

Transition-Metal-Catalyzed Hydrosulfoximination and Oxidation Reaction for the Synthesis of Sulfoximine Derivatives

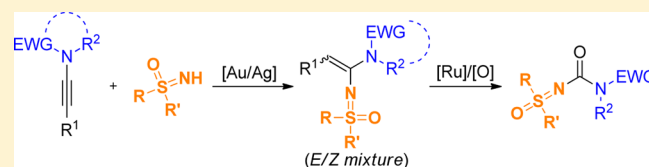
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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: We report herein a Au/Ag-cocatalyzed chemoselective hydrosulfoximination reaction of simple ynamides with free NH-sulfoximines, which produces the *N*-alkenylated sulfoximidoyl derivatives with quantitative atom efficiency and good to excellent yields. Further elaborations of the enamine isomers under Ru-catalyzed oxidative conditions to cleave the C=C double bonds can selectively afford urea-type sulfoximines. The aforementioned catalytic reactions provide new



opportunities for the convergent and straightforward access to sulfoximine derivatives.

INTRODUCTION

The sulfoximidoyl moiety is ubiquitous in a wide range of biologically active molecules. Compounds that hold a sulfoximidoyl group have recently emerged as fascinating subjects in medicinal chemistry (Figure 1).¹ For instance, the diphenyl

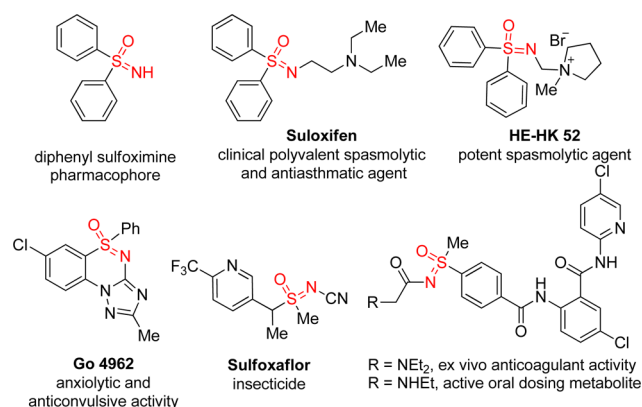


Figure 1. Biologically active sulfoximidoyl-based molecules.

sulfoximine was developed as a pharmacophore in the 1970s.² Later, targeted lead optimization with this class of medicine culminated in the discovery of suloxifen and HE-HK 52, which are both effective by oral and parenteral dosage.³ The heterocyclic sulfoximine Go4962 is known as a partial benzodiazepine receptor agonist.^{3a,4} The functionalized sulfoximines provide the additional potential of chirality to increase molecular diversity.⁵ Additionally, sulfoximines have been recently found applications as directing groups in C–H activation reactions⁶ or as chiral auxiliaries in catalytic asymmetric synthesis.⁷

For preparation of the sulfoximidoyl-containing molecules, classic methods utilizing *N*-protected sulfoximines as versatile

building blocks have been studied.⁸ Recently, a more direct strategy employing free NH-sulfoximines⁹ for further elaborations has been recognized to synthesize sulfoximidoyl-based molecules, such as *N*-alkynyl,¹⁰ *N*-alkenyl,¹¹ *N*-alkyl,¹² and *N*-aryl¹³ sulfoximidoyl derivatives, thanks to the seminal contributions by Bolm and co-workers. The *N*-alkynylated sulfoximines are highly reactive species, which can be transformed into hydroacyloxyated and hydroaminated sulfoximines under very gentle conditions (Scheme 1a).¹¹

Inspired by the recent development of ynamides^{14,15} and our interest in the synthesis and biological evaluation program of natural-product-like molecules utilizing ynamides as the building blocks,¹⁶ we envisioned that a more convenient transition-metal-catalyzed chemoselective hydrosulfoximination reaction of ynamides with free NH-sulfoximines would be workable (Scheme 1b). The current research is a full implementation of an atom-economical synthesis of biologically active amine derivatives and could serve as an alternative strategy for the divergent transformation of valuable NH-sulfoximines.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

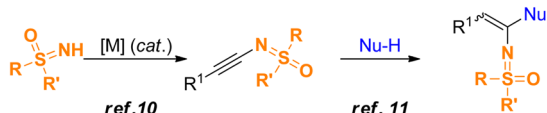
To verify the possibility of the reaction, ynamide **1a** and NH-sulfoximine **2a** were employed in a model reaction. Initially, no reaction was observed under metal-free nucleophilic conditions (Table 1, entry 1). Given the mildly basic nature of the nitrogen atom (free NH; $pK_a = 24$ in DMSO and $pK_a \text{NH}_2^+ = 2.7$ in water) in NH-sulfoximine **2a**,¹ we reasoned that activation of the alkyne group in ynamide **1a** is indispensable in the reaction. The coinage-metal cations (Au, Ag) are known as π -electrophilic Lewis acids, because they usually exhibit strong coordination properties toward the unactivated alkynes,^{16c,d,17}

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Scheme 1. One-Pot Synthesis of Sulfoximidoyl Enamines 3 and Further Transformations of 3 To Produce Urea-Type Sulfoximines 4

a) Previous two-step transformations to form sulfoximidoyl enamine.



b) This work: hydrosulfoximination and further transformation.

