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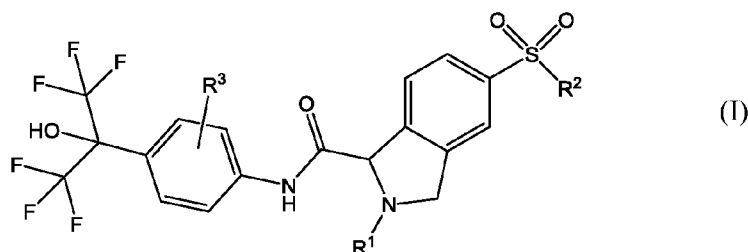
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(57) Abstract: The present specification provides a compound of formula (I): (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; a process for preparing such a compound; and to the use of such a compound in the treatment of an RORγ and/or RORγt mediated disease state.

ISOINDOLE COMPOUNDS

This specification relates to arylamide compounds having pharmaceutical activity, to processes for preparing such compounds, to pharmaceutical compositions comprising such compounds and to the use of such compounds as active therapeutic agents.

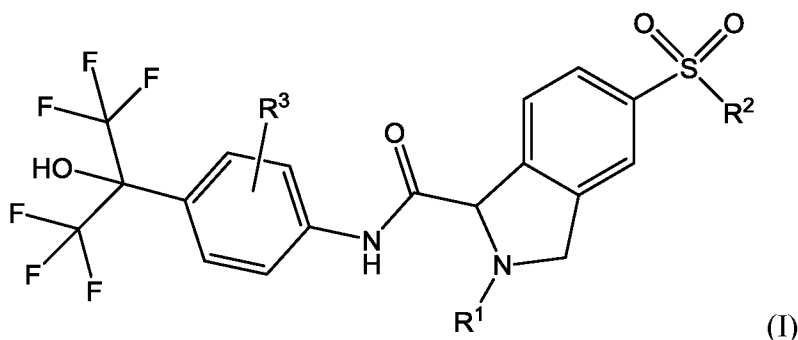
Retinoic acid receptor-related orphan receptors (RORs) are a family of transcription factors which belong to the nuclear receptor superfamily. The family is comprised of three genes, RORA, RORB, and RORC, all of which express more than one isoform of the protein (Jetten, AM; Kurebayashi, S; Ueda, E. (2006) *Prog. Nucleic Acid Res. Mol. Biol.* 69:205-47). RORC (also known as ROR γ or NR1F3) is translated into two major protein isoforms which share most of the amino acid sequence, including the ligand binding domain, but differ 21 amino acids in length in the N-terminal end. The two isoforms are differentially expressed. The longer form (ROR γ) is found in many tissues such as liver, kidney, muscle and some cells of hematopoietic origin whereas the shorter form (ROR γ t) is expressed in the thymus and cells of the immune system (He, YW; Deftos, ML; Ojala, EW; Bevan, MJ (1998) *Immunity* 9(6):797-806). ROR γ t has been shown to be required for differentiation and function of Th17 cells and coordinates the expression of IL17 in many immune cells (Ivanov, II; McKenzie, BS; Zhou, L; Littman, DR *et al.* (2006) *Cell* 126:1121-1133). Th17 cells are a subset of T helper cells that produce IL17, IL22, and other cytokines. They attain their Th17 phenotype through local exposure to a combination of cytokines such as TGF β , IL1 β and IL23. The mediators and transcription factors that are required for their differentiation, polarization and effector function are referred to as the Th17 axis, and the Th17 axis includes other cell types which produce the same cytokines (and corresponding receptors), such as innate lymphoid cells (ILCs) and $\gamma\delta$ T cells.

The Th17 axis of biological processes has been implicated in the pathology of many human diseases with an immune component or autoimmune pathology, such as psoriasis, ankylosing spondylitis, psoriatic arthritis, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, multiple sclerosis, inflammatory bowel disease, rheumatoid arthritis, graft versus host disease, systemic lupus erythematosus, lupus nephritis, insulin dependent diabetes type I, and also in cancer (Wilke CM, Bishop K, Fox

D, Zou W (2011) *Trends Immunol.* 32(12):603-11; Bartlett, HS; Million, RP (2015) *Nat. Rev. Drug Discovery* 14:11-12). Many of these diseases share genetic associations to genes contained in the Th17 axis (Gaffen SL, Jain R, Garg AV, Cua DJ (2014) *Nat. Rev. Immunol.* 14(9):585-600).

