolinone. Many of these compounds have potent and varied biological activities including antibacterial,^{1,2} anticonvulsant,^{3,4} and antithyroid⁵⁻⁷ properties. In addition, amide derivatives of substituted 2-oxo-quinoline acids have shown anticancer⁸⁻¹⁰ and antituberculosis¹¹⁻¹⁴ activities. Especially various 3substituted amide quinolin-2(1*H*)-ones have shown potent activity, with compounds 1 acting as immunomodulators,¹⁵ 2 as a 5-HT₄ receptor agonist,¹⁶ 3 as cannabinoid receptor inverse agonists,¹⁷ 4 as an AchE inhibitor, and 5 as a BuchE inhibitor¹⁸ (Chart 1).

Roquinimex (1a, linomide) and laquinimod (1b) are synthetic immunomodulators developed by Active Biotech and Teva, respectively. Roquinimex has been shown effective against various types of cancer, including leukemia, and autoimmune disorders, including multiple sclerosis (MS),¹⁹ rheumatoid arthritis, and type I diabetes,^{20,21} as well as in MRL/l mice, (NZB NZW) F1 hybrid mice, experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis, and systemic lupus erythematosus. Compound 1a can be categorized as both an immunostimulant and an immunosuppressant because it increases lymphocyte proliferation, interleukin-2 production and natural killer cell activity, and antagonizes the immunosuppressive effect of cyclosporine.²² Laquinimod is a derivative of roquinimex, with less toxicity and greater efficacy than roquinimex in the MS model and in experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis (EAE).²³⁻²⁵ Although roquinimex and laquinimod have failed phase II and phase III clinical trials in patients with MS, they are useful for studies of related diseases.

Tasquinimod (ABR215050, 1c), which blocks the growth of new blood vessels to prostate cancers, has entered clinical trials for the treatment of prostate cancer.²⁶ Moreover, a phase III trial showed that tasquinimod delays disease progression compared with placebo. Compound 1d inhibits proteinuria and anti-DNA antibody in chronic CVHD mice. It is comparable with prednisolone, a representative steroid used to treat nephritis.²⁷

Optimization of established $5\text{-}HT_4$ agonists, including renzapride, cisapride, and prucalopride, resulted in the synthesis of compound **2**, a selective, orally efficacious $5\text{-}HT_4$ agonist for the potential treatment of gastrointestinal motility-related disorders.²⁸

Compound **3a** (JTE-907) was found to be a selective inverse agonist for CB2 receptor in vitro and has anti-inflammatory properties in vivo.¹⁷ Its fluorinated analogue **3b** showed increased potency, with a subnanomolar K_i . These compounds can be used to treat neuropathic pain, neuroinflammatory diseases, and immune disorders.¹⁷

Among the synthesized cholinesterase inhibitors, 4 was found to selectively inhibit AChE and 5 to selectively inhibit BuChE. 18

To investigate the biological properties of molecules containing 2-oxo-quinoline-3-carboxamide, it is necessary to first synthesize these compounds. Few synthetic protocols for 3,5-carboxamide quinolin-2(1H)-one are available through combinatorial chemistry on solid support. In this study, we

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Chart 1. Biologically Active 2-Oxo-quinoline-3-carboxamide



Scheme 1^a



"Reagents and conditions: (a) CH₃ONa, dimethyl malonate, MeOH, 12 h; (b) PMBCl, CS₂CO₃, DMF, 12 h; (c) Pd/C, MeOH, H₂ gas, 1 h; (d) 10% KOH in DCM, 80 °C, 12 h.

Scheme 2^a



^aReagents and conditions: (a) 2,4,6-trimethoxy benzaldehyde, NaBH(OAc)₃, DCM, DCE, 12 h; (b) phenethylamine, PyBop, DIPEA, DCM, 3 h; (c) hydrocinnamoyl chloride, DIPEA, DCM, 15 min; (d) 10% TFA in DCM, 1 h.

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Scheme 3^{*a*}



^aReagents and conditions: (a) PL-FDMP resin, NaBH(OAc)₃, DCM, DCE, 12 h; (b) PyBop, DIPEA, DCM, 3 h; (c) DIPEA, DCM, 15 min; (d) 10% TFA in DCM, 1 h.



