Supplementary Material

Access to 2,5-disubstituted furans through a Passerini-Smiles/furyl rearrangement pathway

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General Experimental Details

Methanol was distilled from CaH₂ under N₂ immediately before use. All other reagents and solvents were commercial grade (Aldrich or Acros) and used without purification.

Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using plastic-backed silica gel (225 μ m) plates. Most of the compounds were purified via manual flash column chromatography that utilized 230–400 mesh silica gel from Sigma-Aldrich. Some compounds were purified via automated chromatography on the Biotage IsoleraTM Flash Purification system using a gradient method with SNAP Ultra cartridges. Products were visualized by UV light, and/or the use of ceric ammonium molybdate, *p*-anisaldehyde, and potassium iodoplatinate solutions.

IR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet[™] iS5 FT-IR Spectrometer and are reported in wavenumbers (cm⁻¹). Liquids and oils were analyzed as neat films on a NaCl plate (transmission), whereas solids were applied to a diamond plate (ATR). Nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (NMR) were acquired on a Bruker Ascend (400 MHz) Spectrometer and processed with TopSpin 3.2. Chemical shifts are measured relative to residual solvent peaks as an internal standard set to 🛛 7.26 and 🖓 77.1 (CDCl₃). HRMS FAB data was collected from a JEOL MStation [JMS-700] Mass Spectrometer at the University of Missouri-St Louis. Direct infusion mass spectrometry (DIMS) was used to verify accurate masses for new synthetic compounds, using a Triversa Nanomate nanospray direct infusion robot (Advion) attached to a Q-Exactive Mass Spectrometer. These samples were analyzed at the Proteomics & Mass Spectrometry Facility at the Danforth Plant Science Center (St Louis, MO). A Biotage Initiator+ microwave synthesizer was used for irradiation studies. 2-Allyl-6-nitrophenol was prepared from 2-nitrophenol at 175°C.^{1,2}

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Synthesis of *N*-cyclohexyl-2-(furan-2-yl)-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)acetamide (1a).



To a solution of 2-nitrophenol (27.8 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.50 mL), 2-furaldehyde (22.5 μ L, 0.26 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (37.3 μ L, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (4 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 5% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **1a** (51.3 mg, 74%): R_f = 0.50 (50:50 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.08 (m, 1H), 6.52 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (dd, *J* = 3.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 3.85-3.83 (m, 1H), 2.03-1.89 (m, 1H), 1.78-1.66 (m, 2H), 1.62-1.59 (m, 1H), 1.43-1.31 (m, 4H), 1.28-1.22 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.3, 150.4, 148.4, 143.8, 139.6, 135.2, 126.7, 122.2, 116.3, 111.3, 111.0, 74.8, 48.5, 32.8, 25.2; IR: (diamond plate: [cm⁻¹]): 3386 (m) [N-H], 2930 (m) [C-H], 1585 (m) [C=O], 1247 (s) [C-N]; HR-FAB MS [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₂₀N₂O₅Na⁺ 367.12644; found 367.12698.

Synthesis of *N*-cyclohexyl-2-(furan-3-yl)-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)acetamide (1b).



To a solution of 2-nitrophenol (140.3 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (1.0 mL), 3-furaldehyde (113 μ L, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (188 μ L, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (17.6 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 10% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **1b** (178.7 mg, 52%); R_f = 0.50 (50:50 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 7.8Hz, 1H) 7.38-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.07 (m, 2H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 3.81-3.74 (m, 1H) 1.91-1.86 (m, 2H), 1.72-1.69 (m, 2H), 1.61-1.58 (m, 1H), 1.40-1.31 (m, 3H), 1.30-1.20 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.0, 150.4, 143.9, 141.0, 139.5, 135.1, 126.6, 121.9, 120.9, 116.0, 108.7, 74.9, 48.3, 32.8, 32.7, 25.5, 24.7; IR: (diamond plate: [cm⁻¹]): 3389 (m) [N-H], 2931 (m) [C-H], 1585 (s) [C=O], 1248 (m) [C-N]; HR-FAB MS [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₂₀N₂O₅Na⁺ 367.12644; found 367.12698.

Synthesis of *N*-cyclohexyl-2-(furan-2-yl)-2-(4-methyl-2-nitrophenoxy)acetamide (1c).