ROR γ t is central to the Th17 axis since it is required for the function of Th17 cells and governs cytokine production and related biological processes in many other cell types. Due to the central role of ROR γ t it is desirable to regulate ROR γ t activity as a means of treatment of diseases where the Th17 axis is perturbed. Accordingly there is a need for new therapeutic agents which modulate ROR γ t.

Briefly, this specification describes, in part, a compound of formula (I):



wherein:

R¹ is H or (CO)R⁴;

R² is C₁₋₆ alkyl, cyclopropyl, CH₂-cyclopropyl, or NR⁵R⁶, wherein said C₁₋₆ alkyl is optionally substituted with OH or C₁₋₆ alkoxy and said CH₂-cyclopropyl is optionally substituted with halo, OH, CN or C₁₋₆ alkoxy;

R³ is H, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, halo or CN.

R⁴ is:

- H;
- C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a;
- C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl optionally substituted with halo, C₁₋₆ alkyl, OH, CN, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, or C₁₋₃ alkyl-OR⁸;
- heterocycloalkyl optionally substituted with C₁₋₆ alkyl or OH;
- C₁₋₆ alkoxy; or

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- NHR¹³;

a is 1, 2 or 3;

R⁶ is H, C₁₋₆ alkyl or C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl;

R⁷ is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, OH, CN, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, NR⁹R¹⁰, C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl and aryl, wherein said C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl or aryl groups are further optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 groups independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₆ alkyl, CN, OH, C₁₋₆ alkoxy and NR¹¹R¹²;

R¹³ is H, C₁₋₆ alkyl or C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl;

R⁵, R⁸, R⁹, R¹⁰, R¹¹ and R¹² are each independently H or C₁₋₆ alkyl;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

This specification also describes, in part, pharmaceutical compositions which comprise a compound of the formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

This specification also describes, in part, a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, for use in therapy.

This specification also describes, in part, a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, for the treatment or prevention of an ROR γ and/or ROR γ t mediated disease state.

This specification also describes, in part, the use of a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment or prevention of an ROR γ and/or ROR γ t mediated disease state.

This specification also describes, in part, a method of treating or of preventing an ROR γ and/or ROR γ t mediated disease state in a mammal suffering from, or at risk of, said disease, which comprises administering to a mammal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Further aspects of the specification will be apparent to one skilled in the art from reading this specification.

The compounds of the specification may exist in salt-form or in non-salt form (ie. as a free base), and the present specification covers both salt forms and non-salt forms.

Compounds described in this specification may form acid addition salts or base addition salts. In general, an acid addition salt can be prepared using various inorganic or organic acids. Such salts can typically be formed by, for example, mixing the compound with an acid (e.g. a stoichiometric amount of an acid) using various methods known in the art. This
5 mixing may occur in water, an organic solvent (e.g. ether, ethyl acetate, ethanol, methanol, isopropanol, or acetonitrile), or an aqueous/organic mixture. In another aspect of the specification acid addition salts are, for example, trifluoroacetate, formate, acetate or hydrochloric. In general, a base addition salt can be prepared using various inorganic or organic bases, for example an alkali or alkaline earth metal salt such as a sodium, calcium
10 or magnesium salt, or other metal salts, such as potassium or zinc, or an ammonium salt, or a salt with an organic base such as methylamine, dimethylamine, trimethylamine, piperidine or morpholine. The skilled person will be aware of the general principles and techniques of preparing pharmaceutical salts, such as those described in, for example, Berge et al., *J. Pharm. Sci.*, 66, 1-19 (1977).

15 Compounds and salts described in this specification include one or more chiral (i.e. asymmetric) centres. To the extent a structure or chemical name in this specification does not indicate the chirality, the structure or name is intended to encompass any single stereoisomer (i.e. any single chiral isomer) corresponding to that structure or name, as well as any mixture of stereoisomers (e.g. a racemate). In some embodiments, a single
20 stereoisomer is obtained by isolating it from a mixture of isomers (e.g. a racemate) using, for example, chiral chromatographic separation. In other embodiments, a single stereoisomer is obtained through direct synthesis from, for example, a chiral starting material.

A particular enantiomer of a compound described herein may be more active than
25 other enantiomers of the same compound.

According to one embodiment there is provided a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, which is a single enantiomer being in an enantiomeric excess (%ee) of ≥ 95 , $\geq 98\%$ or $\geq 99\%$. Conveniently, the single enantiomer is present in an enantiomeric excess (%ee) of $\geq 99\%$.

