# Lewis Acid Catalyzed Decarboxylative Annulation of 2-Aminoindole-3-Carboxylate with ynals involving [3+2] spirocycloaddition and 2,3-Aza Migration. 

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## I. General Information and methods:

All reagents and solvents were purchased from commercial sources and used without purification. NMR spectra were recorded with a $300,400 \mathrm{MHz}$ spectrometers for ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR, $75,100 \mathrm{MHz}$ for ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR, NMR Chemical shifts $\delta$ are given in ppm relative to the residual signals of tetramethylsilane in $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ or deuterated solvent DMSO- $d_{6}$ for ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR. Multiplicities are reported as follows: singlet (s), doublet (d), doublet of doublets (dd), doublet of triplets (dt), triplet ( t ), quartet ( q ), multiplet (m), broad singlet (bs). HRMS were obtained using the electro spray ionization (ESI) technique and a time-of-flight (TOF) analyzer. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (100200 mesh) as the stationary phase. All reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). The purity and characterization of these compounds were further established using HRMS/ESI Mass spectroscopy. Melting points were measured on a capillary melting point apparatus and are uncorrected.

## II. General Procedure for the preparation of starting materials and final compounds and chareteristic data of compounds:

Starting materials $\mathbf{1},{ }^{1} \mathbf{2},{ }^{2} \mathbf{5}^{3}, \mathbf{6}^{4}$ and $\mathbf{7}^{5}$ were prepared following the literature procedures.


## General Procedure $A$ for the synthesis of dihydrochromeno $\boldsymbol{\delta}$-carbolines (3aa-3ja

 and 3ab-3at) taking Synthesis of 3aa as an example.

To a 15 mL Schlenk tube was added ethyl 2-amino-1H-indole-3-carboxylate (1a) (102 $\mathrm{mg}, 0.5 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), 2-((3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy) benzaldehyde (2a) ( $118 \mathrm{mg}, 0.5 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and $\mathrm{Yb}(\mathrm{OTf})_{3}(31 \mathrm{mg}, 10 \mathrm{~mol} \%)$ in anhydrous $\mathrm{MeCN}(3 \mathrm{~mL})$ and the reaction mixture was stirred at $80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (oil bath temperature) until complete conversion of starting material (monitored by TLC, 14 h for 3aa-3da, 16 h for 3ea-3ja 14 h for $\mathbf{3 a g} \mathbf{- 3 a j}$ and 18 h for 3ak-3at). After completion of the reaction, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, the crude material was purified on silica gel using $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ hexane to get 3aa (118 mg, 68\%) as off-colorless solid.

## Synthesis of dihydrochromeno $\boldsymbol{\delta}$-carboline 3aa in $2 \mathbf{m m o l}$ Scale.



To a 25 mL round bottom flask was added ethyl 2 -amino- $1 H$-indole-3-carboxylate (1a) ( $410 \mathrm{mg}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), 2-((3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy) benzaldehyde (2a) (472 mg, 2 $\mathrm{mmol})$ and $\mathrm{Yb}(\mathrm{OTf})_{3}(124 \mathrm{mg}, 10 \mathrm{~mol} \%)$ in anhydrous $\mathrm{MeCN}(12 \mathrm{~mL})$ and the reaction mixture was stirred at $80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (oil bath temperature) until complete conversion of starting material (monitored by TLC, 15 h ). After completion of the reaction, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, the crude material was purified on silica gel using $20 \%$

EtOAc/hexane to get 3aa ( $446 \mathrm{mg}, 64 \%$ ) as off-colorless solid along with minor amount of $\mathbf{4 a a}$ ( $112 \mathrm{mg} \mathrm{13} \mathrm{\%}$ ).

## 7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3aa):



3aa (118 mg) was obtained from 1a (102 mg) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}$ $=0.30$ ( $20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 304-306 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (68\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.19$ (s, 1H), 8.42 (d, $J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.29$ (d, $J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.69$ $-7.61(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.58(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.52(\mathrm{dd}, J=$ $15.5,8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.36-7.27(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.19$ (t, $J=7.4$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.25(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}),{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 155.6,141.9,141.3,140.9,133.3,131.4,130.4,129.7,129.6$, $129.3,129.0,128.0,124.8,124.7,122.7,121.9,121.3,120.6,120.2,117.0,112.7,66.5$; IR (KBr) v 3178, 2966, 1545, 1446, 1239, 848, $652 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 349.1341$ found 349.1325 .

## 11-methyl-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ba)



3ba (107 mg) was obtained from 1b (109 mg) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}$ $=0.32$ ( $20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 274-276 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (59\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.06$ (s, 2H), 8.40 (dd, $J=7.7,1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 8.09$ (s, 2H), $7.68-7.60$ (m, 6H), $7.58-7.55(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.44(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $7.35-7.30(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.21-7.17(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=$ $7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.24(\mathrm{~s}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 2.51-2.50(\mathrm{~m}, 9 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO): $\delta 155.7,141.2,140.6,140.3,133.5,131.7,130.3,129.8$, 129.6, 129.4, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8, 125.0, 124.7, 122.7, 122.2, 121.1, 120.3, 117.0, 112.4, 66.5, 21.5; IR (KBr) v 3169, 2943, 1554, 1439, 1231, 867, $638 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 363.1497$ found 363.1499.

## 7,11-diphenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ca)



3ca ( 140 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 c}(140 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.26(20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 256-258 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield ( $66 \%$ ); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 11.27$ (s, 1H), 8.43 (d, $J=$ $6.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.36(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.79-7.65(\mathrm{~m}$, $5 \mathrm{H}), 7.58$ (ddd, $J=29.8,13.9,7.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 7.43-7.32$ $(\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.21(\mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.01(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 5.27$ (s, 2H). ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $101 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta$
155.7, 142.5, 141.4, 141.1, 140.3, 133.4, 132.1, 130.4, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 128.9, $127.9,127.5,124.9,124.7,122.7,121.4,121.3,121.1,119.5,117.1,110.5,66.5$; IR (KBr) v 3163, 2964, 1554, 1424, 1214, 837, $637 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 425.1654$ found 425.1672 .