Figure 1. Building blocks and notation of final structures.

report the successful parallel solid-phase synthesis of various 3,5-carboxamide quinolin-2(1*H*)-ones, included those with two diversity points. Most of synthesized compounds showed high purity (>70%) after strong anion exchange (SAX) filtration. We also tested the ability of several of these compounds to inhibit IL-1 β , an immune system cytokine.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Parallel solid-phase synthesis was used to obtain various 3,5carboxamide quinolin-2(1H)-one compounds. Prior to formulating a solid-phase method, a model study of solution-phase synthesis was performed, as shown in Schemes 1 and 2. Benzaldehyde **6** was prepared from anthranilic acids as described,²⁹ added to dimethyl malonate and condensed in the presence of sodium methoxide to form the quinolin-2(1H)one ring of 7. The nitro group at the 5-position of 7 was protected by a para-methoxybenzyl group (PMB) to produce a 1:1 mixture of compounds 8 and 9. Although various agents, including potassium carbonate, sodium hydride and cesium carbonate, were tested for their ability to introduce the PMB group, cesium carbonate in DMF yielded the desired compound 8 and its regioisomer 9 as primary products without many side products. Compound 8 was converted to an amine using palladium activated on carbon. The methyl ester of 10 was hydrolyzed by treatment with 10% KOH in dichloromethane (DCM) to yield carboxylic acid 11.

A mixture of **11** and sodium triacetoxyborohydride was added to 2,4,6-trimethoxy benzaldehyde in DCM and 1,2dichloroethane (DCE) for reductive amination to produce **12** (Scheme 2). 2,4,6-Trimethoxy benzaldehyde was a substitute for PL-FDMP resin (4-formyl-3,5-dimethoxy phenoxy resin) as the solid-phase. Phenethylamine was coupled with 3-carboxylic

Table 1. Summary of Prepared Products

Code of Structure	R ₁	R ₂	Purity ^a	Yield ^b	Code of Structure	R ₁	R ₂	Purity ^a	Yield ^b
21 { <i>l</i> , <i>l</i> }		O o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o	52	86	21 { <i>4</i> , <i>3</i> }		CI-CI-CI-CI-CI-CI-CI-CI-CI-CI-CI-CI-CI-C	90	76
21{1,2}		Notes	85	59	21{4,5}		C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C	39	41
21{1,7}		-O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	75	85	21{4,6}			80	53
21 { <i>1,9</i> }		O contraction of the second se	38	22	21 {4,7}		-O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	77	44
21 {2,5}		C d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d	89	68	21{4,8}		O C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C	66	26
21 {2,6}			78	73	21{4,9}		O 	73	36
21 {3,1}	0-()	O	79	55	21 { 5, 4 }	Contraction of the second seco	Cl	95	18
21 {3,2}		O contraction of the second se	76	59	21{6,1}		O	72	74
21 {3,3}		CI C	90	76	21 { 6, 3 }		CI C	73	76
21{3,5}		C c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c	69	64	21{6,4}		CI O O	90	76
21{3,6}		O CI	79	53	21 {7,1}	Contraction of the second seco	O o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o	91	85
21{3,7}		O O O	76	59	21{7,4}		CI	72	74
21{3,9}		C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C	59	36	21{7,5}]	C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C	89	29
21{4,1}		O	72	74	21{7,7}		O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	94	54
21{4,2}		O	91	51					

^{*a*}All of the purified products were checked by HPLC after SAX purification. ^{*b*}Four-step overall yields from compound 11 (loading capacity of resin is 1.5 mmol/g).

acid 12 to produce 13 in the presence of DIPEA, PyBop, and DCM. However, we found that the chain length of R_1 -NH₂ affected the reaction time. For example, the coupling reaction with benzylamine took 2–3 days, whereas the reaction with phenethylamine or an amine with a longer chain took around 3 h. Therefore, building blocks showing steric hindrance were excluded from parallel synthesis. PyBop was superior to EDC and HATU as a coupling agent in this step. However, when the amine was not protected by PMB or another group, only HATU was successful in forming amide compounds. The next step consisted of the reaction of hydrocinnamoyl acid chloride with 13 in the presence of DIPEA to yield compound 14.

The O-alkylated compound 9 was converted to its carboxylic acid form. Attempts to couple the latter with several amines, including phenethylamine, were unsuccessful, and we failed to synthesize 2-OPMB quinoline-3-carboxamide. The desired product **15** could be obtained by removing the trimethoxybenzyl group of **14** in the presence of 10% TFA in DCM.

On the basis of this model study, we formulated the solidphase synthesis protocol shown in Scheme 3.

PL-FDMP resin and selected diverse building blocks are depicted in Figure 1. Compound 11 was added to a mixture of

PL-FDMP resin and NaBH(OAc)₃ in DCM, and the tube shaken for 12 h. The reaction mixture was filtered and the solid was washed three times each with DMF, DCM, and MeOH. Substituted phenethylamine and 3-phenylpropanamine (17, Figure 1) were introduced at the 3-carboxylic acid of 16 by treatment with PyBOP and DIPEA to produce 18.