30 According to another embodiment there is provided a pharmaceutical composition, which comprises a compound of formula (I), which is a single enantiomer being in an

enantiomeric excess (%ee) of ≥ 95 , $\geq 98\%$ or $\geq 99\%$ or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in association with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.

Conveniently, the single enantiomer is present in an enantiomeric excess (%ee) of $\geq 99\%$.

When in solid crystalline form a compound of formula (I) can be in the form of a co-crystal with another chemical entity and the specification encompasses all such co-crystals.

The compounds of the specification may exist as a solvate (such as a hydrate) as well as unsolvated forms, and the present specification covers all such solvates.

Compounds and salts described in this specification may exist in various tautomeric forms and the specification encompasses all such tautomeric forms. "Tautomers" are structural isomers that exist in equilibrium resulting from the migration of a hydrogen atom.

Compounds and salts described in this specification may be isotopically-labeled (or "radio-labeled"). In that instance, one or more atoms are replaced by an atom having an atomic mass or mass number different from the atomic mass or mass number typically found in nature. The specification encompasses isotopically-labelled forms of compounds disclosed herein. Examples of isotopes that may be incorporated include ^2H (also written as "D" for deuterium), ^3H (also written as "T" for tritium), ^{11}C , ^{13}C , ^{14}C , ^{13}N , ^{15}N , ^{15}O , ^{17}O , ^{18}O and ^{36}Cl . The isotope that is used will depend on the specific application of that radio-labeled derivative. For example, for *in vitro* receptor labeling and competition assays, ^3H or ^{14}C are often useful. For radio-imaging applications, ^{11}C is often useful. In some embodiments, the radionuclide is ^3H . In some embodiments, the radionuclide is ^{14}C . In some embodiments, the radionuclide is ^{11}C .

Unless otherwise stated, halo is selected from chloro (Cl), fluoro (F), bromo (Br) and iodo (I), such as fluoro.

Cycloalkyl is a non-aromatic carbocyclic ring. The carbocyclic ring may be saturated or unsaturated, and may be bridged or unbridged. C_{3-7} cycloalkyl is any such carbocyclic ring containing 3 to 7 carbon atoms. An example of C_{3-7} cycloalkyl is an unsaturated non-aromatic carbocyclic ring containing 3 to 7 carbon atoms. Examples of suitable cycloalkyl groups are cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl and cycloheptyl, such as cyclopropyl and cyclobutyl.

Heterocycloalkyl is a 3 to 9 membered non-aromatic, mono- or bi-cyclic ring comprising one or two heteroatoms independently selected from nitrogen, oxygen or sulphur; or an N-oxide thereof, or an S-oxide or S-dioxide thereof. The ring may be saturated or unsaturated, and may be bridged or unbridged. An example of

- 5 heterocycloalkyl is an unsaturated 4 to 6 membered non-aromatic, mono- cyclic ring comprising one heteroatom independently selected from nitrogen or oxygen; or an N-oxide thereof. Examples of suitable heterocycloalkyl groups include oxiranyl, aziridinyl, azetidiny, oxetanyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, pyrrolidinyl, tetrahydropyranyl, piperidinyl, morpholinyl, thiomorpholinyl, and piperazinyl, such as azetidiny, oxetanyl, pyrrolidinyl or
- 10 tetrahydrofuranyl, for example oxetanyl or tetrahydrofuranyl. For the avoidance of doubt, substituents on the heterocycloalkyl ring may be linked via either a carbon atom or a heteroatom.

Aryl is an aromatic ring containing 6 or 10 carbon atoms. Examples of suitable aryl groups include phenyl and naphthyl, such as phenyl.

- 15 Unless otherwise stated alkyl, alkoxy and haloalkyl groups containing the requisite number of carbon atoms can be branched or unbranched. Examples of suitable C₁₋₆ alkyl groups include methyl (Me), ethyl (Et), n-propyl, i-propyl, n-butyl, sec-butyl, i-butyl, t-butyl, n-pentyl, i-pentyl, neo-pentyl, n-hexyl and i-hexyl, such as methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, i-propyl, and i-butyl. Examples of suitable C₁₋₆ alkoxy groups include methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy, i-propoxy, n-butoxy, sec-butoxy, t-butoxy, n-pentoxy, i-pentoxy, n-hexoxy, i-hexoxy, methoxyethyl, methoxypropyl, ethoxyethyl and methoxybutyl, such as methoxy,
- 20 ethoxy, i-propoxy and t-butoxy. Examples of suitable C₁₋₃ alkyl-OH groups include –CH₂OH and –CH₂CH₂OH, such as –CH₂OH.

