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Synthesis and Solution Structure of 1*H*-Benzo-1,5-diazepine Derivatives with a Perfluoroalkyl Side Chain

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Dedicated to Professor *Manfred Michalik* on the occasion of his 75th birthday

The reaction of perfluorinated 3,5-dioxoesters with 1,2-diaminobenzenes or 2,3-diaminonaphthalenes afforded two types of 1*H*-benzo-1,5-diazepine derivatives containing a perfluorinated side chain. 2,5-Dihydro-1*H*-benzo-1,5-diazepin-2-ones were formed by cyclocondensation *via* the central keto and the ester group, whereas 1*H*-benzo-1,5-diazepines resulted from cyclocondensation *via* the two keto groups. The tautomerism and isomerization of these compounds have been investigated by ¹H-, ¹³C-, and ¹⁹F-NMR spectroscopy. The 1,5-diazepines appear in CDCl₃ solution as mixtures of two tautomeric forms, the enaminoimine **I** and diaminodiene **II**. In DMSO solution, besides **I** and **II**, two further species, **III** and **IV**, are formed by (*E/Z*) isomerization on the exocyclic C=C bond.

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Introduction

1*H*-Benzo-1,4-diazepines are of considerable pharmacological relevance. They show an anxiolytic, tranquilizing, antiepileptic, and anticonvulsive activity [1]. In 1960, the first drug, chlordiazepoxide (Librium[®]), appeared on the market. Three years later, it was replaced by Diazepam (Valium[®]) (Fig. 1) [2][3]. The isomeric 1*H*-benzo-1,5-diazepines show a similar pattern of pharmacological activity. Examples include the drug clobazam. Syntheses of 1,5-diazepines and of benzo-1,5-diazepines rely on cyclocondensation reactions of 1,2-diaminoethanes or 1,2-diaminobenzenes with 1,3-dielectrophiles [3]. Organofluorine molecules are important lead structures in medicinal chemistry, due to the chemical and metabolic stability of the C–F bond and the lipophilicity of many fluorinated molecules [4].

Despite the pharmacological importance of diazepines on the one hand and of fluorinated heterocycles on the other hand, syntheses of fluorinated diazepine derivatives have only been scarcely reported so far. *Saloutin et al.* [5] reported the synthesis of fluorinated 1*H*-benzo-1,5-diazepines by cyclocondensation of fluorinated β -ketoesters with 1,2-diaminobenzene. *Yachevskii* and co-workers described the cyclocondensation of 1,2-diaminobenzene with unsymmetrical perfluorinated 1,3,5-triketones [6]. We have recently reported the synthesis of perfluorinated 3,5-dioxoesters and their application to the synthesis of

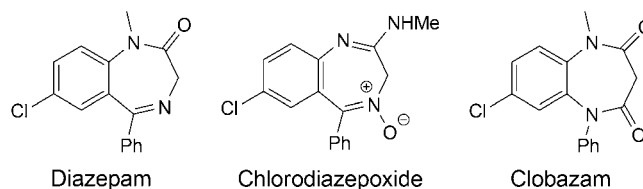


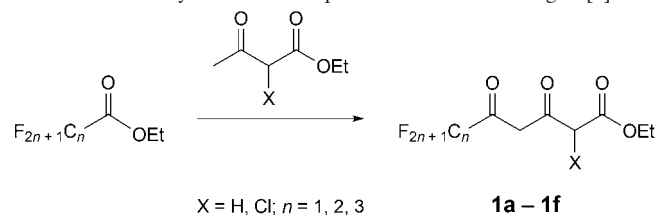
Fig. 1. Drugs with benzodiazepine core structures.

pyrazoles and isoxazoles [7][8]. Herein, we wish to present, to the best of our knowledge, the first cyclocondensation reactions of perfluorinated 3,5-dioxoesters with 1,2-diaminobenzenes. These reactions provide a convenient approach to 1*H*-benzo-1,5-diazepines containing a perfluorinated side chain.

Results and Discussion

Perfluorinated 3,5-dioxoesters **1a** – **f** were prepared, as previously reported [7], by reaction of the dianions of ethyl acetoacetate or ethyl 2-chloroacetoacetate with the corresponding perfluorinated esters (*Scheme 1*).

The cyclocondensation has been performed using two different procedures. The reaction of ethyl 6,6,6-trifluoro-3,5-dioxohexanoate (**1a**) with 1,2-diaminobenzene (**2a**), carried out in glacial AcOH at 80° (*Method A*), afforded a mixture of two compounds, which could be separated by column chromatography: 2,5-dihydro-1*H*-benzo-1,5-

Scheme 1. Syntheses of compounds **1a** – **1f** according to [7].

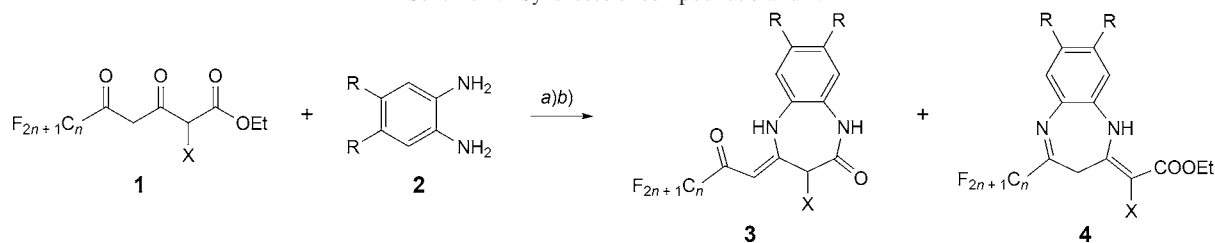
diazepin-2-one (**3a**) (44% yield) and 1*H*-benzo-1,5-diazepine (**4a**) (29% yield) (Scheme 2, Table 1). The product **3a** was formed by cyclocondensation *via* the central keto and the ester group, whereas **4a** was formed by cyclocondensation *via* the two keto groups, in analogy to reactions with dialkyl 3,5-dioxopimelates [3e], while the ester group remained unattacked. To improve the yields, we also tested a different protocol. When the same substrates reacted in dry MeCN in the presence of trimethylchlorosilane as H₂O scavenger, the amount of **3a** increased up to 53%, while that of **4a** dropped down to 25% (Method B). Scope and limitations were studied for the reaction between different substituted 3,5-dioxoalkanoates (**1a** – **d**) and 1,2-diaminobenzenes **2a** and **2b** to obtain a series of compounds **3** and **4** (Table 1, Scheme 2). With regard to our intended NMR studies on the tautomerism, we were especially interested in the synthesis of the 1*H*-benzo-1,5-diazepines. Therefore, not in all cases the corresponding diazepinones have been isolated.

The reaction of ethyl 2-chloro-6,6,6-trifluoro-3,5-dioxohexanoate (**1d**) with 1,2-diaminobenzenes **2a,b** in glacial AcOH (Method A) afforded the 1*H*-benzo-1,5-diazepines **4g,h**. The chloride group proved to be compatible with this reaction and did not undergo a nucleophilic substitution reaction with the amine.

The reaction of 3,5-dioxoesters **1a** – **f** with 2,3-diaminonaphthalene (**2c**) afforded in the same way 1*H*-naphtho-1,5-diazepines **5a** – **f** (Scheme 3, Table 2). The corresponding 1*H*-naphtho-1,5-diazepin-2-ones were only formed in traces.

NMR Investigation

In the ¹H-NMR spectra of compounds **3** in CDCl₃ solution, characteristic signals for two NH groups (δ = 12.43 – 12.70 and 7.93 – 9.21) as well as an olefinic CH (δ = 5.67 – 5.77) and a CH₂ group (δ = 3.31 – 3.22) were observed. The NH signal at lower field should be assigned to an H-atom involved in an intramolecular hydrogen bond. In the ¹H,¹³C-HMBC spectra recorded for **3d** and **3e**, cross peaks for each NH proton about three bonds with the C-atom of the CH₂ group were found, whereas only one NH (at lower field) correlated with the C-atom of the olefinic CH group. In addition, the olefinic CH proton correlated with C(1). These findings confirm that for compounds **3**, the tautomeric structure **3A** having a CH₂ group within the diazepine ring and therefore excluding the alternative structure **3A'** (Fig. 2).

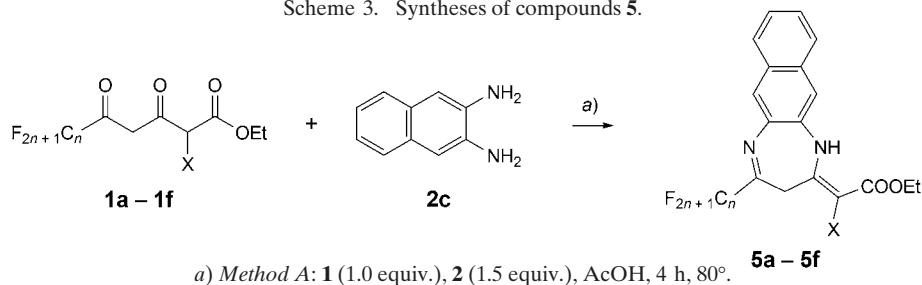
Scheme 2. Syntheses of compounds **3** and **4**.

a) Method A: **1** (1.0 equiv.), **2** (1.5 equiv.), AcOH, 4 h, 80°. b) Method B: **1** (1.0 equiv.), **2** (1.3 equiv.), MeCN, Me₃SiCl, 4 h, 55°.

Table 1. Synthesis of **3** and **4**

1	2	3,4	C _n F _{2n+1}	R	X	Method A		Method B	
						3 [%] ^{a)}	4 [%] ^{a)}	3 [%] ^{a)}	4 [%] ^{a)}
a	a	a	CF ₃	H	H	44	29	53	25
a	b	b	CF ₃	Cl	H	31	21	58	16
b	a	c	C ₂ F ₅	H	H	58	16	b)	38
b	b	d	C ₂ F ₅	Cl	H	52	c)		
c	a	e	C ₃ F ₇	H	H	68	16	b)	36
c	b	f	C ₃ F ₇	Cl	H	64	c)		
d	a	g	CF ₃	H	Cl	d)	37		
d	b	h	CF ₃	Cl	Cl	d)	54		

^{a)} Yield of isolated product (for Methods A and B, see legend of Scheme 2 and Experimental Part); ^{b)} Not isolated, ratio of **3/4** ≈ 1:1 (in the crude product); ^{c)} Not isolated, ratio of **3/4** ≈ 4:1 (in the crude product); ^{d)} Traces.

Scheme 3. Syntheses of compounds **5**.Table 2. Synthesis of **5a – 5f**

1,5	C_nF_{2n+1}	X	5 [%] ^{a)}
a	CF ₃	H	45
b	C ₂ F ₅	H	17
c	C ₃ F ₇	H	34
d	CF ₃	Cl	22
e	C ₂ F ₅	Cl	43
f	C ₃ F ₇	Cl	60

^{a)} Yields of isolated products.