Various acid chlorides (19, Figure 1) containing aromatic and alkyl groups were introduced at the 5 position of quinoline-2(1H)-one. When 19 was added, chemical hindrance of building blocks seemed to affect the reaction because of the resin. For example, isobutyryl chloride did not work at all whereas, *n*-butyryl chloride could yield the desired compounds. The final compounds 21 were obtained from the solid 20 after the resin was cleaved by 10% TFA in DCM. The residues were passed through SAX resins using a parallel silica gel column chromatography system. The 29 compounds synthesized as shown in Scheme 3 are listed in Table 1. Of these compounds, 23, 4, and 2 were 70-100%, 50-70%, and <50% pure, respectively, as measured by HPLC. The products were characterized by their LC/MS, and ¹H NMR. Some of the products were measured HRMS and ¹³C NMR spectra to confirm their structures. The yields of the final compounds

came from compound 11 and they depended on various substituents. The presence of an alkyl group at the R_2 position resulted in lower yields than the presence of an aromatic group (Table 1).

Several products were biologically evaluated to determine the relationship between their potential activities and structures. All tested compounds were purified once again by column chromatography and their purities were checked by ¹H NMR data (see Supporting Information). The ability of these 3,5dicarboxamide-quinoline-2(1H)-one derivatives to inhibit IL-1 β release by differentiated THP-1 cells was assessed after receptor activation by 2'(3')-O-(4-benzoylbenzoyl)-ATP (BzATP). Some of these compounds, at concentrations of 10 μ M, reduced the secretion of IL-1 β by about 50%. IL-1 β is a proinflammatory cytokine, involved especially in stimulating immune system and brain glial cells. These results suggest that derivatives of 3,5-dicarboxamide-quinoline-2(1H)-one may have potent activities as immunomodulators, although other biological tests related to the immune system are required to assess the activity of these derivatives.

Table 2. Compounds with IL-1 β Identified from Initial Screening of Compound Library

code of structure	% inhibition ^{a} (10 μ M)				
21 {1,7}	49				
21{2,5}	45				
21{4,3}	42				
21{4,7}	42				
21 {7,1}	42				
21 {7,4}	45				
21{7,5}	42				

^{*a*}% inhibition at concentration 10 μ M and number of determination \geq 2. All of the tested products were purified once again by column chromatography after SAX purification.

In conclusion, we have developed an efficient method to synthesize 3,5-dicarboxamide-quinoline-2(1H)-one derivatives using PL-FDMP resin. All reaction steps were completed with high purity and yield. This procedure may be useful tool in synthesizing various target molecules from a large number of commercially available building blocks.

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

Chemical and Instrument. Starting materials, reagents, and solvents were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co. (Milwaukee, WI) and used as supplied without further purification. PL-FDMP resin was purchased from Polymer Laboratories. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on JEOL 400 MHz; chemical shifts (δ) are reported in parts per million relative to TMS as the internal standard. All samples were dissolved in CDCl₃. LC/MS data were recorded on VG BIOTECH platform. Parallel solid-phase synthesis was performed on a MiniBlock from Mettler-Toledo Bohdan, Inc. (Vernon Hills, IL). The SPE tube, SAX, was purchased from Alltech Associates (Lot No. 2312; Deerfield, IL). Parallel purification was performed on Quad3, Parallel FLASH Purification System, Biotage, Inc. (Charlottesvile, VA).

HPLC Analysis. It was performed on a Shimadzu SCL-10A VP HPLC system using a Shimadzu Shim-pack C18 analytical column (250 mm × 4.6 mm, 5 μ m, 100 A) in isocratic solvent systems. Solvent system was 0.1% TFA in H₂O/CH₃CN = 2:8

over 30 min at a flow rate = 1 mL/min. Peaks were detected by UV absorption using a diode array detector (250 nm).

Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA). Human monocytic leukemia THP-1 cells were plated onto 12-well plates to 1×10^6 cells/mL/well. To differentiate THP-1 cells into macrophages, 25 ng/mL LPS and 10 ng/mL IFN γ were added to the cells for 3 h. Differentiated cells were incubated with derivatives for 30 min at 37 °C, and then with 1 mM BzATP for an additional 1 h at 37 °C. Next, the culture media were collected by centrifugation at 3000 rpm for 5 min, and the supernatants were stored in aliquots at -70 °C. The level of IL-1 in the media was determined by ELSIA using antihuman IL-1 antibody as a capture antibody and a biotinylated antihuman IL-1 antibody as a detection antibody (BD bioscience). Recombinant human IL-1 β was subtracted from the measurement.