- For the avoidance of doubt, where multiple substituents are independently selected
- 25 from a given group, the selected substituents may comprise the same substituents or different substituents from within the given group. By way of example only, where R⁴ is C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a, and where a is 2, the two R⁷ substituents could be the same, for instance both fluoro, or could be different, for instance one fluoro and one OH.

- 30 In one embodiment R¹ is H.
- In another embodiment R¹ is (CO)R⁴.

In one embodiment R^2 is C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted with OH or C_{1-6} alkoxy), cyclopropyl, unsubstituted CH_2 -cyclopropyl, or NR^5R^6 .

In one embodiment R^2 is C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted with OH or C_{1-6} alkoxy), or CH_2 -cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with halo, OH, CN or C_{1-6} alkoxy).

5 In one embodiment R^2 is C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted with OH or C_{1-6} alkoxy), or CH_2 -cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with OH, CN or C_{1-6} alkoxy).

In another embodiment R^2 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl or unsubstituted CH_2 -cyclopropyl.

In another embodiment R^2 is C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted with OH or C_{1-6} alkoxy.

10 In another embodiment R^2 is C_{1-6} alkyl substituted with OH, such as $-CH_2CH_2OH$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2OH$ or $-CH_2CH(OH)CH_3$, for example $-CH_2CH_2OH$.

In another embodiment R^2 is C_{1-6} alkyl substituted with C_{1-6} alkoxy, such as $-CH_2CH_2OCH_3$, or $-CH_2CH_2CH_2OCH_3$, for example $-CH_2CH_2OCH_3$.

15 In another embodiment R^2 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl, such as methyl, ethyl or i-propyl. In another embodiment R^2 is unsubstituted methyl or unsubstituted ethyl. In a further embodiment R^2 is unsubstituted methyl.

In another embodiment R^2 is cyclopropyl or CH_2 -cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with OH, CN or C_{1-6} alkoxy).

20 In another embodiment R^2 is CH_2 -cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with halo, OH, CN or C_{1-6} alkoxy).

In another embodiment R^2 is CH_2 -cyclopropyl substituted with halo, such as fluoro.

In another embodiment R^2 is CH_2 -cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with OH, CN or C_{1-6} alkoxy).

In another embodiment R^2 is unsubstituted CH_2 -cyclopropyl.

25 In another embodiment R^2 is NR^5R^6 .

In one embodiment R^3 is H, C_{1-6} alkyl or halo.

In another embodiment R^3 is H, methyl or fluoro.

In another embodiment R^3 is H.

30 In another embodiment R^3 is C_{1-6} alkyl such as methyl, ethyl or i-propyl, for example methyl.

In another embodiment R^3 is halo, for example fluoro.

In one embodiment R^4 is:

- H;
- C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted with $(R^7)_a$;
- C_{3-7} cycloalkyl optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl, OH, CN, C_{1-6} alkoxy, or
- 5 C_{1-3} alkyl-OR⁸;
- heterocycloalkyl optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl or OH; or
- C_{1-6} alkoxy;

In one embodiment R^4 is H.

In one embodiment R^4 is C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted with $(R^7)_a$.

10 In another embodiment R^4 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl. In a further embodiment, R^4 is unsubstituted methyl. In a further embodiment, R^4 is unsubstituted ethyl.

In another embodiment a is 1 or 2. In another embodiment a is 2 or 3. In another embodiment a is 1. In another embodiment a is 2. In another embodiment a is 3.

15 In another embodiment R^4 is C_{3-7} cycloalkyl (such as cyclopropyl or cyclobutyl) optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl, OH, CN, C_{1-6} alkoxy or C_{1-3} alkyl-OR⁸. In another embodiment, R^4 is unsubstituted C_{3-7} cycloalkyl.

In another embodiment R^4 is C_{3-7} cycloalkyl (such as cyclopropyl) optionally substituted with halo.

20 In another embodiment R^4 is cyclopropyl optionally substituted with OH, CN, C_{1-6} alkoxy (such as methoxy or ethoxy) or C_{1-3} alkyl-OR⁸ (such as -CH₂OH).

In another embodiment R^4 is cyclobutanyl optionally substituted with OH, CN, C_{1-6} alkoxy (such as methoxy or ethoxy) or C_{1-3} alkyl-OR⁸ (such as -CH₂OH), for example OH.

In another embodiment R^4 is heterocycloalkyl optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl or OH. In another embodiment, R^4 is unsubstituted heterocycloalkyl.