Compounds **4** and **5** exist both in CDCl₃ solution as mixtures of two species, which were proved by ¹H-, ¹³C-, and ¹⁹F-NMR spectra as enaminoimine form **I** and diaminodiene form **II** (Scheme 4). These tautomeric structures are similar to those of benzodiazepines containing polyfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroacyl groups reported by Yachevskii *et al.* [6]. Immediately after dissolving the compounds in CDCl₃, tautomers **I** were predominant (95 – 98%) over the tautomers **II**. Upon standing over a period of time between 2 h and up to 1 day, the

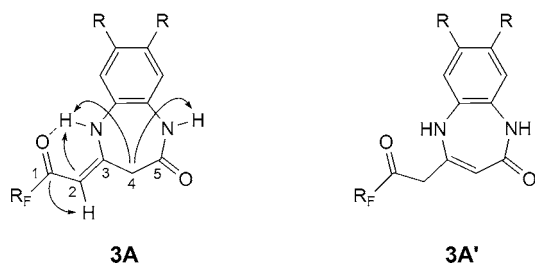
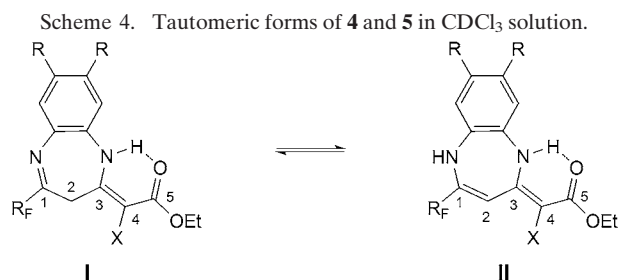


Fig. 2. Two possible tautomeric forms of **3** and characteristic HMBC (H → C) correlations of **3d** and **3e**.

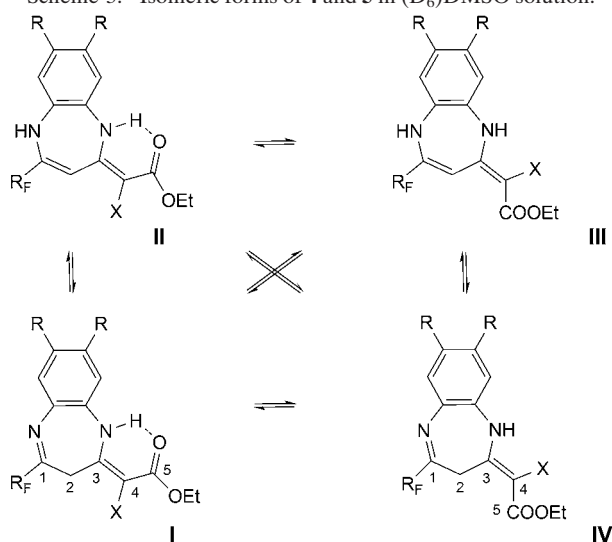


tautomers **I** and **II** equilibrated to a ratio of 70 – 80% (**I**): 20 – 30% (**II**).

Typical signals for tautomers **I** in the ¹H-NMR spectra are those for the NH group ($\delta = 10.60 - 11.20$), which is involved in an intramolecular hydrogen bond, the CH₂ at $\delta = 3.20 - 3.80$ and the olefinic H(4) (for X = H; $\delta = 4.70 - 4.80$). Typical signals for tautomers **II** (X = H) are those for both NH groups ($\delta(\text{NH}(1)) = 5.50 - 5.90$, $\delta(\text{NH}(3)) = 10.10 - 10.70$) and the signals for the olefinic H-C(2) ($\delta = 5.00 - 5.20$) and H-C(4) ($\delta = 4.80 - 4.90$); for the 4-Cl-substituted compounds (X = Cl), $\delta(\text{H}(2)) = 6.10 - 6.20$, $\delta(\text{NH}(1)) = 5.60 - 6.00$, and $\delta(\text{NH}(3)) = 10.60 - 11.15$. The downfield shift of the NH(3) signal shows that this H-atom is involved in the intramolecular hydrogen bond of tautomer **II**. In some cases, the signal of H-C(2) is displayed as a triplet due to coupling over four bonds with both NH(1) and NH(3) (${}^4J_{2,\text{NH}(1)} \approx {}^4J_{2,\text{NH}(3)} \approx 2.0$ Hz). These NMR data and the results from two-dimensional correlation spectra confirm the tautomeric structures given for **I** and **II**. For example, in the ¹H,¹³C-HMBC spectrum recorded for **4a** and **4b**, cross peaks have been found for tautomer **I**, the NH with atoms C(2) and C(4), and for tautomer **II**, both NH with the olefinic C(2) and NH(3) also with the C(3) and C(4).

Since tautomeric equilibria can be influenced by polarity and basicity of the solvent [6][9], we have also recorded the spectra of some compounds **4** and **5** in (D₆) DMSO. Immediately after dissolving the compounds, only signals of tautomer **I** were observed in the ¹H-NMR spectra. Also, within 1 – 2 h, signals of tautomer **II** and two further species, **III** and **IV**, appeared, which were formed by (*E/Z*) isomerization about the exocyclic C=C bond (Scheme 5).

The state of equilibrium was achieved within 5 – 7 days. The equilibration proves to be a complex process, which includes two different reaction steps, tautomerization and rotation about the C=C bond. This process is catalyzed by the more polar and more basic solvent DMSO. In contrast to this, tautomerization resulted exceptionally in CDCl₃ solution. Furthermore, different to the CDCl₃ solution, in which tautomer **I** is predominant, in DMSO, the tautomer **II** was found to be the main component in the equilibrium mixtures, which might be explained by an additional stabilization of **II** due to

Scheme 5. Isomeric forms of **4** and **5** in (D_6)DMSO solution.

intermolecular interaction of the newly formed NH(1) group with the solvent molecules.

The dynamic behavior of compounds **4a** and **4g** in (D_6)DMSO solution was studied in detail, for which the ratio of isomers at the state of equilibrium was determined as 9% (**I**); 83% (**II**); 6% (**III**); and 2% (**IV**) for **4a**, and 11% (**I**); 54% (**II**); 18% (**III**); and 17% (**IV**) for **4g**. The $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra of **4g** (NH region) following the equilibration process are depicted in Fig. 3.

As for the tautomers **I** and **II** in CDCl_3 solution, the assignment of the resonances of the isomeric structures **I** – **IV** in DMSO solution was based on the signal intensities, chemical shifts, and $^1\text{H}, ^1\text{H}$ - and $^{13}\text{C}, ^{19}\text{F}$ - coupling constants, and the results of two-dimensional NMR measurements ($^1\text{H}, ^1\text{H}$ -COSY, $^1\text{H}, ^1\text{H}$ -NOESY (EXSY), and $^1\text{H}, ^{13}\text{C}$ -chemical shift correlation spectra (HSQC and HMBC)). For the purpose of comparison, significant ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR data of isomers **I** – **IV** for **4a** and **4g** were collected in Table 3.

Typical signals for the newly formed tautomeric structure **III** in the $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra are those for the both NH groups and, as in **II**, the signals for the olefinic H-C(2) and H-C(4) (**4a**) or only H(2) (**4g**, X = Cl). Typical signals for **IV** are those for the NH group and, as in **I**, the signals for the CH_2 group and the olefinic H(4) (**4a**, X = H).

The NH groups of **III** and **IV** are not involved in intramolecular hydrogen bonds. In the mixture of the four species (**I** – **IV**), the differentiation between signals for the H-atoms, involved or not, have been made by recording the NMR spectra at higher temperature. The NH signals show characteristic high-field shifts (1 – 2 ppm) at increasing temperature (300 – 370 K), when they are not involved in an intramolecular hydrogen bond, while the others remain almost independently.

A characteristic for isomers **II** and **III**, the NH groups appear as doublets due to coupling about four bonds with H-C(2) ($^4J = 1.5 - 2.0$ Hz), which was confirmed by the corresponding COSY correlations. As expected, NH(1) of

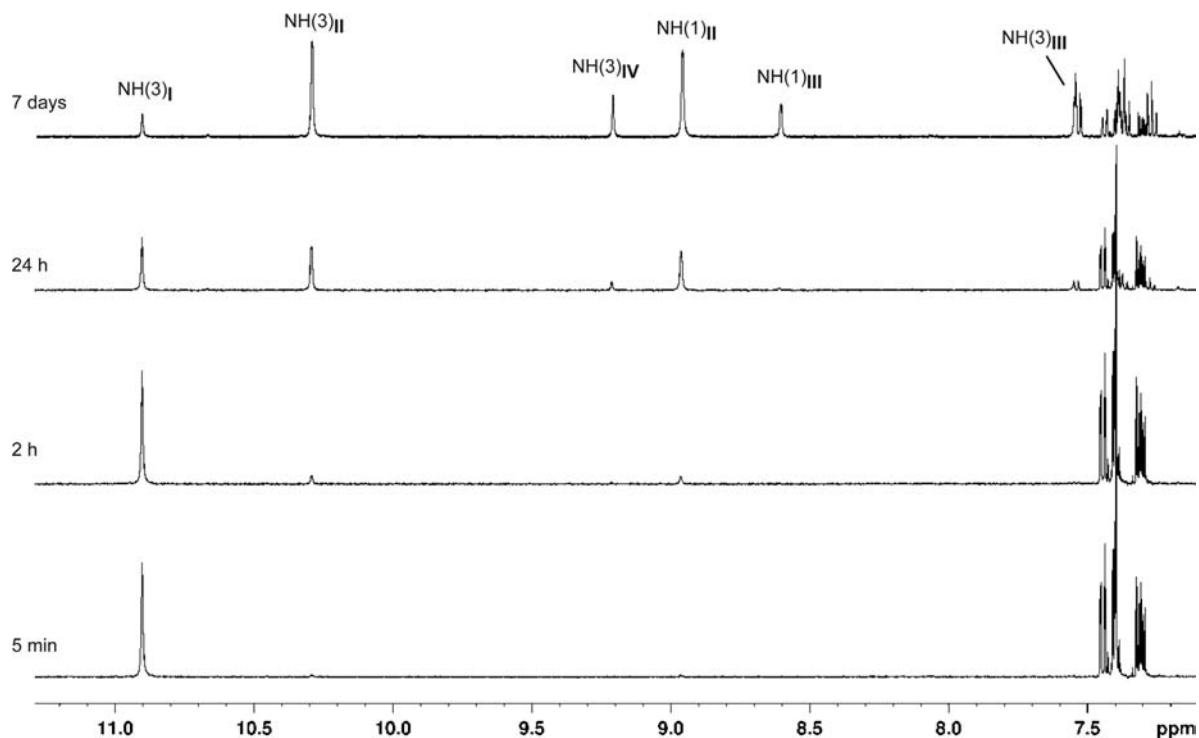


Fig. 3. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra of **4g** (NH region) recorded at different times (500 MHz, (D_6)DMSO, 300 K).

