# Supporting Information for

# Study on N<sup>2</sup>-Indolyl-1,2,3-triazole's Fluorescent Activity

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# **General Conditions**

All reactions were run under an inert atmosphere (Ar) with flame-dried glassware using standard techniques for manipulating air-sensitive compounds. All solvents were dried and purified before use by standard procedures. Commercial reagents were used as supplied or purified by standard techniques where necessary. Column chromatography was performed using 200-300 mesh silica with the proper solvent system according to TLC analysis using KMnO<sub>4</sub> stain and UV light to visualize the reaction components. Unless otherwise noted, nuclear magnetic resonance spectra were recorded on 400 MHz spectrometer. NMR data were reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet and bs = broad singlet), coupling constant in Hz and integration. Chemical shifts for <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded in parts per million from tetramethylsilane using the central peak of deuterochloroform (77.05 ppm) as the internal standard. IR spectra were recorded on an FTIR spectrometer (KBr) and reported in reciprocal centimeters (cm<sup>-1</sup>). HRMS data were obtained using ESI ionization. Mp data were measured with micro melting point apparatus. Electronic absorption spectra were obtained on a CARY50 PROBE UV-visible spectrometer; Photoluminescent spectra were recorded with a LS55 luminescence spectrometer with the excitation and emission slit widths at 2.5 nm.<sup>1</sup> The indoles 1c,1d,1e,1s-1u,1w,1x, tryptophan 1y, triazoles were prepared according to the reported procedures,<sup>2-7</sup> and 2,4-diphenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazole was prepared according to the reported procedures.<sup>8</sup> The indoles 1a,1b were bought from commercial source.

# General procedure for coupling reaction, condition 1 for the synthesis

#### of 3a-3u:



To a suspension of N-iodosuccinimide (0.3 mmol) and  $K_2CO_3$  (0.5 mmol) in dry dioxane (1 mL), was added dropwise a solution of 1 (0.2 mmol) and 2 (0.1 mmol) in dioxane (1 mL) in 5 min. 30 min later, the reaction mixture was diluted with 20 mL EtOAc, and was then washed with saturated aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (5 mL), brine (10 mL) and water (10 mL). The organic phase was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the crude product through flash chromatography (petroleum/EtOAc=50/1 as the eluent) afforded **3**.

# General procedure for coupling reaction, condition 2 for the

synthesis of 3v-3y:



To a suspension of 1 (0.1 mmol), 2a (0.2 mmol) in dry dioxane (1 mL), was added 0.1 mL CHCl<sub>3</sub>, and then added dropwise a solution of N-iodosuccinimide (0.3 mmol) in dioxane (1 mL) in 5 min. 30 min later, the reaction mixture was diluted with 20 mL EtOAc, and was then washed with saturated aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (5 mL), brine (10 mL) and water (10 mL). The organic phase was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the crude product through flash chromatography (petroleum/EtOAc=50/1 as the eluent) afforded 3.

# Synthetic procedure for compound 5:



To a suspension of 3v (0.05 mmol) and  $Pd(OAc)_2 (0.05 \text{ mmol})$  in dry  $CH_2Cl_2 (1 \text{ mL})$  at rt gave a white solid 5 in 45% yield.

## The absorption and emission spectra of products<sup>1</sup>

#### For the method to determine the fluorescence quantum yield:

Fluorescence quantum yield was determined in DCM using optically matching solutions of 9,10-Diphenylanthracene ( $\Phi_f = 0.95$  in cyclohexane) as standard at an excitation wavelength of 320 nm and the quantum yield was calculated using the following equation:

$$\Phi_{\rm f} = \Phi_{\rm r} \left( A_{\rm r} F_{\rm s} / A_{\rm s} F_{\rm r} \right) \left( n_{\rm s}^2 / n_{\rm r}^2 \right)$$

where, As and Ar are the absorbance of the sample and the reference, respectively, at the same excitation wavelength, Fs and Fr are the corresponding relative integrated fluorescence intensities, and n is the refractive index of the solvent.

The absorption and emission spectra of products **3(a-e),4**:



Sample preparation: 1.0 x  $10^{-5}$  mol/L in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, with 2.5 nm slit.

The absorption and emission spectra of products **3(f-r)**:



Sample preparation:  $1.0 \times 10^{-5}$  mol/L in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, with 2.5 nm slit.