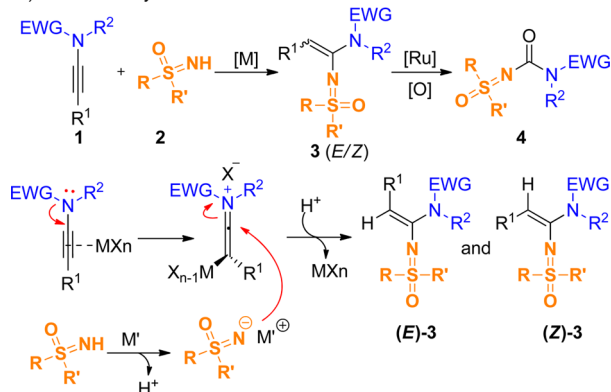


Table 1. Reaction Optimization for the Formation of 3a

entry	cat. (amt/mol %)	time/h	yield/% ^a	E:Z ^a
1		12	n.r.	
2	AgBF ₄ (5)	12	18	2:1
3	AgSbF ₆ (5)	12	22	2.7:1
4	AgOTf (5)	12	37	2.1:1
5	Zn(OTf) ₂ (5)	12	31	n.d.
6	AuCl	12	trace	
7	Ph ₃ PAuCl (5)	12	n.r.	
8	IPrAuCl (5)	12	n.r.	
9	AuI (5)	12	41	n.d.
10	AuBr ₃ (5)	12	57	n.d.
11	AuCl (5)/AgOTf (5)	12	61	1.4:1
12	Ph ₃ PAuNTf ₂ (5)	12	71	1.6:1
13	Ph ₃ PAuCl (5)/AgOTf (5)	12	70	1.8:1
14	Ph ₃ PAuNTf ₂ (5)/AgOTf (5)	10	33	1.8:1
15	IPrAuCl (5)/AgOTf (5)	12	42	1.9:1
16	Ph ₃ PAuCl (10)/AgOTf (5)	12	44	2:1
17	Ph ₃ PAuCl (5)/AgOTf (10)	12	82	2:1
18	Ph ₃ PAuCl (5)/AgOTf (5)	18	71 ^b	1.8:1
19	Ph ₃ PAuCl (5)/AgOTf (5)	18	63 ^c	2.6:1
20	Ph ₃ PAuCl (5)/AgOTf (5)	18	56 ^d	1.25:1
21	Ph ₃ PAuCl (5)/AgOTf (5)	18	62 ^e	1.8:1
22	Ph ₃ PAuCl (5)/AgOTf (5)	6	80 ^f	1.5:1

^aReaction conditions unless specified otherwise: ynamide **1a** (0.22 mmol) and NH-sulfoximine **2a** (0.20 mmol) in 2.0 mL of solvent at 40 °C under N₂ for 12 h. The E:Z ratio was determined by crude ¹H NMR spectroscopy. n.r. = no reaction. n.d. = not determined. ^bDCM as the solvent. ^cCH₃CN as the solvent. ^dToluene as the solvent. ^eAt 25 °C. ^fAt 60 °C.

which are frequently utilized in the activation mode of alkyne or alkene groups.¹⁸ Therefore, we decided to explore the reaction

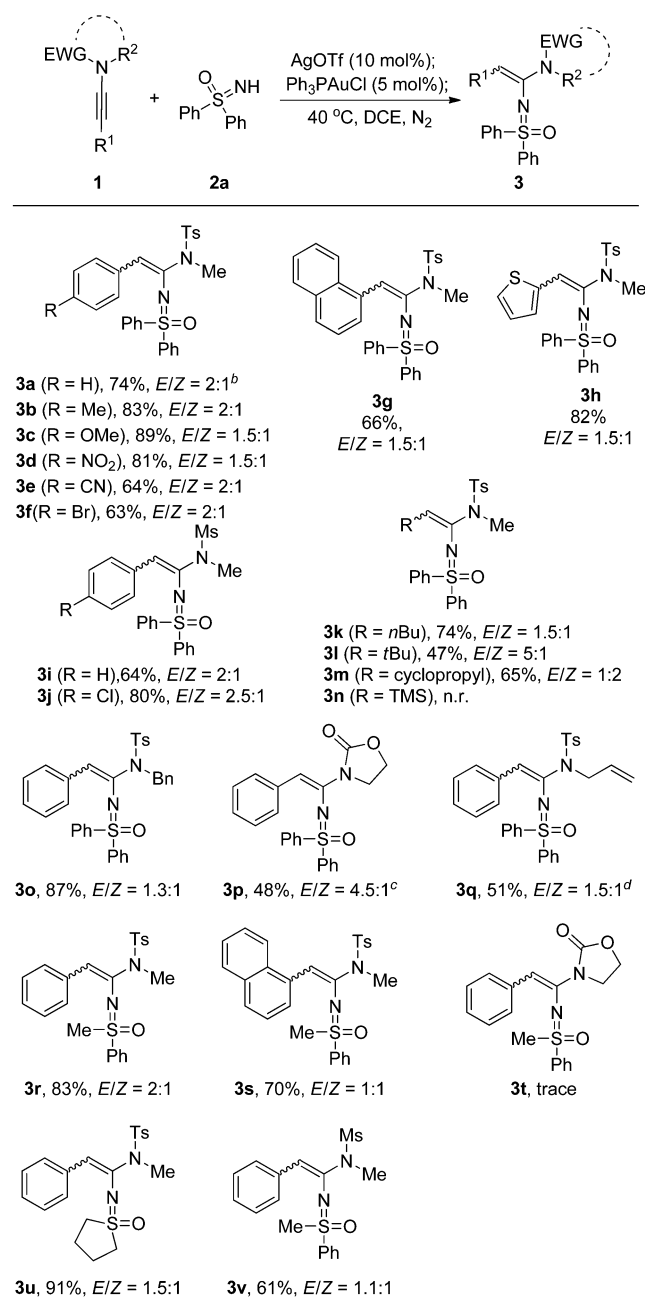
further by adding a catalytic amount of π -acidic coinage-metal catalysts. To our delight, the desired product **3a** was indeed produced upon the catalysis of AgBF₄, AgOTf, or AgSbF₆, albeit in relatively low yields (Table 1, entries 2–4). The structure of compound (E)-**3a** was identified unambiguously by X-ray diffraction analysis.^{19,20}