10-fluoro-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3da)


3da ( 93 mg ) was obtained from $1 \mathbf{1 d}(111 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.34$ ( $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ Hexanes); mp: 271-273 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (51\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 11.24$ (s, 1H), 8.33 (dd, $J=7.7,1.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.22(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.6,5.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.63-7.54(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.53-7.47(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.30-7.23$ (m, 1H), 7.19 (dd, $J=9.9,2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.15-7.01$ (m, 2H), 6.93 (d, $J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.17(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 162.5(\mathrm{~d}, J=242.4 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), 155.7, 142.5 (d, $J=13.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), 141.3, $140.9,133.2,131.9,130.6,129.8,129.6,129.4,129.0,124.7,122.7,122.3,122.2,121.1$, $118.8,117.1,108.6(\mathrm{~d}, J=24.5 \mathrm{~Hz}), 98.8(\mathrm{~d}, J=26.2 \mathrm{~Hz}), 66.4$; ${ }^{19}$ F NMR ( 376 MHz , DMSO) $\delta-112.90(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{~F})$; IR (KBr) v 3126, 2971, 1544, 1426, 1241, $865,631 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OF}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 367.1247$ found 367.1236.

## 11-fluoro-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ea)



3ea ( 106 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 e}(111 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.34$ ( $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ Hexanes); mp: 215-217 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (58\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $\left.400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}\right) \delta 11.30$ (s, 1H), 8.40 (dd, $J=7.7,1.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.29(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.5,5.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.72-7.55(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 7.38-7.31(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.26(\mathrm{dd}, J=$ $9.9,2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.19(\mathrm{t}, J=7.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.16-7.09$ $(\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.24(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 162.4(\mathrm{~d}, J=241.7 \mathrm{~Hz}), 155.7,142.6(\mathrm{~d}, J=13.4 \mathrm{~Hz}), 141.3$, $140.9,133.2,131.9,130.5,129.7,129.6,129.3,129.0,124.7,122.7,122.3,122.2,121.1$, $118.8,117.0,108.6(\mathrm{~d}, J=24.5 \mathrm{~Hz}), 98.8(\mathrm{~d}, J=24.6 \mathrm{~Hz}), 66.4 ;{ }^{19} \mathrm{~F}$ NMR ( 376 MHz , DMSO) $\delta-112.86$ (s, 1F); IR (KBr) v 3154, 2939, 1544, 1456, 1236, 842, $629 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OF}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 367.1247$ found 367.1279.

## 11-bromo-7-phenyl-6,8dihydrochromeno[ $\left.3^{\prime}, 4^{\prime}: 5,6\right]$ pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3fa)

3fa ( 126 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 f}(141 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.32$ (20\% EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 293-295 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (59\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 11.30(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.40(\mathrm{dd}$, $J=7.7,1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.22(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.71-$ $7.60(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.57(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.41(\mathrm{dd}, J=$ $8.3,1.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.37-7.31(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.19(\mathrm{t}, J=7.5$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.23(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) .{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta$ 155.7, $142.5,141.5,140.6,133.1,131.6,130.6,129.7,129.6,129.4,129.3,124.7,124.6,123.1$, 122.7, 122.3, 121.8, 121.1, 120.7, 117.0, 115.2, 66.4; IR (KBr) v 3156, 2988, 1562, 1447, 1265, 858, $662 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OBr}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 427.0446$ found 427.0453 .

## 10,11-dichloro-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ga)



3ga (100 mg) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 g}(136 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}$ $=0.34$ ( $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ Hexanes); mp: 229-231 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (48\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.41$ (s, 1H), $8.48-8.35(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.71-7.61(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.56(\mathrm{~d}, J=$ $6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.35(\mathrm{t}, J=7.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.19(\mathrm{t}, J=7.4$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.23$ (s, 2H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz , DMSO) $\delta 155.7,141.9,140.4,139.6$, 132.9, 132.4, 131.9, 130.81, 129.93, 129.75, 129.68, 129.54, 128.75, 124.87, 124.4, 122.7, 122.4, 122.0, 121.6, 117.1, 114.1, 66.3; IR (KBr) v 3191, 2974, 1555, 1459, 1246, 837, $645 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OCl}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 417.0561$ found 417.0551.

7-phenyl-10-(trifluoromethyl)-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole
 (3ha)

3ha ( 98 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 h}(136 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.28$ (20\% EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 148-150 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (47\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 11.55$ (s, 1H), 8.49 (d, J $=8.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.43(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.85(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.71-7.67$ (m, 2H), 7.61 (dt, $J=14.6,7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 4 \mathrm{H}$ ), $7.36(\mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.21(\mathrm{t}, J=7.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.02$ $(\mathrm{d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.28(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 155.8,142.0,140.7$, $140.0,133.0,132.7,130.8,129.8,129.7,129.5,129.2,127.9,127.6,126.5$ (q, $J=256.7$
$\mathrm{Hz}), 124.8,124.5,123.9,122.8(\mathrm{~d}, J=4.1 \mathrm{~Hz}), 121.6,117.1,116.3,109.7(\mathrm{~d}, J=4.2 \mathrm{~Hz})$, $66.4 ;{ }^{19}$ F NMR ( $376 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta-59.76$ (s, 3F); IR (KBr) v 3146, 2949, 1558, 1459, 1239, 846, $651 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OCF}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 417.1215$ found 417.1232.

## Methyl 7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole-11-carboxylate

 (3ia)

3ia ( 107 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 i}(131 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.32$ (30\% EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 290-292 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (53\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.47$ (s, 1H), $8.47-$ $8.33(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 8.19(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.88(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.73-7.56(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 7.41-7.33(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.24-7.17$ $(\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.01(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.27(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.92(\mathrm{~s}$, $3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $\left.100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}\right) \delta 167.1,155.8,141.8,141.02,140.18,133.11,133.06$, $130.79,129.82,129.70,129.6,129.5,128.8,128.5,125.5,124.8,124.6,122.7,120.6$, $117.1,114.2,66.4,52.6$; IR (KBr) v 3171, 2978, 1567, 1449, 1254, 857, $659 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 407.1396$ found 407.1395.
benzyl 7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole-11-carboxylate
 (3ja)

3ja ( 149 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 j}$ ( 169 mg ) following general procedure A; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.34(30 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 222-224 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield ( $62 \%$ ); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}) \delta 11.46(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.41$ (t, $J=7.6$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 8.24(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.91(\mathrm{~d}, J=9.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.70-$ $7.62(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.59(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.53(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.1$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.44(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.37(\mathrm{dd}, J=17.6,7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.20(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.02(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.41(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.28(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta$ 166.4, 155.8, 141.9, 141.0, 140.1, 136.6, 133.0, 133.0, 130.7, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.5, 129.03, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 125.6, 124.8, 124.6, 122.7, 120.7, 120.7, 117.1, 117.0, 114.3, 66.7, 66.4; IR (KBr) v 3192, 2971, 1714, 1546, 1443, 1245, 886, $649 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{32} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 483.1709$ found 483.1699.