The absorption and emission spectra of products **3(s-w)**:





Sample preparation:  $1.0 \times 10^{-5}$  mol/L in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, with 2.5 nm slit.

The absorption and emission spectra of products **3(x-y)** 



Sample preparation:  $1.0 \times 10^{-5}$  mol/L in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, with 2.5 nm slit.

**Characterization Data:** 

#### 2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3a :

Obtained as a white solid in 60.2% yield; M.p. 128 - 130 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.07 (br, 1H), 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (dd, J = 7.7, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28 - 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.21 - 7.15 (m, 1H), 6.90 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  149.05, 134.80, 133.54, 132.82, 129.44, 129.16, 129.06, 127.89, 126.22, 122.86, 121.04, 120.98, 111.20, 90.31; IR (neat) 3119, 3036, 2928, 1564, 1495, 1336, 1091, 956, 858, 767, 732, 686cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>4</sub>, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 261.1135, found 261.1126



### 1-methyl-2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3b

Obtained as a white solid in 63.8% yield; M.p. 90 – 91 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.11 (s, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (dd, J = 12.9, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  149.08, 135.92, 135.44, 133.02, 129.61, 129.17, 129.10, 126.27, 122.96, 121.41, 120.71, 120.30, 109.83, 96.27, 30.56; IR (neat) 3061, 3035, 1587, 1457, 1326, 968, 832, 767, 701, 502cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>4</sub>, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 275.1291, found 275.1283



## 1-Benzyl-2-(4-phenyl-2*H*-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1*H*-indole 3c :

Obtained as a white solid in 71.6% yield; M.p. 91 – 92 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.01 (s, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.20 – 7.11 (m, 4H), 7.04 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (s, 1H), 5.57 (s, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  149.31, 137.45, 135.77, 135.39, 133.09, 129.60, 129.18, 129.10, 128.70, 127.44, 126.60, 126.44, 126.29, 123.30, 121.57, 121.06, 110.62, 96.96, 47.71; IR (neat) 3059, 3032, 1564, 1454, 1346, 956, 767, 727, 692cm<sup>-1</sup>;HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 351.1604; Found: 351.1594.

1-phenyl-2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3d:

Obtained as a white solid in 56.8% yield; M.p. 91 - 93 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz,

CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.02 (s, 1H), 7.92 – 7.78 (m, 3H), 7.43 (t, J = 20.5 Hz, 11H), 7.15 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  149.06, 136.91, 136.60, 135.28, 133.03, 129.70, 129.39, 129.08, 128.07, 127.56, 126.27, 123.87, 121.67, 121.63, 111.11, 98.86; IR (neat) 3061, 3028, 1607, 1534, 1461, 1356, 1055, 946, 768, 723, 692, 483cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 337.1448, found 337.1444



#### 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3e :

Obtained as a white solid in 51.2% yield; M.p. 94 – 96 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.94 (s, 1H), 7.76 – 7.71 (m, 3H), 7.45 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.37 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.22 (m, 5H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 6.91 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.12, 148.87, 136.81, 135.28, 132.84, 129.51, 129.22, 128.95, 128.79, 126.15, 125.94, 123.56, 121.45, 121.25, 114.38, 110.97, 98.30, 55.56; IR (neat): 3118, 3035, 2924, 1589, 1496, 1454, 1328, 1091, 975, 858, 767, 688, 505cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O [M+H]+: 367.1553; Found: 367.1541



#### 1-methyl-2-(4-p-tolyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3f:

Obtained as a white solid in 58.6% yield; M.p. 94 – 96 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.09 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  149.21, 139.17, 135.89, 135.48, 132.85, 129.76, 126.76, 126.15, 122.88, 121.36, 120.65, 109.79, 96.18, 30.87, 21.44; IR (neat) 3056, 3032, 2931, 1559, 1467, 1331, 1145, 966, 772, 701, 536, 458cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 289.1448, found 289.1439