The other Au^I catalysts, such as AuCl, Ph₃PAuCl, and IPrAuCl, were proved to be inert for the transformation, whereas a modest yield of **3a** was obtained on catalysis by AuI (Table 1, entries 6–9). A 57% yield of product **3a** was observed when Au^{III} catalyst was added (Table 1, entry 10). The gold catalyst AuOTf, formed in situ by treating AuCl with AgOTf, was shown to be optimal. The result could be further improved to 71% when a more acidic Lewis acid, Ph₃PAuNTf₂, was used (Table 1, entries 11 and 12). A catalytic system slightly modified by increasing the amount of Ph₃PAuCl to 10 mol % only led to a lower yield. Interestingly, when the AgOTf loading was increased to 10 mol % while the Ph₃PAuCl was kept at 5 mol % scale, a good yield of 82% was observed after 12 h (Table 1, entries 16 and 17). The reaction worked smoothly in the less polar solvent dichloromethane, giving the desired product **3a** in 71% yield (Table 1, entry 18). Inferior yields were observed when the reactions were carried out in MeCN and THF, and no reaction was occurred in DMF and DMSO. Remarkably, the reaction is highly atom economical, and easily handled, because only the nonsensitive catalysts are required to facilitate the expected reaction under gentle conditions.

Under the optimal reaction conditions (5 mol % of Ph₃PAuCl and 10 mol % of AgOTf in 2 mL of DCE at 40 °C), the scope of this hydrosulfoximination reaction was next investigated (Table 2). The Au/Ag catalysis reaction of ynamide **1** with free NH-sulfoximine **2** could be expanded to gram-scale synthesis without difficulty, since **3a** could be isolated in 74% yield on a 5.06 mmol scale of the starting materials **1a**. Substrates bearing either an electron-donating group (4-Me, 4-MeO; **1b,c**) or an electron-withdrawing group (4-NO₂, 4-CN, 4-Br; **1d-f**) on the phenyl ring of the ynamides were well tolerated, led to the corresponding products **3b-f** in good yields (63–90%). The 1-naphthalenyl substituted ynamide **1g** reacted with **2a** to give the desired product **3g** in 67% yield. The 2-thienyl heterocycle furnished the desired product **3h** in 82% yield with an E:Z isomer ratio of 1.5:1.

The efficiency of this hydrosulfoximination reaction was not compromised in terms of the alkyl-substituted ynamides—this was demonstrated by the long-chain alkyl (*n*Bu), bulky alkyl (*t*Bu), and strained alicyclic cyclopropyl-substituted products (**3k-m**) being isolated in serviceable yields, ranging from 47 to 74%. A good yield was observed when a benzyl group was attached at the N atom of substrate **1o**. Pleasingly, the cyclic oxazolidin-2-one ynamide **1p** was also tolerated, although a higher temperature was necessary to promote the transformation, thus leading to the desired product **3p** in acceptable yield, with the E:Z isomer ratio 4.5:1. A complex result was observed for the reaction of allyl-substituted ynamide **1q** with **2a** under the standard conditions; however, when Ph₃PAuNTf₂ served as the catalyst instead of Ph₃PAuCl/AgOTf, the desired product **3q** was nicely formed in 51% yield.

It was found that the hydrosulfoximination reaction could be successfully extended to the alkyl-substituted NH-sulfoximine **2**. For instance, the *S*-methyl-*S*-phenyl sulfoximine compound **2b** reacted with *N*-methyl-*N*-sulfonyl ynamides **1a,g,i** smoothly to afford products **3r,s,v** in good yields, respectively. A distinct substituent effect was observed when the ynamide substrate was

Table 2. Coinage-Metal-Cocatalyzed Hydrosulfoximination Reaction of Ynamides **1 with NH-Sulfoximine **2a**^a**

^aReaction conditions unless specified otherwise: ynamide **1** (0.22 mmol), NH-sulfoximine **2a** (0.20 mmol), Ph₃PAuCl (5 mol %), and AgOTf (10 mol %) in 2.0 mL of DCE for 12–18 h. Isolated yield based on **2a**.