2-methyl-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[ $\left.3^{\prime}, 4^{\prime}: 5,6\right]$ pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ab)


3ab ( 101 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}(102 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure A; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.32(20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 272-274 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (56\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , DMSO) $\delta 11.17$ (s, 1H), 8.31 (d, $J=7.8$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.22(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.68-7.60(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H})$,
$7.58-7.54(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.53-7.48(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.31-7.26(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.13(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.2,1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 6.89(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.20(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.41(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 101 MHz, DMSO) $\delta$ $153.6,141.9,141.2,141.0,133.5,131.4,130.9,129.8,129.5,129.2,128.9,127.9,124.8$, $124.6,122.0,121.50,120.6,120.1,116.8,112.7,66.4,21.0$; IR (KBr) v 3178, 2956, 1559, 1452, 1242, 856, $658 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 363.1497$ found 363.1506 .

3-methyl-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ac)


3ac (107 mg) was obtained from 1a (102 mg) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}$ $=0.32$ ( $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{Hexanes}$ ); mp: 306-308 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (59\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.16(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 8.29 (d, $J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.68-7.47$ (m, 7H), 7.28 (t, $J$ $=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.01(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.83(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $5.22(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.34(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) .{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 101 MHz , DMSO) $\delta 155.65,141.90,141.20,140.35,133.54$, 131.28, 129.82, 129.57, 129.26, 128.93, 127.90, 124.59, 123.56, 122.29, 122.06, 120.98, $120.63,120.08,117.36,112.70,21.50$; IR (KBr) v 3178, 2944, 1535, 1428, 1251, 845, $637 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}] 363.1497$ found 363.1505.

## 3-methoxy-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ad)



3ad (119 mg) was obtained from 1a (102 mg) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=$ 0.28 ( $20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 258-260 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (63\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.11$ (s, 1H), 8.29 (dd, $J=17.3,8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.72-7.44(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H})$, $7.27(\mathrm{t}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.79(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.59$ $(\mathrm{s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.24(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.81(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz , DMSO) $\delta 161.5,157.0,141.8,141.3,141.1,133.5$, $130.9,129.8,129.5,129.25,129.01,127.81,125.82,122.04,120.59,120.16,120.0$, $117.8,112.6,109.5,101.9,66.8,55.8$; IR (KBr) v 3154, 2942, 1513, 1472, 1256, 84, 684 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 379.1447$ found 379.1440.

2-methoxy-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ae)


3ae ( 115 mg ) was obtained from 1a (102 mg) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}$ $=0.28$ ( $30 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 190-192 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (61\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 11.21$ (s, 1H), 8.31 (d, $J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 7.93 (d, $J=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.70-$ 7.48 (m, 7H), 7.29 (t, $J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.99-6.88$ (m,

2H), $5.19(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.88(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $\left.100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}\right) \delta{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz , DMSO) $\delta 155.0,149.6,141.9,141.2,140.9,133.4,131.5,129.8,129.5,129.3,128.9$, $128.0,125.5,121.9,121.7,120.7,120.1,117.9,116.5,112.7,108.6,66.5,56$; IR (KBr) v 3178 , 2937, 1544, 1435, 1229, 857, $643 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+$ $\mathrm{H}]^{+} 379.1447$ found 379.1428 .

## 4-ethoxy-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3af)



3af ( 131 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}(102 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.26$ (20\% EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 202-204 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (67\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 11.19$ (s, 1H), 8.28 (d, J $=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.00(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.7,1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.69-$ 7.65 (m, 2H), $7.63-7.54(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.50(\mathrm{t}, J=7.5 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 7.28(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.10(\mathrm{t}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.05-7.01$ (m, 1H), 5.24 (s, 2H), 4.07 (dd, $J=13.7$, $6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ), $1.34(\mathrm{t}, J=7.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 $\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}) \delta 148.0,145.2,141.8,141.2,141.1,133.2,131.4,129.7,129.6$, 129.3, 128.9, 128.0, 125.7, 122.3, 121.9, 121.3, 120.6, 120.2, 116.6, 114.6, 112.7, 66.4, 64.5, 15.1; IR (KBr) v 3166, 2972, 1558, 1454, 1234, 878, $653 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 393.1603$ found 393.1601.

## 2,11-dimethyl-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ag)



3ag ( 105 mg ) was obtained from 1b ( 109 mg ) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}$ $=0.32$ ( $20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 314-316 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield ( $56 \%$ ); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 11.01(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 8.19 (d, $J=1.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.09$ (s, 1H), $7.66-7.57$ (m, $3 \mathrm{H}), 7.54$ (dd, $J=7.4,6.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.42(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 7.31$ (d, $J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.10(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.1,1.7 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 6.86$ (d, $J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.16$ (s, 2H), $2.50(\mathrm{~s}$, 3H), 2.39 ( $\mathrm{s}, 3 \mathrm{H}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 153.5,141.0,140.8,140.2,133.5$, 131.6, 131.4, 130.9, 129.8, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 124.7, 124.6, 122.1, 121.2, $120.3,116.8,112.4,66.4,21.4,21.0$; IR (KBr) v 3148, 2932, 1559, 1445, 1248, 840, 655 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 377.1654$ found 377.1646.

## 3-methoxy-7,11-diphenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ah)



3ah ( 157 mg ) was obtained from 1c ( 140 mg ) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}$ $=0.30$ ( $30 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ Hexanes); mp: 289-291 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (69\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.20(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 8.33 (dd, $J=8.4,3.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ), 7.74 (dd, $J=6.0,4.9$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.70-7.65(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.63(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 7.59 (dd, $J=12.5,4.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.52(\mathrm{t}, J=7.7 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $2 \mathrm{H}), 7.41$ (d, $J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.80$ (dd, $J=8.6,2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 6.60(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.25(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.82(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}),{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta$ 161.6, 157.0, 142.4, 141.6, 141.4, 140.9, 140.1, 133.5, 131.6, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, $129.0,127.8,127.4,125.8,121.3,121.1,120.2,119.4,117.8,110.5,109.5,101.9,66.8$, 55.8; IR (KBr) v 3198, 2963, 1527, 1443, 1231, 839, $625 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{31} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 455.1760$ found 455.1737 .