## 2-(4-(4-butylphenyl)-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1-methyl-1H-indole 3g :

Obtained as a white solid in 51.9% yield; M.p. 87 – 89 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.07 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.69 – 2.60 (m, 2H), 1.69 – 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.43 – 1.30 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  149.48, 144.22, 135.94, 135.54, 132.88, 129.15, 127.13, 126.20, 122.91, 121.38, 120.68, 109.81, 96.18, 35.58, 33.59, 30.89, 22.42, 14.06; IR (neat) 3059, 3028, 1594, 1523, 1336, 988, 956, 845, 747, 526, 412cm<sup>-1</sup>;



#### 2-(4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1-methyl-1H-indole 3h :

Obtained as a white solid in 59.6% yield; M.p. 92 – 93 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.05 (s, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  160.26, 149.09, 135.86, 135.49, 132.51, 127.57, 126.12, 122.82, 122.18, 121.30, 120.60, 114.44, 109.50, 95.96, 55.37, 30.82; IR (neat) 3061, 2986, 1628, 1495, 1441, 1276, 1063, 987, 823, 715, 681, 512cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 305.1397, found 305.1387



#### 1-benzyl-2-(4-(4-ethynylphenyl)-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3i:

Obtained as a white solid in 52.5% yield; M.p. 108 – 110 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.06 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.15 (m, 5H), 7.05 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (s, 1H), 5.60 (s, 2H), 3.15 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  148.36, 137.30, 135.74, 135.14, 133.11, 132.76, 129.83, 128.62, 127.38, 126.45, 126.30, 126.02, 123.31, 122.74, 121.51, 121.01, 110.51, 97.00, 83.26, 78.53, 47.67; IR (neat) 3356, 3069, 3027, 2109, 1612, 1574, 1452, 1326, 956, 811, 707, 652, 485cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 375.1604, found 375.1593



#### 2-(4-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1-methyl-1H-indole 3j :

Obtained as a white solid in 57.7% yield; M.p. 102 - 104 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.05 (s, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  160.33, 149.09, 135.85, 135.48, 132.51, 127.56, 126.11, 122.82, 122.18, 121.30, 120.60, 114.20, 109.73, 96.08, 55.37, 30.70; IR (neat) 3059, 2923, 1619, 1486, 1442, 1253, 1072, 986, 836, 727, 692, 518cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 305.1397, found 305.1390



#### 2-(4-(3-chlorophenyl)-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1-methyl-1H-indole 3k :

Obtained as a white solid in 64.9% yield; M.p. 88 – 90 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.04 (s, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 7.69 (td, J = 4.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.17 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  147.79, 135.83, 135.11, 134.93, 132.89, 131.24, 130.21, 128.96, 126.14, 125.93, 124.17, 122.94, 121.30, 120.66, 109.73, 96.19, 30.81; IR (neat) 3062, 3016, 1703, 1561, 1467, 1352, 1266, 1056, 956, 796, 737, 628, 491cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 309.0902, found 309.0893



#### 2-(4-(3-fluorophenyl)-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1-methyl-1H-indole 31 :

Obtained as a white solid in 62.1% yield; M.p. 80 – 82 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.11 (s, 1H), 7.66 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (dd, J = 9.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (td, J = 8.4, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  164.45, 162.00, 148.14, 135.92, 135.21, 133.03, 131.70 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 130.67 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 126.03, 123.03, 121.85 (d, J = 2.4 Hz), 121.40, 120.73, 116.96 (d, J = 21.3 Hz), 113.16 (d, J = 23.0 Hz), 109.79, 96.35, 30.87; IR (neat) 3059, 3036, 1601, 1553, 1492, 1352, 1231, 1142, 956, 843, 737, 628, 503, 492cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>13</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 293.1197, found 293.1191



#### 2-(2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-2-yl)-2H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)phenol 3m :

Obtained as a white solid in 46.6% yield; M.p. 132 – 135 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.46 (s, 1H), 8.25 (s, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H).<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  9.47 (s, 1H), 8.26 (s, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.0Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, J = 8.2Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.4Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.3Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, J = 7.4Hz, 1H) 6.85 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  155.42, 154.18, 135.86, 132.78, 130.95, 126.66, 123.34, 121.43, 120.92, 120.08, 117.63, 109.86, 96.80, 88.55, 86.71, 30.82; IR (neat) 3108, 3049, 2986, 1663, 1564, 1474, 1366, 996, 757, 727, 691, 479cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 291.1240, found 291.1236