Table 3. ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR chemical shifts (δ , ppm) and coupling constants ($^4J_{\text{H,H}}$, $^nJ_{\text{C,F}}$, in Hz, in Parentheses) for isomers **I** – **IV** of compounds **4a** and **4g** in (D_6)DMSO Solutions (for further NMR data, See *Experimental Part*)

	4a				4g			
	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
NH(1)	–	8.53 (d, $J = 2.0$)	8.50 (d, $J = 2.0$)	–	–	8.96 (d, $J = 2.0$)	8.61 (d, $J = 2.0$)	–
NH(3)	10.46	9.91 (d, $J = 1.5$)	8.21 (d, $J = 2.0$)	10.04	10.90	10.30 (d, $J = 2.0$)	7.55 (d, $J = 2.0$)	9.22
H(2)	3.51	5.20 (t, $J = 2.0, 1.5$)	7.01 (t, $J = 2.0$)	4.23	3.82	5.80 (t, $J = 2.0$)	7.08 (t, $J = 2.0$)	4.35
H(4)	4.84	5.00	5.21	5.16	–	–	–	–
C(1)	152.7 ($q, J = 34.7$)	135.1 ($q, J = 31.2$)	n.d.	n.d.	151.1 ($q, J = 34.8$)	138.4 ($q, J = 31.1$)	135.5 ($q, J = 31.0$)	153.0 ($q, J = 34.5$)
C(2)	33.6	96.9 ($q, J = 5.0$)	92.2 ($q, J = 5.0$)	27.6	30.9	92.7 ($q, J = 5.2$)	94.1 ($q, J = 6.0$)	28.5
C(3)	156.2	153.3	152.9	152.6	152.8	151.6	147.9	150.2
C(4)	85.6	93.0	95.1	87.8	91.9	97.2	99.8	93.6
C(5)	169.6	169.8	167.0	167.7	166.6	166.6	163.3	163.9

II showed in (D_6)DMSO solution a characteristic solvent shift to lower field ($\delta(\text{NH}(1)) = 8.50 - 9.40$), compared with CDCl_3 solution ($\delta(\text{NH}(1)) = 5.50 - 6.00$). Furthermore, it is worth mentioning the remarkable low-field shift of the H-C(2) signal of **III** compared with **II** and also the CH_2 resonance of **IV** compared with **I**, which can be attributed to the magnetic anisotropy effect of the ester C=O group, which is located in *syn*-position to the corresponding H-atom. In addition, also the $^1\text{H}, ^{13}\text{C}$ -HMBC correlations correspond to the structures of isomers **I** – **IV**, which are given for **4g** in Fig. 4.

In conclusion, 1*H*-benzo-1,5-diazepine derivatives containing a perfluorinated side chain can be synthesized by cyclocondensation of perfluorinated 3,5-dioxoesters with 1,2-diaminobenzenes or 2,3-diaminonaphthalenes. With this reaction, mixtures of 1,5-diazepines formed by cyclocondensation *via* the two keto groups and 1,5-diazepin-2-ones resulted from cyclocondensation *via* the central keto and the ester group are accessible.

The diazepines showed different tautomeric behavior in solution, depending on the solvent. They exist as mixtures of only two tautomers in CDCl_3 solution. In DMSO solution, besides **I** and **II**, two additional species, **III** and **IV**, are formed by (*E/Z*) isomerization on the exocyclic C=C bonds.

Experimental Part

General

M.p.: Boetius micro-heating plate BHMK 05 (Rapido, Dresden, Germany); uncorrected. ^1H -NMR Spectra (250.13, 300.13, and 500.13 MHz, resp.) and ^{13}C -NMR spectra (62.9, 75.5, and 125.8 MHz, resp.): Bruker spectrometers (Rheinstetten, Germany) AVANCE 250, AVANCE 300, and AVANCE 500 in CDCl_3 and in (D_6)DMSO solns. at 300 K. The chemical shifts are referenced to solvent signals (CDCl_3 : $\delta(\text{H}) = 7.26$, $\delta(\text{C}) = 77.0$; (D_6)DMSO: $\delta(\text{H}) = 2.50$, $\delta(\text{C}) = 39.7$). The assignment of

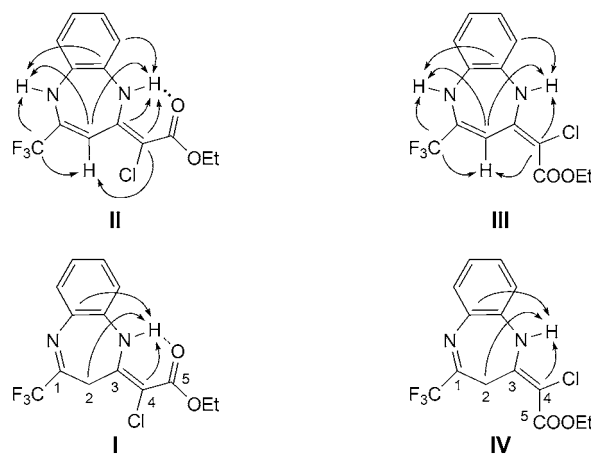
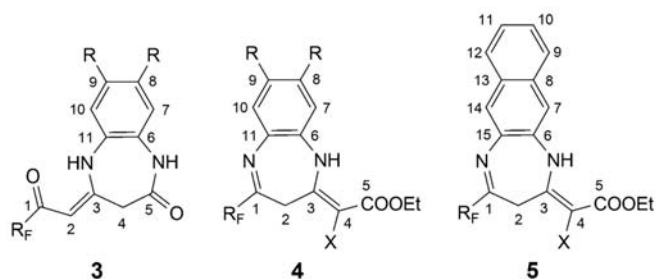


Fig. 4. Characteristic HMBC (H \rightarrow C) correlations of **4g** in (D_6)DMSO solution.

NMR signals was supported by DEPT and two-dimensional ^1H , ^1H -COSY, ^1H , ^1H -NOESY (EXSY), and ^1H , ^{13}C -correlation spectra (HSQC, HMBC) using standard pulse sequences (standard Bruker software). ^{19}F -NMR Spectra (282.4 MHz): Bruker spectrometer AVANCE 300 and are referenced to CFCl_3 . MS: Finnigan MAT 95-XP (Thermo Electron, Langensfeld, Germany); in m/z . Elemental analysis: CHNS-Flash-EA-1112 instrument (Thermoquest, Austin, TX, USA).



Atom numbering for NMR assignments

Synthesis of 1H-Benzo-1,5-diazepine Derivatives

Method A. The 1,2-diaminobenzene **2** (1.5 equiv.) was dissolved in glacial AcOH (3 ml per 1.0 mmol of **1**) and 3,5-dioxoester **1** (1.0 equiv.) was added dropwise. The soln. was stirred at 80° for 4 h, then it was poured into H_2O (50 ml) and Na_2CO_3 was added until pH 7 was reached. The mixture was extracted with AcOEt (3×30 ml) and the combined org. layers were dried (MgSO_4). The mixture was filtered, the filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo*, and the residue was purified by CC (silica gel, cyclohexane/AcOEt or heptane/AcOEt).

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Method B. In a pressure tube, to a soln. of 1,2-diaminobenzene **2** (1.3 equiv.) in dry MeCN (9 ml per 1.0 mmol of **1**) was added 3,5-dioxoester **1** (1.0 equiv.) at 55° . The mixture was stirred for 10 min and subsequently trimethylchlorosilane (3.0 equiv) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at 55° for 4 h. Subsequently, the soln. was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue was purified by CC (silica gel, cyclohexane/AcOEt or heptane/AcOEt).

(4Z)-1,3,4,5-Tetrahydro-4-(3,3,3-trifluoro-2-oxopropylidene)-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-one (3a) and **Ethyl (2Z)-1,3-Dihydro-4-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (4a)**. **Method A:** Starting with **1a** (0.248 g, 1.10 mmol), **2a** (0.165 g, 1.53 mmol), and AcOH (3 ml), **3a** was isolated as a white to yellow solid (0.13 g, 44%), m.p. = $243 - 245^\circ$, $R_f = 0.27$ (cyclohexane/AcOEt, 2:1) and **4a** as an orange solid (0.095 g, 29%), m.p. = $120 - 121^\circ$, $R_f = 0.78$

(cyclohexane/AcOEt, 2:1). **Method B:** Starting with **1a** (0.235 g, 1.04 mmol), **2a** (0.141 g, 1.3 mmol), MeCN (9 ml), and trimethylchlorosilane (0.326 g, 3.0 mmol), **3a** was isolated as a white to yellow solid (0.15 g, 53%) and **4a** as an orange solid (0.076 g, 25%).

3a: ^1H -NMR (500.13 MHz, CDCl_3): 3.31 (s, 2 H, H(4)); 5.67 (q, $^4J_{\text{H,F}} = 0.5$, 1 H, H(2)); 7.10 (dd, $^3J_{7,8} = 7.8$, $^4J_{7,9} = 1.5$, 1 H, H(7)); 7.25 – 7.35 (m, 3 H, H(8,9,10)); 7.93 (s, 1 H, NHCO); 12.57 (s, 1 H, NH(3)). ^{19}F -NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl_3): -76.9 (CF_3). ^{13}C -NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl_3): 41.5 (C(4)); 90.2 (q, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 1.5$, C(2)); 117.0 (q, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 288$, CF_3); 122.5 (C(7)); 123.7 (C(10)); 126.4 (C(9)); 127.5 (C(8)); 129.6, 129.9 (C(6, 11)); 160.2 (C(3)); 166.9 (CONH); 178.8 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 34.4$, C(1)). IR (ATR, cm^{-1}): 3340w, 3196w, 3118w, 3079w, 2979w, 2919w, 2853w, 1679m, 1598m, 1573m, 1524m, 1497m, 1424m, 1382m, 1328m, 1278m, 1245m, 1184m, 1146m, 1133s, 1110s, 1044m. MS (EI, 70 eV): 270 [M^+ , (100)], 228 (12), 201 (88), 159 (73), 135 (11), 131 (15). HR-MS (EI, 70 eV): calc. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_9\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ (M^+): 270.06100, found: 270.06106. Anal. calc. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_9\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ (270.207): C 53.34, H 3.36, N 10.37, found: C 53.69, H 3.43, N 9.91.

4a: ^1H -NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl_3) tautomer **I**: 1.29 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.22 (‘r’, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}} = ^4J_{2,4} = 0.7$, 2 H, H(2)); 4.16 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH_2); 4.69 (t, $^4J_{2,4} = 0.7$, 1 H, H(4)); 7.08 (dd, $^3J = 7.9$, $^4J = 1.4$, 1 H, H(7)); 7.18 (m, $^4J = 1.4$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.28 (m, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H(8)); 7.41 (dd, $^4J = 7.9$, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H(10)); 10.61 (s, 1 H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.29 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.17 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH_2); 4.81 (br. s, 1 H, H(4)); 5.04 (‘r’, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(1)} = ^4J_{2,\text{NH}(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, H(2)); 5.52 (br. s, 1 H, NH(1)); 6.56 (dd, $^3J = 7.7$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(10)); 6.75 (m, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H(7)); 6.81 (dd, $^3J = 7.7$, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H(9)); 6.87 (m, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(8)); 10.07 (s, 1 H, NH(3)). ^{19}F -NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl_3) tautomer **I**: -73.6 (CF_3); tautomer **II**: -71.0 (CF_3). ^{13}C -NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl_3) tautomer **I**: 14.4 (CH_3); 34.1 (C(2)); 59.5 (OCH_2); 85.9 (C(4)); 119.4 (q, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 277$, CF_3); 122.3 (C(7)); 124.2 (C(9)); 129.0 (C(8)); 130.0 (C(10)); 132.3 (C(6)); 136.6 (C(11)); 152.2 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 35.5$, C(1)); 155.5 (C(3)); 170.5 (C(5)); tautomer **II**: 14.4 (CH_3); 59.5 (OCH_2); 93.8 (C(4)); 99.0 (q, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 5.0$, C(2)); 120.2 (C(10)); 121.6 (C(7)); 122.9 (C(9)); 124.5 (C(8)); 130.8, 131.3 (C(6, 11)); 131.0 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 30.7$, C(1)); 152.2 (C(3)); 170.2 (C(5)); CF_3 not determined.