^bGram-scale synthesis: 5.06 mmol of **1a** as a starting material. ^cAt 80 °C, 12 h. ^dPh₃PAuNTf₂ (5 mol %) instead of Ph₃PAuCl/AgOTf.

changed to the cyclic oxazolidin-2-one ynamide **1p** with *S*-methyl-*S*-phenyl sulfoximine **2b**; thus, only a trace amount of conversion was observed when the reaction was conducted under the standard conditions. In contrast, good conversion was obtained for the reaction of ynamide **1a** with alicyclic sulfoximine **2c**; the corresponding product **3u** was formed in excellent yield and with an *E/Z* ratio of 1.5:1.

To further expand the synthetic potential of the current reaction, attempts to selectively cleave the C=C bond of the product **3** were commenced. As shown in Table 3, treatment of

the *E/Z* isomer mixture of product **3a** under Ru-catalyzed oxidative conditions afforded the urea-type sulfoximine **4a**. The structure of this compound was established via X-ray analysis.^{19,21}

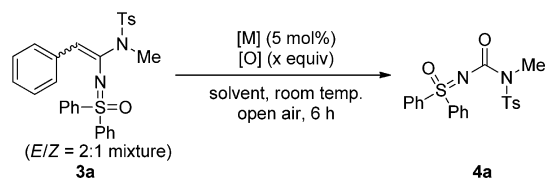
Interestingly, unlike the previous report using NaIO₄ as an oxidant to prepare sulfoximine diketones,^{11,22} we have found that a gentle oxidant such as H₂O₂ (30% aqueous) could be workable in the synthesis of urea **4** (entries 1–5, Table 3). Upon catalyst screening, Rh and Pd catalysts were found to be totally inert for this urea formation reaction (entries 6 and 7, Table 3). In addition, other oxidants, such as NaIO₄, *t*BuOOH, and HIO₄, were less efficient than H₂O₂ (entries 4, 6, 8, and 9, Table 3). The product **4a** could be isolated in 71% yield when [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)₂]₂ (5 mol %) was employed in the presence of 5.0 equiv of H₂O₂ in a DCM/CH₃CN solvent mixture (1/1) at room temperature for open air 6 h (entry 10, Table 3). A blank experiment clearly indicated that the metal catalyst was crucial (entry 11, Table 3). No reaction was found when a radical scavenger such as BHT or TEMPO was added to the reaction mixture, thus suggesting a radical process is likely to be involved in this oxidative process (entries 12–13, Table 3).²³

Following the optimized reaction conditions, the synthesis of different urea-type sulfoximines **4** were next studied in Table 4. The MeO- and NO₂-substituted compounds **3c,d** were found to be tolerated in the reaction, affording the targeted product **4a** in modest yields, respectively (entries 2 and 3, Table 4). The methanesulfonyl-protected (Ms) urea **4b** and benzyl-protected (Bn) urea **4c** could also be isolated in serviceable yields (entries 4–6, Table 4). It should be noted that removal of the Ts, Ms, Bn, and even Me protecting groups in compound **4** should yield a sulfoximidoyl-containing free urea, which is found to be versatile in the relevant biological assay or serve as a building block in the divergent synthesis of sulfoximine derivatives.

We proposed the following mechanism for this unique Ru-catalyzed oxidative reaction to produce urea-type sulfoximines **4** as depicted in Scheme 2. A homolytic reaction of H₂O₂ first generated the hydroxide radical,²⁴ which subsequently reacted with compound **3** to produce 1,2-diol intermediate **A**. The next electrophilic metalation reaction of **A** with [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)₂]₂ gave the pentannulation complex **B**. Intramolecular transformation of **B** delivered the observed product **4** and byproduct R¹CHO, along with a low-valent Ru⁰ complex catalyst. Finally, oxidation of Ru⁰(*p*-cymene)₂ with the assistance of H₂O₂ and HCl regenerated the active catalyst [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)₂]₂ to complete the catalytic cycle. In comparison with this radical process, another more preferential mechanism involved the oxidation of [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)₂]₂ to give the mono Ru^{IV}-oxo intermediate **C**, which then underwent an epoxidation reaction with alkene **3** to deliver the intermediate **D**.²⁵ The subsequent nucleophilic ring-opening reaction of **D** with H₂O under the catalysis of Ru²⁺ would give the 1,2-diol **A**.

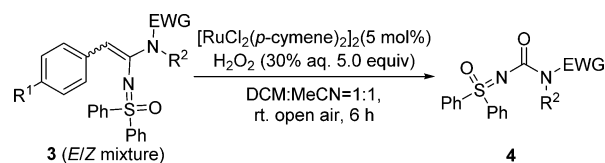
In conclusion, we have developed a fully atom economical synthesis of sulfoximidoyl enamine derivatives, via Au/Ag cocatalyzed chemoselective and scalable hydrosulfoximination reactions of simple ynamides with free NH-sulfoximines. The further Ru-catalyzed oxidative cleavage of the alkene group in the obtained sulfoximidoyl enamines afforded a series of urea-type sulfoximines in modest to good yields. These transformations are highlighted as practical, because they can be conducted under very mild conditions, using easily accessible compounds as the starting materials, and tolerated a broad range of functional groups. Thus, these methods could serve as

