# Microwave-Assisted Intramolecular Ullmann Diaryl Etherification as the Post-Ugi Annulation for Generation of Dibenz[*b*,*f*][1,4]oxazepine Scaffold

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**Supporting Information** 

**ABSTRACT:** A sequence of the Ugi four-component reaction (U-4CR) and microwave-assisted intramolecular Ullmann etherification has been established for efficient generation of a dibenz[ $b_i f$ ][1,4]oxazepine scaffold. The U-4CR, using 2-aminophenols and 2-bromobenzoic acids or 2-bromobenzaldehydes as the inputs, was carried out in MeOH at 50–60 °C for 2–3 days to form a collection of 22 linear products in 46–90% yields. A microwave-assisted intramolecular Ullmann etherification was then used to transform these acyclic U-4CR products into the cleft-shaped 6/7/6-fused tricyclic heterocycles. The intramolecular Ullmann diaryl ether formation was catalyzed by 10 mol % of CuI and 30 mol % of  $N_iN$ -dimethylglycine hydrochloride (DMG-



HCl) in the presence of  $Cs_2CO_3$  with microwave irradiation (150 °C, 30 min) to furnish dibenz[ $b_if$ ][1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-ones and dibenz[ $b_if$ ][1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-carboxamides in 64–100% yields.

# INTRODUCTION

The 6/7/6-fused tricyclic core of compounds 6 and 8 (Scheme 1) is an important heterocyclic scaffold. Many derivatives of this class of heterocycle are known to interact with a diverse spectrum of receptors.<sup>1-3</sup> For example, they have been reported as non-nucleoside inhibitors of HIV-1 reverse transcriptase,<sup>1</sup> PGE<sub>2</sub> antagonists,<sup>2</sup> and histone deacetylase inhibitors.<sup>3g</sup> Nucleophilic aromatic substitution (S<sub>N</sub>Ar) is a classical method for construction of dibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-ones starting from 2-aminophenols and 2-fluoro- or 2chloro-5-nitrobenzoic acid.<sup>1a,3g,4-6</sup> Similarly, the C11-unsubstituted dibenz [b,f] [1,4] oxazepines are obtained by condensation of 2-aminophenols with 2-fluorobenzaldehyde<sup>7</sup> or salicyladehyde with 1-chloro-2-nitrobenzenes.<sup>3a</sup> Substitution at the C11 position of N-Boc-dibenz [b, f] [1,4] oxazepines has been reported by using a benzylic lithiation-alkylation sequence.<sup>8</sup> In recent years, metal-catalyzed C-O and C-N coupling reactions have been advanced significantly and have found applications in the synthesis of dibenz[b, f][1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-ones.<sup>9-16</sup> Alper and co-workers reported an intramolecular carbonylation of 2-(2-bromo- or 2-iodophenoxy)anilines for the synthesis of N-unsubstituted dibenz [b, f] [1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-ones by employing recyclable palladiumcomplexed dendrimers.<sup>9</sup> The aniline precursors were prepared by S<sub>N</sub>Ar reaction of 2-nitroaryl halides with 2-halophenols followed by reduction of the nitro group. In contrast to Alper's S<sub>N</sub>Ar-nitro reduction-intramolecular carbonylation sequence,

Wu and co-workers established a palladium-catalyzed aminocarbonylation $-S_N$ Ar approach to the same 6/7/6-fused tricyclic core starting with 2-aminophenols and 1-bromo-2-fluorobenzens.<sup>10</sup> Moreover, Buchwald and Tsvelikhovsky developed a novel sequence of Ullmann etherification<sup>17</sup> of 2-hydroxyaryl ketones/carboxylates and palladium-catalyzed amination using ammonia solution followed by intramolecular imine/amide formation to afford dibenzooxazepines and dibenzooxazepinones.<sup>11</sup> A palladium-catalyzed intramolecular diaryl etherification was demonstrated by Prasad and co-workers in the construction of the 6/7/6/5/6-fused pentacyclic ring system.<sup>12</sup> Recently, tandem reactions involving Smiles rearrangement for the synthesis of dibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-ones has been reported by the groups of Snieckus,<sup>13,14</sup> Zhang,<sup>15</sup> Ganguly,<sup>16</sup> Li, Shi, and Zhu,<sup>18</sup> Ma,<sup>19</sup> and Ao, Zhang, and Zhang<sup>20</sup> under both copper catalysis (Ullmann–Smiles– $S_NAr$ )<sup>12,13,15,16</sup> and metal-free ( $S_NAr$ –Smiles– $S_NAr$ )<sup>14,18–20</sup> conditions. An iodine(III)-mediated intramolecular oxidative C-N bond formation was also applied for the generation of the 6/7/6-fused tricyclic core.<sup>21</sup> In our previous work, we established a microwave-assisted Ugi four-component reaction (U-4CR) followed by an intramolecular S<sub>N</sub>Ar for one-pot synthesis of dibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-carboxamides

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Scheme 2. Synthesis of Acyclic Phenol Derivatives via U-4CR Using 2-Aminophenols 1 as the Amine Input



 $6^{6a}$  and dibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-ones 8a,b (Scheme 1).<sup>6b,c</sup> By selecting the functionalized benzaldehydes 2/2' and benzoic acids 3/3', the U-4CR products 5 and 7, without isolation, were treated with aqueous K2CO3 to promote the intramolecular S<sub>N</sub>Ar, leading to formation of 6 and 8a,b, respectively. Moreover, compounds 8a,b could be transformed into the C-N bond-linked conjugates 9a,b in 61-94% yields by the palladium-catalyzed intramolecular amidation under controlled microwave heating<sup>6a</sup> and the palladium-catalyzed intramolecular hydroamidation of alkynes, respectively.<sup>6b</sup> As compared to our U-4CR- $S_N 2$  and U-4CR-Heck approaches, <sup>22,23</sup> our U-4CR- $S_N Ar$  approach enables a rapid access to dibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepine scaffold possessing rich points of diversity for further transformations. In the current work, we report on an intramolecular Ullmann diaryl etherification<sup>17</sup> as the post-Ugi annulation<sup>24</sup> for efficient generation of a dibenz[b, f][1,4]oxazepine scaffold. This new U-4CR–Ullmann sequence<sup>25</sup> toward the 6/7/6-fused tricyclic core does not rely on the chemistry facilitated by the C2-NO<sub>2</sub> group in 6 and 8a,b. Therefore, it offers broader scope of the appendage groups than the U-4CR-S<sub>N</sub>Ar sequence.<sup>4</sup>

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In our previous work, we noted that the efficiency of U-4CR using 2-aminophenols 1 as the amine input is dependent on acidity of the acid input. For the relatively stronger acids such as 2-chloro-5-nitrobenzoic acid 3' (Scheme 1)<sup>6a</sup> and 2-

bromoacetic acid,<sup>22a</sup> the U-4CR could be carried out at 80 °C in only 20–25 min under microwave irradiation. We observed an effect of  $pK_a$  of the acids on microwave-assisted U-4CR among 1–4 in the formation of 6 (Scheme 1).<sup>6a</sup> For the relatively weaker acids, the U-4CR should be performed at 40–50 °C for 2–4 days to obtain better yields of the products.<sup>6a,23</sup> As given in Scheme 2, the U-4CR of 2-aminophenols 1, isocyanides 4, acids 10/10', and aldehydes 11/11' took place in MeOH at 50–60 °C for 2–3 days to afford the bromophenols 12a–i and 13a–m, respectively, in 46–90% yields. The structures and yields are summarized in Tables 1 and 2.

Among the four isocyanides used in the U-4CR involving 2bromobenzoic acid and benzaldehyde, ethyl isocyanoacetate gave a lower yield of 46% for the product 12c (Table 1, entry 3 vs entries 1, 2 and 4). The yields for other U-4CR products 12 were generally good (61-84%). In the formation of the U-4CR products 13 using cinnamic and crotonic acids, good yields ranging from 64% to 81% were obtained (Table 2, entries 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, and 11). Aromatic and formic acids furnished 13c,d,l in 77-90% yields (Table 2, entries 3, 4, and 12). In contrast, acetic acid afforded 13e,i,m in relatively lower yields of 54-65% (Table 2, entries 5, 9, and 13). By using an electron-rich aldehyde, 78% yield of 13f could be achieved from the U-4CR using acetic acid (Table 2, entry 6). According to the above results, it is concluded that the U-4CR of 2-aminophenols and aromatic aldehydes is sensitive to electronic effects of the acids and aldehydes. Good to excellent yields are obtained for the U- Table 1. Structures and Yields of Bromophenols 12a-i



4CR using the acids having  $pK_{a}$  < 4.76 (acetic acid)<sup>26</sup> and the aldehydes substituted with electron-donating group(s), respectively. An immonium ion formed by protonation of the imine is suggested before isocyanide attack in the reaction pathway of U-4CR.<sup>27</sup> The observed electronic effect seems associated with the easiness of imine protonation. Electron-rich imines and stronger acids both facilitate formation of an immonium ion, therefore resulting in high yields of the U-4CR products.

With the U-4CR products 12a-i and 13a-m in hand, we next examined the intramolecular Ullmann etherification by using CuI and N,N-dimethylglycine hydrochloride (DMG·HCl)<sup>28</sup> as the catalyst and  $Cs_2CO_3$  as the base. In order to speed up the reaction, microwave irradiation was used for the annulation performed in closed vessels (Scheme 3).<sup>29</sup> Table 3 summarizes the results obtained during optimization of reaction

conditions. The following points can be concluded: (a) no Ullmann etherification took place using K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> as the base or DMF as the solvent (Table 3, entries 7, 8, and 15); (b) no reaction was observed at room temperature while good yields of the product were obtained after heating at 90-100 °C for 48 h and at 150 °C for 30 min with microwave irradiation (entries 9-11; (c) at 150 °C in dioxane the product was formed in the absence of a ligand or in the presence of L-proline as the ligand, but higher yields were obtained by using DMG as the ligand (entries 1-5 and 12-14); and (d) for the substrate containing a strong coordinating atom with Cu such as the thienyl moiety in 12h, no product was isolated in the absence of DMG (entry 6).