Methyl 5-Nitro-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylate (7). Compound 6 (10.0 g, 60.2 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous MeOH (100 mL). Dimethyl malonate (20.7 mL, 180.6 mmol) and CH₃ONa (13.0 g, 240.8 mmol) was added to the solution. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h and then filtered, and the filtrate residue was washed with MeOH to give 7 (9.7 g, 97%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.76 (s, 1H), 7.92 (dd, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H). MS (ESI) *m/z*: 247.14 ([M - H]⁻).

Methyl 1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-5-nitro-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylate (8). Compound 7 (7.0 g, 28.2 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (230 mL). CS_2CO_3 (12.5 g, 38.4 mmol) and PMBCl (5.2 mL, 38.4 mmol) was added to the reaction mixture and then stirred for 22 h, followed by extraction with ethyl acetate and H₂O. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by column chromatog-raphy (CHCl₃/MeOH = 50:1) gave 8 (2.4 g, 23%), product 10 (1.79 g, 82%) was prepared from the compound 8. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.98 (s, 1H), 7.82 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.55 (s, 2H), 3.99 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 368.93 ([M + H]⁺). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₆N₂O₆ [M + H]⁺ 368.1008, found 368.1006.

Methyl 2-((4-Methoxybenzyl)oxy)-5-nitroquinoline-3-carboxylate (9). Following the same procedure as outlined in the preparation of 8. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.36 (s, 1H), 8.22 (dd, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 8.17–8.15 (m, 1H), 7.80–7.76 (m, 1H), 7.51–7.49 (m, 2H), 6.93–6.91 (m, 2H), 5.61 (s, 2H), 3.97 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 3H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 369.16 ([M + H]⁺).

Methyl 5-Amino-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylate (10). Compound 8 (2.4 g, 6.52 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (66 mL) and Pd/C (810 mg) was added. H₂ gas was exchanged and stirred for 1 h and filtered through Celite. The filtrate residue was washed with MeOH. Concentration in vacuo gave the solid product 10 (1.79 g, 81%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.68 (s, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (dd, *J* = 1.2 Hz, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (s, 2H), 4.37 (s, 2H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H). MS (ESI) *m*/z: 339.17 ([M + H]⁺). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₈N₂O₄ [M + H]⁺ 338.1267, found 338.1267.

5-Amino-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic Acid (11). Compound 10 (1.7 g, 5.0 mmol) was stirred in 10% KOH in MeOH (100 mL) at 80 °C for 12 h; the mixture was filtered, and the filtrate residue was washed with H₂O to give 11 (1.5 g, 92%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 14.66 (s, 1H), 9.22 (s, 1H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (s, 2H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.45 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 325.14 ([M + H]⁺). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₈H₁₆N₂O₄ [M + H]⁺ 324.1110, found 324.1111.

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-5-(2,4,6-trimethoxybenzylamino)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (12). Compound 11 (1.7 g, 5.2 mmol) was dissolved in DCE (50 mL) and DCM (50 mL). NaBH(OAc)₃ (2.2 g, 10.4 mmol) and 2,4,6-trimethoxybenzaldehyde (1.2 g, 6.2 mmol) was added in reaction mixtures. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. The residue obtained was extracted with ethyl acetate and saturated NH₄Cl aqueous solution. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in vacuo. The product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (DCM/MeOH = 25:1) gave 13 (2.5 g, 95% yield). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.63 (s, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (dd, J = 2.8 Hz, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 6.63 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (s, 2H), 5.43 (s, 2H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 4.36 (s, 2H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 6H), 3.82 (s, 3H). MS (ESI) m/z: 505.08 ([M + H]⁺).

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-N-phenethyl-5-(2,4,6-trimethoxybenzylamino)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (13). Compound 12 (450 mg, 0.9 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (5 mL). DIPEA (0.5 mL, 2.7 mmol), phenethylamine (0.2 mL, 1.3 mmol), and PyBop (0.9 mg, 1.8 mmol) were added in reaction mixtures. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The residue obtained was extracted with ethyl acetate and water. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, and concentrated in vacuo. The product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃:MeOH = 30:1) gave 13 (430 mg, 78%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.04 (s, 1H), 9.00 (s, 1H), 7.38–7.29 (m, 8H), 7.11-7.08 (m, 2H), 6.84-6.80 (m, 2H), 6.67 (d, J =10.8 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 5.45 (s, 2H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 4.37 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 9H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.72–3.65 (m, 2H), 2.94 (t, J = 10.2 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) m/z: 608.07 ([M + H]⁺). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₆H₃₇N₃O₆ $[M + H]^+$ 607.2682, found 607.2679.