Table 3. Reaction Screen for the Synthesis of Urea 4a



entry	[M] (5 mol %)	[O] (x/equiv)	solvent	yield/% ^a
1	[Ru(<i>p</i> -cymene)Cl ₂] ₂	H ₂ O ₂ (5.0)	MeCN	17 ^b
2	[Ru(<i>p</i> -cymene)Cl ₂] ₂	H ₂ O ₂ (5.0)	DCM	67
3	RuCl ₂ (COD)	H ₂ O ₂ (5.0)	DCM/MeCN 1/1	26
4	RuCl ₂ (COD)	NaIO ₄ (2.0)	DCM/MeCN/H ₂ O 1/1/2	21
5	RuCl ₂ (PPh ₃) ₃	H ₂ O ₂ (5.0)	DCM/MeCN 1/1	27
6	(Ph ₃ P) ₃ RhCl	NaIO ₄ (2.0)	DCM/MeCN/H ₂ O 1/1/2	n.r.
7	Pd(OAc) ₂	H ₂ O ₂ (5.0)	DCM/MeCN 1/1	n.r.
8	[RuCl ₂ (<i>p</i> -cymene) ₂] ₂	<i>t</i> BuOOH	DCM/MeCN 1/1	35
9	[RuCl ₂ (<i>p</i> -cymene) ₂] ₂	HIO ₄ (2.0)	DCM/MeCN 1/1	31
10	[RuCl ₂ (<i>p</i> -cymene) ₂] ₂	H ₂ O ₂ (5.0)	DCM/MeCN 1/1	(71) ^c
11	[RuCl ₂ (<i>p</i> -cymene) ₂] ₂	H ₂ O ₂ (5.0)	DCM/MeCN 1/1	0
12	[RuCl ₂ (<i>p</i> -cymene) ₂] ₂	H ₂ O ₂ (5.0)	DCM/MeCN 1/1	n.r. ^d
13	[RuCl ₂ (<i>p</i> -cymene) ₂] ₂	H ₂ O ₂ (5.0)	DCM/MeCN 1/1	n.r. ^e

^aReaction conditions unless specified otherwise: enamine **1** (0.20 mmol), [Ru] (5 mol %), [O] (x equiv) in 2.0 mL of solvent for 6 h. Estimated GC yield with naphthalene as an internal standard. n.r. = no reaction. ^bH₂O₂ (30% aqueous). ^cIsolated yield in parentheses. ^dBHT (2.0 equiv) as an additive. BHT = 2,6-di-*tert*-butyl-4-methylphenol. ^eTEMPO (2.0 equiv) as an additive.

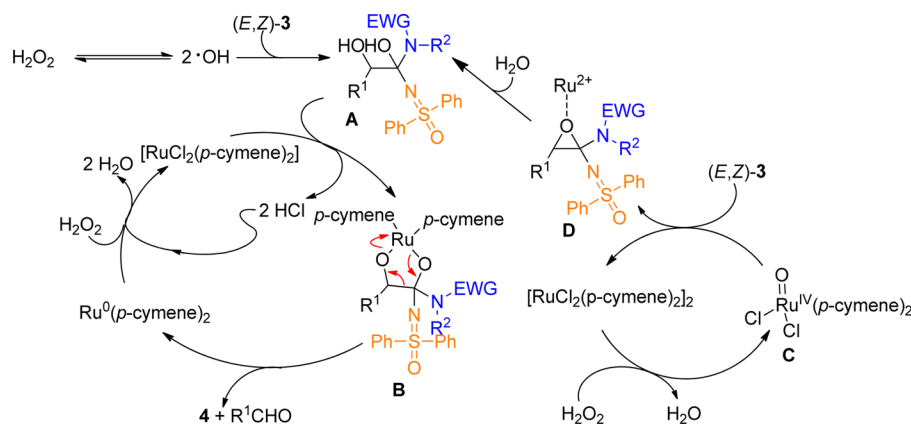
Table 4. Ru-Catalyzed Synthesis of the Urea-Type Sulfoximines **4**

entry	enamine 3	R ² , EWG (4)	yield/% ^a
1	3a	Me, Ts (4a)	71
2	3c	(4a)	48
3	3d	(4a)	63
4	3i	Me, Ms (4b)	60
5	3j	(4b)	68
6	3o	Bn, Ts (4c)	65

^aReaction conditions: enamine **1** (Z/E isomer, 0.20 mmol), [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)₂]₂ (5 mol %), H₂O₂ (30% aqueous, 5.0 equiv) in 2.0 mL of solvent for about 6 h in an air atmosphere. Isolated yield.

useful tools in the expedient synthesis of valuable sulfoximine derivatives.

Scheme 2. Proposed Mechanism



EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Experimental Methods. Unless otherwise noted, commercial reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and were used as received. All solvents were dried and distilled according to standard procedures before use. Reactions were conducted with standard Schlenk techniques on a vacuum line. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using glass plates precoated with 0.25 mm 230–400 mesh silica gel impregnated with a fluorescent indicator (254 nm). Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel (60 Å pore size, 32–63 μm, standard grade). Organic solutions were concentrated on rotary evaporators at ~20 Torr (house vacuum) at 25–35 °C. Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were recorded in parts per million (ppm) from the internal standard tetramethylsilane (TMS) on the δ scale. High-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) analysis was performed by electrospray ionization (ESI-microTOF).