Tables 4 and 5 summarize all results of the intramolecular Ullmann etherification of both 12 and 13 under the optimized conditions given in Scheme 3. Dibenz [b, f] [1,4] oxazepin-11(10H)-ones 14a-f and 14i were obtained in excellent yields of 90-100% (Table 4, entries 1-6 and 9). The 2-naphtholcontaining substrate 12g gave the expected product 14g in 82% yield (Table 4, entry 7). As mentioned above, the thienylcontaining substrate 12h afforded the product 14h in 67% yield (Table 4, entry 8) presumably due to interference of the sulfur atom with the catalyst. We did not observe formation of the 9membered ring lactones from the phenolic esters 12c and 13j (Table 4, entry 3, and Table 5, entry 10). The Ullmann etherification of 13d is interesting because both dibenz[b,f]-[1,4]oxazepin-11(10*H*)-one (cyclization with the aryl chloride) and dibenz [b, f] [1, 4] oxazepin-11(10H)-carboxamide (cyclization with the aryl bromide) are the possible products. We only obtained the product 15d in 96% yield (Table 5, entry 4), indicating an excellent chemoselectivity even under microwave heating at 150 °C. In theory, the substrates 12 and 13 could undergo an intramolecular Goldberg amidation in the presence of the same Cu catalyst to give the 7-membered ring benzodiazepin-2,5-diones 16 from  $12^{30}$  and the 5-membered ring 2-oxindoles 17 from 13,<sup>22a,b</sup> respectively (Scheme 3). However, our results indicate that the intramolecular Ullmann

Table 2. Structures and Yields of Bromophenols 13a–m						
$R^{1} \xrightarrow{H} V = R^{5}$ $R^{4} \xrightarrow{H} V = R^{6}$ $Cy \xrightarrow{H} V = R^{6}$ $R^{4} \xrightarrow{H} V = R^{6}$ $R^{6} \xrightarrow{H} V = R^{6}$						
			13a–h,j–m	13i		
entry	$\mathbb{R}^1$	$\mathbb{R}^4$	R <sup>5</sup>	R <sup>6</sup>	U-4CR product	yield <sup>a</sup> (%)
1	Н	Су	trans-PhCH=CH-	Н	13a	79
2	Н	Cy	trans-MeCH=CH-	Н	13b	81
3	Н	Cy	Ph	Н	13c	90
4	Н	Cy	$2-ClC_6H_4$	Н	13d	84
5	Н	Cy	Me	Н	13e	54
6	Н	Cy	Me	MeO	13f	78
7	4-Cl	Cy	trans-PhCH=CH-	Н	13g	64
8	4,6-Me <sub>2</sub>	Су	trans-PhCH=CH-	Н	13h	66
9	4,5-benzo	Cy	Me	Н	13i	65
10	Н	CH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Et	trans-PhCH=CH-	Н	13j	64
11	Н	Bn	trans-PhCH=CH-	Н	13k	83
12	Н	Bn	Н	Н	131	77
13	Н	t-Bu	Me	Н	13m	56

<sup>a</sup>Isolated yields. All compounds are fully characterized.

Scheme 3. Microwave-Assisted Intramolecular Ullmann Etherification of 12 and 13



Table 3. Optimization of Reaction Conditions for Intramolecular Ullmann Etherification<sup>a</sup>

entry	substrate	ligand	base	solvent	<i>T</i> (°C); <i>t</i> (h)	yield (%) $^{b}$
1 2	Bn H Ph H	$\underline{DMG}^{c}$	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	dioxane dioxane	MW, 150; 0.5 MW, 150; 0.5	100 64
3 4	Cy Ph Ph 12g	DMG -	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	dioxane dioxane	MW, 150; 0.5 MW, 150; 0.5	82 79
5 6	CI N CI N Cy N Cy N Cy N Cy N Cy N Cy N Cy N Cy	DMG -	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	dioxane dioxane	MW, 150; 0.5 MW, 150; 0.5	67 trace
7 8 9 10	Cy N Br 13a	DMG - DMG DMG	$\begin{array}{c} K_2CO_3\\ K_2CO_3\\ Cs_2CO_3\\ Cs_2CO_3\\ \end{array}$	dioxane DMF dioxane dioxane	90–100; 48 90–100; 48 90–100; 48 MW, 150; 0.5	0 <sup>e</sup> 0 <sup>f</sup> 75 64
11 12 13 14 15		DMG DMG Proline -	$\begin{array}{c} Cs_2CO_3\\ Cs_2CO_3\\ Cs_2CO_3\\ Cs_2CO_3\\ Cs_2CO_3\\ Cs_2CO_3\end{array}$	dioxane dioxane dioxane dioxane DMF	25; 12 MW, 150; 0.5 MW, 150; 0.5 MW, 150; 0.5 MW, 150; 0.5	0 82 50 66 0

<sup>*a*</sup>10 mol % of CuI, 30 mol % of ligand, and 2 equiv of the base were used. <sup>*b*</sup>Isolated yields. <sup>*c*</sup>N,N-Dimethylglycine hydrochloride (DMG·HCl) was used. <sup>*d*</sup>No ligand was used. <sup>*e*</sup>100% of **13a** was recovered. <sup>*f*</sup>53% of **13a** was recovered.

etherification is far preferred over the intramolecular Goldberg amidation. Conformational preference of the two amide units may also contribute, to some extent, to the observed chemoselectivity under copper catalysis. This argument may be supported by the solvent effect that the bromo phenol **131** failed to react in a polar solvent, DMF (entry 15 of Table 3). As compared to the facile intramolecular Goldberg amidation of the 1,4-benzoxazine-derived substrates (10 mol % of CuI, 2 equiv of K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O, DMF, 150 °C, 30–35 min, MW),<sup>22a</sup> the failure of formation of 2-oxindoles **17** from the acyclic substrate **13** reinforces the role of conformational preference in dictating reaction pathways.

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In summary, we have established a U-4CR–Ullmann sequence for efficient generation of the dibenz[ $b_f$ ][1,4]oxazepine scaffold. The new synthesis tolerates bulky (such as *t*-Bu on 2-aminophenols 1 and isocyanides 4) and reactive (such as Cl on 2-aminophenols 1 and an ester in isocyanides 4) groups and various structural motifs such as the thienyl and alkenyl subunits. The intramolecular Ullmann etherification can be performed by using 10 mol % of CuI alone or in combination with 30 mol % of  $N_{,}N$ -dimethylglycine hydrochloride (DMG-HCl) in the presence of  $Cs_2CO_3$  in dioxane with microwave heating at 150 °C for 30 min. The target products, dibenz[ $b_f$ ][1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-ones and dibenz[ $b_f$ ][1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-carboxamides, are obtained by the two-step Table 4. Synthesis of Dibenz [b, f] [1,4] oxazepin-11(10H)ones 14a-i from 12a-i via Ullmann Etherification<sup>4</sup>



		1	• • •
1	12a	<b>14a</b> : $R^1 = R^2 = H$ , $R^3 = Ph$ , $R^4 = Bn$	1004
2	12b	<b>14b:</b> $R^1 = R^2 = H$ , $R^3 = Ph$ , $R^4 = Cy$	100
3	12c	<b>14c</b> : $R^1 = R^2 = H$ , $R^3 = Ph$ , $R^4 = CH_2CO_2Et$	100
4	12d	<b>14d:</b> $R^1 = R^2 = H$ , $R^3 = Ph$ , $R^4 = t$ -Bu	100
5	12e	<b>14e</b> : $R^1 = Cl$ , $R^2 = H$ , $R^3 = Ph$ , $R^4 = Cy$	92
6	12f	<b>14f</b> : $R^1 = t$ -Bu, $R^2 = H$ , $R^3 = Ph$ , $R^4 = Cy$	100
7	12g	14g	82 <sup>c</sup>
8	12h	14h: $R^1 = Cl$ , $R^2 = H$ , $R^3 = 2$ -thienyl, $R^4 =$	67 <sup>c</sup>
		Су	

9 12i 14i: 
$$R^1 = Cl$$
,  $R^2 = OMe$ ,  $R^3 = Ph$ ,  $R^4 = Cy$  90

"Reaction conditions: 10 mol % of CuI, 30 mol % of DMG·HCl, 2 equiv of Cs2CO3, dioxane, 150 °C for 30 min with microwave irradiation. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yields. <sup>c</sup>Data taken from Table 3.

procedure in good overall yields. The advantage of the current synthesis via the U-4CR-Ullmann approach over the previous U-4CR-S<sub>N</sub>Ar protocol is apparent by incorporating the electron-donating MeO group(s) onto the aromatic ring. More importantly, dibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-carboxamides cannot be synthesized using the metal-catalyzed C-O and C-N coupling reactions and the tandem reaction involving Smiles rearrangement under both copper catalysis and metal-free conditions.<sup>9–16,18–21</sup> Moreover, this work expands the scope of post-Ugi transformations<sup>24</sup> which are of current interest in heterocycle library synthesis.

# EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Methods. All microwave reactions were carried out in closed 10 mL pressurized process vials on a technical microwave reactor (Emrys creator from Personal Chemistry AB, currently Biotage AB. Uppsala. Sweden) with the reaction temperature measured by an IR sensor. The reaction time is the holding time after the set reaction temperature is reached. NMR spectra were recorded at room temperature unless otherwise indicated on a 400 or 500 MHz instrument in CDCl<sub>3</sub> and DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> using residual CHCl<sub>3</sub> and DMSO, respectively, as the internal reference for  ${}^{1}$ H ( $\delta$  7.26 or 2.50) and  ${}^{13}$ C ( $\delta$  77.2 or 40.2). Many of the aromatic amide-containing compounds show atropisomers in solution,<sup>31</sup> and for easy assignment of NMR signals and convenience of NMR measurements, some <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra are taken in DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C as specified. No attempt was made to study the rotational barriers of these atropisomers at different temperatures. As a result of interconversion among atropisomers, some carbon signals are not observed in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra recorded at the specified temperature. IR spectra were taken on a FT-IR spectrophotometer. Mass spectra (MS) were measured by the ESI method. High-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) was measured by the CI-TOF method. Elemental analyses were performed for solid samples after recrystallization. Melting points are uncorrected. Silica gel plates 60 F-254 precoated on glass were used for thin-layer chromatography using UV light or 7% ethanolic phosphomolybdic acid and heating as the visualizing methods. Silica gel 60 (particle size 0.040-0.063 mm) was used for flash column chromatography. Yields refer to chromatographically and spectroscopically (<sup>1</sup>H NMR) homogeneous materials. Reagents were obtained commercially and used as received. Dry dioxane was freshly distilled from sodium and benzophenone under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry DMF was distilled over CaH2 under reduced pressure. Petroleum ether (PE, bp 60-90 °C) was used for column chromatographic purification.