^1H -NMR (500.13 MHz, (D_6)DMSO) isomer **I**: 1.21 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, Me); 3.51 (s, 2 H, H(2)); 4.09 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, OCH_2); 4.84 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 7.25 (ddd, $^3J = 8.0$, $^3J = 6.6$, $^4J = 2.0$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.32 – 7.37 (m, 2 H, H(7, 8)); 7.39 (m, 1 H, H(10)); 10.46 (s, 1 H, NH); isomer **II**: 1.21 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, Me); 4.11 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, OCH_2); 5.00 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 5.20 (‘r’, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(1)} = 2.0$, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(3)} = 1.5$, 1 H, H(2)); 6.65 (dd, $^3J_{7,8} = 7.6$, $^4J_{7,9} = 1.7$, 1 H, H(7)); 6.80 – 6.87 (m, 2 H, H(8,9)); 7.02 (dd, $^3J_{9,10} = 7.7$, $^4J_{8,10} = 1.8$, 1 H, H(10)); 8.53 (d, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(1)} = 2.0$, 1 H, NH(1)); 9.91 (d, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(3)} = 1.5$, 1 H, NH(3)); isomer **III**: 1.17 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, Me); 4.01 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, OCH_2);

5.21 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 7.01 (t, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(1)} = ^4J_{2,\text{NH}(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, H(2)); 6.77 – 6.83 (m, 3 H), 6.99 (m, 1 H), (CH_{Ar}); 8.21 (d, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, NH(3)); 8.50 (d, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(1)} = 2.0$, 1 H, NH(1)); isomer **IV**: 1.17 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, Me); 4.03 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, OCH₂); 4.23 (s, 2 H, H(2)); 5.16 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 7.15 – 7.20 (m, 2 H), 7.25 (m, 1 H), 7.33 (m, 1 H), (CH_{Ar}); 10.04 (s, 1 H, NH). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, (D₆)DMSO) isomer **I**: –72.3 (CF₃); isomer **II**: –68.6 (CF₃); isomer **III**: –75.5 (CF₃); isomer **IV**: –72.2 (CF₃). ¹³C-NMR (125.8 MHz, (D₆)DMSO) isomer **I**: 14.5 (CH₃); 33.6 (C(2)); 59.1 (OCH₂); 85.6 (C(4)); 121.7 (q, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 278$, CF₃); 122.9 (C(7)); 124.4 (C(9)); 129.3 (C(8)); 129.5 (C(10)); 132.3 (C(6)); 136.2 (C(11)); 152.7 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 34.7$, C(1)); 156.2 (C(3)); 169.6 (C(5)); isomer **II**: 14.4 (CH₃); 59.2 (OCH₂); 93.0 (C(4)); 96.9 (q, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 5.0$, C(2)); 120.9 (q, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 276$, CF₃); 121.0 (C(7)); 121.4 (C(10)); 123.2 (C(9)); 124.4 (C(8)); 130.7 (C(6)); 132.5 (C(11)); 135.1 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 31.2$, C(1)); 153.3 (C(3)); 169.8 (C(5)); isomer **III**: 14.5 (CH₃); 58.6 (OCH₂); 92.2 (q, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 5.0$, C(2)); 95.1 (C(4)); 120.9, 121.1, 122.4, 124.0 (CH_{Ar}); 152.9 (C(3)); 167.0 (C(5)); (C(1), CF₃, C_{Ar} not determined); isomer **IV**: 14.6 (CH₃); 27.6 (C(2)); 58.4 (OCH₂); 87.8 (C(4)); 122.0, 123.5, 129.1, 129.4 (CH_{Ar}); 152.6 (C(3)); 167.7 (C(5)); (C(1), CF₃, C_{Ar} not determined). IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3256w, 3209w, 3115w, 3075w, 2987w, 2945w, 2903w, 2871w, 1659m, 1614s, 1566m, 1495w, 1481m, 1440m, 1390w, 1361m, 1303m, 1275s, 1251s, 1238m, 1221m, 1184s, 1161s, 1108s, 1064m, 1044s, 1001m. MS (EI, 70 eV): 299 [(M+H)⁺, (15)], 298 [M⁺, (100)], 253 (33), 252 (98), 224 (49), 205 (10), 155 (57). HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS): calc. for C₁₄H₁₄F₃N₂O₂ [(M+H)⁺]: 299.1002, found: 299.1004. Anal. calc. for C₁₄H₁₃F₃N₂O₂ (298.260): C 56.38, H 4.39, N 9.39, found: C 56.50, H 4.31, N 9.14.

(4Z)-7,8-Dichloro-1,3,4,5-tetrahydro-4-(3,3,3-trifluoro-2-oxopropylidene)-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-one (3b) and **Ethyl (2Z)-[7,8-Dichloro-1,3-dihydro-4-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (4b)**. *Method A*: Starting with **1a** (0.234 g, 1.04 mmol), **2b** (0.266 g, 1.5 mmol), and AcOH (3 ml), **3b** was isolated as an orange solid (0.117 g, 31%), m.p. = 245 – 247°, *R*_f = 0.47 (cyclohexane/AcOEt, 2:1) and **4b** as an orange solid (0.081 g, 21%), m.p. = 128 – 130°, *R*_f = 0.83 (cyclohexane/AcOEt, 2:1). *Method B*: Starting with **1a** (0.258 g, 1.14 mmol), **2b** (0.26 g, 1.47 mmol), MeCN (9 ml), and trimethylchlorosilane (0.338 g, 3.1 mmol), **3b** was isolated as an orange solid (0.224 g, 58%) and **4b** as an orange solid (0.067 g, 16%). **3b**: ¹H-NMR (500.13 MHz, CDCl₃): 3.32 (s, 2 H, H(4)); 5.71 (q, $^4J_{\text{H,F}} = 0.5$, 1 H, H(2)); 7.25 (s, 1 H, H(7)); 7.38 (s, 1 H, H(10)); 8.43 (s, 1 H, NHCO); 12.43 (s, 1 H, NH(3)). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃): –77.0 (CF₃). ¹³C-NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl₃): 41.4 (C(4)); 91.0 (q, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 1.8$, C(2)); 116.8 (q, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 289$, CF₃); 123.8 (C(7)); 124.8 (C(10)); 128.2, 128.9 (C(6,11)); 130.2, 131.1 (C(8, 9)); 159.4 (C(3)); 166.8 (CONH); 179.5 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 34.7$, C(1)). IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3194w, 3110w, 3046w, 2955w, 2127w, 1683m, 1623w, 1591m, 1567m, 1519m,

1499m, 1473m, 1430m, 1378m, 1312m, 1294m, 1274m, 1242m, 1225m, 1192m, 1139s, 1107s, 1001m. MS (EI, 70 eV): 342 [M⁺, ³⁷Cl₂ (11)], 340 [M⁺ ³⁵Cl³⁷Cl (64)], 338 [M⁺, ³⁵Cl₂ (100)], 298 [³⁷Cl³⁵Cl (15)], 296 [³⁵Cl₂ (24)], 273 [³⁵Cl₂ (10)], 271 [³⁷Cl³⁵Cl (60)], 269 [³⁵Cl₂ (90)], 227 [³⁷Cl₂ (10)], 229 [³⁷Cl³⁵Cl (60)], 227 [³⁵Cl₂ (94)], 199 (15). HR-MS (EI, 70 eV): calc. for C₁₂H₇³⁵Cl₂F₃N₂O₂ (M⁺): 337.98312, found: 337.992146; calc. for C₁₂H₇³⁵Cl³⁷ClF₃N₂O₂ (M⁺): 339.98017, found: 339.979662; calc. for C₁₂H₇³⁷Cl₂F₃N₂O₂ (M⁺): 341.97722, found: 341.977666. Anal. calc. for C₁₂H₇Cl₂F₃N₂O₂ (339.097): C 42.50, H 2.08, N 8.26, found: C 42.64, H 2.24, N 8.07.

4b: ¹H-NMR (500.13 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 1.30 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.22 (s, 2 H, H(2)); 4.18 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.74 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 7.20 (s, 1 H, H(7)); 7.51 (s, 1 H, H(10)); 10.65 (s, 1 H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.29 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.17 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.89 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 5.10 (t, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(1)} = ^4J_{2,\text{NH}(3)} = 1.8$, 1 H, H(2)); 5.54 (s, 1 H, NH(1)); 6.85 (s, 1 H, H(7)); 6.71 (s, 1 H, H(10)); 10.18 (s, 1 H, NH(3)). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: –73.8 (CF₃); tautomer **II**: –70.8 (CF₃). ¹³C-NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 14.3 (CH₃); 34.2 (C(2)); 59.9 (OCH₂); 87.7 (C(4)); 119.2 (q, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 278$, CF₃); 123.7 (C(7)); 127.7, 132.7 (C(8,9)); 131.1 (C(10)); 131.8 (C(6)); 135.7 (C(11)); 153.8 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 35.9$, C(1)); 154.2 (C(3)); 170.4 (C(5)); tautomer **II**: 14.3 (CH₃); 59.9 (OCH₂); 95.7 (C(4)); 99.5 (q, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 4.5$, C(2)); 120.7 (q, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 276$, CF₃); 121.1 (C(10)); 122.4 (C(7)); 125.4, 127.2 (C(8,9)); 130.3 (C(11)); 130.5 (C(6)); 133.5 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 32.0$, C(1)); 150.6 (C(3)); 170.1 (C(5)). HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS, negative): calc. for C₁₄H₁₁Cl₂F₃N₂O₂ [(M–H)⁻]: 365.0077, found: 365.0082.

(4Z)-1,3,4,5-Tetrahydro-4-(3,3,4,4,4-pentafluoro-2-oxobutylidene)-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-one (3c) and **Ethyl (2Z)-1,3-Dihydro-[4-(pentafluoroethyl)-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (4c)**. *Method A*: Starting with **1b** (0.275 g, 0.996 mmol) and **2a** (0.162 g, 1.5 mmol) in AcOH (3 ml), **3c** was isolated as a colorless solid (0.186 g, 58%), m.p. = 212 – 214° and **4c** as an orange solid (0.056 g, 16%), m.p. = 97 – 99°. *Method B*: Starting with **1b** (0.276 g, 1.0 mmol), **2a** (0.141 g, 1.3 mmol), MeCN (9 ml), and trimethylchlorosilane (0.326 g, 3.0 mmol), **4c** was isolated as an orange solid (0.132 g, 38%) (**3c** was not isolated, ratio of **3c/4c** in the crude product approx. 1:1).