General Procedure for the Coinage-Metal Cocatalyzed Hydroamination Reaction of Ynamides with NH-Sulfoximines

To a mixture of Ph₃AuCl (0.01 mmol, 5 mol %) and AgOTf (0.02 mmol, 10 mol %) in 2 mL of DCE were added compound **1** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and **2** (0.22 mmol, 1.1 equiv) at room temperature. The solution was gently warmed to 40 °C and stirred for 6 h under a

nitrogen atmosphere. After the solution was cooled to room temperature, the volatiles were removed under reduced pressure, and the pure product was obtained via flash chromatography (silica; *n*-pentane/EtOAc/DCM 30 6 1).

N,4-Dimethyl-*N*-(1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3a**). Yield: 82.3 mg, 82%. White solid, mp 145–147 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 2:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3a** isomer. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 6H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 4H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.79 (s, 1H), 2.98 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.0, 139.5, 138.6, 137.0, 135.6, 133.0, 129.7, 129.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 128.1, 127.3, 126.1, 113.4, 36.5, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for C₂₈H₂₆N₂O₃S₂ (M + H)⁺ 503.1463, found 503.1458.

N,4-Dimethyl-*N*-(1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)-2-(*p*-tolyl)vinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3b**). Yield, 85.6 mg, 83%. White solid, mp 77–79 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 2:1.

The following NMR data are of the *E*/*Z* isomers. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.07–8.02 (m, 2H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.55–7.46 (m, 5H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 4H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.27–7.20 (m, 3H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 2.97 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.9, 141.5, 139.5, 137.9, 137.4, 137.1, 135.8, 133.0, 132.7, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.0, 113.6, 38.5, 36.5, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for C₂₉H₂₈N₂O₃S₂ (M + H)⁺ 517.1620, found 517.1619.

N-(2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)vinyl)-*N*,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (**3c**). Yield: 95 mg, 89%. Yellow solid, mp 81–83 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1.5:1.

The following NMR data are of the *E*/*Z* isomers. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.00–8.10 (m, 2H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.86–7.80 (m, 4H), 7.68–7.61 (m, 3H), 7.53–7.51 (m, 6H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 4H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 3H), 7.29–7.20 (m, 4H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 5.74 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.97 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.0, 142.9, 141.5, 139.6, 136.9, 136.4, 132.9, 132.7, 129.9, 129.3, 129.2, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 127.3, 113.6, 55.2, 36.4, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for C₂₉H₂₈N₂O₄S₂ (M + H)⁺ 533.1569, found 533.1554.

N,4-Dimethyl-*N*-(2-(4-nitrophenyl)-1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)vinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3d**). Yield: 88.6 mg, 81%. Yellow solid, mp 72–74 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1.5:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3d** isomer. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.53–7.40 (m, 6H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 3.03 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 145.2, 143.5, 142.8, 142.4, 139.0, 136.2, 133.4, 133.2, 129.4, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 128.1, 123.7, 123.5, 111.0, 36.6, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for C₂₈H₂₅N₃O₅S₂ (M + H)⁺ 548.1314, found 548.1308.

N-(2-(4-Cyanophenyl)-1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)vinyl)-*N*,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (**3e**). Yield: 67 mg, 64%. White solid, mp 81–83 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 2:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3e** isomer. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 4H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.64–7.51 (m, 10H), 7.31–7.24 (m, 2H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 2.71 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.8, 141.6, 141.1, 141.0, 134.0, 133.1, 131.8, 129.4, 129.3, 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 119.5, 111.8, 108.8, 38.6, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for C₂₉H₂₅N₃O₃S₂ (M + H)⁺ 528.1416, found 528.1410.

N-(2-(4-Bromophenyl)-1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)vinyl)-*N*,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (**3f**). Yield: 73 mg, 63%. White solid, mp 71–73 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 2:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3f** isomer. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.86–7.79 (m, 4H), 7.54–7.53 (m, 2H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 4H), 7.33–7.20 (m, 6H), 5.70 (s, 1H), 2.98 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.2, 139.3, 139.2, 136.7, 134.6, 133.1, 131.2, 131.1, 130.2, 129.7, 129.3, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.3, 124.8, 119.6, 112.3,

36.4, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for C₂₈H₂₅BrN₂O₃S₂ (M + H)⁺ 581.0568, found 581.0543.

N,4-Dimethyl-*N*-(2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)vinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3g**). Yield: 72.8 mg, 66%. White solid, mp 181–183 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1.5:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3g** isomer. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.08 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 3H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 7.38–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.25–7.23 (m, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (s, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.7, 140.6, 139.5, 137.1, 133.3, 133.0, 132.9, 131.8, 129.4, 129.0, 128.8, 128.1, 128.0, 126.7, 126.5, 125.7, 125.4, 124.6, 110.3, 37.1, 21.5. HRMS: calcd for C₃₂H₂₈N₂O₃S₂ (M + H)⁺ 553.1620, found 553.1614.