General Procedure A for Ugi Four-Component Reactions of 2-Aminophenols. Synthesis of Bromophenols 12a-i and 13am. To a 10 mL pressurized process vial were added 2-aminophenol 1 (2.0 mmol), aldehyde 11/11' (2.0 mmol), and methanol (5 mL) followed by stirring for 15 min at room temperature. To the resultant mixture was added the acid 10/10' (2.0 mmol). After the mixture was stirred for 5 min at room temperature, isocyanide 4 (2.0 mmol) was

Table 5. Synthesis of Dibenz $[b_i f]$ [1,4]oxazepin-11(10H)-carboxamides 15a-m from 13a-m via Ullmann Etherification<sup>a</sup>

(%)



entry	substrate 13	Ullmann product 15	yield <sup>b</sup> (%)
1	13a	<b>15a</b> : $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = H$ , $R^4 = Cy$ , $R^5 = trans-PhCH=CH-$	$64^{c} (75)^{c,d}$
2	13b	<b>15b</b> : $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = H$ , $R^4 = Cy$ , $R^5 = trans-MeCH=CH-$	86
3	13c	<b>15c</b> : $\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R}^3 = \mathbb{H}, \ \mathbb{R}^4 = \mathbb{C}y, \ \mathbb{R}^5 = \mathbb{P}h$	100
4	13d	<b>15d:</b> $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = H$ , $R^4 = Cy$ , $R^5 = 2\text{-ClC}_6H_4$	96
5	13e	<b>15e</b> : $\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R}^3 = \mathbb{H}, \ \mathbb{R}^4 = \mathbb{C}y, \ \mathbb{R}^5 = \mathbb{M}e$	100
6	13f	<b>15f</b> : $R^1 = R^2 = H$ , $R^3 = OMe$ , $R^4 = Cy$ , $R^5 = Me$	94
7	13g	<b>15g</b> : $R^1 = Cl$ , $R^2 = R^3 = H$ , $R^4 = Cy$ , $R^5 = trans-PhCH=CH-$	99
8	13h	<b>15h</b> : $R^1 = R^2 = Me$ , $R^3 = H$ , $R^4 = Cy$ , $R^5 = trans-PhCH=CH-$	82 $(81)^d$
9	13i	15i	94
10	13j	<b>15</b> <i>j</i> : $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = H$ , $R^4 = CH_2CO_2Et$ , $R^5 = trans-PhCH=CH$	75
11	13k	<b>15k:</b> $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = H$ , $R^4 = Bn$ , $R^5 = trans-PhCH=CH-$	$75 (90)^d$
12	131	<b>151</b> : $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = R^5 = H$ , $R^4 = Bn$	82 <sup>c</sup>
13	13m	<b>15m</b> : $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = H$ , $R^4 = t$ -Bu, $R^5 = Me$	100

"Reaction conditions: 10 mol % of CuI, 30 mol % of DMG·HCl, 2 equiv of Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, dioxane, 150 °C for 30 min with microwave irradiation. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yields. <sup>c</sup>Data taken from Table 3. <sup>d</sup>Yields for the reactions conducted under thermal heating at 100 °C for 48 h.

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finally added. The vial was then sealed with a cap containing a silicon septum and was heated at 50–60 °C for 48–72 h. For some entries, the desired products precipitated from the reactions as white solids. The solids were collected by filtration through a piece of filter paper, and the solid was washed with methanol three times. The combined filtrates and washings were concentrated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography over silica gel (eluting with 25–50% EtOAc in PE) to give the product. The latter was combined with the above white solid for calculation of the yield. Tables 1 and 2 list the structures and yields of 12a-i and 13a-m.

 $N-\alpha$ -[(Benzylamino)carbonyl]benzyl-N-2-hydroxyphenyl 2-Bromobenzamide (12a). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 12a (865.9 mg, 84%) as a white solid; mp 178-180 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.50$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3274, 3066, 1667, 1644, 1494, 1358, 1263 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, an 82:18 mixture of two atropisomers) for the major atropisomer  $\delta$  11.16 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.47–7.00 (m, 13 H), 3.93 (td, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.78 (td, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.63 (td, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.59 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 1 H, NH), 6.53 (td, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.33 (s, 1 H), 6.19 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.63 and 4.51 (ABqd, J = 15.2, 5.6 Hz, 2 H); for partial signals of the minor atropisomer  $\delta$  10.82 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.76 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.54–7.50 (m, 2 H), 6.88 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.92 (s, 1 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) for the major atropisomer δ 172.9, 170.5, 155.3, 137.7, 136.9, 132.4, 132.0, 130.8, 130.2, 130.1, 130.0, 129.7, 129.4, 129.2, 128.7 ( × 3), 127.6, 127.6 (×2), 126.9, 126.7, 125.1, 118.8, 118.6, 117.3, 65.6, 44.2; for the minor atropisomer (four carbon signals are not observed)  $\delta$  171.5, 170.1, 153.4, 137.3, 133.5, 132.2, 130.7, 130.3, 130.0, 129.0, 128.8 (×2), 128.5, 128.1, 127.5 (×2), 127.4, 126.9, 126.6, 124.5, 119.3, 117.9, 71.3, 44.3; MS (-ESI) m/z 515 (M + 2 - H<sup>+</sup>, 100), 513 (M -H<sup>+</sup>, 85). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{28}H_{23}BrN_2O_3$ : C, 65.25; H, 4.50; N, 5.44. Found: C. 65.38: H. 4.46: N. 5.45.

 $N-\alpha-[(Cyclohexylamino)carbonyl]benzyl-N-2-hydroxyphenyl 2-$ Bromobenzamide (12b). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 12b (649.5 mg, 64%) as a colorless solid: mp 203–206 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.58$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3276, 2931, 1633, 1491, 1387, 1251 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C): δ 11.60 (br s, 1 H, OH), 8.59 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.41 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.25 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.21–7.11 (m, 6 H), 7.08 (td, J = 8.5, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.75 (td, J = 7.0, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.59 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.50 (d, J = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.21 (s, 1 H), 6.17 (td, J = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.78-3.75 (m, 1 H), 1.94-1.85 (m, 1 H), 1.78-1.70 (m, 2 H), 1.68-1.53 (m, 2 H), 1.40–1.25 (m, 3 H), 1.22–1.08 (m, 2 H);  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C) δ 171.7, 168.9, 155.5, 138.3, 133.7, 132.0, 131.2, 130.1, 129.8 (×2), 129.7, 128.4, 128.2 (×2), 126.7 (×2), 125.7, 118.5, 117.9, 116.6, 65.1, 48.8, 31.9, 31.8, 25.2, 24.3, 24.2; MS (+ESI) m/z 531 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100), 529 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 86), 509 (M + 2 + H<sup>+</sup>, 11), 507 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 8). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>27</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 63.91; H, 5.36; N, 5.52. Found: C, 63.94; H, 5.38; N, 5.44.

 $N-\alpha$ -[(((Ethoxycarbonyl)methyl)amino)carbonyl]benzyl-N-2-hydroxyphenyl 2-Bromobenzamide (12c). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 12c (470.5 mg, 46%) as a colorless solid: mp 210-212 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.24$  (33%) EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3304, 3072, 1724, 1653, 1491, 1355, 1225 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, a 78:21 mixture of two atropisomers) for the major atropisomer  $\delta$  10.84 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.36 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.31 (dd, J = 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.23-7.14 (m, 4 H), 7.10-6.90 (m, 3 H), 6.80-6.75 (m, 2 H), 6.62 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.49 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.42 (s, 1 H), 6.18 (td, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.20 (dd, J = 18.0, 5.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.18 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.09 (dd, J = 18.0, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.25 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3 H); for partial signals of the minor atropisomer  $\delta$  7.80–7.75 (m, 2 H), 7.52– 7.44 (m, 3 H), 6.88–6.84 (m, 1 H), 4.92 (s, 1 H), 4.29 (dd, J = 18.4, 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.18 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.98 (dd, J = 18.4, 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.25 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) for the major atropisomer δ 173.2, 170.4, 168.8, 155.2, 137.6, 132.2, 132.0, 130.9, 130.2 (×2), 130.2, 130.1, 129.2, 128.7 (×2), 126.9, 126.7, 125.0, 118.8, 118.6, 117.2, 65.0, 61.7, 42.1, 14.1; for the minor atropisomer  $\delta$ 

171.6, 170.0, 168.9, 153.3, 137.0, 133.2, 132.3, 130.7, 130.3, 129.8, 129.6, 129.4, 129.3 (×2), 128.7 (×2), 126.8, 126.6, 119.3, 119.1, 117.8, 70.8, 61.7, 42.0, 14.1; MS (–ESI) m/z 511 (M + 2 – H<sup>+</sup>, 100), 509 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 72). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C, 58.72; H, 4.53; N, 5.48. Found: C, 58.89; H, 4.51; N, 5.50.

 $N-\alpha$ -[(tert-Butylamino)carbonyl]benzyl-N-2-hydroxyphenyl 2-Bromobenzamide (12d). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 12d (683.6 mg, 71%) as a colorless solid: mp 208–211 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.52$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3308, 2970, 1661, 1566, 1493, 1354, 1257 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, an 82:18 mixture of two atropisomers) for the major atropisomer  $\delta$  11.43 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.33 (dd, J = 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.24–7.14 (m, 5 H), 7.11–6.95 (m, 2 H), 6.76 (td, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.60 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.54 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.18 (td, J = 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.13 (s, 1 H), 5.87 (br s, 1 H, NH), 1.40 (s, 9 H); for partial signals of the minor atropisomer  $\delta$  11.17 (br s, 1 H, OH), 7.73 (d, I = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.50-7.42 (m, 2 H), 6.88 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.48 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.66 (br s, 1 H), 4.81 (s, 1 H), 1.35 (s, 9 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) for the major atropisomer  $\delta$  172.0, 170.3, 155.4, 137.7, 132.8, 132.0, 130.8, 130.0 (×2), 129.8 (×2), 129.0, 128.7 (×2), 126.9, 126.7, 125.2, 118.9, 118.4, 117.1, 66.0, 52.7, 28.4 (×3); MS  $(-ESI) m/z 481 (M + 2 - H^{+}, 100), 479 (M - H^{+}, 81)$ . Anal. Calcd for C25H25BrN2O3: C, 62.38; H, 5.23; N, 5.82. Found: C, 62.40; H, 5.25; N, 5.72.