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-N-phenethyl-5-(3-phenyl-N-(2,4,6 trimethoxybenzyl)propanamido)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (14). Compound 13 (430 mg, 0.7 mmol), DIPEA (0.2 mL, 1.1 mmol), and hydrocinnamovl chloride (0.1 mL, 0.8 mmol) was stirred in DCM (20 mL) for 15 min. The residue obtained was extracted with ethyl acetate and saturated NaHCO₃ aqueous solution. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in vacuo. The product was purified by silica gel column chromatography $(CHCl_3/MeOH = 40:1)$ gave 14 (403 mg, 71%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.79 (s, 1H), 8.76 (s, 1H), 7.36-7.28 (m, 6H), 7.25-7.09 (m, 6H), 7.05-6.99 (m, 4H), 6.84-6.82 (m, 2H), 6.78 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.68-3.66 (m, 2H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.44 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 6H), 2.99-2.90 (m, 4H), 2.22-2.17 (m, 4H). MS (ESI) m/z: 740.10 $([M + H]^{+}).$

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-N-phenethyl-5-(3-phenylpropanamido)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3 carboxamide (15). Compound 14 (403 mg, 0.5 mmol) was treated with 10% TFA/ DCM (10 mL) for 1 h, and the product was filtered and washed well with DMF, DCM and MeOH gave **15** (270 mg, 96%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.99 (s, 1H), 9.08 (s, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.52–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.27 (m, 5H), 7.23–7.15 (m, 4H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.84–6.82 (m, 2H), 5.52 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.70–3.65 (m, 2H), 3.10 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.91 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 558.80 ([M – H][–]).

General Procedure of Reductive Amination for the Preparation of Resin-Bound Quinolinone (16). To the PL-FDMP resin (1.5 mmol/g, 2.3 g, 3.3 mmol) was added a solution of compound 11 (2.0 g, 6.2 mmol) and NaBH(OAc)₃ (1.5 g, 6.6 mmol) in DCE (100 mL) and DCM (100 mL). The mixture was gently stirred for 12 h at room temperature and filtered, and the resin was sequentially washed with DMF (3×30 mL), DCM (3×30 mL), and MeOH (3×30 mL). The resin was dried in vacuo to a constant weight (yield 95%).

General Procedure of Coupling (18). Resin-bound quinolinone 16 (364 mg, 1.1 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (12 mL). Amine (340 mg, 1.7 mmol), DIPEA (0.5 mL, 3.3 mmol), and PyBop (1.1 g, 2.2 mmol) was added to each reaction tube. The reaction mixtures were shaken for 3 h, the mixture was filtered, and the resin was washed with DMF (3×30 mL), DCM (3×30 mL) and MeOH (3×30 mL).

General Procedure of Acylation (20). Resin bound 3coupled quinolinone 18 (418 mg, 1.2 mmol) was suspended in DCM (12 mL). Acid chloride (0.2 mL, 1.5 mmol) and DIPEA (0.3 mL, 1.9 mmol) was added to each reaction tube. After the reaction tube was shaken for 15 min, the mixture was filtered, and the resin was sequentially washed with DMF (3×30 mL), DCM (3×30 mL) and MeOH (3×30 mL).

General Procedure of Cleavage and Purification (21). Each resin was treated with 10% TFA/DCM (3 mL) for 1 h, and the resin was filtered and washed well with DMF (3 \times 30 mL), DCM (3 \times 30 mL) and MeOH (3 \times 30 mL). The cleavage step was repeated twice. The combined filtrate was evaporated in parallel under reduced pressure using a Genevac DD-4 system, and the products were dissolved in chloroform and eluted through SAX resin to convert the free base form. The eluent was evaporated, and all final products were purified by a Quad3 parallel purification system with an appropriate mixture of hexane/EtOAc. Homogeneous fractions were combined and evaporated in vacuo, and the weight of residue was determined to calculate the yield. The structures of all final products were determined by ¹H NMR and LC/MS mass.

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-N-phenethyl-5-(3-phenylpropanamido)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3 carboxamide (**21**{1,1}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.99 (s, 1H), 9.08 (s, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.52–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.27 (m, SH), 7.23–7.15 (m, 4H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 5.52 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.70–3.65 (m, 2H), 3.10 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.91 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) m/z: 558.80 ([M – H]⁻). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₅H₃₃N₃O₄ [M + H]⁺ 559.2471, found 559.2467.