N,4-Dimethyl-*N*-(1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)-2-(thiophen-2-yl)vinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3h**). Yield: 83 mg, 82%. Yellow solid, mp 59–61 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1.5:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3h** isomer. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.07 (m, 4H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.59–7.48 (m, 7H), 7.33–7.18 (m, 4H), 5.24 (s, 1H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.4, 141.4, 137.4, 137.0, 134.3, 132.7, 129.2, 129.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 124.3, 122.3, 109.4, 38.6, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for C₂₆H₂₄N₂O₃S₂ (M + H)⁺ 509.1027, found 509.1022.

N-Methyl-*N*-(1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)methanesulfonamide (**3i**). Yield: 54.5 mg, 64%. Colorless oil. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 2:1.

The following NMR data are of the *E*/*Z* isomers. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.14–8.12 (m, 4H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 6H), 7.40–7.24 (m, 4H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (s, 1H), 3.17 (s, 3H), 3.01 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 139.9, 139.3, 135.5, 133.2, 132.8, 129.6, 129.3, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.5, 126.1, 110.9, 43.1, 38.8. HRMS: calcd for C₂₂H₂₂N₂O₃S₂ (M + H)⁺ 427.1150, found 427.1145.

N-(2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)vinyl)-*N*-methylmethanesulfonamide (**3j**). Yield: 73.6 mg, 80%. White solid, mp 158–160 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 2.5:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3j** isomer. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.13–8.10 (m, 4H), 7.58–7.47 (m, 6H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.53 (s, 1H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 3.01 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 140.4, 139.2, 134.0, 133.3, 131.5, 129.6, 129.2, 128.4, 128.3, 109.6, 38.7, 36.8. HRMS: calcd for C₂₂H₂₁ClN₂O₃S₂ (M + H)⁺ 461.0760, found 461.0755.

N,4-Dimethyl-*N*-(1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)hex-1-en-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (**3k**). Yield: 71 mg, 74%. Colorless oil. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1.5:1.

The following NMR data are of the *E*/*Z* isomers. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.03–7.98 (m, 3H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.72–7.69 (m, 5H), 7.56–7.44 (m, 7H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 4H), 7.25 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 4H), 4.83 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (s, 3H), 2.57 (s, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.10 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.14–1.03 (m, 2H), 1.01–0.96 (m, 2H), 0.72 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.8, 141.6, 139.7, 136.4, 132.7, 129.1, 129.1, 129.0, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 116.9, 36.4, 31.6, 27.3, 21.9, 21.6, 13.9. HRMS: calcd for C₂₆H₃₀N₂O₃S₂ (M + H)⁺ 483.1776, found 483.1771.

N-(3,3-Dimethyl-1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)but-1-en-1-yl)-*N*,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (**3l**). Yield: 45 mg, 47%. White solid, mp 54–56 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 5:1.

The following NMR data are of the *E*/*Z* isomers. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.00–7.96 (m, 1H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 4H), 7.54–7.49 (m, 4H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.86 (s, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 0.99 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.6, 139.9, 136.5, 134.5, 133.1, 132.6, 129.4, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 127.6, 127.2, 53.0, 37.2, 30.7, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for C₂₆H₃₀N₂O₃S₂ (M + H)⁺ 483.1776, found 483.1771.

N-(2-Cyclopropyl-1-((oxodiphenyl-1*l*-sulfanylidene)amino)vinyl)-*N*,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide (**3m**). Yield: 60.6 mg, 65%. Colorless oil. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1:2.

The following NMR data are of the *E*/*Z* isomers. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.07–7.99 (m, 4H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76–7.66

(m, 4H), 7.56–7.44 (m, 8H), 7.41 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.29–7.20 (m, 3H), 3.92 (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.00 (s, 3H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.99–1.90 (m, 1H), 0.75–0.68 (m, 2H), 0.22–0.15 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 143.1, 141.4, 139.8, 135.2, 132.7, 132.6, 129.2, 129.0, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 122.5, 120.8, 37.8, 21.6, 10.0, 7.1. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 467.1463, found 467.1458.

N-Benzyl-4-methyl-*N*-(1-((oxodiphenyl-16-sulfanylidene)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3o**). Yield: 100.6 mg, 87%. White solid, mp 57–59 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1.3:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3o** isomer. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.89 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 4H), 7.49 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 4H), 7.17 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 4H), 7.12–7.02 (m, 8H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 4.52 (s, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 143.1, 139.8, 137.4, 135.7, 135.6, 135.4, 132.9, 129.4, 129.2, 129.1, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 127.5, 125.9, 115.8, 52.8, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 579.1776, found 579.1771.

3-(1-((Oxodiphenyl-16-sulfanylidene)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-oxazolidin-2-one (**3p**). Yield: 39 mg, 48%. Yellow oil. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 4.5:1.

The following NMR data are of the *E*/*Z* isomers. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.31–8.28 (m, 4H), 8.06–8.03 (m, 3H), 7.55–7.43 (m, 11H), 7.32 (d, $J = 4.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.19 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.15–7.05 (m, 3H), 5.80 (s, 1H), 4.28 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.62–3.55 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 157.3, 143.4, 139.3, 136.8, 136.0, 133.1, 132.6, 129.4, 129.2, 129.2, 128.4, 127.9, 127.7, 126.1, 110.1, 62.7, 45.4. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 405.1273, found 405.1267.