 $N-(5-Chloro-2-hydroxy)phenyl-N-\alpha-[(cyclohexylamino)carbonyl]$ benzyl 2-Bromobenzamide (12e). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 12e (877.8 mg, 81%) as a white solid: mp 258–260 °C (MeOH–CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  $R_f = 0.56$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3267, 2927, 1635, 1567, 1485, 1373, 1287, 1244 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  11.85 (br s, 1 H, OH), 8.67 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.45 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.27 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.25–7.15 (m, 6 H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.78 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.64 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.52 (d, J = 8.5)Hz, 1 H), 6.22 (s, 1 H), 3.82-3.72 (m, 1 H), 1.93-1.85 (m, 1 H), 1.80–1.50 (m, 4 H), 1.40–1.25 (m, 3 H), 1.25–1.09 (m, 2 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C) δ 171.5, 168.6, 154.8, 137.9, 133.5, 132.1, 130.9, 130.5, 129.8 (×2), 129.6, 128.6, 128.3 (×2), 126.9 (×2), 126.6, 121.0, 118.4, 118.0, 65.0, 48.9, 31.8, 31.8, 25.2, 24.3, 24.2; MS (-ESI) m/z 543 (M + 4 - H<sup>+</sup>, 25), 541 (M + 2 - H<sup>+</sup>, 100), 539  $(M - H^{+}, 61)$ . Anal. Calcd for  $C_{27}H_{26}BrClN_2O_3$ : C, 59.85; H, 4.84; N, 5.17. Found: C, 59.83; H, 4.87; N, 5.19.

 $N-(5-tert-Butyl-2-hydroxy)phenyl-N-\alpha-[(cyclohexylamino)$ carbonyl]benzyl 2-Bromobenzamide (12f). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 12f (687.5 mg, 61%) as a colorless solid: mp 202–204 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.62$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3329, 2933, 1639, 1509, 1361, 1248 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C) δ 11.26 (s, 1 H, OH), 8.57 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.37 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.22 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.18–7.13 (m, 5 H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.05 (td, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.72 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.57 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.41 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.25 (s, 1 H), 3.81-3.71 (m, 1 H), 1.92-1.85 (m, 1 H), 1.80-1.70 (m, 2 H), 1.69-1.52 (m, 2 H), 1.39–1.25 (m, 3 H), 1.20–1.10 (m, 2 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H);  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 171.6, 170.4, 152.5, 141.1, 137.9, 133.2, 131.7, 130.0 (×2), 129.8, 128.9, 128.6 (×2), 128.3, 126.9, 126.7, 126.5, 124.4, 118.8, 116.4, 65.0, 49.6, 33.4, 32.4, 32.4, 30.8 ( × 3), 25.3, 24.7, 24.5; MS (+ESI) m/z 587 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 91), 585 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100), 565 (M + 2 + H<sup>+</sup>, 30), 563 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 28). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>35</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 66.07; H, 6.26; N, 4.97. Found: C, 66.06; H, 6.26; N, 4.97.

*N*- $\alpha$ -[(*Cyclohexylamino*)*carbonyl*]*benzyl*-*N*-3-*hydroxy*-2-*naphthyl* 2-*Bromobenzamide* (**12g**). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give **12g** (680.1 mg, 61%) as a white solid: mp 266–268 °C (MeOH–CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  $R_f = 0.57$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3261, 2933, 1635, 1570, 1469, 1388 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  11.74 (br s, 1 H, OH), 8.65 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.0, Hz, 2 H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.27–7.23 (m, 3 H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.17–7.08 (m, 3 H), 7.04 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2 H), 6.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.93 (s, 1 H), 6.31 (s, 1 H), 3.84–3.70 (m, 1 H), 1.97–

1.85 (m, 1 H), 1.82–1.70 (m, 2 H), 1.70–1.53 (m, 2 H), 1.42–1.27 (m, 3 H), 1.25–1.10 (m, 2 H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C) δ 171.6, 168.8, 153.3, 138.3, 134.2, 133.7, 132.0, 130.8, 130.2, 129.8 (×2), 128.4, 128.2 (×2), 127.9, 127.2, 126.9, 126.8, 126.5 (×2), 125.5, 122.9, 118.6, 110.6, 65.2, 48.8, 31.9, 31.8, 25.2, 24.3, 24.2; MS (+ESI) *m*/*z* 581 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100), 579 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 92), 559 (M + 2 + H<sup>+</sup>, 6), 557 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 4). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>29</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 66.79; H, 5.24; N, 5.03. Found: C, 66.83; H, 5.29; N, 4.89.

N-(5-Chloro-2-hydroxy)phenyl-N-1-[(cyclohexylamino)carbonyl]-1-(2-thienyl)methyl 2-Bromobenzamide (12h). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 12h (767.0 mg, 70%) as a colorless solid; mp 247-250 °C (MeOH-CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  $R_f = 0.65$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3261, 3100, 2927, 1654, 1635, 1485, 1372, 1284 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C) δ 11.67 (br s, 1 H, OH), 8.71 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.40 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.26 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.14 (t, I = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.01 (d, I = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.90-6.82 (m, 2 H), 6.82 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.57 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.42 (s, 1 H), 3.80-3.65 (m, 1 H), 1.95-1.82 (m, 1 H), 1.80-1.50 (m, 4 H), 1.40–1.11 (m, 5 H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$ 170.8, 168.5, 154.8, 137.7, 134.7, 132.1, 130.7, 130.5, 129.9, 129.7, 128.3, 126.9, 126.8, 126.8, 126.3, 121.1, 118.4, 118.1, 60.0, 49.0, 31.7, 31.7, 25.1, 24.3, 24.2; MS (-ESI) *m*/*z* 549 (M + 4 - H<sup>+</sup>, 30), 547 (M + 2 – H<sup>+</sup>, 100), 545 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 65). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{25}H_{24}BrClN_2O_3S$ : C, 54.80; H, 4.42; N, 5.11. Found: C, 54.74; H, 4.45; N, 5.13.

N-5-Chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl-N- $\alpha$ -[(cyclohexylamino)carbonyl]benzyl 2-Bromo-5-methoxybenzamide (12i). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 12i (903.6 mg, 79%) as a colorless solid: mp 254–256 °C (CH<sub>3</sub>OH–CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  $R_f = 0.66$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3321, 2933, 1669, 1626, 1549, 1490, 1288, 1241 cm  $^{-1};~^{1}\mathrm{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_{6}$  at 80  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C})$   $\delta$  11.87 (br s, 1 H, OH), 8.66 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.32 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 5 H), 6.85 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.80 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.71 (dd, J = 8.5, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.64 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.54 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.21 (s, 1 H), 3.85-3.71 (m, 1 H), 3.66 (s, 3 H), 1.93-1.81 (m, 1 H), 1.79-1.50 (m, 4 H), 1.40-1.09 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C) δ 171.4, 168.2, 158.0, 154.8, 138.5, 133.5, 133.0, 131.1, 129.8 (×2), 129.7, 128.7, 128.3 (×2), 126.6, 121.0, 118.0, 117.0, 112.5, 108.8, 64.9, 55.6, 48.9, 31.8, 31.8, 25.1, 24.3, 24.2; MS (+ESI) m/z 597 (M + 4 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 21), 595 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100), 593 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 65). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>28</sub>BrClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 58.80; H, 4.93; N, 4.90. Found: C, 58.89; H, 4.92; N, 4.95.

 $N-\alpha$ -[(Cyclohexylamino)carbonyl]-2-bromobenzyl-N-2-hydroxyphenyl (E)-Cinnamamide (13a). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 13a (842.9 mg, 79%) as a colorless solid; mp 201–203 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.64$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3300, 2931, 1655, 1621, 1493, 1353, 1251, 1226 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, an ca. 50:50 mixture of two atropisomers)  $\delta$  11.20 and 11.16 (br s, 1 H, OH), 7.67 and 7.62 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.51-7.46 (m, 1 H), 7.30-7.20 (m, 5 H), 7.19-7.10 (m, 1 H), 7.10–6.98 (m, 4 H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.80 (d, J = 6.4, 1 H, NH), 6.63–6.56 (m, 1 H), 6.49 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.20 and 6.20 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.94-3.85 (m, 1 H), 2.10-2.00 (m, 1 H), 1.94–1.85 (m, 1 H), 1.80–1.70 (m, 1 H), 1.70–1.54 (m, 2 H), 1.42–1.00 (m, 5 H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.8, 167.4, 155.8, 143.3, 134.8, 133.5, 132.8, 130.8, 130.5, 130.4, 129.6, 128.5 (×3), 127.9 (×2), 127.7, 126.5, 124.8, 119.0, 117.6, 117.5, 64.7, 49.7, 32.4, 32.3, 25.3, 24.6, 24.6; MS (+ESI) m/z 557 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100), 555 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 87), 535 (M + 2 + H<sup>+</sup>, 6), 533 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 6). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>29</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 65.29; H, 5.48; N, 5.25. Found: C, 65.24; H, 5.44; N, 5.30.

*N*-α-[(*Cyclohexylamino*)*carbonyl*]-2-*bromobenzy*]-*N*-2-*hydroxyphenyl* (*E*)-*Crotonamide* (**13b**). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give **13b** (763.7 mg, 81%) as a colorless solid: mp 201–203 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.64$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3267, 2933, 1655, 1626, 1493, 1371, 1256 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, an ca. 50:50 mixture of two atropisomers)  $\delta$  11.11 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.51–7.47 (m, 1 H), 7.11–6.86 (m, 5 H), 6.83 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.51 (s, 1 H), 6.46 (td, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.08 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, NH), 5.61 and 5.61

(d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.90–3.84 (m, 1 H), 2.15–2.00 (m, 1 H), 1.92– 1.84 (m, 1 H), 1.78–1.55 (m, 3 H), 1.68 and 1.68 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.40–0.92 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.9, 167.2, 155.8, 143.1, 133.6, 132.8, 130.7, 130.4, 130.3, 130.2, 127.7, 126.5, 124.9, 121.6, 118.9, 117.5, 64.4, 49.6, 32.4, 32.3, 25.3, 24.7, 24.6, 18.0; MS (–ESI) m/z 471 (M + 2 – H<sup>+</sup>, 100), 469 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 80). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>27</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 61.15; H, 5.77; N, 5.94. Found: C, 61.13; H, 5.79; N, 6.00.