## 4-ethoxy-11-fluoro-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole


(3ai)
3ai ( 129 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 e}(111 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.28$ ( $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ Hexanes); mp: $226-228{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield ( $63 \%$ ); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 11.30$ (s, 1H), 8.27 (dd, $J=8.5,5.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.97(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.6,1.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.70-7.59(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.59-7.53(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.25(\mathrm{dd}, J=$ $9.9,2.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 7.07 (ddd, $J=16.0,9.4,4.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}$ ), $5.22(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.09-4.00(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.32(\mathrm{t}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 162.5(\mathrm{~d}, J=241.6 \mathrm{~Hz}), 148.0,145.3,142.5(\mathrm{~d}, J=13.6 \mathrm{~Hz}), 141.6,140.8,133.2$, $131.9,129.8,129.6,129.4,128.9,125.6,122.3,122.2,121.1,118.8,116.6,114.7,108.6$ $(\mathrm{d}, J=24.2 \mathrm{~Hz}), 98.9(\mathrm{~d}, J=26.2 \mathrm{~Hz}), 66.4,64.5,15.2 ;{ }^{19} \mathrm{~F}$ NMR ( $376 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta$ 112.84 (s, 1F); IR (KBr) v 3159, 2974, 1556, 1460, 1238, 847, $634 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~F}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 411.1509$ found 411.1506.

10-fluoro-3-methyl-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole

(3aj)
3aj ( 125 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 d}$ ( 111 mg ) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.30$ ( $20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 292-294 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield $=125$ mg ( $66 \%$ ); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.26$ (s, $1 \mathrm{H}), 8.28(\mathrm{t}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.62(\mathrm{ddd}, J=23.1,14.9$,
$6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 7.25(\mathrm{dd}, J=9.9,1.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.15-7.08(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $6.82(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.21(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.34(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}){ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 162.7(\mathrm{~d}, J=$ $240.2 \mathrm{~Hz}), 155.6,142.5(\mathrm{~d}, J=12.7 \mathrm{~Hz}), 141.6,140.8,140.4,133.3,131.7,129.7,129.5$, $129.3,128.9,124.6,123.5,122.2,122.1,120.7,118.8,117.3,108.4$ (d, $J=24.4 \mathrm{~Hz}), 98.8$ (d, $J=25.9 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), 66.4, 21.4; ${ }^{19}$ F NMR ( $376 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta-113.02$ (s, 1F); IR (KBr) v 3189, 2971, 1549, 1444, 1236, 857, $652 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OF}[\mathrm{M}+$ $\mathrm{H}]^{+} 381.1403$ found 381.1414 .

## 10,11-dichloro-2-methyl-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2b]indole (3ak)



3ak (112 mg) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 g}$ ( 136 mg ) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}$ $=0.36$ (20\% EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 205-207 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield ( $52 \%$ ); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.53(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $8.50(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.23$ (s, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.71 $-7.56(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 7.16(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.90(\mathrm{~d}, J=$ $8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.22(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.41(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 $\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}) \delta 154.7,142.0,141.4,139.2,133.1$, 132.7, 131.8, 129.8, 129.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.3, 127.0, 126.7, 121.8, 121.2, 120.8, 120.3, $119.6,114.5,112.7,66.6,27.4$; IR (KBr) v 3145, 2972, 1544, 1446, 1265, $845,639 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OCl}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 431.0718$ found 431.0711 .

## 11-bromo-2-methyl-7-phenyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole

 (3al)

3al ( 123 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 f}(141 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.30$ ( $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ Hexanes); mp: 218-220 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (56\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $\left.400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}\right) \delta 11.28(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.26-$ $8.18(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.70-7.60(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.58-7.53(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, 7.41 (dd, $J=8.3,1.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.16-7.10(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $6.88(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.17(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.40(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta$ 153.6, 142.5, 141.7, 140.5, 133.2, 131.6, 131.4, 131.1, 129.7, $129.6,129.4,129.3,124.8,124.3,123.1,122.3,122.0,121.1,120.6,116.8,115.2,66.3$, 21.0; IR (KBr) v 3171, 2946, 1546, 1437, 1244, 856, $644 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OBr}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 441.0606$ found 441.0600 .


3am ( 85 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}$ ( 102 mg ) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.30$ (20\% EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 248-250 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (47\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 11.16$ (s, 1H), 8.42 (d, $J$ $=7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.29(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.57-7.44(\mathrm{~m}$, $6 \mathrm{H}), 7.36-7.26(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.19(\mathrm{t}, J=7.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.00$ (d, $J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.26(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.47(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) $\delta$ 155.6, 141.9, 141.2, 140.8, 138.7, 131.6, 130.4, 130.3, 130.1, 129.7, 128.9, 127.9, 124.9, 124.7, 122.6, 122.0, 121.3, 120.6, $120.1,117.0,112.7,66.5,21.4$; $\mathrm{IR}(\mathrm{KBr})$ v $3168,2945,1554,1459,1266,847,614 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 363.1497$ found 363.1493.

## 7-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3an)



3an (107 mg) was obtained from 1a (102 mg) following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}$ $=0.34$ ( $30 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 234-236 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (53\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.18(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 8.41 (dd, $J=7.7,1.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.29$ (d, $J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $7.67(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.57(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.50$ (dd, $J=7.5,5.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.35-7.26$ (m, 2H), 7.19 (t, $J$ $=7.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.25(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, 1.41 (s, 9H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta$ 155.6, 151.6, 141.9, 141.3, 140.9, 131.5, $130.5,130.3,129.5,128.8,127.9,126.3,124.9,124.7,122.6,122.0,121.4,120.6,120.1$, $117.0,112.7,66.5,35.0,31.5$; IR (KBr) v 3172, 2944, 1555, 1456, 1244, 857, $643 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{28} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 405.1967$ found 405.1989.

## 7-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ao)


$\mathbf{3 a o}(104 \mathrm{mg})$ was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}(102 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.28$ (30\% EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 215-217 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (55\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.17$ (s, 1H), 8.40 (dd, $J=7.7,1.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.28(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.58-$ 7.45 (m, 4H), 7.31 (ddd, $J=18.0,11.3,4.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ), $7.20(\mathrm{dd}, J=13.3,8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}$, 1H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz , DMSO) $\delta 160.0,155.7,141.8,141.2,140.9,131.7,131.1,130.3,128.8,127.9,125.4$, $125.0,124.7,122.6,122.1,121.4,120.6,120.1,117.0,115.0,112.7,66.5,55.7$; IR ( KBr )
$v$ 3182, 2949, 1551, 1442, 1229, 836, $648 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+$ $\mathrm{H}]^{+} 379.1447$ found 379.1450 .