N-Allyl-4-methyl-*N*-(1-((oxodiphenyl-16-sulfanylidene)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3q**). Yield: 48.5 mg, 46%. White solid, mp 126–128 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1.5:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3q** isomer. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.94 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 4H), 7.51 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 6H), 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.08 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.81 (s, 1H), 5.71–5.57 (m, 1H), 5.07–4.89 (m, 2H), 3.99 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 143.0, 139.7, 137.6, 136.0, 135.7, 132.9, 132.6, 129.2, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 126.1, 118.4, 115.1, 51.8, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 529.1620, found 529.1614.

N,4-Dimethyl-*N*-(1-((methyl(oxo)(phenyl)-16-sulfanylidene)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3r**). Yield: 73 mg, 83%. White solid, mp 123–125 °C. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 2:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3r** isomer. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.97 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.90 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.62 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 4H), 7.13 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 143.2, 140.0, 138.3, 137.1, 135.4, 133.6, 129.5, 129.2, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 126.2, 111.3, 42.4, 36.6, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 441.1307, found 441.1302.

N,4-Dimethyl-*N*-(1-((methyl(oxo)(phenyl)-16-sulfanylidene)amino)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)vinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3s**). Yield: 68.6 mg, 70%. Colorless oil. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1.5:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3s** isomer. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.11 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.82–7.71 (m, 4H), 7.69–7.64 (m, 3H), 7.59–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.31 (m, 4H), 7.15 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.25 (s, 1H), 3.32 (s, 3H), 2.75 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 142.9, 141.8, 138.3, 137.5, 133.6, 133.5, 132.7, 131.8, 129.5, 129.1, 128.7, 128.3, 127.8, 126.8, 126.5, 125.8, 125.7, 125.5, 124.6, 108.1, 42.8, 37.1, 21.5. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 491.1463, found 491.1458.

N,4-Dimethyl-*N*-(1-((1-oxidotetrahydro-116-thiophen-1-ylidene)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)benzenesulfonamide (**3u**). Yield: 73.5 mg, 91%. Colorless oil. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1.5:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3u** isomer. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.77 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.51 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 3.83–3.75 (m, 2H), 3.40–3.33 (m, 2H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 2.30 (br, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 4H). ^{13}C NMR

(100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 144.0, 139.0, 135.9, 133.5, 129.4, 128.8, 128.3, 128.0, 126.2, 112.4, 54.6, 39.5, 29.7, 23.5, 21.6. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 405.1307, found 405.1301.

N-Methyl-*N*-(1-((methyl(oxo)(phenyl)-16-sulfanylidene)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)methanesulfonamide (**3v**). Yield: 44 mg, 61%. Colorless oil. *E*:*Z* isomer ratio 1.1:1.

The following NMR data are of the (*E*)-**3v** isomer. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.11 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.70–7.55 (m, 3H), 7.40 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.25 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.11 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.70 (s, 1H), 3.34 (s, 3H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 2.99 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 140.6, 138.1, 135.4, 133.8, 129.6, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 126.1, 109.7, 42.4, 39.0, 36.7. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 365.0994, found 365.0988.

General Procedure and Characterization Data of Compound 4.

A solution of H_2O_2 (30% aqueous solution, 3 equiv) was added to the *N*-alkenylated sulfoximines **3** (0.2 mmol, *E*/*Z* mixture) and $[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$ (6.1 mg, 5 mol %) in a mixture of acetonitrile (0.5 mL) and DCM (0.5 mL). After that, the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1 h and monitored by TLC. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was diluted with DCM (10 mL) and washed with brine (10 mL), and the aqueous phase was extracted with DCM (2×5 mL). The combined organic phase was dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, and concentrated. The product **4** was then purified by silica gel column chromatography.

N-Methyl-*N*-tosyl-*N'*-sulfoximiny Urea (**4a**). Yield: 60.7 mg, 71% from **3a**; 41 mg, 48% from **3c**; 53.9 mg, 63% yield from **3d**. White solid, mp 57–59 °C.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.03–7.97 (m, 4H), 7.78 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.59 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 4H), 7.15 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 156.7, 143.8, 139.2, 137.5, 133.6, 129.6, 129.2, 127.7, 127.5, 33.6, 21.5. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 429.0943, found 429.0945.

N-Methyl-*N*-mesyl-*N'*-sulfoximiny Urea (**4b**). Yield: 42 mg, 60% yield from **3i**; 47.8 mg, 68% yield from **3j**. White solid, mp 73–75 °C.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.16–8.04 (m, 4H), 7.64–7.49 (m, 6H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 3.27 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 157.0, 139.2, 133.7, 129.8, 127.7, 41.6, 32.5. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 353.0630, found 353.0635.

N-Benzyl-*N*-tosyl-*N'*-sulfoximiny Urea (**4c**). Yield: 65 mg, 65% from **3o**. White solid, mp 53–55 °C.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.88–7.77 (m, 4H), 7.56–7.52 (m, 4H), 7.46 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 6H), 7.38–7.22 (m, 3H), 7.03 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 5.19 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 156.5, 143.6, 139.1, 138.2, 137.6, 133.5, 129.6, 129.0, 128.4, 128.2, 127.9, 127.7, 127.4, 49.8, 21.5. HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$)⁺ 505.1256, found 505.1261.

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X-ray crystallography data for compound **4a** (CIF)

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