 $N-\alpha$ -[(Cyclohexylamino)carbonyl]-2-bromobenzyl-N-2-hydroxyphenyl Benzamide (13c). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 13c (913.4 mg, 90%) as a colorless solid: mp 195–197 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.69$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3327, 2934, 1636, 1557, 1493, 1369, 1251 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 11.38 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.53-7.47 (m, 1 H), 7.40-7.32 (m, 2 H), 7.26-7.01 (m, 6 H), 6.81 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.78 (s, 1 H), 6.68–6.60 (m, 2 H), 6.53 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, NH), 6.24 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.98–3.83 (m, 1 H), 2.08–1.99 (m, 1 H), 1.96-1.86 (m, 1 H), 1.78-1.69 (m, 1 H), 1.67-1.55 (m, 2 H), 1.42–1.00 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.1, 171.9, 155.4, 135.5, 133.4, 132.8, 131.0, 130.5, 130.4, 129.8, 129.4, 127.7, 127.5 (×2), 127.1 (×2), 126.6, 126.3, 118.6, 117.2, 64.9, 49.8, 32.1, 32.1, 25.3, 24.7, 24.5; MS (-ESI) m/z 507 (M + 2 - H<sup>+</sup>, 100), 505  $(M - H^+, 85)$ . Anal. Calcd for  $C_{27}H_{27}BrN_2O_3$ : C, 63.91; H, 5.36; N, 5.52. Found: C, 63.94; H, 5.52; N, 5.60.

 $N-\alpha$ -[(Cyclohexylamino)carbonyl]-2-bromobenzyl-N-2-hydroxyphenyl 2-Chlorobenzamide (13d). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 13d (910.3 mg, 84%) as a white solid: mp 226–228 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.63$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3320, 2934, 1640, 1556, 1493, 1373, 1257 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, an ca. 50:50 mixture of two atropisomers)  $\delta$ 11.34 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.51–7.47 (m, 1 H), 7.34 (dd, J = 7.6, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.20-7.13 (m, 2 H), 7.08-6.97 (m, 4 H), 6.87 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.76 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.60 (s, 1 H), 6.58 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.20 (td, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.07 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 4.00-3.89 (m, 1 H), 2.11-2.03 (m, 1 H), 1.94-1.86 (m, 1 H), 1.83-1.55 (m, 3 H), 1.43–1.00 (m, 5 H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 171.7, 169.7, 155.1, 135.7, 132.9, 132.9, 130.7, 130.3, 130.2, 130.1, 129.9, 129.7, 129.0, 127.8, 126.8, 126.6, 126.0, 125.1, 118.6, 117.0, 64.7, 49.9, 32.3, 32.3, 25.3, 24.7, 24.6; MS (+ESI) m/z 545 (M + 4 + H<sup>+</sup>, 21), 543 (M + 2 + H<sup>+</sup>, 100), 541 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 74). Anal. Calcd for C27H26BrClN2O3: C, 59.85; H, 4.84; N, 5.17. Found: C, 59.84; H, 5.08; N, 5.09.

*N*-α-[(*Cyclohexylamino*)*carbonyl*]-2-*bromobenzyl*-*N*-2-*hydroxyphenyl* Acetamide (**13e**). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give **13e** (481.0 mg, 54%) as a white solid; mp 201–203 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.21$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3237, 3069, 2931, 1637, 1493, 1383 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  11.17 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.50 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.10–6.95 (m, 4 H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.69 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.45 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.42 (s, 1 H), 6.15 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.90–3.75 (m, 1 H), 2.05–1.97 (m, 1 H), 1.92–1.80 (m, 1 H), 1.83 (s, 3 H), 1.78–1.68 (m, 1 H), 1.68–1.55 (m, 2 H), 1.40–0.95 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.4, 171.9, 155.4, 133.7, 132.8, 130.4, 130.3, 130.2, 130.1, 127.7, 126.4, 126.0, 119.2, 117.8, 64.2, 49.7, 32.3, 32.3, 25.3, 24.7, 24.6, 22.3; MS (+ESI) *m*/z 469 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 97), 467 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>25</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 59.33; H, 5.66; N, 6.29. Found: C, 59.38; H, 5.70; N, 6.24.

*N*-α-[(*Cyclohexylamino*)*carbonyl*]-2-*bromo*-4,5-*dimethoxyben-zyl-N*-2-*hydroxyphenyl* Acetamide (**13f**). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give **13f** (788.4 mg, 78%) as a white solid: mp 148–150 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.35$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3339, 3243, 3075, 2932, 1643, 1507, 1492, 1382, 1264 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  11.23 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H, NH), 6.96 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.81 (s, 1 H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.52 (s, 1 H), 6.43 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.30 (s, 1 H), 380–3.67 (m, 1 H), 3.66 (s, 3 H), 3.48 (s, 3 H), 1.96–1.87 (m, 1 H), 1.84–1.70 (m, 1 H), 1.72 (s, 3 H), 1.72–1.63 (m, 1 H), 1.62–1.48 (m, 2 H), 1.34–0.95 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, an ca. 50:50 mixture of two atropisomers)  $\delta$  172.3, 172.1, 155.4, 149.6 and 149.6, 148.2

148.1, 130.3, 130.1, 126.1, 125.2 and 125.2, 119.3, 117.5, 116.4, 114.7, 112.1, 64.1, 55.8, 55.7, 49.5, 32.2 and 32.1, 32.1 and 32.1, 25.2, 24.6, 24.5, 22.3; MS (+ESI) m/z 529 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100), 527 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 93). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{24}H_{29}BrN_2O_5$ : C, 57.04; H, 5.78; N, 5.54. Found: C, 57.07; H, 5.81; N, 5.53.

N-5-Chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl-N- $\alpha$ -[(cyclohexylamino)carbonyl]-2-bromobenzyl (E)-Cinnamamide (13g). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 13g (726.9 mg, 64%) as a white solid: mp 189–191 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.65$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3267, 3084, 2933, 1666, 1624, 1489, 1345, 1224 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, an ca. 50:50 mixture of two atropisomers)  $\delta$  11.45 and 11.43 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.62 and 7.60 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 1 H), 7.35-7.20 (m, 5 H), 7.15-6.99 (m, 4 H), 6.83 (s, 1 H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.59 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.64–6.57 (m, 0.5 H, NH), 6.50 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 0.5 H, NH), 6.18 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.95-3.85 (m, 1 H), 2.10-2.00 (m, 1 H), 1.95-1.87 (m, 1 H), 1.80-1.70 (m, 1 H), 1.69-1.55 (m, 2 H), 1.42-1.00 (m, 5 H);  $^{13}{\rm C}$  NMR (100 MHz, CDCl\_3)  $\delta$  171.7, 167.1, 154.8, 143.9, 134.6, 133.2, 133.0, 130.7, 130.5, 130.3, 130.1, 129.9, 128.5 (×2), 128.0 (×2), 127.8, 126.5, 125.6, 123.0, 118.7, 116.8, 64.7, 49.7, 32.3 (×2), 25.3, 24.7, 24.5; MS (+ESI) m/z 593 (M + 4 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 28), 591  $(M + 2 + Na^{+}, 100)$ , 589  $(M + Na^{+}, 72)$ . Anal. Calcd for C29H28BrClN2O3: C, 61.33; H, 4.97; N, 4.93. Found: C, 61.06; H, 5.14: N. 4.90.

 $N-\alpha$ -[(Cyclohexylamino)carbonyl]-2-bromobenzyl-N-3,5-dimethyl-2-hydroxyphenyl (E)-Cinnamamide (13h). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 13h (741.2 mg, 66%) as a colorless solid: mp 161–163 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.63$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3289, 2927, 1741, 1644, 1596, 1562, 1371, 1232 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, an 89:11 mixture of two atropisomers) for the major atropisomer  $\delta$  10.83 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.66 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.53-7.48 (m, 1 H), 7.34-7.23 (m, 5 H), 7.14-7.08 (m, 1 H), 7.05-6.98 (m, 2 H), 6.73 (s, 1 H), 6.59 (s, 1 H), 6.39 (s, 1 H), 6.25 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.16 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.99-3.85 (m, 1 H), 2.17 (s, 3 H), 2.10-2.03 (m, 1 H), 1.95 (s, 3 H), 1.95-1.85 (m, 1 H), 1.80-1.70 (m, 1 H), 1.70-1.54 (m, 2 H), 1.42–0.99 (m, 5 H); for partial signals of the minor atropisomer  $\delta$ 10.39 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.92 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.74 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 5.22 (s, 1 H), 2.16 (s, 3 H), 1.93 (s, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) for the major atropisomer  $\delta$ 171.8, 167.4, 151.6, 143.0, 135.0, 133.7, 132.6, 132.0, 130.4, 130.3, 129.5, 128.5 ( × 2), 128.1, 128.0 (×2), 127.5, 127.2, 126.6, 126.0, 123.8, 117.8, 64.7, 49.6, 32.4, 32.4, 25.3, 24.8, 24.6, 19.9, 16.2; for partial signals of the minor atropisomer  $\delta$  168.4, 167.9, 149.7, 143.7, 134.8, 133.7, 133.4, 130.6, 130.4, 129.8, 128.7, 128.6 (×2), 128.5, 128.1 (×2), 127.8, 126.4, 117.2, 70.9, 49.3, 20.2, 16.2; MS (+ESI) m/z 585 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 31), 583 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 29), 563 (M + 2 + H<sup>+</sup>, 98), 561 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>33</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 66.31; H, 5.92; N, 4.99. Found: C, 66.31; H, 5.94; N, 5.00.

 $N-\alpha$ -[(Cyclohexylamino)carbonyl]-2-bromobenzyl-N-3-hydroxy-2-naphthyl Acetamide (13i). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 13i (644.0 mg, 65%) as a colorless solid; mp 250–252 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>–hexane);  $R_f = 0.50$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3231, 3065, 2930, 1635, 1507, 1469, 1381 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  11.32 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.56 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.50-7.43 (m, 2 H), 7.31 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.29 (s, 1 H), 7.22 (s, 1 H), 7.16 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.07 (t, J = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.90 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.89 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.52 (s, 1 H), 6.32 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.95-3.84 (m, 1 H), 2.08-2.00 (m, 1 H), 1.91-1.83 (m, 1 H), 1.83 (s, 3 H), 1.80–1.70 (m, 1 H), 1.68–1.55 (m, 2 H), 1.41–0.99 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.3, 171.9, 153.1, 134.9, 133.5, 132.8, 130.6, 130.2, 129.6, 128.2, 127.9, 127.5, 127.5, 126.7, 126.4, 126.0, 123.1, 112.2, 64.4, 49.7, 32.3, 32.3, 25.3, 24.7, 24.6, 22.5; MS (+ESI) m/z 519 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 20), 517 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 19), 497 (M + 2 + H<sup>+</sup>, 97), 495 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>27</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 63.03; H, 5.49; N, 5.65. Found: C, 63.03; H, 5.51; N, 5.65.