3c: ¹H-NMR (500.13 MHz, CDCl₃): 3.31 (s, 2 H, H(4)); 5.74 (t, $^4J_{\text{H,F}} = 1.4$, 1 H, H(2)); 7.14 (dd, $^3J_{7,8} = 7.8$, $^4J_{7,9} = 1.5$, 1 H, H(7)); 7.25 – 7.29 (m, 2 H, H(9,10)); 7.32 (ddd, $^3J_{7,8} = 7.8$, $^3J_{8,9} = 6.6$, $^4J_{8,10} = 2.3$, 1 H, H(8)); 8.56 (s, 1H, NHCO); 12.70 (s, 1 H, NH(3)). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃): –123.2 (CF₂); –82.4 (CF₃). ¹³C-NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl₃): 41.6 (C(4)); 91.3 (C(2)); 107.7 (tq, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 264$, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 37.6$, CF₂); 118.4 (qt, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 287$, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 35.5$, CF₃); 122.6 (C(7)); 123.7 (C(10)); 126.4 (C(9)); 127.6 (C(8)); 129.4, 130.1 (C(6,11)); 160.0 (C(3)); 167.4 (CONH); 180.0 (t, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 24.9$, C(1)). IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3199w, 3129w, 3079w, 2981w, 2915w, 1681m,

1621m, 1598m, 1574s, 1519m, 1497m, 1429w, 1381m, 1326m, 1274w, 1241w, 1216m, 1183s, 1161m, 1142m, 1116m, 1046w, 1018s. MS (EI, 70 eV): 320 [M^+ , (85)], 201 (100), 159 (58), 135 (12), 131 (13), 67 (16). HR-MS (EI, 70 eV): calc. for $C_{13}H_9F_5N_2O_2$ (M^+): 320.05787, found: 320.057928. Anal. calc. for $C_{13}H_9F_5N_2O_2$ (320.215): C 48.76, H 2.83, found: C 49.05, H 3.11.

4c: 1H -NMR (300.13 MHz, $CDCl_3$) tautomer **I**: 1.30 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.25 (*s*, 2 H, H(2)); 4.17 (*q*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.68 (*t*, $^4J_{2,4} = 0.6$, 1 H, H(4)); 7.08 (*dd*, $^3J = 7.9$, $^4J = 1.4$, 1 H, H(7)); 7.18 (*m*, $^4J = 1.4$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.28 (*m*, $^4J = 1.6$, 1 H, H(8)); 7.40 (*dd*, $^4J = 7.9$, $^4J = 1.6$, 1 H, H(10)); 10.65 (*s*, 1 H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.29 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.18 (*q*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.82 (*br. s*, 1 H, H(4)); 5.00 (*br. t*, $^4J_{2,NH} = 2.0$, $^4J_{2,NH} = 1.5$, 1 H, H(2)); 5.50 (*br. s*, 1 H, NH(1)); 6.55 (*dd*, $^3J = 7.7$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H_{Ar}); 6.76 (*dd*, $^3J = 7.7$, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H_{Ar}); 6.81 (*m*, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H_{Ar}); 6.89 (*m*, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H_{Ar}); 10.09 (*s*, 1 H, NH(3)). ^{19}F -NMR (282.4 MHz, $CDCl_3$) tautomer **I**: -118.2 (*q*, $^3J_{F,F} = 2.0$, CF₂); -81.4 (*t*, $^3J_{F,F} = 2.0$, CF₃); tautomer **II**: -121.6 (*q*, $^3J_{F,F} = 2.0$, CF₂); -84.0 (*t*, $^3J_{F,F} = 2.0$, CF₃). ^{13}C -NMR (75.5 MHz, $CDCl_3$) tautomer **I**: 14.3 (CH₃); 34.2 (C(2)); 59.5 (OCH₂); 86.1 (C(4)); 110.0 (*tg*, $^1J_{C,F} = 256$, $^2J_{C,F} = 37.4$, CF₂); 118.5 (*qt*, $^1J_{C,F} = 287$, $^2J_{C,F} = 35.8$, CF₃); 122.3 (C(7)); 124.1 (C(9)); 129.1 (C(8)); 130.2 (C(10)); 132.2 (C(6)); 136.8 (C(11)); 152.8 (*t*, $^2J_{C,F} = 27.7$, C(1)); 155.6 (C(3)); 170.6 (C(5)); tautomer **II**: 14.3 (CH₃); 59.5 (OCH₂); 94.0 (C(4)); 101.5 (*t*, $^3J_{C,F} = 5.0$, C(2)); 120.3 (C(10)); 121.6 (C(7)); 123.1 (C(9)); 124.7 (C(8)); 131.2, 131.7 (C(6,11)); 133.6 (*t*, $^2J_{C,F} = 22.0$, C(1)); 152.3 (C(3)); 170.2 (C(5)); CF₂CF₃ not determined. IR (ATR, cm^{-1}): 3443w, 3248w, 3196w, 3057w, 3023w, 2987w, 2943w, 2907w, 2874w, 1658m, 1616s, 1565m, 1494w, 1482m, 1447w, 1428w, 1376w, 1367w, 1325w, 1284s, 1274s, 1250s, 1229m, 1205s, 1176s, 1158s, 1142s, 1124m, 1117m, 1101s, 1087s, 1039s. MS (EI, 70 eV): 348 [M^+ , (99)], 303 (34), 302 (89), 276 (17), 205 (20), 156 (21), 155 (100). HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS): calc. for $C_{15}H_{14}F_5N_2O_2$ [$(M+H)^+$]: 349.097, found: 349.0975. Anal. calc. for $C_{15}H_{14}F_5N_2O_2$ (348.268): C 51.73, H 3.76, found: C 52.01, H 4.01.

(4Z)-7,8-Dichloro-1,3,4,5-tetrahydro-4-(3,3,4,4,4-pentafluoro-2-oxobutylidene)-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-one (3d). *Method A*: Starting with **1b** (0.282 g, 1.021 mmol) and **2b** (0.266 g, 1.50 mmol) in AcOH (3 ml), **3d** was isolated as a colorless solid (0.206 g, 52%), m.p. = 243 – 245° (**4d** was not isolated, ratio of **3d/4d** in the crude product approx. 4:1). 1H -NMR (500.13 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 3.32 (*s*, 2 H, H(4)); 5.77 (*t*, $^4J_{H,F} = 1.4$, 1 H, H(2)); 7.24 (*s*, 1 H, H(7)); 7.39 (*s*, 1 H, H(10)); 8.21 (*s*, 1 H, NHCO); 12.58 (*s*, 1 H, NH(3)). ^{19}F -NMR (282.4 MHz, $CDCl_3$): -123.3 (*q*, $^3J_{F,F} = 1.5$, CF₂); -82.3 (*t*, $^3J_{F,F} = 1.5$, CF₃). ^{13}C -NMR (125.8 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 41.5 (C(4)); 92.1 (C(2)); 123.8 (C(7)); 124.9 (C(10)); 128.9, 129.2 (C(6,11)); 130.2, 131.2 (C(8, 9)); 159.2 (C(3)); 166.6 (CONH); 180.9 (*t*, $^2J_{C,F} = 25.0$, C(1)); C₂F₅ not determined. IR (ATR, cm^{-1}): 3245w, 3201w, 3158w, 3116w, 3045w, 295w, 1688m, 1683m,

1625m, 1589m, 1567m, 1556m, 1516m, 1498m, 1473m, 1430m, 1374m, 1353m, 1316m, 1293m, 1263m, 1191s, 1167s, 1139s, 1116s, 1019s. MS (EI, 70 eV): 392 [M^+ , $^{37}Cl_2$ (7)], 390 [M^+ , $^{35}Cl^{37}Cl$ (44)], 338 [M^+ , $^{35}Cl_2$ (68)], 273 [$^{37}Cl_2$ (15)], 271 [$^{35}Cl^{37}Cl$ (66)], 269 [$^{35}Cl_2$ (100)], 231 [$^{37}Cl_2$ (7)], 229 [$^{37}Cl^{35}Cl$ (40)], 227 [$^{35}Cl_2$ (68)], 199 (13), 114 (13), 67 (24). HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS): calc. for $C_{13}H_8^{35}Cl_2F_5N_2O_2$ [$(M+H)^+$]: 388.9878, found: 388.9883; calc. for $C_{13}H_8^{35}Cl^{37}ClF_5N_2O_2$ [$(M+H)^+$]: 390.985, found: 390.9855.

(4Z)-4-(3,3,4,4,5,5,5-Heptafluoro-2-oxopentylidene)-1,3,4,5-tetrahydro-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-one (3e) and **Ethyl (2Z)-[4-(Heptafluoropropyl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (4e)**. *Method A*: Starting with **1c** (0.326 g, 0.999 mmol) and **2a** (0.162 g, 1.50 mmol) in AcOH (3 ml), **3e** was isolated as a colorless solid (0.253 g, 68%), m.p. = 182 – 183° and **4e** as an orange solid (0.064 g, 16%). *Method B*: Starting with **1c** (0.309 g, 0.95 mmol), **2a** (0.141 g, 1.30 mmol), MeCN (9 ml), and trimethylchlorosilane (0.326 g, 3.0 mmol), **4e** was isolated as an orange solid (0.137 g, 36%) (**3e** was not isolated, ratio of **3e/4e** in the crude product approx. 1:1).

3e: 1H -NMR (300.13 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 3.31 (*s*, 2 H, H(4)); 5.72 (*t*, $^4J_{H,F} = 1.6$, 1 H, H(2)); 7.17 (*m*, 1 H, H(7)); 7.25 – 7.35 (*m*, 3 H, H(8,9,10)); 9.21 (*s*, 1 H, NHCO); 12.68 (*s*, 1 H, NH(3)). ^{19}F -NMR (282.4 MHz, $CDCl_3$): -126.7 (*s*, CF₂); -121.0 (*q*, $^3J_{F,F} = 9.0$, CF₃CF₂); -80.5 (*t*, $^3J_{F,F} = 9.0$, CF₃). ^{13}C -NMR (75.5 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 41.6 (C(4)); 91.6 (C(2)); 122.7 (C(7)); 123.6 (C(10)); 126.3, 127.6 (C(8,9)); 129.3, 130.2 (C(6,11)); 159.9 (C(3)); 168.0 (CONH); 179.6 (*t*, $^2J_{C,F} = 24.7$, C(1)); C₃F₇ not determined. IR (ATR, cm^{-1}): 3189w, 3118w, 3064w, 2982w, 2922w, 2871w, 1688s, 1600s, 1574s, 1519m, 1501s, 1428m, 1380m, 1335s, 1269m, 1260m, 1211s, 1180s, 1149s, 1116s, 1105s, 1072s. MS (EI, 70 eV): 371 ($M+H^+$ 20), 370 (76), 202 (26), 201 (100), 159 (53), 131 (12). HR-MS (EI, 70 eV): calcd. for $C_{14}H_9F_7N_2O_2$ (M^+): 370.05468, found: 370.054495.