5-(3-Cyclopentylpropanamido)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2oxo-N-phenethyl-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{1,2}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.02 (s, 1H), 9.17 (s, 1H), 8.17 (t, J = 10 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.61–7.49 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.22 (m, 4H), 7.21–7.04 (m, 4H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.74–3.63 (m. 2H), 3.58–3.44 (m, 2H), 2.97–2.87 (m, 2H), 2.51 (t, J =9.4 Hz, 2H), 2.59–2.44 (m, 2H), 1.76–1.32 (m, 9H). MS (ESI) m/z: 552.28 ([M + H]⁺). 1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-5-(2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetamido)-2-oxo-N-phenethyl-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{1,7}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.97 (s, 1H), 9.07 (s, 1H), 8.52 (s, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.29–7.25 (m, 2H), 7.22–7.17 (m, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.82–6.80 (m, 2H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 3.81–3.80 (m, 5H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.65–3.60 (m, 2H), 2.89 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.59, 163.45, 161.66, 159.14, 158.97, 140.88, 138.98, 137.55, 136.20, 133.21, 130.53, 128.67, 128.51, 127.66, 127.43, 126.39, 126.14, 120.45, 118.29, 114.82, 114.35, 113.28, 112.10, 55.30, 55.28, 46.27, 43.56, 41.37, 35.80. MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 546.78 ([M + H]⁺). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₅H₃₃N₃O₅ [M + H]⁺ 575.2420, found 575.2417.

5-Butyramido-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-N-phenethyl-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{1,9}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.30 (s, 1H), 9.78 (m, 1H), 7.59 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.38–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.25–7.11 (m, 5H), 6.84–6.78 (m, 3H), 5.51 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 6H), 3.56 (t, J = 8.0Hz, 2H), 2.83 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.53 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) m/z: 496.21 ([M – H]⁻).

N-(4-Chlorophenethyl)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-5-(2phenylacetamido)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{2,5}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.97 (s, 1H), 9.04 (s, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.45-7.44 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.12 (m, 3H), 7.09-7.06 (m, 2H), 6.84-6.81 (m, 2H), 5.51 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.67-3.62 (m, 2H), 2.89 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.44, 161.64, 159.01, 140.90, 137.46, 137.41, 137.37, 135.99, 134.16, 133.50, 133.23, 132.18, 130.08, 129.45, 129.42, 128.62, 127.84, 127.67, 127.35, 118.55, 114.37, 112.37, 55.28, 46.31, 44.50, 41.09, 35.10. MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 577.58 ([M − H]⁻). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₄H₃₀ClN₃O₄ [M + H]⁺ 579.1925, found 579.1923.

N-(4-*Chlorophenethyl*)-5-(2-(3-*chlorophenoxy*)acetamido)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{2,6}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.91 (s, 1H), 9.12 (s, 1H), 8.78 (s, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20– 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.12–7.04 (m, 5H), 7.02–6.98 (m, 2H), 6.84 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 5.54 (s, 2H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.71–3.66 (m, 2H), 2.95–2.85 (m, 2H), 1.32–1.23 (m, 2H). MS (ESI) m/z: 629.66 ([M + H]⁺).

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methoxyphenethyl)-2-oxo-5-(3phenylpropanamido)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{3,1}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.02 (s, 1H), 9.28 (s, 1H), 7.74 (s, 1H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.30–7.11 (m, 9H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.86– 6.74 (m, 3H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.58– 3.49 (m, 2H), 3.09 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.94 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.61–2.53 (m, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 590.16 ([M + H]⁺).

5-(3-Cyclopentylpropanamido)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methoxyphenethyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (21{3,2}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.11 (s, 1H), 9.30 (s, 1H), 8.47 (s, 1H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 8.2Hz, 1H), 7.18–7.06 (m, 4H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 5.51 (s, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.70–3.60 (m, 2H), 2.87 (t, J =7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (t, J = 4.2 Hz, 2H), 1.28–1.03 (m, 9H). MS (ESI) m/z: 580.18 ([M – H]⁻).

5-(2-(4-Chlorophenoxy)acetamido)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methoxyphenethyl)-2-oxo-1,2 dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (21{3,3}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.92 (s, 1H), 9.15 (s, 1H), 8.90 (s, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.87–6.80 (m, 4H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.69–3.60 (m, 2H), 2.87 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) m/z: 624.09 ([M – H]⁻). HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{35}H_{32}ClN_3O_6$ [M + H]⁺ 625.1980, found 625.1978.

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methoxyphenethyl)-2-oxo-5-(2phenylacetamido)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{3,5}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.00 (s, 1H), 9.28 (s, 1H), 7.74 (s, 1H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.30–7.13 (m, 9H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.86– 6.73 (m, 3H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.58– 3.49 (m, 2H), 3.09 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.94 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 573.86 ([M – H][–]).

5-(2-(3-Chlorophenoxy)acetamido)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methoxyphenethyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{3,6}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.98 (s, 1H), 9.15 (s, 1H), 8.99 (s, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.87–6.80 (m, 4H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.69–3.60 (m, 2H), 2.87 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 623.68 ([M – H]⁻).

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methoxyphenethyl)-5-(2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetamido)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{3,7}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.92 (s, 1H), 9.15 (s, 1H), 8.90 (s, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.87-6.80 (m, 4H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.74 (m, 6H), 3.69-3.60 (m, 2H), 2.87 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 603.78 ([M - H]⁻).