To a solution of 4-methyl-2-nitrophenol (79.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.50 mL), 2-furaldehyde (55.6 μ L, 0.7 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (96.4 μ L, 0.8 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (9 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 15% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **1c** (101.2 mg, 50%); R_f = 0.30 (40:60 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.54 (br s, NH, 1H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d, *J* = 2.72, 1H), 5.69 (s, 1H), 3.82-3.80 (m, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.96-1.86 (m, 3H), 1.72-1.56 (m, 4H), 1.35-1.19 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.3, 148.5, 148.2, 143.7, 135.7, 132.3, 126.5, 116.4, 111.1, 110.8, 74.9, 48.4, 32.8, 31.0, 25.5, 24.7, 20.3; IR: (diamond plate: [cm⁻¹]): 3387 (m) [N-H], 2930 (m) [C-H], 1526 (s) [C=O], 1251 (s) [C-N]; HR-FAB MS [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₂₂N₂O₄Na⁺ 381.14209; found 381.14264.

Synthesis of *N*-cyclohexyl-2-(furan-2-yl)-2-(4-methoxy-2-nitrophenoxy)acetamide (1d).



To a solution of 4-methoxy-2-nitrophenol (85.5 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.50 mL), 2-furaldehyde (54.4 μ L, 0.7 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (94.3 μ L, 0.8 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (8.8 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 10% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **1d** (65.3 mg, 31%); R_f = 0.41 (40:60 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (br s, NH, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.09-7.04 (m, 2H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.33 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 3.83-3.76 (m, 4H), 2.01-1.88 (m, 3H), 1.73-1.57 (m, 4H), 1.36-1.23 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.4, 154.3, 148.7, 144.5, 143.8, 140.0, 121.7, 118.7, 111.3, 110.9, 110.4, 75.7, 56.2, 48.4, 32.8, 25.6, 24.8; IR: (diamond plate: [cm⁻¹]): 3388 (m) [N-H], 2930 (m) [C-H], 1524 (s) [C=O], 1218 (s) [C-N]; HR-FAB MS [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₂₂N₂O₆Na⁺ 397.13701; found 397.13754.

Synthesis of *N*-cyclohexyl-2-(4-fluoro-2-nitrophenoxy)-2-(furan-2-yl)acetamide (1e).



To a solution of 4-fluoro-2-nitrophenol (157.7 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (1.0 mL), 2-furaldehyde (108 μ L, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (187 μ L, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (17.5 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 15% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **1e** (216.0 mg, 60%); R_f = 0.33 (40:60 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71-7.69 (m, 1H), 7.46 (br s, NH, 1H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 1H), 6.52 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (s, 1H), 3.86-3.84 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.99 (m, 2H), 1.75-1.72 (m, 2H), 1.63-1.60 (m, 1H), 1.38-1.22 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.9, 157.4, 154.9, 148.1, 146.8, 143.6, 139.4, 122.0, 118.3, 113.6, 110.6, 75.4, 48.3, 32.7, 32.6, 26.0, 25.5, 24.6; IR: (diamond plate: [cm⁻¹]): 3393 (m) [N-H], 2931 (m) [C-H], 1526 (s) [C=O], 1266 (s) [C-N].

Synthesis of 2-(5-bromo-2-nitrophenoxy)-N-cyclohexyl-2-(furan-2-yl)acetamide (1f).



To a solution of 5-bromo-2-nitrophenol (110.6 mg, 0.51 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.50 mL), 2-furaldehyde (54 μ L, 0.65 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (93 μ L, 0.75 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (7 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 15% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **1f** (165.3 mg, 77%): R_f = 0.60 (50:50 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (br d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, NH), 7.47-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.25 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.42-6.37 (m, 1H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 3.93-3.79 (m, 1H), 2.07-1.87 (m, 2H), 1.84-1.69 (m, 2H), 1.67-1.57 (m, 1H), 1.46-1.20 (m, 5H) ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.5, 150.7, 147.7, 143.9, 138.3, 129.4, 127.6, 125.3, 119.9, 111.7, 110.9, 75.0, 48.4, 32.7, 32.6, 25.4, 24.6 (2C).

Synthesis of 2-(4-bromofuran-2-yl)-N-cyclohexyl-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)acetamide (1g).