4e: 1H -NMR (300.13 MHz, $CDCl_3$) tautomer **I**: 1.30 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.26 (*s*, 2 H, H(2)); 4.17 (*q*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.68 (*s*, 1 H, H(4)); 7.08 (*dd*, $^3J = 8.0$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H_{Ar}); 7.18 (*m*, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H_{Ar}); 7.28 (*m*, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H_{Ar}); 7.40 (*dd*, $^4J = 7.9$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H_{Ar}); 10.65 (*s*, 1 H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.30 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.18 (*q*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.83 (*br. s*, 1 H, H(4)); 5.01 (*t*, $^4J_{2,NH(1)} = ^4J_{2,NH(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, H(2)); 5.49 (*br. s*, 1 H, NH(1)); 6.55 (*dd*, $^3J = 7.7$, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H(10)); 6.77 (*dd*, $^3J = 7.7$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(7)); 6.81 (*m*, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H(9)); 6.90 (*m*, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(8)); 10.09 (*s*, 1 H, NH(3)). ^{19}F -NMR (282.4 MHz, $CDCl_3$) tautomer **I**: -125.5 (*s*, CF₂CF₂CF₃); -116.4 (*q*, $^3J_{F,F} = 9.2$, CF₂CF₃); -80.1 (*t*, $^3J_{F,F} = 9.2$, CF₃); tautomer **II**: -126.6 (*s*, CF₂CF₂CF₃); -118.6 (*q*, $^3J_{F,F} = 9.2$, CF₂CF₃); -80.3 (*t*, $^3J_{F,F} = 9.2$, CF₃). ^{13}C -NMR (75.5 MHz, $CDCl_3$) tautomer **I**: 14.4 (CH₃); 34.7 (C(2)); 59.5 (OCH₂); 86.3 (C(4)); 108 – 120 (*m*, CF₂CF₂CF₃); 122.3 (C(7)); 124.1 (C(9)); 129.2 (C(8)); 130.2 (C(10)); 132.3 (C(6)); 136.9 (C(11));

153.1 (*t*, $^2J_{C,F} = 25.6$, C(1)); 155.6 (C(3)); 170.6 (C(5)); tautomer **II**: 14.4 (CH₃); 59.5 (OCH₂); 94.2 (C(4)); 102.2 (*t*, $^3J_{C,F} = 7.0$, C(2)); 120.4 (C(10)); 121.6 (C(7)); 123.1 (C(9)); 124.7 (C(8)); 131.4, 131.8 (C(6,11)); 152.3 (C(3)); 170.3 (C(5)); C(1), CF₂CF₂CF₃ not determined. IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3255w, 3190w, 2991w, 2901w, 1655m, 1614s, 1566m, 1481m, 1435w, 1392w, 1354w, 1331w, 1306m, 1271s, 1237m, 1214s, 1183s, 1157s, 1128s, 1112s, 1091s, 1070m, 1039s, 1001m. MS (EI, 70 eV): 398 [*M*⁺, (98)], 353 (33), 352 (88), 205 (21), 156 (21), 155 (100). HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS, positiv): calc. for C₁₆H₁₄F₅NaN₂O₂ [(*M* + Na)⁺]: 421.0757, found: 421.0761.

(4Z)-7,8-Dichloro-4-(3,3,4,4,5,5,5-heptafluoro-2-oxopentylidene)-1,3,4,5-tetrahydro-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-one (3f). Method A: Starting with **1c** (0.326 g, 0.999 mmol) and **2b** (0.266 g, 1.50 mmol) in AcOH (3 ml), **3f** was isolated as a colorless solid (0.280 g, 64%), m.p. = 264 – 266° (**4f** was not isolated, ratio of **3f/4f** in the crude product approx. 4:1). ¹H-NMR (500.13 MHz, CDCl₃): 3.32 (*s*, 2 H, H(4)); 5.75 (*t*, $^4J_{H,F} = 1.5$, 1 H, H(2)); 7.23 (*s*, 1 H, H(7)); 7.39 (*s*, 1 H, H(10)); 8.09 (*s*, 1 H, NHCO); 12.57 (*s*, 1 H, NH(3)). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃): -126.6 (*s*, CF₂); -121.0 (*q*, $^3J_{F,F} = 9.1$, CF₃CF₂); -80.5 (*t*, $^3J_{F,F} = 9.1$, CF₃). ¹³C-NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl₃): 41.5 (C(4)); 92.4 (C(2)); 123.7 (C(7)); 124.9 (C(10)); 128.9, 129.2 (C(6,11)); 130.2, 131.2 (C(8,9)); 159.1 (C(3)); 166.5 (CONH); 180.7 (*t*, $^2J_{C,F} = 25.3$, C(1)); C₃F₇ not determined. IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3390w, 3237m, 3158w, 3119w, 3056w, 3016w, 2945w, 1696s, 1621m, 1585m, 1550s, 1517m, 1496m, 1481s, 1428m, 1374m, 1350m, 1331m, 1308m, 1293m, 1263m, 1204s, 1179s, 1160m, 1139s, 1121s, 1072m. MS (EI, 70 eV): 442 [*M*⁺, ³⁷Cl₂ (8)], 440 [*M*⁺, ³⁷Cl³⁵Cl (44)], 438 [*M*⁺, ³⁵Cl₂ (68)], 273 [³⁷Cl₂ (11)], 271 [³⁷Cl³⁵Cl (67)], 269 [³⁵Cl₂ (100)], 229 [³⁷Cl³⁵Cl (55)], 227 [³⁵Cl₂ (55)], 199 (10), 67 (14). HR-MS (EI, 70 eV): calc. for C₁₄H₇³⁵Cl₂F₇N₂O₂ (*M*⁺): 437.97673, found: 437.975842.

Ethyl (2E)-2-Chloro[1,3-dihydro-4-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (4g). Method A: Starting with **1d** (0.266 g, 1.021 mmol) and **2a** (0.162 g, 1.5 mmol) in AcOH (3 ml), **4g** was isolated as a yellow solid (0.126 g, 37%), m.p. = 111 – 113°. ¹H-NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 1.37 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.68 (*d*, $^4J_{2,NH} = 0.8$, 2 H, H(2)); 4.28 (*q*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 7.10 (*dd*, $^3J = 7.9$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(7)); 7.22 (*m*, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.30 (*m*, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H(8)); 7.44 (*dd*, $^3J = 7.8$, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H(10)); 11.10 (*s*, 1 H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.37 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.28 (*q*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 5.60 (*br. s*, 1 H, NH(1)); 6.09 (*t*, $^4J_{2,NH(1)} = ^4J_{2,NH(3)} = 2.0$, $^4J_{2,F} = 0.6$, 1 H, H(2)); 6.57 (*dd*, $^3J = 7.7$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(10)); 6.73 (*dd*, $^3J = 7.7$, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H(7)); 6.84 (*m*, $^4J = 1.7$, 1 H, H(9)); 6.90 (*m*, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(8)); 10.55 (*s*, 1 H, NH(3)). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: -72.7 (CF₃); tautomer **II**: -71.0 (CF₃). ¹³C-NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 14.3 (CH₃); 30.5 (C(2)); 61.5 (OCH₂); 92.9 (C(4)); 119.2 (*q*, $^1J_{C,F} = 277$, CF₃); 122.6 (C(7)); 124.6 (C(9)); 129.1 (C(8)); 130.0 (C(10)); 132.0 (C(6)); 136.6 (C(11)); 151.3 (*q*, $^2J_{C,F} = 36.3$, C(1)); 152.3 (C(3)); 167.7 (C(5)); tautomer

II: 14.3 (CH₃); 61.5 (OCH₂); 95.8 (C(4)); 96.3 (*q*, $^3J_{C,F} = 5.0$, C(2)); 120.3 (C(10)); 122.3, 122.4 (C(7,9)); 123.8 (C(8)); 131.5, 131.9 (C(6,11)); 149.0 (C(3)); 167.3 (C(5)); C(1), CF₃ not determined.

¹H-NMR (500.13 MHz, (D₆)DMSO) isomer **I**: 1.27 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.1$, Me); 3.82 (*s*, 2 H, H(2)); 4.22 (*q*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.1$, OCH₂); 7.31 (*ddd*, $^3J = 8.0$, $^3J = 6.0$, $^4J = 2.7$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.38 – 7.43 (*m*, 2 H, H(7, 8)); 7.44 (*m*, 1 H, H(10)); 10.90 (*s*, 1 H, NH); isomer **II**: 1.27 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.1$, Me); 4.23 (*q*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.1$, OCH₂); 5.80 (*t*, $^4J_{2,NH(1)} = ^4J_{2,NH(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, H(2)); 6.66 (*dd*, $^3J_{7,8} = 7.4$, $^4J_{7,9} = 2.0$, 1 H, H(7)); 6.87 – 6.93 (*m*, 2 H, H(8,9)); 7.01 (*dd*, $^3J_{9,10} = 7.5$, $^4J_{8,10} = 2.1$, 1 H, H(10)); 8.96 (*d*, $^4J_{2,NH(1)} = 2.0$, 1 H, NH(1)); 10.30 (*d*, $^4J_{2,NH(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, NH(3)); isomer **III**: 1.23 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.1$, Me); 4.15 (*q*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.1$, OCH₂); 6.87 – 6.94 (*m*, 2 H, 7.00 – 7.04 (*m*, 2 H), (CH_{Ar})); 7.08 (*t*, $^4J_{2,NH(1)} = ^4J_{2,NH(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, H(2)); 7.55 (*d*, $^4J_{2,NH(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, NH(3)); 8.61 (*d*, $^4J_{2,NH(1)} = 2.0$, 1 H, NH(1)); isomer **IV**: 1.24 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.17 (*q*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.35 (*br. s*, 2 H, H(2)); 7.27 (*m*, 1 H, H(9)); 7.35 – 7.43 (*m*, 2 H, H(7, 8)); 7.54 (*m*, 1 H, H(10)); 9.22 (*s*, 1 H, NH). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, (D₆)DMSO) isomer **I**: -71.3 (CF₃); isomer **II**: -69.0 (CF₃); isomer **III**: -68.7 (CF₃); isomer **IV**: -72.1 (CF₃). ¹³C-NMR (125.8 MHz, (D₆)DMSO) isomer **I**: 14.3 (CH₃); 30.9 (C(2)); 61.3 (OCH₂); 91.9 (C(4)); 119.3 (*q*, $^1J_{C,F} = 277$, CF₃); 123.3 (C(7)); 125.0 (C(9)); 129.5 (C(8)); 129.6 (C(10)); 131.9 (C(6)); 136.2 (C(11)); 151.1 (*q*, $^2J_{C,F} = 34.8$, C(1)); 152.8 (C(3)); 166.6 (C(5)); isomer **II**: 14.2 (CH₃); 61.5 (OCH₂); 92.7 (*q*, $^3J_{C,F} = 5.2$, C(2)); 97.2 (C(4)); 120.6 (*q*, $^1J_{C,F} = 278$, CF₃); 121.6 (C(10)); 122.0 (C(7)); 124.2 (C(9)); 125.3 (C(8)); 132.0 (C(6)); 133.9 (C(11)); 138.4 (*q*, $^2J_{C,F} = 31.1$, C(1)); 151.6 (C(3)); 166.6 (C(5)); isomer **III**: 14.2 (CH₃); 61.0 (OCH₂); 94.1 (*q*, $^3J_{C,F} = 6.0$, C(2)); 99.8 (C(4)); 135.5 (*q*, $^2J_{C,F} = 31.0$, C(1)); 147.9 (C(3)); 163.3 (C(5)); CF₃, CH_{Ar}, C_{Ar} not determined; isomer **IV**: 14.3 (CH₃); 28.5 (C(2)); 60.8 (OCH₂); 93.6 (C(4)); 150.2 (C(3)); 153.0 (*q*, $^2J_{C,F} = 34.5$, C(1)); 163.9 (C(5)); CF₃, CH_{Ar}, C_{Ar} not determined. IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3241w, 3174w, 3147w, 3057w, 3029w, 2996w, 2979w, 2937w, 2905w, 2143w, 1959w, 1925w, 1641m, 1601s, 1561m, 1517w, 1480m, 1467m, 1456m, 1445m, 1423m, 1414m, 1360m, 1313w, 1293m, 1272s, 1254s, 1218s, 1199s, 1182s, 1118s, 1060s, 1043s, 1025s. MS (EI, 70 eV): 334 [*M*⁺, ³⁷Cl (34)], 332 [*M*⁺, ³⁵Cl (100)], 288 [³⁷Cl (30)], 286 [³⁵Cl (30), 223 (66), 189 (20)]. HR-MS (EI, 70 eV): calc. for C₁₄H₁₂³⁵ClF₃N₂O₂ (*M*⁺): 332.05339, found: 332.054166. Anal. calc. for C₁₄H₁₂ClF₃N₂O₂ (332.705): C 50.54, H 3.64, N 8.42, found: C 50.96, H 3.71, N 8.10.