25 In a further embodiment R^4 is tetrahydrofuranyl optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl or OH.

In a further embodiment R^4 is oxetanyl optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl or OH.

In another embodiment R^4 is C_{1-6} alkoxy, such as methoxy, ethoxy, i-propoxy or t-butoxy, for example methoxy.

30 In one embodiment R^4 is NHR¹³.

In one embodiment R^6 is C_{1-6} alkyl, such as methyl.

In another embodiment R^6 is C_{3-7} cycloalkyl, such as cyclopropyl.

In one embodiment R^7 is independently selected from the group consisting of halo (such as fluoro), OH, CN, C_{1-6} alkoxy (such as methoxy), NR^9R^{10} , C_{3-7} cycloalkyl (such as cyclopropyl or cyclobutyl), heterocycloalkyl (such as oxetanyl) and aryl (such as phenyl),
5 wherein said C_{3-7} cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl or aryl groups are further optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 groups independently selected from the group consisting of CN, OH, C_{1-6} alkoxy (such as methoxy) and $NR^{11}R^{12}$.

In another embodiment R^7 is independently selected from the group consisting of fluoro, OH, CN, methoxy, NH_2 , cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, oxetanyl and phenyl, wherein
10 said cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, oxetanyl or phenyl groups are further optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 groups independently selected from the group consisting of CN, OH, methoxy and $NR^{11}R^{12}$.

In another embodiment R^7 is independently selected from the group consisting of halo (such as fluoro) and C_{3-7} cycloalkyl (such as cyclopropyl).

15 In another embodiment R^7 is halo, such as fluoro.

In another embodiment R^7 is OH.

In another embodiment R^7 is CN.

In another embodiment R^7 is C_{1-6} alkoxy, such as methoxy or ethoxy.

In another embodiment R^7 is NR^9R^{10} , such as $-NH_2$ or $-N(CH_3)_2$.

20 In another embodiment R^7 is C_{3-7} cycloalkyl (such as cyclopropyl or cyclobutyl) optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 groups (such as 1 or 2 groups, for example 1 group) independently selected from the group consisting of CN, OH, C_{1-6} alkoxy (such as methoxy) and $NR^{11}R^{12}$ (such as $-N(CH_3)_2$). In another embodiment, R^7 is unsubstituted C_{3-7} cycloalkyl.

25 In another embodiment R^7 is heterocycloalkyl (such as oxetanyl) optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 groups (such as 1 or 2 groups, for example 1 group) independently selected from the group consisting of CN, OH, C_{1-6} alkoxy (such as methoxy) and $NR^{11}R^{12}$. In another embodiment, R^7 is unsubstituted heterocycloalkyl.

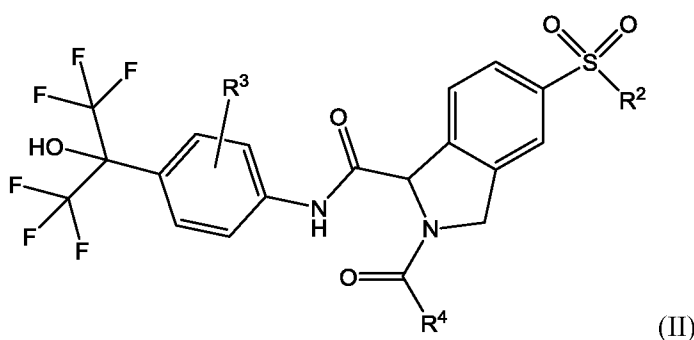
30 In another embodiment R^7 is phenyl optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 groups (such as 1 or 2 groups, for example 1 group) independently selected from the group

consisting of CN, OH, halo, C₁₋₆ alkoxy (such as methoxy) or NR¹¹R¹². In another embodiment, R⁷ is unsubstituted phenyl.

In one embodiment R⁹ and R¹⁰ are independently H or methyl.

In one embodiment R¹¹ and R¹² are independently H or methyl.

- 5 In a further embodiment, there is provided a compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R², R³ and R⁴ are as defined in the compound of formula (I):



- In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with OH or C₁₋₆ alkoxy, such as methyl, ethyl, -CH₂CH₂OH, or -CH₂CH₂OCH₃.

- In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is cyclopropyl or CH₂-cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with halo, OH, CN or C₁₋₆ alkoxy), such as CH₂-cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with OH, CN or C₁₋₆ alkoxy).

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is NR⁵R⁶, such as -NHR⁶ where R⁶ is methyl or cyclopropyl.