# 1-methyl-2-(4-(thiophen-3-yl)-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3n :

Obtained as a white solid in 50.6% yield; M.p. 92 – 94 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.97 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  145.31, 135.82, 135.26, 133.09, 130.85, 126.73, 126.03, 125.91, 122.87, 122.61, 121.30, 120.61, 109.72, 96.24, 30.44; IR (neat) 3033, 2932, 1586, 1454, 1336, 1189, 965, 873, 769, 715, 473cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>4</sub>S, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 281.0855, found 281.0847



#### 2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-2-yl)-2H-benzo[d][1,2,3]triazole 3o:

Obtained as a white solid in 53.5% yield; M.p. 137 – 139 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.95 (dd, J = 6.6, 3.1 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 4.00 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  144.93, 136.51, 135.80, 127.48, 126.06, 123.41, 121.59, 120.89, 118.31, 109.79, 97.65, 31.44; IR (neat) 3052, 3028, 1568, 1452, 1346, 1271, 1059, 956, 771, 732, 692, 433cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS(ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>4</sub>, [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 249.1135, found 249.1124



#### 1-benzyl-2-(4-bromo-5-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3p

Obtained as a white solid in 53% yield; M.p. 90 – 91 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.92 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.17 (m, 4H), 7.05 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (s, 1H), 5.61 (s, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  146.99, 137.07, 135.75, 134.54, 129.39, 128.71, 128.64, 128.32, 127.50, 127.45, 126.77, 126.51, 126.11, 123.52, 121.62, 121.08, 110.51, 97.33, 47.65; IR (neat) 3059, 3030, 2924, 1558, 1454, 1328, 1161, 1010, 956, 727, 694cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrN<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 429.07094; Found: 429.06996.

#### 1-Benzyl-2-(4-butyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3q

Obtained as a colorless oil in 60% yield; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.59 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 – 7.05 (m, 5H), 6.94 (d, J =

6.9 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 5.46 (s, 2H), 2.66 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.83 – 1.46 (m, 2H), 1.36 – 1.20 (m, 2H), 0.85 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  150.56, 137.32, 135.46, 134.87, 128.54, 127.28, 126.49, 126.38, 122.96, 121.37, 120.77, 110.44, 96.66, 47.42, 31.09, 25.14, 22.15, 13.75; IR (neat) 3059, 3030, 2929, 1566, 1456, 1346, 1161, 1029, 954, 748, 727, 694cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 331.1923; Found: 331.1910.



#### 1-Benzyl-2-(2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3r

Obtained as a white solid in 95% yield; M.p. 95 – 98 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.76 (s, 2H), 7.61 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.07 (m, 5H), 6.94 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 5.45 (s, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  137.16, 135.97, 135.51, 135.14, 128.69, 127.37, 126.43, 126.25, 123.24, 121.58, 120.92, 110.43, 97.20, 47.57; IR (neat) 3059, 3032, 2360, 1566, 1454, 1163, 945, 748, 727, 455cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C17H15N4 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 275.1297; Found: 275.1285.



### 5-Fluoro-2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3s

Obtained as a white solid in 78% yield; M.p. 116 – 119 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.08 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.33 (dd, J = 9.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.06 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (td, J = 9.1, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (s, 1H), 5.61 (s, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  158.46(d, *J* =235.9Hz), 149.40, 137.06, 136.43, 133.17, 132.19, 129.38, 129.19, 129.04, 128.69, 127.50, 126.70, 126.59, 126.45, 126.22, 111.84, 111.53(d, *J* =9.5Hz ), 111.39, 106.24(d, *J* =23.6Hz ), 96.72(d, *J* =4.5Hz), 96.69, 47.85; IR (neat) 3064, 3034, 1722, 1585, 1454, 1342, 1122, 950, 767, 690, 520cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>18</sub>FN4 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 369.1515; Found: 369.1502.



# 1-Benzyl-2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indol-5-yl-4-methylbenzenesulfon ate 3t

Obtained as a white solid in 83% yield; M.p. 169 – 171 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.07 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.48 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.18 (m, 5H), 7.04 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (dd, J = 8.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 5.58 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  149.50, 145.15, 144.25, 136.78, 136.42, 133.98, 133.28, 132.48, 129.71, 129.26, 129.06, 128.70, 128.64, 127.58, 126.50, 126.22, 123.62, 118.06, 114.65,

111.24, 97.07, 47.96, 21.76; IR (neat) 3064, 3034, 1732, 1581, 1477, 1454, 1176, 1091, 948, 854, 692, 551cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C30H25N4O3S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 521.1647; Found: 521.1646.