Ethyl (2E)-2-Chloro[7,8-dichloro-1,3-dihydro-4-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1,5-benzodiazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (4h). Method A: Starting with **1d** (0.271 g, 1.040 mmol) and **2b** (0.230 g, 1.30 mmol) in AcOH (3 ml), **4h** was isolated as a red solid (0.226 g, 54%), m.p. = 131 – 133°. ¹H-NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 1.36 (*t*, $^3J_{CH_2,CH_3} = 7.1$, Me); 3.70 (*d*, $^4J_{2,NH} = 0.8$, 2 H, H(2)); 4.28 (*q*,

$^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, OCH₂); 7.22 (s, 1 H, H(7)); 7.55 (s, 1 H, H(10)); 11.12 (s, 1 H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.37 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, Me); 4.29 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.1$, OCH₂); 5.62 (br. s, 1 H, NH(1)); 6.13 (‘t’q, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(1)} = ^4J_{2,\text{NH}(3)} = 2.0$, $^4J_{2,\text{F}} = 0.6$, 1 H, H(2)); 6.71 (s, 1 H, H(10)); 6.84 (s, 1 H, H(7)); 10.63 (s, 1 H, NH(3)). ^{19}F -NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: -72.9 (CF₃); tautomer **II**: -70.9 (CF₃). ^{13}C -NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 14.2 (CH₃); 30.6 (C(2)); 61.8 (OCH₂); 94.5 (C(4)); 119.0 (q, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 278$, CF₃); 123.6 (C(7)); 131.1 (C(10)); 128.1, 131.4, 132.8, 135.7 (C_{Ar}); 151.0 (C(3)); 152.9 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 36.5$, C(1)); 167.6 (C(5)); tautomer **II**: 14.2 (CH₃); 61.8 (OCH₂); 96.7 (q, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 5.0$, C(2)); 97.4 (C(4)); 120.6 (q, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 276$, CF₃); 121.1, 123.0 (CH_{Ar}); 126.2, 127.8, 131.3, 132.2 (C_{Ar}); 148.8 (C(3)); 167.3 (C(5)); C(1) not determined. IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3431w, 3217w, 3152w, 3090w, 3034w, 2985w, 2906w, 1651m, 1601s, 1539m, 1495w, 1464m, 1445m, 1421w, 1393w, 1366m, 1336m, 1296m, 1256s, 1243s, 1221s, 1180s, 1123s, 1068s, 1057s, 1024s. MS (EI, 70 eV): 406 [M⁺, $^{37}\text{Cl}_3$ (3)], 404 [M⁺, $^{37}\text{Cl}_2^{35}\text{Cl}$ (28)], 402 [M⁺, $^{37}\text{Cl}^{35}\text{Cl}_2$ (79)], 400 [M⁺, $^{35}\text{Cl}_3$ (79)], 360 [$^{37}\text{Cl}_3$ (4)], 358 [$^{37}\text{Cl}_2^{35}\text{Cl}$ (33)], 356 [$^{37}\text{Cl}^{35}\text{Cl}_2$ (98)], 354 [$^{35}\text{Cl}_3$ (100)], 322 (21), 320 (30), 295 [$^{37}\text{Cl}_2^{35}\text{Cl}$ (13)], 293 [$^{37}\text{Cl}^{35}\text{Cl}_2$ (49)], 291 [$^{35}\text{Cl}_3$ (57)], 257 (25), 223 (22). HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS): calc. for C₁₄H₁₁³⁵Cl₃F₃N₂O₂ [(M+H)⁺]: 400.9833, found: 400.9835; calc. for C₁₄H₁₁³⁷Cl³⁵Cl₂F₃N₂O₂ [(M+H)⁺]: 402.9805, found: 402.9807.

Ethyl (2Z)-[1,3-Dihydro-4-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-naphtho[2,3-b][1,4]diazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (5a). Method A: Starting with **1a** (0.232 g, 1.026 mmol) and **2c** (0.238 g, 1.504 mmol) in AcOH (4 ml), **5a** was isolated as a yellow solid (0.161 g, 45%), m.p. 124–126°, *R*_f = 0.60 (heptane/AcOEt, 1:1). ^1H -NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 1.32 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.27 (s, 2 H, H(2)); 4.20 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.77 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 7.44 (m, 1 H, H(11)); 7.51 (m, 1 H, H(10)); 7.53 (m, 1 H, H(7)); 7.75 (br. d, $^3J = 8.0$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.83 (br. d, $^3J = 8.0$, 1 H, H(12)); 7.93 (m, 1 H, H(14)); 10.72 (s, 1H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.32 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.22 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.85 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 5.18 (‘t’q, $^4J_{2,\text{NH}(1)} = ^4J_{2,\text{NH}(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, H(2)); 5.90 (s, 1 H, NH(1)); 7.04 (s, 1 H, H(14)); 7.22 (s, 1 H, H(7)); 7.23 – 7.32 (m, 2 H, H(10,11)); 7.51 – 7.58 (m, 2 H, H(9,12)); 10.67 (s, 1 H, NH(3)). ^{19}F -NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: -73.7 (CF₃); tautomer **II**: -70.7 (CF₃). ^{13}C -NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 14.4 (CH₃); 33.7 (C(2)); 59.5 (OCH₂); 86.6 (C(4)); 119.1 (C(7)); 119.4 (q, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 277$, CF₃); 125.8 (C(11)); 126.6 (C(9)); 127.6 (C(10)); 128.0 (C(12)); 129.0 (C(14)); 130.1, 130.8, 132.9, 136.1 (C_{Ar}); 153.5 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 35.2$, C(1)); 156.2 (C(3)); 170.2 (C(5)); tautomer **II**: 14.4 (CH₃); 59.5 (OCH₂); 92.7 (C(4)); 99.2 (q, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 4.4$, C(2)); 116.4 (C(14)); 117.5 (C(7)); 125.3, 125.5, 126.0, 126.3 (CH_{Ar}); 129.8, 130.9, 131.0, 132.0 (C_{Ar}); 133.9 (q, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 31.4$, C(1)); 152.1 (C(3)); 170.4 (C(5)); CF₃ not determined. IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3432w, 3241w, 3181w, 3055w, 3005w, 2983w, 2962w, 2940w, 2898w, 1738w,

1656m, 1613s, 1505m, 1484m, 1460m, 1444m, 1422m, 1366m, 1321m, 1299m, 1210m, 1194m, 1165s, 1153s, 1111s, 1054m, 1034s. MS (EI, 70 eV): 348 [M⁺, (52)], 303 (22), 302 (100), 274 (14), 236 (7), 206 (10), 205 (41), 179 (8), 152 (7), 151 (6). Anal. calc. for C₁₈H₁₅F₃N₂O₂ (348.11): C 62.07, H 4.34, N 8.04, found: C 61.55, H 3.94, N 7.63.

Ethyl (2Z)-[1,3-Dihydro-4-(pentafluoroethyl)-2H-naphtho[2,3-b][1,4]diazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (5b). Method A: Starting with **1b** (0.282 g, 1.022 mmol) and **2c** (0.230 g, 1.454 mmol) in AcOH (4 ml), **5b** was isolated as a yellow solid (0.068 g, 17%); m.p. 136 – 138°. ^1H -NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 1.32 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.29 (s, 2 H, H(2)); 4.20 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.77 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 7.43 (ddd, $^3J = 8.2$, $^3J = 6.8$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(11)); 7.50 (ddd, $^3J = 8.2$, $^3J = 6.8$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(10)); 7.50 (s, 1 H, H(7)); 7.73 (br. d, $^3J = 8.2$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.82 (br. d, $^3J = 8.2$, 1 H, H(12)); 7.91 (s, 1 H, H(14)); 10.75 (s, 1 H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.32 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.22 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.86 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 5.14 (s, 1 H, H(2)); 5.92 (s, 1 H, NH(1)); 7.00 (s, 1 H, H(14)); 7.19 (s, 1 H, H(7)); 7.25 – 7.32 (m, 2 H, H(10,11)); 7.51 – 7.57 (m, 2 H, H(9,12)); 10.64 (s, 1 H, NH(3)). ^{19}F -NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: -118.1 (q, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 2.0$, CF₂); -81.3 (t, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 2.0$, CF₃); tautomer **II**: -121.3 (q, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 2.0$, CF₂); -83.9 (t, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 2.0$, CF₃). ^{13}C -NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 14.4 (CH₃); 33.8 (C(2)); 59.5 (OCH₂); 86.8 (C(4)); 110.1 (tq, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 256$, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 38.0$, CF₂); 110.1 (tq, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 218$, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 38.0$, CF₂); 118.5 (qt, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 287$, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 35.7$, CF₃); 119.1 (C(7)); 125.9 (C(11)); 126.6 (C(9)); 127.7 (C(10)); 128.1 (C(12)); 129.3 (C(14)); 130.1, 130.8, 133.0, 136.3 (C_{Ar}); 154.3 (t, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 27.5$, C(1)); 156.3 (C(3)); 170.3 (C(5)); tautomer **II**: 14.4 (CH₃); 59.5 (OCH₂); 93.1 (C(4)); 102.0 (t, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 6.0$, C(2)); 110.7 (tq, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 258$, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 38.7$, CF₂); 116.6 (C(14)); 117.7 (C(7)); 118.5 (qt, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 288$, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 38.8$, CF₃); 125.4, 125.6, 126.1, 126.4 (CH_{Ar}); 129.9, 131.1, 131.2, 132.4 (C_{Ar}); 133.1 (t, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 23.0$, C(1)); 152.1 (C(3)); 170.4 (C(5)). IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3301w, 3201w, 3054w, 2978w, 2937w, 1659m, 1614s, 1506m, 1485m, 1415m, 1366m, 1347w, 1326m, 1288s, 1254m, 1240m, 1189s, 1157s, 1084s, 1043m. MS (EI, 70 eV): 398 [M⁺, (56)], 353 (24), 352 (100), 286 (8), 255 (7), 216 (5), 206 (13), 205 (53). HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS): calc. for C₁₉H₁₆F₅N₂O₂ [(M+H)⁺]: 399.11265, found: 399.11294. Anal. calc. for C₁₉H₁₅F₅N₂O₂ (398.312): C 57.29, H 3.79, N 7.03, found: C 56.84, H 3.39, N 6.54.