To a solution of 2-nitrophenol (140 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (1.0 mL), 4-bromo-2-furaldehyde (230.4 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (189 μ L, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (17.6 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **1g** (276.2 mg, 64%); R_f = 0.53 (40:60 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.17-7.11 (m, 1H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 5.71 (s, 1H), 3.84-3.82 (m, 1H), 1.99-1.88 (m, 2H), 1.75-1.59 (m, 4H), 1.40-1.22 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.6, 150.2, 149.5, 142.0, 139.6, 135.3, 126.8, 122.5, 116.1, 114.3, 100.7, 74.4, 48.6, 32.9, 25.5, 24.8; IR: (diamond plate: [cm⁻¹]): 3382 (m) [N-H], 2930 (m) [C-H], 1585 (s) [C=O], 1247 (s) [C-N], 735 (w) [C-Br]; HR-FAB MS [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₉BrN₂O₅Na⁺ 445.03696; found 445.0315.

Synthesis of 2-(5-chlorofuran-2-yl)-N-cyclohexyl-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)acetamide (1h).



To a solution of 2-nitrophenol (130.0 mg, 0.9 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (935 μ L), 5-chloro-2-furaldehyde (158.5 mg, 1.2 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (174.3 μ L, 1.4 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (16.3 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **1h** (108.5 mg, 31%); R_f = 0.33 (40:60 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, J = 9.2, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 3.85-3.83 (m, 1H), 2.01-1.89 (m, 2H), 1.79-1.60 (m, 4H), 1.42-1.23 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.6, 150.3, 148.0, 139.7, 138.1, 135.2, 126.8, 122.4, 116.2, 113.7, 107.7, 74.6, 48.7, 32.8, 25.6, 24.8; IR: (diamond plate: [cm⁻¹]): 3386 (m) [N-H], 2931 (m) [C-H], 1585 (s) [C=O], 1247 (s) [C-N], 740 (w) [C-Cl].

Synthesis of *N*-cyclohexyl-2-(5-iodofuran-2-yl)-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)acetamide (1i) and *N*-cyclohexyl-2-(4-hydroxy-3-nitrophenyl)-2-(5-iodofuran-2-yl)acetamide (2b).



To a solution of 2-nitrophenol (130.0 mg, 0.9 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (935 µL), 5-iodo-2-furaldehyde (158.5 mg, 1.2 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (174 µL, 1.4 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (16.3 µL, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction proceeds to stir for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated with flash chromatography (SiO₂, 20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **1i** and **2b** (105.8 mg, 25%). **1i**: $R_f = 0.41$ (40:60 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, J = 7.4, 7.4 Hz, 1H) 6.52 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 6.4 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 5.73 (s, 1H), 3.85-3.83 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.88 (m, 2H), 1.79-1.72 (m, 3H), 1.62-1.60 (m, 2H), 1.41-1.22 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.8, 153.9, 150.3, 139.7, 135.2, 126.7, 122.4, 121.6, 116.3, 114.1, 89.9, 74.4, 48.6, 32.9, 32.7, 25.6, 24.8. Compound **2b** observed as inseparable mixture of **1i** and **2b**. **2b**: $R_f = 0.51$ (40:60 EtOAc:Hex).

Synthesis of *N*-cyclohexyl-2-(5-methylfuran-2-yl)-2-(2-nitrophenoxy)acetamide (1j) and *N*-cyclohexyl-2-(4-hydroxy-3-nitrophenyl)-2-(5-methylfuran-2-yl)acetamide (2c).



To a solution of 2-nitrophenol (418.6 mg, 3.0 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (3.0 mL), 5-methyl-2-furaldehyde (389.1 μ L, 3.9 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (561.2 μ L, 4.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (52.4 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 15% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing **1j** and **2c**. Compound **1j** observed as inseparable mixture of **1j** and **2c** (186.3 mg, 18%); **1j**: R_f = 0.41 (40:60 EtOAc:Hex). **2c**: R_f = 0.78 (40:60 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.55 (s, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.7, 1H), 6.06 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 5.79 (br s, NH, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 3.82-3.75 (m, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.93-1.84 (m, 2H), 1.66-1.57 (m, 3H), 1.40-1.29 (m, 2H), 1.19-1.10 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.2, 154.6, 153.0, 149.6, 138.3, 133.5, 130.2, 124.8, 120.3, 109.9, 106.8, 52.0, 48.8, 33.0, 25.6, 24.8, 13.8. HR-FAB MS [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₂₃N₂O₄⁺ 359.1605; found 359.16071.