 $N-\alpha$ -[(((Ethoxycarbonyl))methyl)amino)carbonyl]-2-bromobenzyl-N-2-hydroxyphenyl (E)-Cinnamamide (13j). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 13j (687.9 mg, 64%) as a colorless solid: mp 232–234 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.28$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3292, 1741, 1658, 1623, 1493, 1354, 1225 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  10.94 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.88 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.73–7.68 (m, 1 H), 7.50–7.43 (m, 5 H), 7.37–7.22 (m, 4 H), 7.15–7.10 (m, 1 H, NH), 7.07 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.00 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.93 (s, 1 H), 6.71 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.39 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.49 (dd, J = 18.4, 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.39 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 4.24 (dd, J = 18.4, 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.46 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  173.7, 169.2, 166.5, 156.0, 142.6, 135.2, 134.3, 133.1, 131.3 (×2), 131.1, 130.9, 130.3, 129.4 (×2), 128.0, 128.0 (×2), 126.9, 125.6, 119.5, 118.7, 117.7, 64.3, 61.1, 42.1, 14.5; MS (–ESI) m/z 537 (M + 2 – H<sup>+</sup>, 100), 535 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 86). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>25</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C, 60.34; H, 4.69; N, 5.21. Found: C, 60.35; H, 4.70; N, 5.21.

 $N-\alpha-[(Benzylamino)carbonyl]-2-bromobenzyl-N-2-hydroxyphen$ yl (E)-Cinnamamide (13k). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 13k (898.8 mg, 83%) as a white solid: mp 253–255 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>–hexane);  $R_f = 0.54$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3294, 1657, 1623, 1493, 1350, 1226 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  11.04 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.62 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.52– 7.46 (m, 1 H), 7.32–7.20 (m, 10 H), 7.16–6.99 (m, 4 H), 6.88 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.82 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.75–6.67 (m, 1 H, NH), 6.68 (s, 1 H), 6.52 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.20 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.71 (dd, J = 14.8, 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.48 (dd, J = 14.8, 5.2 Hz, 1 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 172.9, 167.6, 155.7, 143.7, 136.9, 134.8, 133.0, 132.9, 130.8, 130.7, 130.6, 130.4, 129.8, 128.7 (×2), 128.6 (×2), 128.0 (×2), 127.8 (×2), 127.7, 127.7, 126.5, 124.6, 119.2, 117.6, 117.3, 64.8, 44.3; MS (-ESI) m/z 541 (M + 2 - H<sup>+</sup>, 99), 539 (M - H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>25</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 66.55; H, 4.65; N, 5.17. Found: C, 66.58; H, 4.65; N, 4.94.

*N*-α-[(Benzylamino)carbonyl]-2-bromobenzyl-*N*-2-hydroxyphenyl Formamide (13l). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give 13l (676.5 mg, 77%) as a white solid: mp 205– 207 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>-hexane);  $R_f = 0.50$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3308, 1650, 1495, 1290 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C) δ 11.1 (br s, 1 H, OH), 9.32 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.57 (dd, J =7.0, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.38–6.99 (m, 10 H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.54 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.35 (s, 1 H), 4.44 (d, J =4.5 Hz, 2 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C) δ 171.7, 163.5, 155.7, 138.1, 133.3, 132.8, 130.7, 130.6, 130.3, 130.2, 128.3 (×2), 127.6, 127.5 (×2), 127.1, 126.1, 124.6, 118.7, 117.0, 62.4, 43.3; MS (+ESI) m/z 463 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 40), 461 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 45), 441 (M + 2 + H<sup>+</sup>, 100), 439 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 78). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 60.15; H, 4.36; N, 6.38. Found: C, 60.14; H, 4.39; N, 6.41.

*N*-α-[(tert-Butylamino)carbonyl]-2-bromobenzyl-*N*-2-hydroxyphenyl Acetamide (**13m**). The Ugi reaction was carried out by following procedure A to give **13m** (469.6 mg, 56%) as a colorless solid: mp 227–229 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.53$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3252, 3081, 2969, 2932, 1638, 1569, 1493, 1382 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  11.27 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.10–6.95 (m, 4 H), 6.81 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.44 (td, *J* = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.31 (s, 1 H), 5.97 (br s, 1 H, NH), 1.81 (s, 3 H), 1.36 (s, 9 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.3, 172.1, 155.4, 133.8, 132.8, 130.4, 130.2 (×2), 130.1, 127.8, 126.4, 126.1, 119.1, 117.7, 64.7, 52.6, 28.3 (×3), 22.3; MS (+ESI) *m*/*z* 443 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 94), 441 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 57.29; H, 5.53; N, 6.68. Found: C, 57.29; H, 5.57; N, 6.68.

General Procedure B for Microwave-Assisted Intramolecular Ullmann Etherification. Synthesis of Dibenz[*b,f*][1,4]oxazepin-11(10*H*)-ones 14a–i and Dibenz[*b,f*][1,4]oxazepine-11(10*H*)carboxamides 15a–m. To a 10 mL pressurized process vial were added the bromophenol 12a–i or 13a–m (0.20 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg,  $2.0 \times 10^{-2}$  mmol, 10 mol %), *N*,*N*-dimethylglycine hydrochloride (8.4 mg,  $6.0 \times 10^{-2}$  mmol, 30 mol %), and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (130.3 mg,  $4.0 \times 10^{-1}$ mmol, 2 equiv). The vial was then sealed with a cap containing a silicon septum and was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (repeated three times). To the degassed vial was added dry dioxane (5 mL). The loaded vial was then put into the microwave cavity and heated at 150 °C for 30 min (it took ca. 4 min to reach 150 °C from

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room temperature). After being cooled to room temperature, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography over silica gel (eluting with 25% PE in EtOAc) to give the Ullmann etherification products. The structures and yields of the products 14a-i and 15a-m are found in Tables 3 and 4.

*N-Benzyl* 2-[11-Oxodibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-10(11H)-yl]phenylacetamide (14a). The reaction of 12a (103.1 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 14a (86.9 mg, 100%) as a colorless solid: mp 172–174 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.45$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3356, 3063, 1666, 1632, 1497, 1447, 1353, 1213 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  8.71 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.83 (dd, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.63–7.54 (m, 2 H), 7.38–7.13 (m, 13 H), 7.00 (td, J = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.86 (td, J = 8.0,1.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.44 (s, 1 H), 4.50 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  169.0, 166.1, 160.9, 155.5, 139.2, 135.3, 133.9, 132.4, 132.1, 129.1 (×2), 128.2 (×2), 128.0 (×2), 127.5, 127.5 (×2), 127.4, 126.9, 126.8, 126.1, 125.3, 124.7, 120.4, 119.9, 66.1, 42.9; MS (–ESI) m/z 433 (M–H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 77.40; H, 5.10; N, 6.45. Found: C, 77.47; H, 5.08; N, 6.48.

N-Cyclohexyl 2-[11-Oxodibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-10(11H)-yl]phenylacetamide (14b). The reaction of 12b (101.5 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 14b (85.3 mg, 100%) as a colorless solid: mp 209–211 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.55$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3281, 2932, 1649, 1564, 1491, 1451, 1354 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  8.00 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.80 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.60 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (td, J = 8.5, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.34–7.26 (m, 2 H), 7.25–7.12 (m, 6 H), 6.99 (td, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.85 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.36 (s, 1 H), 3.80-3.75 (m, 1 H), 1.92-1.78 (m, 2 H), 1.77-1.67 (m, 2 H), 1.62–1.54 (m, 1 H), 1.40–1.15 (m, 5 H);  $^{13}C$  NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C) δ 167.8, 166.0, 160.9, 155.5, 135.7, 133.8, 132.4, 132.0, 128.9 (×2), 128.0 (×2), 127.4, 127.4, 126.8, 126.1, 125.3, 124.6, 120.3, 119.8, 66.0, 48.2, 32.3, 32.2, 25.3, 24.5 (×2); MS (+ESI) m/z 449 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100), 427 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 59). Anal. Calcd for C27H26N2O3: C, 76.03; H, 6.14; N, 6.57. Found: C, 76.06; H, 6.15; N, 6.57

N-(Ethoxycarbonyl)methyl 2-[11-Oxodibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-10(11H)-yl]phenylacetamide (14c). The reaction of 12c (102.3 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 14c (86.1 mg, 100%) as a colorless solid: mp 167–169 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.24$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3410, 3057, 2973, 1749, 1682, 1635, 1539, 1495, 1459, 1355, 1193 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, an 84:16 mixture of two atropisomers at 80 °C) for the major atropisomer  $\delta$  8.65 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.79 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.60-7.54 (m, 2 H), 7.37-7.26 (m, 4 H), 7.25-7.13 (m, 4 H), 7.01 (td, J = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.88 (td, J = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.46 (s, 1 H), 4.20 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 4.14 (dd, J = 17.0, 5.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.95 (dd, J = 17.0, 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.27 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C) & 169.6, 169.4, 166.1, 160.8, 155.4, 135.1, 133.9, 132.4, 132.1, 129.2 (×2), 127.9 (×2), 127.5, 127.2, 126.9, 126.0, 125.3, 124.7, 120.4, 119.8, 65.7, 60.5, 41.5, 14.1; MS (-ESI) m/z 429 (M - $H^{\scriptscriptstyle +}\!\!,$  100). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{25}H_{22}N_2O_5\!\!:$  C, 69.76; H, 5.15; N, 6.51. Found: C, 69.72; H, 5.16; N, 6.58.

*N*-tert-Butyl 2-[11-Oxodibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-10(11H)-yl]phenylacetamide (14d). The reaction of 12d (96.3 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 14d (80.1 mg, 100%) as a colorless solid: mp 183–185 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.55$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3326, 1660, 1646, 1551, 1496, 1457, 1363 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  7.81 (dd, J =8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.73 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.60 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.55 (td, J = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.35–7.12 (m, 8 H), 6.99 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.86 (td, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.32 (s, 1 H), 1.33 (s, 9 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  168.2, 166.0, 161.0, 155.5, 135.9, 133.9, 132.6, 132.1, 128.8 (×2), 128.0 (×2), 127.4, 127.3, 126.8, 126.1, 125.3, 124.7, 120.3, 119.9, 66.5, 50.8, 28.6 (×3); MS (–ESI) m/z 399 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 74.98; H, 6.04; N, 7.00. Found: C, 75.04; H, 6.04; N, 7.06.