#### N-(1-Benzyl-2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3,-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indol-5-yl)acetamide 3u

Obtained as a white solid in 60% yield; M.p. 128 - 131 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.06 (s, 1H), 7.87 (br, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.51 - 7.36 (m, 4H), 7.30 - 7.15 (m, 5H), 7.04 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 5.58 (s, 2H), 2.17 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  168.44, 149.27, 137.20, 135.88, 133.04, 131.50, 129.43, 129.13, 129.02, 128.63, 127.40, 126.46, 126.21, 117.51, 113.23, 110.78, 96.88, 47.77, 24.49; IR (neat) 3062, 3032, 1658, 1550, 1485, 1452, 1276, 956, 767, 692cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C25H22N5O [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 408.1824; Found: 408.1818.



#### 3-Methyl-2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3,-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3v

Obtained as a white solid in 55% yield; M.p. 132 - 134 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.88 (br, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.41 - 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.31 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  148.41, 132.86, 132.15, 130.67, 129.67, 129.14, 129.05, 129.02, 126.17, 123.07, 120.22, 119.38, 110.88, 100.67, 9.02; IR (neat) 3118, 3035, 2924, 1589, 1496, 1454, 1328, 1091, 975, 858, 767, 688, 505cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C17H15N4 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 275.1297; Found: 275.1286.



#### 1-Benzyl-3-methyl-2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3,-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indole 3w

Obtained as a white solid in 75% yield; M.p. 78 – 80 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.09 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.40 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.13 (m, 4H), 7.03 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 5.26 (s, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  149.24, 137.35, 134.70, 133.01, 131.66, 129.69, 129.09, 129.07, 128.60, 127.39, 126.90, 126.68, 126.26, 123.67, 120.17, 119.99, 110.33, 107.43, 47.18, 8.39; IR (neat) 3061, 3034, 1622, 1454, 1350, 1186, 1091, 956, 740, 692, 455cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C24H21N4 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 365.1766; Found: 365.1756.



**Methyl 2-(1-benzyl-2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3,-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)acetate 3x** Obtained as a white solid in 67% yield; M.p. 104 – 106 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.11 (s, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.06 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 5.42 (s, 2H), 3.91 (s, 2H), 3.63 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.49, 149.37, 137.06, 134.65, 133.19, 132.61, 129.49, 129.14, 129.03, 128.61, 127.41, 126.62, 126.23, 123.76, 120.82, 119.90, 110.55, 103.39, 52.09, 47.46, 29.79; IR (neat) 3061, 3034, 1737, 1456, 1348, 1192, 1166, 975, 744, 692, cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 423.1821; Found: 423.1825.



(S)-Methyl 2-acetamido-3-(2-(4-phenyl-2H-1,2,3,-triazol-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl) propanoate 3y

Obtained as a yellow solid in 62% yield,  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +15.1$  (c = 1.00); M.p. 137 – 140 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO)  $\delta$  12.10 (br, 1H), 8.74 (s, 1H), 8.47 (d, J = 7.6Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.50 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.20 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (dd, J = 13.9, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (s, 3H), 3.37 (dd, J = 13.9, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 1.77 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO)  $\delta$  172.82, 169.65, 148.85, 133.76, 133.60, 131.78, 129.63, 129.58, 128.12, 126.49, 125.90, 122.93, 120.23, 119.27, 112.15, 100.02, 53.34, 52.10, 26.63, 22.76; IR (neat) 3062, 2254, 1739, 1666, 1456, 1373, 1286, 1026, 977, 769, 696, 507cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 404.1723; Found: 404.1714.



#### **Compound 5**

Obtained as a yellow solid in 45% yield, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.43 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.36 (dt, J = 7.8, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 7.01 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (ddd, J = 7.9, 5.2, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 2.38 (s, 1H), 2.30 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  193.64, 186.49, 180.98, 173.69, 161.51, 129.30, 128.48, 126.61, 126.02, 121.68, 119.74, 117.96, 111.80, 98.63, 23.79, 7.65.

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