## 7-(4-chlorophenyl)-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3ap)



3ap ( 97 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}(102 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.28$ ( $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ Hexanes); mp: $264-268{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield $=97$ mg ( $51 \%$ ); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.23$ (s, $1 \mathrm{H}), 8.41$ (dd, $J=7.7,1.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.29(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 7.72$ (d, $J=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.61(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $7.56-7.48$ (m, 2H), $7.37-7.26$ (m, 2H), 7.19 (t, $J=$ $7.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.01(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.25(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}){ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) $\delta$ 155.6, 141.9, 141.3, 140.8, 134.1, 132.3, 131.8, 131.4, 130.4, 129.6, 128.1, 127.7, 124.8, 124.7, 122.7, 122.0, 121.3, 120.7, 120.2, 117.0, 112.6, 66.3; IR ( KBr ) v 3176, 2976, 1554, 1451, 1247, 837, $661 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OCl}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 383.0951$ found 383.0942.

7-(4-chlorophenyl)-11-methyl-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole
 (3aq)
$\mathbf{3 a q}(107 \mathrm{mg})$ was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}(102 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.32$ ( $30 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 209-211 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (54\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 11.10$ (s, 1H), 8.40 (d, J $=7.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.09(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.71(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, 7.59 (d, $J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.48-7.40(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.38-$ $7.29(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.19(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.24(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.52(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 155.6,141.2,140.5$, $140.2,134.1,133.7,132.3,131.7,131.6,130.3,129.6,129.0,127.5,124.9,124.6,122.6$, $122.1,121.1,120.3,117.0,112.3,66.4,21.5$; IR (KBr) v 3172, 2941, 1560, 1442, 1235, $849,644 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OCl}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 397.1108$ found 397.1122.

## 4-(6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indol-7-yl)benzonitrile (3ar)



3ar (108 mg) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}(102 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Light pink solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.32(20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 212-214 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (58\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}) \delta 11.26$ (s, 1H), 8.42 (dd, $J=$ $7.7,1.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 8.30 (d, $J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.02(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.82$ (d, $J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.55-7.51$ (m, 2H), $7.36-7.29(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.20(\mathrm{t}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.01(\mathrm{~d}, J=$ $7.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.25(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta$
155.6, 141.9, 141.5, 140.8, 136.7, 132.7, 131.3, 130.9, 130.5, 128.2, 127.4, 126.4, 124.7, 122.7, 122.1, 121.9, 121.2, 120.7, 120.3, 117.1, 114.9, 112.6, 66.3; IR (KBr) v 3165, 2938, 1537, 1428, 1251, 845, $637 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+$ $\mathrm{H}]^{+} 374.1293$ found 374.1294.

Methyl 4-(6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indol-7-yl)benzoate (3as)


3as ( 132 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}(102 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.28(20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: $224-226{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield ( $65 \%$ ); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}) \delta 11.27(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.39(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.7,1.6$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.28(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.20(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, 7.73 (d, $J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.52-7.50(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.35-7.26$ (m, 2H), 7.18 (td, $J=7.6,1.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.02-6.98(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 5.24 (s, 2H), $3.94(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 166.5,155.6,141.9,141.4$, $140.8,138.3,131.1,130.6,130.4,130.3,128.2,127.8,124.7,122.8,121.8,121.2,120.7$, $120.3,117.1,112.6,66.3,52.9$; IR (KBr) v 3157, 2987, 1682, 1578, 1436, 1211, 842, 652 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1} ;$ HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 407.1396$ found 407.1393.

7-(thiophen-2-yl)-6,8-dihydrochromeno[3',4':5,6]pyrido[3,2-b]indole (3at)


3at (103 mg) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}(102 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{A}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.28$ ( $20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 307-309 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (58\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 11.34$ (s, 1H), 8.34 (dd, $J=44.1,7.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.98(\mathrm{~d}, J=4.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.63-$ 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.36 (ddd, $J=22.3,15.5,9.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 4 \mathrm{H}$ ), $7.19(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.02(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.40$ (s, 2H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) $\delta 155.6,141.9$, $141.4,140.8,132.8,131.8,130.5,130.3,129.2,128.7,128.2,124.7,122.7,122.0,121.8$, 120.7, 120.4, 117.0, 112.9, 66.5; IR (KBr) v 3178, 2966, 1558, 1436, 1246, 838, $657 \mathrm{~cm}^{-}$ ${ }^{1}$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 355.0905$ found 355.0907.

General Procedure B for the synthesis of annelated pyrimidines (4a-c) Taking Synthesis of 4a as an Example.


Ethyl 2-amino-1H-indole-3-carboxylate (1a) (102 mg, 0.5 mmol$)$, 2-((3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy) benzaldehyde (2a) ( $118 \mathrm{mg}, 0.5 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and $\mathrm{Yb}(\mathrm{OTf})_{3}(31 \mathrm{mg}, 10 \mathrm{~mol} \%)$ in anhydrous $\mathrm{MeCN}(3 \mathrm{~mL})$ in a 15 mL Schlenk tube were added TFA (Triflouro acetic acid) ( $0.04 \mathrm{~mL}, 1$ equiv) and the reaction mixture was stirred at $80{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (oil bath temperature) until complete conversion of starting material (monitored by TLC, 20 h ). After completion of the reaction, the solvent removed under reduced pressure and the crude material was purified on silica gel using $40 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{hexane}$ to get $\mathbf{4 a}$ ( 136 mg , $65 \%$ ) as a dark brick red solid.
ethyl 7-phenyl-6H-chromeno[4',3':4,5]pyrimido[1,2-a]indole-13-carboxylate (4a)


Brick red solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.28$ ( $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{Hexanes}$ ); mp: $198-200{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield $=136 \mathrm{mg}(65 \%) ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 $\left.\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 8.61-8.47(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.77-7.68(\mathrm{~m}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 7.51-7.34(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.19(\mathrm{t}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.97$ $(\mathrm{d}, J=8.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.91(\mathrm{dd}, J=11.5,4.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $6.21(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.95(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.57(\mathrm{q}, J=7.1$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.59(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}) .{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta \delta 165.1,158.1,151.1,146.5,142.7,133.6$, $131.1,130.4,130.2,128.5,128.4,126.6,125.1,122.8,121.9,121.7,121.5,117.4,114.3$, 110.23, 95.2, 64.8, 59.7, 14.8; IR (KBr) v 2933, 1667, 1378, 1219, $770 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{27} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 421.1552$ found 421.1560 .