N-Cyclohexyl 2-[8-Chloro-11-oxodibenz[b,f][1,4]-oxazepin-10-(11H)-yl]phenylacetamide (14e). The reaction of 12e (108.4 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give **14e** (84.8 mg, 92%) as a colorless solid: mp 206–208 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.54$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3322, 2931, 1655, 1492, 1454, 1347, 1212 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  8.18 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.82 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.77 (s, 1 H), 7.57 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.36–7.15 (m, 8 H), 7.01 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.42 (s, 1 H), 3.85–3.75 (m, 1 H), 1.96–1.81 (m, 2 H), 1.80–1.67 (m, 2 H), 1.64–1.55 (m, 1 H), 1.41–1.15 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  167.9, 165.7, 160.6, 154.4, 135.2, 134.1, 133.4, 132.1, 128.8 (×2), 128.6, 128.1 (×2), 127.7, 127.6, 126.5, 125.7, 125.6, 121.6, 119.8, 65.7, 48.3, 32.3, 32.2, 25.3, 24.5, 24.5; MS (+ESI) m/z 485 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 42), 483 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>25</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 70.35; H, 5.47; N, 6.08. Found; C, 70.37; H, 5.38; N, 6.05.

N-Cyclohexyl 2-[8-tert-Butyl-11-oxodibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-10-(11H)-yl]phenylacetamide (14f). The reaction of 12f (112.7 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 14f (96.5 mg, 100%) as a colorless solid: mp 238-240 °C (EtOAc-hexane);  $R_f = 0.62$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3316, 2929, 1675, 1622, 1457, 1356 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  8.05 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.79 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.65 (br s, 1 H), 7.54 (td, J = 8.5, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 2 H), 7.22-7.16 (m, 4 H), 7.16-7.09 (m, 1 H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.96 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.38 (s, 1 H), 3.82-3.76 (m, 1 H), 1.93-1.83 (m, 2 H), 1.78-1.68 (m, 2 H), 1.63–1.56 (m, 1 H), 1.40–1.14 (m, 5 H), 1.03 (s, 9 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C) δ 168.0, 166.2, 160.9, 153.2, 147.1, 135.7, 133.7, 132.1, 131.3, 128.9 (×2), 127.9 (×2), 127.2, 126.3, 125.1, 124.8, 123.4, 119.8, 119.5, 65.8, 48.2, 34.0, 32.3, 32.2, 30.8 ( × 3), 25.3, 24.4 (×2); MS (–ESI) m/z 481 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 77.15; H, 7.10; N, 5.80. Found: C, 77.15; H, 7.10; N, 5.70.

N-Cyclohexyl 2-[13-Oxobenzo[f]naphth[2,3-b][1,4]oxazepin-12-(13H)-yl]phenylacetamide (14q). The reaction of 12g (111.5 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 14g (78.2 mg, 82%) as a colorless solid: mp 256–258 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.57$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3306, 2932, 1646, 1456, 1324, 1212 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  8.14 (s, 1 H), 8.07 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.81 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.69 (s, 1 H), 7.60-7.55 (m, 2 H), 7.42-7.20 (m, 6 H), 7.13 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 7.01 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.47 (s, 1 H), 3.81 (br s, 1 H), 1.95-1.85 (m, 2 H), 1.75-1.68 (m, 2 H), 1.61-1.55 (m, 1 H), 1.40–1.13 (m, 5 H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$ 168.0, 166.2, 160.0, 154.4, 135.8, 134.0, 132.0, 131.3, 131.3, 130.1, 128.9 (×2), 128.0 (×2), 127.5, 127.4, 126.8, 126.3 (×2), 126.2, 125.9, 125.5, 120.1, 116.7, 66.5, 48.3, 32.3, 32.2, 25.3, 24.5 (×2); MS (-ESI) m/z 475 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 78.13; H, 5.92; N, 5.88. Found: C, 78.22; H, 5.95; N, 5.82.

N-Cyclohexyl 2-[8-Chloro-11-oxodibenz[b,f][1,4]-oxazepin-10-(11H)-yl](2-thienyl)acetamide (14h). The reaction of 12h (109.6 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 14h (62.6 mg, 67%) as a yellow solid: mp 163–165 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.62$ (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3402, 2933, 1686, 1652, 1509, 1490, 1454, 1329, 1211, 1201 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> at 80 °C)  $\delta$  8.05 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.80 (s, 1 H), 7.79 (dd, J = 7.5, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.59 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.41 (dd, J = 5.0, 0.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 2 H), 7.26 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.11 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.02 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.91 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.54 (s, 1 H), 3.81-3.70 (m, 1 H), 1.92-1.78 (m, 2 H), 1.77-1.67 (m, 2 H), 1.62–1.54 (m, 1 H), 1.40–1.15 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  167.2, 165.5, 160.5, 154.4, 137.6, 134.3, 133.3, 132.2, 128.8, 128.8, 127.6, 126.9, 126.8, 126.4, 125.7, 125.5, 121.9, 119.9, 61.5, 48.5, 32.3, 32.1, 25.3, 24.4 ( $\times$ 2); MS (+ESI) m/z491 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 37), 489 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>23</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 64.30; H, 4.96; N, 6.00. Found: C, 64.30; H, 5.01; N. 6.00.

*N*-Cyclohexyl 2-[8-Chloro-2-methoxy-11-oxodibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepin-10(11H)-yl]phenylacetamide (14i). The reaction of 12i (114.4 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 14i (88.4 mg, 90%) as a colorless solid: mp 232–234 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f =$ 0.63 (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3339, 2922, 1682, 1636, 1547, 1480, 1432, 1343, 1198 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  8.16 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1 H, NH), 7.74 (s, 1 H), 7.30–7.09 (m, 9 H), 6.99 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.39 (s, 1 H), 3.83–3.73 (m, 1 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 1.94–1.81 (m, 2 H), 1.79–1.67 (m, 2 H), 1.63–1.55 (m, 1 H), 1.40–1.13 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  168.0, 165.6, 156.8, 154.9, 154.5, 135.2, 133.4, 128.8 (×2), 128.5, 128.2 (×2), 127.7, 127.7, 126.5, 126.2, 121.5, 121.0, 120.5, 115.7, 65.8, 56.0, 48.4, 32.3, 32.3, 25.3, 24.5, 24.5; MS (+ESI) m/z 515 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 36), 513 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>27</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 68.50; H, 5.54; N, 5.71. Found: C, 68.14; H, 5.69; N, 5.76.

*N*-Cyclohexyl 10-(*E*)-Cinnamoyldibenz[*b*,*f*][1,4]-oxazepine-11-(10H)-carboxamide (**15a**). The reaction of **13a** (106.7 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give **15a** (57.9 mg, 64%) as a colorless solid: mp 156–158 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.42$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3269, 2931, 1669, 1653, 1494, 1339, 1222 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.77 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.40–7.20 (m, 11 H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.75 (s, 1 H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.30–0.77 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.1, 166.1, 153.6, 152.8, 143.7, 131.3, 130.7, 130.4, 129.9, 129.6, 129.5, 128.7 (×2), 128.0 (×2), 124.6, 123.3, 122.5, 121.6, 121.2, 117.4, 61.0, 48.1, 32.6, 32.5, 25.2, 24.5, 24.4; MS (–ESI) *m*/*z* 451 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 100). HRMS (–CI-TOF) *m*/*z* [M]<sup>-</sup> calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 452.2100, found 452.2079.

*N*-Cyclohexyl 10-(*E*)-Crotonoyldibenz[*b*,*f*][1,4]-oxazepine-11-(10H)-carboxamide (**15b**). The reaction of **13b** (94.3 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give **15b** (67.2 mg, 86%) as a colorless solid: mp 162–164 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.36$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3298, 2935, 1675, 1655, 1530, 1487, 1446, 1229 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, an ca. 50:50 mixture of two atropisomers)  $\delta$  7.36–6.99 (m, 9 H), 6.67 (s, 1 H), 5.91 and 5.91 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.65 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.70–3.54 (m, 1 H), 1.79 and 1.79 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 1.76–1.65 (m, 1 H), 1.60–1.41 (m, 4 H), 1.40–0.75 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.1, 165.9, 153.6, 152.9, 143.7, 131.3, 130.8, 130.5, 129.4 (×2), 124.5, 123.2, 122.7, 121.7, 121.5, 121.1, 60.8, 48.1, 32.6, 32.5, 25.2, 24.5, 24.4, 18.1; MS (+ESI) *m*/*z* 413 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100), 391 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 28). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 73.82; H, 6.71; N, 7.17. Found: C, 73.84; H, 6.75; N, 7.15.

*N*-Cyclohexyl 10-Benzoyldibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepine-11(10H)-carboxamide (15c). The reaction of 13c (101.5 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 15c (85.3 mg, 100%) as a white solid: mp 168–170 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.35$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3215, 3066, 2932, 1653, 1497, 1446, 1325, 1267 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.48–7.43 (m, 2 H), 7.37–7.10 (m, 9 H), 6.84 (td, *J* = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.77 (s, 1 H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.70–3.57 (m, 1 H), 1.77–1.68 (m, 1 H), 1.64–1.48 (m, 4 H), 1.35–0.85 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.9, 167.1, 153.9, 152.3, 134.3, 132.7, 131.2, 130.6, 130.5, 129.5, 128.8, 128.6 (×2), 127.9 (×2), 124.6, 123.4, 122.6, 121.3, 121.2, 61.5, 48.1, 32.7, 32.5, 25.3, 24.4, 24.4; MS (–ESI) *m*/*z* 425 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 76.03; H, 6.14; N, 6.57. Found: C, 76.02; H, 6.12; N, 6.67.

*N*-Cyclohexyl 10-(2-Chlorobenzoyl)dibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepine-11-(10H)-carboxamide (15d). The reaction of 13d (108.4 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 15d (88.5 mg, 96%) as a white solid: mp 182–184 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.35$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3365, 2931, 1693, 1642, 1499, 1269 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.36–7.02 (m, 10 H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.79 (s, 1 H), 5.96 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.67–3.57 (m, 1 H), 1.80–1.72 (m, 1 H), 1.65–1.47 (m, 4 H), 1.34–0.80 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$  at 80 °C)  $\delta$  166.8, 166.0, 154.0, 152.6, 135.7, 130.9, 130.7 (×2), 129.9, 129.7, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 126.9, 124.3, 123.2, 122.9, 120.7, 120.6, 60.8, 48.4, 32.2 (×2), 25.3, 24.7, 24.6; MS (+ESI) m/z 485 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 41), 483 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>25</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 70.35; H, 5.47; N, 6.08. Found: C, 70.37; H, 5.43; N, 6.07.