5-Butyramido-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methoxyphenethyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{3,9}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.99 (s, 1H), 9.15 (s, 1H), 7.88–7.78 (m, 2H), 7.59–7.50 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.72–3.67 (m, 2H), 2.53–2.48 (m, 2H), 2.22 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 1.87–1.80 (m, 2H), 1.07 (s, 3H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 525.88 ([M – H]⁻).

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methylphenethyl)-2-oxo-5-(3phenylpropanamido)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{4,1}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.26 (s, 1H), 9.76 (s, 1H), 8.98 (s, 1H), 7.58 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.39–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.27 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 3H), 7.18–7.07 (m, 6H), 6.83 (d, J =8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.52 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.59–3.51 (m, 2H), 2.94 (t, J = 4.0 Hz, 2H), 2.84–2.72 (m, 2H), 2.56–2.49 (m, 2H), 2.05 (s, 3H). MS (ESI) m/z: 572.22 ([M – H][–]).

5-(3-Cyclopentylpropanamido)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methylphenethyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (21{4,2}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.98 (s, 1H), 9.11 (s, 1H), 7.87–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17–7.06 (m, 6H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 5.33 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.90 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 2.54–2.47 (m, 2H), 2.24–2.19 (m, 2H), 2.04–1.95 (m, 2H), 1.68–1.59 (m, 9H). MS (ESI) m/z: 566.27 ([M + H]⁺). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₅H₃₉N₃O₄ [M + H]⁺ 565.2941, found 566.2939.

5-(2-(4-Chlorophenoxy)acetamido)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methylphenethyl)-2-oxo-1,2 dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{4,3}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.98 (s, 1H), 9.11 (s, 1H), 8.20 (s, 1H), 7.70–7.61 (m, 5H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47–7.30 (m, 2H), 7.17–7.06 (m, 5H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.62 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.89 (m, 2H), 2.52 (s, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 610.13 ([M + H]⁺).

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methylphenethyl)-2-oxo-5-(2phenylacetamido)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{4,5}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.72 (s, 1H), 9.28 (s, 1H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.30–7.10 (m, 9H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.86–6.71 (m, 3H), 5.42 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.58–3.49 (m, 2H), 3.09 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.94 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 557.87 ([M – H]⁻).

5-(2-(3-Chlorophenoxy)acetamido)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methylphenethyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{4,6}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.02 (s, 1H), 9.15 (s, 1H), 8.99 (s, 1H), 7.42 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.87–6.80 (m, 4H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.62–3.60 (m, 2H), 2.87 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) m/z: 610.13 ([M + H]⁺).

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-5-(2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetamido)-N-(4-methylphenethyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (21{4,7}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.70 (s, 1H), 9.18 (s, 1H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.30– 7.13 (m, 9H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.86–6.71 (m, 2H), 5.42 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.58–3.49 (m, 5H), 3.09 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.94 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 587.84 ([M – H]⁻). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₆H₃₅N₃O₅ [M + H]⁺ 589.2577, found 589.2573.

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methylphenethyl)-2-oxo-5-propionamido-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{4,8}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.87 (s, 1H), 9.32 (s, 1H), 8.97 (s, 1H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.12–7.04 (m, 7H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.63–3.52 (m, 2H), 2.80 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.62 (s, 3H), 2.51 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H). MS (ESI) *m/z*: 496.56 ([M – H]⁻).

5-Butyramido-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-N-(4-methylphenethyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (21{4,9}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.05 (s, 1H), 9.32 (s, 1H), 8.77 (s, 1H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.12–7.04 (m, 7H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.63–3.58 (m, 2H), 2.83 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.62 (s, 3H), 2.51 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.86–1.81 (m, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 509.82 ([M – H]⁻).

N-(2-(Benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)ethyl)-5-(2-(4chlorophenyl)acetamido)-1-(4 methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-1,2 dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{5,4}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.49 (s, 1H), 9.73 (s, 1H), 9.03 (s, 1H), 7.40–7.31 (m, 4H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 6.85–6.77 (m, 4H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.93 (s, 2H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.59–3.52 (m, 2H), 2.80–2.73 (m, 2H), 2.65–2.61 (m, 2H), 2.50 (s, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 622.11 ([M − H][−]). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₅H₃₀ClN₃O₆ [M + H]⁺ 623.1823, found 623.1821.