4b carboxylate (4b)

4b (137 mg) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}(102 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{B}$; Brick red solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.34(30 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 203-205 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (63\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 8.56(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.8,1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}$,
$1 \mathrm{H}), 8.51(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.50(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.44-7.37(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.36(\mathrm{dd}, J=$ $7.0,4.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.21-7.16(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.98-6.95(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.92(\mathrm{ddd}, J=8.5,7.1,1.2$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.30(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.95(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.57(\mathrm{q}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.58(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, $1.58(\mathrm{t}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}) .{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $\left.100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl} 3\right) \delta 165.1,158.1,151.1,146.6$, $143.0,141.4,133.6,130.8,130.2,128.6,128.2,127.4,126.6,125.0,122.7,121.8,121.7$, $121.4,117.3,114.5,110.3,95.0,64.8,59.7,21.7,14.8$; IR (KBr) v 2933, 1732, 1436, 1220, $770 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{28} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 435.1709$ found 435.1707.

## ethyl 2-bromo-7-phenyl-6H-chromeno[4',3':4,5]pyrimido[1,2-a]indole-13carboxylate (4c):

4c ( 169 mg ) was obtained from $\mathbf{1 a}(102 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure B; Brick red solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.28(20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 221-223 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield ( $68 \%$ ); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 8.65(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $8.51(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.77-7.69(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.49$ (ddd, $J=8.1,4.5,2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.39(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 6.92 (ddd, $J=8.5,7.1,1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.86(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.7 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 6.21(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.94(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.57(\mathrm{q}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.61(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $3 \mathrm{H}) .{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $\left.125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl} 3\right) \delta 165.0,156.9,149.6,146.0,143.0,136.1,131.31$, $130.3,129.01,128.5,128.3,125.3,123.2,122.0,121.8,119.3,115.4,114.4,109.6,95.5$, $64.9,59.9,14.6$; IR (KBr) v 2972, 1616, 1496, 1229, $667 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{27} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{Br}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 499.0657$ found 499.0671.
General Procedure $\mathbf{C}$ for the synthesis dihydrochromeno $\alpha$-carbolines of (7a-c)
Taking Synthesis of 7a as an Example.


To a 15 mL Schlenk tube was added ethyl 1 H -indol-2-amine hydrochloride (7) (84 mg, $0.5 \mathrm{mmol})$, 2-((3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy) benzaldehyde (2a) (118 mg, 0.5 mmol ) and $\mathrm{Yb}(\mathrm{OTf})_{3}(31 \mathrm{mg}, 10 \mathrm{~mol} \%)$ in anhydrous $\mathrm{MeCN}(3 \mathrm{~mL})$ and the reaction mixture was stirred at $80{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (oil bath temperature) until complete conversion of starting material (monitored by TLC, 18 h ). After completion of the reaction, solvent was removed under
reduced pressure and the crude material purified on silica gel using $30 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{hexane}$ to get $\mathbf{4 a}(107 \mathrm{mg}, 62 \%)$ as a off-colorless solid

## 7-phenyl-6,9-dihydrochromeno[4',3':4,5]pyrido[2,3-b]indole (8a)



Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.28$ ( $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ Hexanes); $\mathrm{mp}: 195-198{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield $=107 \mathrm{mg}(62 \%)$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 $\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}) \delta 12.11(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.34(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.8,1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 7.71(\mathrm{dd}, J=5.8,4.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.59-7.54(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, $7.45-7.40(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.24(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.06$ (dd, $J=8.1,0.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.99(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.8,1.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, 5.19 (s, 2H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta 156.4$, 152.0, 145.1, 141.3, 139.9, 135.7, 131.5, 129.6, 129.4, $128.8,127.0,125.0,124.3,122.7,121.7,120.0,119.8,117.2,116.3,113.2,111.8,66.2$; IR (KBr) v 3090, 2966, 1592, 1460, 1222, 839, $769 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 349.1341$ found 349.1339.

## 7-(p-tolyl)-6,9-dihydrochromeno[4',3':4,5]pyrido[2,3-b]indole (8b)


$\mathbf{8 b}(107 \mathrm{mg})$ was obtained from $7(84 \mathrm{mg})$ following general procedure $\mathbf{C}$; Off- colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}=0.28(20 \%$ EtOAc/Hexanes); mp: 209-211 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield (59\%); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}) \delta 12.11(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 8.36(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $7.58-7.47(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 7.38(\mathrm{dd}, J=13.4,7.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.20(\mathrm{t}$, $J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.19(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.42(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) .{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 $\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}) \delta 156.4,152.1,145.1,141.4,139.8,138.7$, 132.7, 131.4, 130.1, 128.81, 126.9, 125.0, 124.3, 122.6, $121.8,120.7,119.8,117.2,116.47,113.3,111.8,66.2,21.5$; IR (KBr) v 2934, 1678, 1484, 1216, 827, $769 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 363.1497$ found 363.1497.
methyl 4-(6,9-dihydrochromeno[4',3':4,5]pyrido[2,3-b]indol-7-yl)benzoate (8c)


8c ( 118 mg ) mg was obtained from $7(84 \mathrm{mg}$ ) following general procedure $\mathbf{C}$; Off-colorless solid; $\mathrm{R}_{f}$ $=0.28$ ( $20 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} /$ Hexanes); mp: 204-206 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; Yield ( $58 \%$ ); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $\left.400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}\right) \delta 12.22(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $8.41-8.33(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 8.12(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.79(\mathrm{~d}$, $J=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.59-7.50(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.39(\mathrm{td}, J=7.6$, $1.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.21(\mathrm{dd}, J=10.7,4.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.20(\mathrm{~s}$, 2 H ), 3.91 (s, 3H). ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ) $\delta$ $166.5,157.1,152.8,150.7,143.9,140.5,134.6,132.0,130.1,129.9,129.60,128.5,127.7$, $123.0,122.9$, 122.6, 120.3, 119.9, 119.6, 118.06, 112.1, 109.3, 67.3, 52.7; IR (KBr) v

2924, 1725, 1460, 1278, 872, $761 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+$ $\mathrm{H}]^{+} 407.1396$ found 407.1397.

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| 190 | 180 | 170 | 160 | 150 | 140 | 130 | 120 | 110 | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \\ & \mathrm{f}_{1}(\mathrm{ppm}) \end{aligned}$ | 90 | 80 | 70 | 60 | 50 | 40 | 30 | 20 | 10 | 0 |



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| 190 | 180 | 170 | 160 | 150 | 140 | 130 | 120 | 110 | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \\ & \mathrm{f1}(\mathrm{ppm}) \end{aligned}$ | 90 | 80 | 70 | 60 | 50 | 40 | 30 | 20 | 10 |



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| 190 | 180 | 170 | 160 | 150 | 140 | 130 | 120 | 110 | ${ }_{\mathrm{f} 1}^{100}(\mathrm{ppm})$ | 90 | 80 | 70 | 60 | 50 | 40 | 30 | 20 | 10 | 0 |





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## V. X-ray crystallographic data.