Synthesis of *N*-cyclohexyl-2-(4,5-dimethylfuran-2-yl)-2-(4-hydroxy-3-nitrophenyl)acetamide (2d).



To a solution of 2-nitrophenol (140.5 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (1.0 mL), 4,5dimethyl-2-furaldehyde (160.4 μ L, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (188.4 μ L, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (17.6 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 15% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **2d** (103.2 mg, 27%); R_f = 0.74 (40:60 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.54 (s, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (s, 1H), 5.86 (br s, NH, 1H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 3.78-3.77 (m, 1H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.04-1.89 (m, 5H), 1.84-1.66 (m, 3H), 1.65-1.39 (m, 2H), 1.37-1.18 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.3, 154.5, 148.2, 138.2, 133.4, 130.4, 124.8, 120.2, 115.2, 112.4, 51.9, 48.8, 33.0, 32.8, 25.6, 24.8, 11.5, 10.0. Synthesis of 2-(5-bromo-2-nitrophenoxy)-2-(5-chlorofuran-2-yl)-N-cyclohexylacetamide (1k).



To a solution of 5-bromo-2-nitrophenol (109.0 mg, 0.50 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.50 mL), 5-chloro-2-furaldehyde (84.0 mg, 0.65 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (93 μ L, 0.75 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (9 μ L, 10 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 15% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **1k** (16.1 mg, 7%); R_f = 0.56 (33:67 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (br d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, NH, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 3.91-3.81 (m, 1H), 2.05-1.98 (m, 1H), 1.96-1.89 (m, 1H), 1.83-1.71 (m, 2H), 1.67-1.58 (m, 1H), 1.44-1.22 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.0, 150.6, 147.2, 138.4, 138.3, 129.5, 127.7, 125.6, 119.7, 114.1, 107.1, 74.7, 48.6, 32.7, 32.6, 25.4, 24.6 (2C).

Synthesis of 2-(5-bromo-2-nitrophenoxy)-*N*-cyclohexyl-2-(5-iodofuran-2-yl)acetamide (11) and 2-(2-bromo-4-hydroxy-5-nitrophenyl)-*N*-cyclohexyl-2-(5-iodofuran-2-yl)acetamide (2e).



To a solution of 5-bromo-2-nitrophenol (109.9 mg, 0.50 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.50 mL), 5-iodo-2-furaldehyde (145.1 mg, 0.65 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (93 μ L, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (9 μ L, 11 mol%) were added. The reaction proceeds to stir for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated with flash chromatography (SiO₂, 15% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing an inseparable mixture of compounds **1I** and **2e** (47.1 mg, 17%). **1I**: R_f = 0.56 (33:67 EtOAc:Hex). **2e**: R_f = 0.50 (33:67 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.53 (s, 1H), 8.05 (s, 1H), 7.48 (s, 1H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (s, 1H), 3.87-3.77 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.86 (m, 2H), 1.77-1.70 (m, 4H), 1.43-1.31 (m, 2H), 1.24-1.13 (m, 2H).

Synthesis of 2-(5-bromo-2-nitrophenoxy)-*N*-cyclohexyl-2-(5-methylfuran-2-yl)acetamide (1m) and 2-(2-bromo-4-hydroxy-5-nitrophenyl)-*N*-cyclohexyl-2-(5-methylfuran-2-yl) acetamide (2f).



To a solution of 5-bromo-2-nitrophenol (110.0 mg, 0.50 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.50 mL), 5-methyl-2-furaldehyde (65 μ L, 0.65 mmol, 1.3 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (93 μ L, 0.75 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (9 μ L, 12 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80 °C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 15% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing **1m** and **2f** (128.0 mg, 58%). Compound **1m** observed as inseparable mixture of **1m** and **2f. 1m:** R_f = 0.40 (33:67 EtOAc:Hex), **2f**: R_f = 0.38 (33:67 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.87 (s, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.45 (s, 1H), 6.15 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 5.97 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (br d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, NH, 1H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 3.88-3.78 (m, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 1.99-1.86 (m, 2H), 1.73-1.57 (m, 4H), 1.39-1.31 (m, 2H), 1.21-1.10 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.2, 153.8, 153.0, 134.4, 130.9, 130.1, 128.8, 126.0, 123.9, 110.4, 106.8, 68.2, 51.5, 48.7, 32.7, 29.7, 25.4, 24.6, 13.6.