N-(4-Ethylphenethyl)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-5-(3phenylpropanamido)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{6,1}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.02 (s, 1H), 9.22 (s, 1H), 8.50 (s, 1H), 7.58–7.46 (m, 1H), 7.22–7.05 (m, 12H), 6.88–6.77 (m, 2H), 5.49 (s, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.64–3.54 (m, 2H), 3.15–3.04 (m, 2H), 3.00–2.75 (m, 6H), 1.62 (s, 3H). MS (ESI) m/z: 586.17 ([M – H]⁻).

5-(2-(4-Chlorophenoxy)acetamido)-N-(4-ethylphenethyl)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (21{6,3}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.47 (s, 1H), 9.75 (s, 1H), 8.97 (s, 1H), 7.62 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40–7.35 (m, 4H), 7.16–7.05 (m, 7H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.52 (s, 2H), 4.84 (s, 1H), 3.58–3.53 (m, 2H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.80 (t, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 2.53 (t, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 1.12–1.09 (m, 5H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 624.56 ([M + H]⁺). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₆H₃₄ClN₃O₅ [M + H]⁺ 623.2187, found 623.2185.

5-(2-(4-Chlorophenyl)acetamido)-N-(4-ethylphenethyl)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{6,4}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.97 (s, 1H), 9.10 (s, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (s, 4H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 4H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.55 (s, 2H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.70–3.58 (m, 2H), 2.86 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (s, 2H), 1.24–1.19 (m, 2H). MS (ESI) m/z: 606.08 ([M - H]⁻). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₆H₃₄ClN₃O₄ [M + H]⁺ 607.2238, found 607.2240.

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-5-(3-phenylpropanamido)-N-(3-phenylpropyl)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{7,1}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.00 (s, 1H), 9.10 (s, 1H), 8.97 (s, 1H), 7.50–7.48 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.28–7.11 (m, 8H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 5.53 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.00 (s, 2H), 2.74–2.68 (m, 2H), 2.62 (s, 4H). MS (ESI) *m/z*: 574.23 ([M + H]⁺). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₆H₃₅N₃O₄ [M + H]⁺ 573.2628, found 573.2625.

5-(2-(4-Chlorophenyl)acetamido)-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2oxo-N-(3-phenylpropyl)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (21{7,4}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.51 (s, 1H), 9.75 (s, 1H), 9.03 (s, 1H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43–7.30 (m, 6H), 7.29–7.18 (m, 5H), 7.17–7.08 (m, 2H), 6.87–6.80 (m, 1H), 5.55 (s, 2H), 4.11–4.01 (m, 2H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.67–2.59 (m, 2H), 1.90–1.80 (m, 2H). MS (ESI) *m*/ *z*: 594.16 ([M + H]⁺).

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-2-oxo-5-(2-phenylacetamido)-N-(3phenylpropyl)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (21{7,5}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.96 (s, 1H), 9.13 (s, 1H), 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.41 (m, 4H), 7.35–7.31 (m, 1H), 7.25–7.23 (m, 2H), 7.18–7.14 (m, 4H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.83–6.81 (m, 2H), 5.51 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.44 (m, 2H), 2.66 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 1.93–1.86 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.17, 163.46, 161.72, 158.96, 141.36, 140.86, 137.58, 136.11, 134.29, 133.19, 129.43, 129.31, 128.36, 127.61, 127.35, 125.88, 118.55, 114.36, 113.44, 112.24, 55.27, 46.31, 44.44, 39.33, 33.27, 30.96. MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 560.22 ([M + H]⁺). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₅H₃₃N₃O₄ [M + H]⁺: 559.2471, found 559.2467.

1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-5-(2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetamido)-2-oxo-N-(3-phenylpropyl)-1,2-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxamide (**21**{7,7}). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.95 (s, 1H), 9.01 (s, 1H), 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.38 (m, 3H), 7.34–7.26 (m, 1H), 7.25– 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.13 (m, 3H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.51 (s, 2H), 3.87 (s, 1H), 3.70 (m, 6H), 3.51–3.43 (m, 2H), 2.69 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.01–1.88 (m, 4H). MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: 590.34([M + H]⁺).

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Supporting Information

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ABBREVIATIONS

AchE, acetylcholinesterase; BuchE, pseudocholinesterase; IL, interleukin; K_i , inhibition constant; ELISA, enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay; DMF, dimethylformamide; KOH, potassium hydroxide;; DIPEA, *N*,*N*-diisopropylethylamine;; PyBop, benzotriazol-1-yl-oxytripyrrolidinophosphonium hexafluorophosphate;; EDC, 1-ethyl-3-(3-(dimethylamino)propyl)carbodiimide;; HATU, (dimethylamino)-*N*,*N*-dimethyl(3*H*-[1,2,3]triazolo[4,5-*b*]pyridin-3-yloxy)methaniminium hexafluorophosphate; TFA, trifluoroacetic acid; ESI, electrospray ionization; NMR, nuclear magnetic resonance

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