Crystallographic data


Figure caption: ORTEP diagram of 3af compound with the atom-numbering. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $35 \%$ probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radius. CCDC 1970227 contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper which can be obtained free of charge at https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/structures/


Figure caption: ORTEP diagram of 3da compound (major component) with the atom-numbering. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $35 \%$ probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radius. The asymmetric unit contains compound and DMSO solvent in 1:0.5 ratio. DMSO interacts with the molecule by N-H...O hydrogen bond, indicated by a dotted line. The symmetry related second half of DMSO is shown for clarity purpose. The $-\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ group at carbon C24 atom was found to be partially oxidized to - CHOH and found as a disordered site in the crystal lattice. The disorder model refinement suggested that the unoxidized product is the major component with site occupancy of $0.905(5)$ for $\mathrm{C} 24 / \mathrm{H} 24 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{H} 24 \mathrm{~B}$ atoms and the oxidized product is the minor component with site occupancy of $0.095(5)$ for C24D/H24D/O3D/H3D atoms. CCDC 1970228 contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper which can be obtained free of charge at https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/structures/.


ORTEP diagram of 3da compound (minor component) with the atom-numbering.


ORTEP diagram of $\mathbf{8 c}$ compound with the atom-numbering. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $35 \%$ probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radius. CCDC 1970229 contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper which can be obtained free of charge at https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/structures/


ORTEP diagram of $\mathbf{4 b}$ compound with the atom-numbering. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $35 \%$ probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radius. CCDC 1970230 contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper which can be obtained free of charge at https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/structures/

Table S1. Crystal Data Collection and Refinement Parameters for 3af.

|  | 3af |
| :---: | :---: |
| chemical formula | $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}, \mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ |
| $F \boldsymbol{w} ; \boldsymbol{F}(000)$ | 480.54; 4572 |
| $T$ (K) | 293(2) |
| wavelength ( ${ }_{\text {® }}$ ) | 0.71073 |
| space group | R-3 |
| $\boldsymbol{a}$ ( ${ }_{\text {A }}$ ) | 26.635(19) |
| $\boldsymbol{b}$ ( ${ }_{\text {A }}$ ) | 26.635 |
| $\boldsymbol{c}$ (A) | 16.714(14) |
| $\alpha$ (deg) | 90 |
| $\beta$ (deg) | 90 |
| $\gamma$ (deg) | 120 |
| Z | 18 |
| $V\left({ }^{\text {a }}\right.$ ) | 10269(17) |
| $\rho_{\text {calcd }}\left(\mathbf{g} \cdot \mathrm{cm}^{-3}\right)$ | 1.399 |
| $\boldsymbol{\mu}\left(\mathbf{m m}^{-1}\right)$ | 0.093 |
| $\theta$ range (deg); completeness | 2.635-30.632; 0.998 |
| collected reflections; $\mathbf{R}_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$ | 28339; 0.0433 |
| unique reflections; Rint | 28339; 0.0400 |
| R1 ${ }^{\text {a }}$; wR2 ${ }^{\text {b }}$ [I ${ }^{\text {> 2б(I) }}$ ] | 0.0561; 0.1542 |
| R1; wR2 [all data] | 0.1016; 0.1776 |
| GOF | 1.007 |
| largest diff peak and hole | 0.184 and -0.213 |
| ${ }^{\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{w R}_{2}=\left\{\Sigma\left[\mathbf{w}\left(\mathbf{F}_{0}{ }^{2}-\mathbf{F}^{2}\right)^{2}\right)^{2} / \Sigma\left[\mathrm{w}\left(\mathbf{F}_{0}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}\right]\right\}^{1 / 2}$ | $\left.\left.w\left(\mathbf{F}_{0}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}\right]\right]^{1 / 2}$ |

Table S2. Crystal Data Collection and Refinement Parameters for 3da.

|  | 3da |
| :---: | :---: |
| chemical formula | $2\left(\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{FN}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{1.10}\right), \mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{OS}$ |
| $\boldsymbol{F w} \boldsymbol{;} \boldsymbol{F}(\mathbf{0 0 0})$ | 813.92; 1694 |
| $\boldsymbol{T}$ (K) | 293(2) |
| wavelength ( ${ }_{\text {® }}$ ) | 0.71073 |
| space group | C2/c |
| $\boldsymbol{a}$ ( $\AA$ ) | 22.70(2) |
| $\boldsymbol{b}$ (®) | 7.518(7) |
| $\boldsymbol{c}$ ( ${ }_{\text {A }}$ ) | 24.71(2) |
| $\alpha$ (deg) | 90 |
| $\beta$ (deg) | 109.661(16) |
| $\gamma$ (deg) | 90 |
| Z | 4 |
| $V\left(\AA^{3}\right)$ | 3972(6) |
| $\rho_{\text {calcd }}\left(\mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{c m}^{-3}\right)$ | 1.361 |
| $\mu\left(\mathbf{m m}^{-1}\right)$ | 0.142 |
| $\theta$ range (deg); completeness | 2.109-24.998; 0.999 |
| collected reflections; $\mathbf{R}_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$ | 17034; 0.0535 |
| unique reflections; $\mathbf{R i n t}^{\text {in }}$ | 17034; 0.0545 |
|  | 0.0579; 0.1456 |
| R1; wR2 [all data] | 0.1079; 0.1723 |
| GOF | 1.051 |
| largest diff peak and hole | 0.212 and -0.267 |

${ }^{a} \mathbf{R}_{1}=\Sigma\left(| | \mathbf{F}_{0}\left|-\left|\mathbf{F}_{c}\right|\right) / \Sigma\left|\mathbf{F}_{0}\right|\right.$
${ }^{\mathbf{b}}{ }_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{R}_{2}=\left\{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\left[\mathbf{w}\left(\mathbf{F}_{0}{ }^{2}-\mathbf{F}_{c^{2}}\right)^{2}\right] / \Sigma\left[\mathbf{w}\left(\mathbf{F}_{0}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}\right]\right\}^{1 / 2}$

Table S3. Crystal Data Collection and Refinement Parameters for 8c.