Synthesis of 2-(2-bromo-4-hydroxy-5-nitrophenyl)-*N*-cyclohexyl-2-(4,5-dimethylfuran-2-yl) acetamide (2g).



To a solution of 5-bromo-2-nitrophenol (100.4 mg, 0.46 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.50 mL), 4,5-dimethyl-2-furaldehyde (79 μ L, 0.65 mmol, 1.4 equiv), cyclohexyl isocyanide (93 μ L, 0.75 mmol, 1.6 equiv), and i-Pr₂NEt (9 μ L, 13 mol%) were added. The reaction was stirred for 72 h at 80°C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 15% ethyl acetate in hexanes) providing compound **2g** (54.0 mg, 26%); R_f = 0.58 (33:67 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.49 (s, 1H), 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 5.65 (br s, NH, 1H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 3.87-3.77 (m, 1H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 1.74-1.56 (m, 5H), 1.44-1.32 (m, 3H), 1.21-1.06 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.3, 153.8, 148.2, 147.0, 134.4, 133.0, 130.2, 126.0, 123.8, 115.2, 112.8, 51.5, 48.8, 32.81, 32.76, 29.7, 25.5, 24.7, 11.4, 9.9.

Synthesis of 2-(2-allyl-6-nitrophenoxy)-N-cyclohexyl-2-(furan-2-yl)acetamide (1n) and 2-(5-(3-allyl-4-hydroxy-5-nitrophenyl)furan-2-yl)-*N*-cyclohexylacetamide (3).



To a solution of 2-allyl-6-nitrophenol (86.5 mg, 0.48 mmol) in methanol (0.50 mL), 2-furaldehyde (40.0 μ L, 0.48 mmol) and cyclohexyl isocyanide (60.5 μ L, 0.49 mmol) were added. The reaction was stirred for 48 h at 65°C. Product was isolated via flash chromatography (SiO₂, 20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford compounds **1n** (12.9 mg, 7%) and **3** (29.5 mg, 16%). Under alternate conditions (50°C for 48h), to afford compounds **1n** (48.0 mg, 26%) and **3** (5.6 mg, 3%).

1n: $R_f = 0.51$ (40:60 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (s, 1H), 7.20-7.14 (m, 2H), 6.23 (s, 2H), 5.90-5.78 (m, 1H), 5.43 (s, 1H), 5.16 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H), 4.00-3.90 (m, 1H), 3.34 (dd, J = 16.0, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (dd, J = 16.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.09-2.02 (m, 2H), 1.84-1.76 (m, 2H), 1.69-1.62 (m, 1H), 1.50-1.25 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.1, 146.9, 144.7, 144.0, 143.3, 136.7, 135.4, 135.0, 124.7, 123.8, 119.5, 117.6, 108.9, 77.8, 48.2, 34.0, 33.0, 32.8, 25.5, 24.7 (2C).

3: $R_f = 0.29$ (40:60 EtOAc:Hex); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.96 (s, 1H), 8.21 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 6.06-5.94 (m, 1H), 5.54 (br s, NH, 1H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 5.14 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.84-3.74 (m, 1H), 3.64 (s, 2H), 3.51 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.94-1.85 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.53 (m, 4H), 1.41-1.28 (m, 2H), 1.16-1.06 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.3, 152.5, 151.3, 149.2, 134.8, 132.6, 132.1, 128.8, 122.9, 117.4, 117.2, 110.7, 106.6, 48.5, 36.7, 33.8, 32.9, 29.7, 25.5, 24.9, 19.2.

Conversion of 1n to 3: Synthesis of 2-(5-(3-allyl-4-hydroxy-5-nitrophenyl)furan-2-yl)-*N*-cyclohexylacetamide (3).



A solution of **1n** (20.5 mg, 0.053 mmol) in 0.50 mL methanol was submitted to microwave irradiation (120°C, 40 minutes). Volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and crude reaction mixture submitted to flash chromatography (SiO₂, 20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford hydroxyphenyl furan **3** (10.7 mg, 52%): $R_f = 0.29$ (40:60 EtOAc:Hex).

NMR Characterization Data for New Compounds







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