

# SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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Elemental analytical data for products **4-7, 10, 11a-14a, 16, 19, 20, 22**.

**2-Iodo-4-chloro-6-nitrotoluene (4).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>5</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>ClI: C, 28.26; H, 1.69; N, 4.70. Found: C, 28.10; H, 1.86; N, 4.54.

**Methyl (2-iodo-4-chloro-6-nitrophenyl)pyruvate (6).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>ClI: C, 31.31; H, 1.83; N, 3.65. Found: C, 31.22; H, 1.97; N, 3.60.

**Methyl 4-iodo-6-chloroindole-2-carboxylate (7).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>ClI: C, 35.80; H, 2.10; N, 4.17. Found: C, 35.62; H, 2.15; N, 4.07.

**Methyl 4-(2-formylethyl)-6-chloroindole-2-carboxylate (10).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Cl<sup>1/8</sup>H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 58.27; H, 4.60; N, 5.22. Found: C, 58.45; H, 4.62; N, 5.09.

**Methyl 4-(4-ethoxycarbonyl-3-butenyl)-6-chloroindole-2-carboxylate (11a).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Cl: C, 60.81; H, 5.40; N, 4.17. Found: C, 60.58; H, 5.38; N, 3.90.

**Methyl 3-iodo-4-(4-ethoxycarbonyl-3-butenyl)-6-chloroindole-2-carboxylate (12a).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>ClI: C, 44.23; H, 3.71; N, 3.03. Found: C, 43.94; H, 3.89; N, 2.79.

**Methyl 7-chloro-3-ethoxycarbonylmethyl-1,3,4,5-tetrahydrobenz[c,d]indole-2-carboxylate (13a).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Cl: C, 60.81; H, 5.40; N, 4.17. Found: C, 60.79; H, 5.37; N, 3.99.

**Methyl 7-chloro-3-carboxymethyl-1,3,4,5-tetrahydrobenz[c,d]indole-2-carboxylate (16).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Cl<sup>1/10</sup>H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 58.20; H, 4.62; N, 4.52. Found: C, 58.18; H, 4.66; N, 4.40.

**Methyl 7-chloro-3-ethoxycarbonylmethylidene-1,3,4,5-tetrahydrobenz[c,d]indole-2-carboxylate (14a).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Cl: C, 61.18; H, 4.83; N, 4.20. Found: C, 61.25; H, 4.86; N, 4.06.

**7-Chloro-3-carboxymethyl-1,3,4,5-tetrahydrobenz[c,d]indole-2-carboxylic acid (19).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Cl<sup>1/8</sup>H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 56.81; H, 4.17; N, 4.73. Found: C, 57.10; H, 4.21; N, 4.66.

**7-Chloro-3-phenylaminocarbonylmethyl-1,3,4,5-tetrahydrobenz[c,d]indole-2-carboxylic acid (20).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Cl<sup>1/4</sup>H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 64.34; H, 4.72; N, 7.50. Found: C, 64.42; H, 4.92; N, 7.32.

**7-Chloro-3-(4-aminomethyl-2-(carboxymethoxy)phenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl-1,3,4,5-tetrahydrobenz[c,d]indole-2-carboxylic acid hydrochloride (22).** Anal. Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 52.48; H, 4.78; N, 7.98. Found: C, 52.72; H, 4.82; N, 7.71.