Ethyl (2Z)-[4-(Heptafluoropropyl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-naphtho[2,3-b][1,4]diazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (5c). Method A: Starting with **1c** (0.340 g, 1.042 mmol) and **2c** (0.240 g, 1.517 mmol) in AcOH (4 ml), **5c** was isolated as a yellow solid (0.159 g, 34%); m.p. 143 – 146°, *R*_f = 0.62 (heptane/AcOEt, 1:1). ^1H -NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 1.32 (t, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.30 (s, 2 H, H(2)); 4.20 (q, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2,\text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.76 (s, 1 H, H(4)); 7.44 (ddd, $^3J = 8.2$, $^3J = 6.8$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(11)); 7.50 (ddd, $^3J = 8.2$, $^3J = 6.8$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(10)); 7.50 (s, 1 H, H

(7)); 7.74 (br. *d*, $^3J = 8.2$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.83 (br. *d*, $^3J = 8.2$, 1 H, H(12)); 7.92 (*s*, 1 H, H(14)); 10.76 (*s*, 1 H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.32 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.22 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 4.88 (*s*, 1 H, H(4)); 5.15 (br. *s*, 1 H, H(2)); 5.90 (*s*, 1 H, NH(1)); 7.00 (*s*, 1 H, H(14)); 7.21 (*s*, 1 H, H(7)); 7.25 – 7.33 (*m*, 2 H, H(10,11)); 7.52 – 7.59 (*m*, 2 H, H(9,12)); 10.65 (*s*, 1 H, NH(3)). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: –125.5 (*m*, CF₂); –116.3 (*m*, CF₂); –80.0 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 9.2$, CF₃); tautomer **II**: –126.5 (*m*, CF₂); –118.3 (*m*, CF₂); –80.2 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 9.2$, CF₃). IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3430w, 3195w, 3116w, 3053w, 2982w, 2929w, 2903w, 1659m, 1614s, 1504m, 1484w, 1471w, 1434w, 1409w, 1342m, 1323w, 1288m, 1276m, 1261m, 1227s, 1202s, 1158s, 1145s, 1105s, 1067m, 1043s. MS (EI, 70 eV): 448 [M⁺, (68)], 403 (27), 402 (100), 376 (8), 255 (7) 206 (11), 205 (55). HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS): Calc. for C₂₀H₁₅F₇N₂O₂: [(M+H)⁺] 448.10163, found: 448.10163.

Ethyl (2E)-2-Chloro[1,3-dihydro-4-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-naphtho[2,3-b][1,4]diazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (5d). Method A: Starting with **1d** (0.265 g, 1.017 mmol) and **2c** (0.240 g, 1.517 mmol) in AcOH (4 ml), **5d** was isolated as a yellow solid (0.085 g, 22%), m.p. 129 – 130°, *R*_f = 0.56 (heptane/AcOEt, 1:1). ¹H-NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 1.39 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.74 (*d*, $^3J_{2, \text{NH}} = 0.8$, 2 H, H(2)); 4.31 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 7.46 (*m*, 1 H, H(11)); 7.52 (*m*, 1 H, H(10)); 7.53 (*s*, 1 H, H(7)); 7.75 (br. *d*, $^3J = 8.0$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.84 (br. *d*, $^3J = 8.0$, 1 H, H(12)); 7.95 (*s*, 1 H, H(14)); 11.19 (*s*, 1 H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.40 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.32 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 6.01 (br. *s*, 1 H, NH(1)); 6.20 (*t*, $^4J_{2, \text{NH}(1)} = ^4J_{2, \text{NH}(3)} = 2.0$, $^4J_{2, \text{F}} = 0.5$, 1 H, H(2)); 7.01 (*s*, 1 H, H(14)); 7.15 (*s*, 1 H, H(7)); 7.25 – 7.32 (*m*, 2 H, H(10,11)); 7.51 – 7.57 (*m*, 2 H, H(9,12)); 11.12 (*s*, 1 H, NH(3)). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: –73.0 (CF₃); tautomer **II**: –70.7 (CF₃). IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3218w, 3153w, 2985w, 2960w, 2905w, 1647m, 1628w, 1601s, 1565w, 1500w, 1474w, 1457w, 1423w, 1365m, 1329w, 1315w, 1295m, 1254s, 1240s, 1207m, 1176s, 1159s, 1125s, 1059s, 1020m. MS (EI, 70 eV): 384 [M⁺, ³⁷Cl (26)], 382 [M⁺, ³⁵Cl (82)], 348 (47), 339 [³⁷Cl (6)], 337 [³⁵Cl (17)], 338 [³⁷Cl (24)], 336 [³⁵Cl (74)], 303 (28), 302 (100), 276 [³⁷Cl (12)], 274 [³⁵Cl (31)], 273 (71), 239 (15), 236 (15), 205 (47), 152 (19), HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS): Calc. for C₁₈H₁₄³⁵ClF₃N₂O₂ [(M+H)⁺]: 382.06904, found: 382.068812.

Ethyl (2E)-2-Chloro[1,3-dihydro-4-(pentafluoroethyl)-2H-naphtho[2,3-b][1,4]diazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (5e). Method A: Starting with **1e** (0.370 g, 1.191 mmol) and **2c** (0.237 g, 1.498 mmol) in AcOH (4 ml), **5e** was isolated as a yellow solid (0.220 g, 43%), m.p. 133 – 135°. ¹H-NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 1.39 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.77 (*s*, 2 H, H(2)); 4.31 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 7.46 (*ddd*, $^3J = 8.2$, $^3J = 6.8$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(11)); 7.52 (*ddd*, $^3J = 8.2$, $^3J = 6.8$, $^4J = 1.5$, 1 H, H(10)); 7.53 (*s*, 1 H, H(7)); 7.76 (br. *d*, $^3J = 8.2$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.85 (br. *d*, $^3J = 8.2$, 1 H, H(12)); 7.95 (*s*, 1 H, H(14)); 11.23 (*s*, 1H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.40 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.32 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 5.97 (*s*, 1 H, NH(1)); 6.18 (*t*, $^4J_{2, \text{NH}(1)}$

$= ^4J_{2, \text{NH}(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, H(2)); 7.01 (*s*, 1 H, H(14)); 7.20 (*s*, 1 H, H(7)); 7.27 – 7.35 (*m*, 2 H, H(10,11)); 7.52 – 7.61 (*m*, 2 H, H(9,12)); 11.14 (*s*, 1 H, NH(3)). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: –116.6 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 2.0$, CF₂); –81.2 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 2.0$, CF₃); tautomer **II**: –121.0 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 2.0$, CF₂); –83.7 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 2.0$, CF₃). ¹³C-NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 14.3 (CH₃); 30.2 (C(2)); 61.5 (OCH₂); 93.4 (C(4)); 119.6 (C(7)); 126.1 (C(11)); 126.7 (C(9)); 127.9 (C(10)); 128.1 (C(12)); 129.4 (C(14)); 130.3, 130.5, 133.0, 136.2 (C_{Ar}); 153.6 (C(3)); 154.1 (*t*, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 28.0$, C(1)); C₂F₅ not determined; tautomer **II**: 14.2 (CH₃); 61.6 (OCH₂); 97.9 (C(4)); 99.4 (*m*, C(2)); 116.7 (C(14)); 118.7 (C(7)); 125.7, 125.9, 126.3, 126.5 (CH_{Ar}); 130.2, 131.4, 131.9, 133.8 (C_{Ar}); 135.8 (*t*, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 22.9$, C(1)); 150.2 (C(3)); C₂F₅ not determined. IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3429w, 3151w, 3048w, 3003w, 2984w, 2939w, 1645m, 1603s, 1565m, 1498m, 1460m, 1443m, 1427m, 1388w, 1368m, 1329m, 1254s, 1237m, 1190s, 1162s, 1136s, 1084s, 1055s, 1018s. MS (EI, 70 eV): 434 [M⁺, ³⁷Cl (26)], 432 [M⁺, ³⁵Cl (72)], 398 (7), 389 [M⁺, ³⁷Cl (9)], 387 [M⁺, ³⁵Cl (27)], 388 (36), 386 (100), 362 [M⁺, ³⁷Cl (5)], 360 [M⁺, ³⁵Cl (15)], 353 (16), 352 (25), 324 (22), 323 (74), 311 (18), 286 (20), 255 (27), 254 (54), 241 (29), 240 (19), 239 (64), 219 [M⁺, ³⁷Cl (5)], 217 [M⁺, ³⁵Cl (12)]. HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS, negative mode): Calc. for C₁₉H₁₃³⁷ClF₅N₂O₂ [(M–H)⁻]: 433.05617, found: 433.05672; Calc. for C₁₉H₁₃³⁵ClF₅N₂O₂ [(M–H)⁻]: 431.05912, found: 431.05951. Anal. calc. for C₁₉H₁₄ClF₅N₂O₂ (432.770): C 52.73, H 3.26, N 6.47, found: C 53.08, H 3.08, N 6.26.

Ethyl (2E)-2-Chloro[4-(heptafluoropropyl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-naphtho[2,3-b][1,4]diazepin-2-ylidene]acetate (5f). Method A: Starting with **1f** (0.354 g, 0.982 mmol) and **2c** (0.245 g, 1.549 mmol) in AcOH (4 ml), **5f** was isolated as a yellow solid (0.282 g, 60%), m.p. 148 – 151°. ¹H-NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: 1.40 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 3.77 (*s*, 2 H, H(2)); 4.31 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 7.46 (*m*, 1 H), 7.52 (*m*, 1 H), (H(10,11)); 7.52 (*s*, 1 H, H(7)); 7.75 (br. *d*, $^3J = 8.2$, 1 H, H(9)); 7.85 (br. *d*, $^3J = 8.2$, 1 H, H(12)); 7.95 (*s*, 1 H, H(14)); 11.25 (*s*, 1 H, NH); tautomer **II**: 1.40 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, Me); 4.31 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_3} = 7.2$, OCH₂); 5.98 (*s*, 1 H, NH(1)); 6.17 (*t*, $^4J_{2, \text{NH}(1)} = ^4J_{2, \text{NH}(3)} = 2.0$, 1 H, H(2)); 7.00 (*s*, 1 H, H(14)); 7.19 (*s*, 1 H, H(7)); 7.29 – 7.33 (*m*, 2 H, H(10,11)); 7.50 – 7.60 (*m*, 2 H, H(9,12)); 11.14 (*s*, 1 H, NH(3)). ¹⁹F-NMR (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃) tautomer **I**: –126.3 (*s*, CF₂); –118.1 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 9.5$, CF₃CF₂); –80.2 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 9.5$, CF₃); tautomer **II**: –125.4 (*s*, CF₂); –114.7 (*q*, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 9.3$, CF₃CF₂); –80.0 (*t*, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 9.3$, CF₃). IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3427w, 3152w, 3053w, 2984w, 2963w, 2931w, 2905w, 1644m, 1603s, 1566w, 1515m, 1504m, 1474w, 1461m, 1427w, 1398w, 1360m, 1342m, 1319w, 1257s, 1224s, 1180s, 1152s, 1108s, 1056m, 1023m. MS (EI, 70 eV): 484 [M⁺, ³⁷Cl (20)], 482 [M⁺, ³⁵Cl (60)], 483 (13), 449 (11), 448 (53), 438 [M⁺, ³⁷Cl (15)], 436 [M⁺, ³⁵Cl (46)], 437 (12), 403 (27), 402 (100), 373 (18), 255 (13), 254 (19), 239 (16), 206 (12), 205 (50). HR-MS (ESI-TOF/MS): Calc. for C₂₀H₁₄³⁵ClF₇N₂O₂ [(M+H)⁺]: 482.06265, found: 482.062735.

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