*N-Cyclohexyl* 10-Acetyldibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepine-11(10H)-carboxamide (15e). The reaction of 13e (89.1 mg) was carried out by

following procedure B to give **15e** (72.8 mg, 100%) as a white solid: mp 180–182 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.15$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3300, 2928, 1679, 1651, 1534, 1380, 1304, 1267 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.36–7.14 (m, 7 H), 7.09 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.60 (s, 1 H), 5.47 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.60–3.50 (m, 1 H), 2.03 (s, 3 H), 1.72–1.63 (m, 1 H), 1.57–1.36 (m, 4 H), 1.30–1.10 (m, 2 H), 1.10–0.86 (m, 2 H), 0.73–0.65 (m, 1 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.4, 167.0, 153.6, 153.1, 131.3, 131.3, 130.5, 129.7, 129.6, 124.8, 123.4, 122.6, 121.5, 121.3, 60.8, 48.1, 32.4, 32.4, 25.2, 24.4, 24.4, 22.0; MS (+ESI) m/z 387 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100), 365 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 5). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 72.50; H, 6.64; N, 7.69. Found: C, 72.50; H, 6.63; N, 7.70.

*N*-Cyclohexyl 10-Acetyl-2,3-dimethoxydibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepine-11(10H)-carboxamide (15f). The reaction of 13f (101.1 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 15f (79.8 mg, 94%) as a colorless solid: mp 188–190 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.24$  (50% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3354, 2925, 1661, 1520, 1497, 1381, 1311, 1217 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.32–7.18 (m, 3 H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.71 (s, 1 H), 6.53 (s, 1 H), 6.47 (s, 1 H), 5.48 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.87 (s, 3 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.55–3.45 (m, 1 H), 1.96 (s, 3 H), 1.65–1.58 (m, 1 H), 1.53–0.83 (m, 8 H), 0.67–0.55 (m, 1 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.3, 167.2, 153.4, 149.4, 147.4, 144.9, 131.4, 130.5, 129.6, 124.7, 121.2, 113.0, 112.3, 104.7, 60.2, 56.1, 55.9, 48.0, 32.3 (×2), 25.1, 24.4, 24.3, 21.9; MS (+ESI) *m*/*z* 447 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100), 425 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 96). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C, 67.91; H, 6.65; N, 6.60. Found: C, 67.90; H, 6.64; N, 6.60.

*N*-*Cyclohexyl* 8-*Chloro-10-(E)-cinnamoyldibenz[b,f][1,4]-oxazepine-11(10H)-carboxamide* (**15***g*). The reaction of **13**g (113.6 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give **15**g (96.4 mg, 99%) as a colorless solid: mp 157–159 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.41$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3282, 2932, 1672, 1650, 1485, 1224 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.80 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.41–7.18 (m, 11 H), 7.10 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.71 (s, 1 H), 6.48 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.81 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.65–3.60 (m, 1 H), 1.80–1.47 (m, 5 H), 1.34–0.82 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  166.8, 165.9, 153.3, 151.6, 144.7, 134.5, 131.3, 131.3, 130.3, 130.2, 129.7, 129.7, 129.2, 128.8 (×2), 128.1 (×2), 123.5, 122.8, 122.5, 121.1, 116.8, 60.9, 48.3, 32.7, 32.6, 25.3, 24.6, 24.5; MS (+ESI) *m/z* 511 (M + 2 + Na<sup>+</sup>, 37), 509 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>27</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 71.52; H, 5.59; N, 5.75. Found: C, 71.44; H, 5.82; N, 5.78.

N-Cyclohexyl 10-(E)-Cinnamoyl-6,8-dimethyldibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepine-11(10H)-carboxamide (15h). The reaction of 13h (112.3 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 15h (78.8 mg, 82%) as a colorless solid: mp 208–210 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.46$ (25% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3354, 3288, 2930, 1684, 1652, 1615, 1484, 1347, 1232 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.77 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.40–7.23 (m, 7 H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.12-7.05 (m, 1 H), 7.02 (s, 1 H), 6.82 (s, 1 H), 6.75 (s, 1 H), 6.51 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.91 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.68-3.62 (m, 1)H), 2.41 (s, 3 H), 2.25 (s, 3 H), 1.76-1.47 (m, 5 H), 1.33-0.85 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.3, 166.3, 153.6, 149.7, 143.4, 134.7, 133.7, 131.7, 131.2, 130.7, 130.4, 129.7, 128.9, 128.5 (×2), 128.0, 127.9 (×2), 123.1, 123.0, 121.0, 117.6, 60.3, 48.0, 32.6, 32.5, 25.2, 24.4 (×2), 20.5, 16.1; MS (-ESI) *m/z* 479 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C31H32N2O3: C, 77.47; H, 6.71; N, 5.83. Found: C, 77.40; H, 6.70; N, 6.09.

*N*-Cyclohexyl 12-Acetylbenzo[f]naphth[2,3-b][1,4]oxazepine-13-(12H)-carboxamide (15i). The reaction of 13i (99.1 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 15i (77.9 mg, 94%) as a colorless solid: mp 161–163 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.18$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3298, 2931, 1676, 1653, 1445, 1385, 1291 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.79 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.76 (s, 1 H), 7.72 (s, 1 H), 7.49, (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.30 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.12–7.06 (m, 1 H), 6.70 (s, 1 H), 5.62 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, NH), 3.55–3.48 (m, 1 H), 2.06 (s, 3 H), 1.67–1.57 (m, 1 H), 1.50–1.34 (m, 2 H), 1.29–1.05 (m, 3 H), 1.04–0.88 (m, 3 H), 0.54–0.52 (m, 1 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.7, 167.2, 154.3, 151.7, 133.6, 131.2, 131.2, 130.6, 129.6 129.3, 127.7, 127.3, 127.1, 125.9, 123.6, 122.8, 121.5, 118.3, 60.8, 48.0, 32.4, 32.2, 25.1, 24.3, 24.1, 22.1; MS (–ESI) m/z 413 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 100); HRMS (–CI-TOF) m/z [M]<sup>–</sup> calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 414.1943, found 414.1939.

*N*-(*Ethoxycarbonyl*)*methyl* 10(*E*)-*Cinnamoyldibenz*[*b*,*f*][1,4]oxazepine-11(10H)-carboxamide (**15***j*). The reaction of **13***j* (107.5 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give **15***j* (68.5 mg, 75%) as a colorless solid: mp 170–172 °C (EtOAc–hexane); R<sub>f</sub> = 0.20 (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3248, 3070, 1740, 1661, 1626, 1490, 1378, 1338, 1214 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.37–7.22 (m, 10 H), 7.20–7.08 (m, 3 H), 6.88 (s, 1 H), 6.60 (br t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.14 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 4.04 (dd, *J* = 18.4, 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.77 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.23 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 169.3, 168.6, 166.5, 153.8, 153.1, 143.9, 134.7, 131.2, 130.7, 130.5, 129.9, 129.6, 129.5, 128.6 (×2), 128.0 (×2), 124.8, 123.4, 122.1, 121.7, 121.3, 117.4, 61.4, 60.3, 41.3, 14.0; MS (–ESI) *m/z* 455 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>24</sub>A<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C, 71.04; H, 5.30; N, 6.14. Found: C, 71.10; H, 5.29; N, 5.96.

*N-Benzyl* 10(*E*)-*Cinnamoyldibenz*[*b*,*f*][1,4]oxazepine-11(10H)carboxamide (15k). The reaction of 13k (108.3 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 15k (69.1 mg, 75%) as a colorless solid: mp 200–202 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.24$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3269, 1659, 1627, 1495, 1342, 1213 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.75 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.41–7.07 (m, 16 H), 6.91–6.85 (m, 3 H), 6.48 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.29 (br t, J =5.6 Hz, 1 H, NH), 4.42 (dd, J = 14.8, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.19 (dd, J = 15.2, 5.6 Hz, 1 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  168.1, 166.1, 153.6, 152.7, 143.8, 137.7, 134.6, 131.3, 130.8, 130.3, 129.9, 129.6, 129.5, 128.6 (×2), 128.4 (×2), 127.9 (×2), 127.3 (×2), 127.2, 124.6, 123.3, 122.2, 121.7, 121.3, 117.3, 60.9, 43.4; MS (–ESI) *m*/*z* 459 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 78.24; H, 5.25; N, 6.08. Found: C, 78.27; H, 5.23; N, 6.03.

*N*-Benzyl 10-Formyldibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepine-11(10H)-carboxamide (15I). The reaction of 13I (87.9 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 15I (58.8 mg, 82%) as a colorless solid: mp 137–140 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.18$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3325, 1684, 1671, 1502, 1319, 1270 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.44 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.33–7.05 (m, 11 H), 6.87–6.82 (m, 2 H), 6.39 (s, 1 H), 6.00 (br t, J = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.35 (dd, J = 15.2, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.18 (dd, J = 14.8, 5.2 Hz, 1 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.2, 161.9, 154.4, 150.6, 137.5, 130.9, 130.3, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5 (×2), 127.3, 127.1 (×2), 126.4, 124.6, 124.0, 123.4, 121.6, 121.5, 59.2, 43.5; MS (–ESI) m/z 357 (M – H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 73.73; H, 5.06; N, 7.82. Found: C, 73.74; H, 5.09; N, 7.86.

*N*-tert-Butyl 10-Acetyldibenz[b,f][1,4]oxazepine-11(10H)-carboxamide (15m). The reaction of 13m (83.9 mg) was carried out by following procedure B to give 15m (67.6 mg, 100%) as a colorless solid: mp 166–168 °C (EtOAc–hexane);  $R_f = 0.25$  (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (KBr) 3329, 2970, 1692, 1658, 1535, 1495, 1391, 1316, 1263 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.45–7.21 (m, 7 H), 7.16 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.62 (s, 1 H), 5.58 (br s, 1 H, NH), 2.11 (s, 3 H), 1.15 (s, 9 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.3, 166.9, 153.3, 152.9, 131.1, 131.1, 130.4, 129.4, 129.3, 124.4, 123.1, 122.7, 121.4, 121.0, 61.1, 51.2, 28.1 (× 3), 21.9; MS (+ESI) m/z 361 (M + Na<sup>+</sup>, 24), 339 (M + H<sup>+</sup>, 100). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{22}N_2O_3$ : C, 70.99; H, 6.55; N, 8.28. Found: C, 70.89; H, 6.60; N, 8.35.

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