|  | 8c |
| :---: | :---: |
| chemical formula | $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O} 3$ |
| $F w ; F(000)$ | 406.42; 424 |
| $\boldsymbol{T}$ (K) | 293(2) |
| wavelength ( ${ }_{\text {( }}$ ) | 0.71073 |
| space group | P-1 |
| $\boldsymbol{a}$ ( ${ }_{\text {A }}$ ) | 8.031(3) |
| $\boldsymbol{b}$ ( ${ }_{\text {A }}$ ) | 10.670(5) |
| $\boldsymbol{c}$ ( ${ }_{\text {A }}$ ) | 12.569(5) |
| $\alpha$ (deg) | 93.207(12) |
| $\beta$ (deg) | 102.784(9) |
| $\gamma$ (deg) | 108.553(11) |
| Z | 2 |
| $V\left(\AA^{3}\right)$ | 986.4(7) |
| $\rho$ calcd ( $\mathbf{(} \cdot \mathrm{cm}^{-3}$ ) | 1.368 |
| $\boldsymbol{\mu}\left(\mathbf{m m}^{-1}\right)$ | 0.091 |
| $\theta$ range (deg); completeness | 2.452-30.555; 0.998 |
| collected reflections; $\mathbf{R}_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$ | 25056; 0.0533 |
| unique reflections; $\mathbf{R}_{\text {int }}$ | 25056; 0.0543 |
| R1 ${ }^{\text {a }}$, wR2 ${ }^{\text {b }}$ [I $>\mathbf{2 \sigma}(\mathrm{I})$ ] | 0.0540; 0.1576 |
| R1; wR2 [all data] | 0.0837; 0.1770 |
| GOF | 1.155 |
| largest diff peak and hole | 0.385 and -0.255 |

${ }^{a} \mathbf{R}_{1}=\Sigma\left(| | \mathbf{F}_{0}\left|-\left|\mathbf{F}_{c}\right|\right) / \Sigma\left|\mathbf{F}_{0}\right|\right.$
${ }^{\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{w R}_{2}=\left\{\Sigma\left[\mathbf{w}\left(\mathbf{F}_{0}{ }^{2}-\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{c}}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}\right] / \Sigma\left[\mathbf{w}\left(\mathbf{F}_{0}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}\right]\right\}^{1 / 2}$

Table S4. Crystal Data Collection and Refinement Parameters for 4b.

|  | 4b |
| :---: | :---: |
| chemical formula | $\mathrm{C}_{28} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ |
| $F w ; F(000)$ | 434.47; 456 |
| $\boldsymbol{T}$ (K) | 293(2) |
| wavelength ( ${ }_{\text {( }}$ ) | 0.71073 |
| space group | P-1 |
| $\boldsymbol{a}$ ( ® $^{\text {) }}$ | 9.503(7) |
| $\boldsymbol{b}$ ( ${ }_{\text {A }}$ ) | 9.907(8) |
| $\boldsymbol{c}$ ( ${ }_{\text {A }}$ ) | 12.446(10) |
| $\alpha$ (deg) | 96.68(2) |
| $\beta$ (deg) | 99.585(17) |
| $\gamma$ (deg) | 103.549(19) |
| Z | 2 |
| $V\left({ }^{\mathbf{3}}{ }^{3}\right.$ | 1108.4(15) |
| $\rho_{\text {calcd }}\left(\mathbf{g} \cdot \mathrm{cm}^{-3}\right)$ | 1.302 |
| $\boldsymbol{\mu}\left(\mathbf{m m}^{-1}\right)$ | 0.085 |
| $\theta$ range (deg); completeness | 2.143-24.998; 0.999 |
| collected reflections; $\mathbf{R}_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$ | 21141; 0.0925 |
| unique reflections; $\mathbf{R}_{\text {int }}$ | 21141; 0.1256 |
|  | 0.0635; 0.1489 |
| R1; wR2 [all data] | 0.1346; 0.1815 |
| GOF | 0.997 |
| largest diff peak and hole | 0.243 and -0.196 |

${ }^{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{R}_{1}=\Sigma\left(| | \mathbf{F}_{0}\left|-\left|\mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{c}}\right|\right|\right) / \Sigma\left|\mathbf{F}_{0}\right|$
${ }^{\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{w} \mathbf{R}_{2}=\left\{\Sigma\left[\mathbf{w}\left(\mathbf{F}_{0}{ }^{2}-\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{c}}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}\right] / \Sigma\left[\mathbf{w}\left(\mathbf{F}_{0}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}\right]\right\}^{1 / 2}$
$\underline{\text { Data collection and Structure solution details: Single crystal X-ray data for 3af, 3da, 8c, 4b }}$ compounds were collected at room temperature on a Bruker D8 QUEST equipped with a fourcircle kappa diffractometer and Photon 100 detector. An $\mathrm{I} \mu \mathrm{s}$ microfocus Mo source ( $\square=0.71073 \AA$ ) supplied the multi-mirror monochromated incident beam. A combination of Phi and Omega scans were used to collect the necessary data and unit cell dimensions were determined using 9904 reflections for 3af, 5015 reflections for 3da, 9956 reflections for 8c and 3949 reflections for $\mathbf{4 b}$ data sets. Integration and scaling of intensity data were accomplished using SAINT program. ${ }^{1}$ The structures were solved by Direct Methods using SHELXS $97^{2}$ and refinement was carried out by full-matrix least-squares technique using SHELXL-2014/7. ${ }^{2-3}$ Anisotropic displacement parameters were included for all non-hydrogen atoms. All H atoms were positioned geometrically and treated as riding on their parent C atoms, with C-H distances of 0.93--0.97 $\AA$, and with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C}) \quad$ or $1.5 U_{\text {eq }}$ for methyl atoms. The N bound H atoms were located from the difference Fourier map.

In KA422, the solvent of crystallization ethyl acetate was trapped inside the crystal lattice; however, the ethyl acetate solvent molecule showed extensive disorder and could not be resolved well. PLATON SQUEEZE module ${ }^{4}$ was employed to remove the solvent contribution from the overall scattering during the final cycle of refinement. In KA844 also, the solvent of crystallization DMSO was trapped inside the crystal lattice and was found to be disordered over a two fold axis with $50 \%$ site occupancy. The $-\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ group at carbon C 24 atom was found to be partially oxidized to -CHOH and found as a disordered site in the crystal lattice. The disorder model refinement suggested that the unoxidized product is the major component with site occupancy of $0.905(5)$ for $\mathrm{C} 24 / \mathrm{H} 24 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{H} 24 \mathrm{~B}$ atoms and the oxidized product is the minor component with site occupancy of $0.095(5)$ for $\mathrm{C} 24 \mathrm{D} / \mathrm{H} 24 \mathrm{D} / \mathrm{O} 3 \mathrm{D} / \mathrm{H} 3 \mathrm{D}$ atoms. The disorder model structural refinement was performed with DELU and SIMU instructions. Structures with CCDC Deposition Numbers 1970227-1970230 contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper which can be obtained free of charge at https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/structures/

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