- In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is unsubstituted C₁₋₆ alkyl or unsubstituted CH₂-cyclopropyl.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is unsubstituted C₁₋₆ alkyl.

- In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is unsubstituted methyl or unsubstituted ethyl.

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In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted methyl.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted ethyl.

5 In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is cyclopropyl.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is CH_2 -cyclopropyl optionally substituted with halo, OH, CN or C_{1-6} alkoxy.

10 In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is CH_2 -cyclopropyl optionally substituted with OH, CN or C_{1-6} alkoxy.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted CH_2 -cyclopropyl.

15 In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is $-CH_2CH_2OCH_3$.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is $-CH_2CH_2OH$.

20 In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is $-CH_2CH(OH)CH_3$.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is $-NHCH_3$.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is $-NH$ -cyclopropyl.

25 In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^3 is H.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^3 is C_{1-6} alkyl, such as methyl.

30 In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^3 is fluoro.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^4 is H.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^4 is C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted with $(R^7)_a$. In a further embodiment a is 1 or 2, such as 1. In another embodiment, R^4 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl. In another embodiment, R^4 is unsubstituted methyl. In another embodiment, R^4 is unsubstituted ethyl.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^4 is C_{3-7} cycloalkyl (such as cyclopropyl or cyclobutyl) optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl, OH, CN, C_{1-6} alkoxy (such as methoxy or ethoxy) or C_{1-3} alkyl-OR⁸ (such as -CH₂OH). In another embodiment, R^4 is unsubstituted C_{3-7} cycloalkyl.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^4 is heterocycloalkyl (such as oxetanyl or tetrahydrofuranyl) optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl or OH. In another embodiment, R^4 is unsubstituted heterocycloalkyl.

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^4 is C_{1-6} alkoxy (such as methoxy, ethoxy, i-propoxy or t-butoxy).

In a further embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^4 is NHR¹³ (such as -NH₂, -NHCH₃, -NHCH₂CH₃ or -NH-cyclopropyl).

In one embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted with OH or C_{1-6} alkoxy) or CH₂-cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with halo, OH, CN or C_{1-6} alkoxy); R^3 is H; and R^4 is C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted with $(R^7)_a$), C_{3-7} cycloalkyl (optionally substituted with halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, OH, CN, C_{1-6} alkoxy or C_{1-3} alkyl-OR⁸), heterocycloalkyl (optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl or OH) or C_{1-6} alkoxy.

In one embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted with OH or C_{1-6} alkoxy) or CH₂-cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with halo, OH, CN or

C₁₋₆ alkoxy); R³ is H; and R⁴ is C₁₋₆ alkyl (optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a) or C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl (optionally substituted with halo, C₁₋₆ alkyl, OH, CN, C₁₋₆ alkoxy or C₁₋₃ alkyl-OR⁸).

In one embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a
5 pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is C₁₋₆ alkyl (optionally substituted with OH or C₁₋₆ alkoxy) or CH₂-cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with halo, OH, CN or C₁₋₆ alkoxy); R³ is H; and R⁴ is C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a.

In one embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a
pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is unsubstituted C₁₋₆ alkyl or
10 unsubstituted CH₂-cyclopropyl; R³ is H; and R⁴ is C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a.

In one embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a
pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is unsubstituted C₁₋₆ alkyl; R³ is H;
and R⁴ is C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a.

15 In one embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a
pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is unsubstituted CH₂-cyclopropyl; R³
is H; and R⁴ is C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a.

In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a
pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is unsubstituted methyl or
20 unsubstituted ethyl; R³ is H; and R⁴ is C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a.

In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a
pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is unsubstituted methyl; R³ is H; and
R⁴ is C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a.

In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a
25 pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is unsubstituted ethyl; R³ is H; and R⁴
is C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a.

In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a
pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R² is unsubstituted CH₂-cyclopropyl; R³
is H; and R⁴ is C₁₋₆ alkyl optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a.

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In one embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl or unsubstituted CH_2 -cyclopropyl; R^3 is H; and R^4 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl.

5 In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl; R^3 is H; and R^4 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl.

In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted CH_2 -cyclopropyl; R^3 is H; and R^4 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl.

10 In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted methyl; R^3 is H; and R^4 is unsubstituted methyl.

In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted ethyl; R^3 is H; and R^4 is unsubstituted methyl.

15 In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted CH_2 -cyclopropyl; R^3 is H; and R^4 is unsubstituted methyl.

In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted methyl; R^3 is H; and R^4 is unsubstituted ethyl.

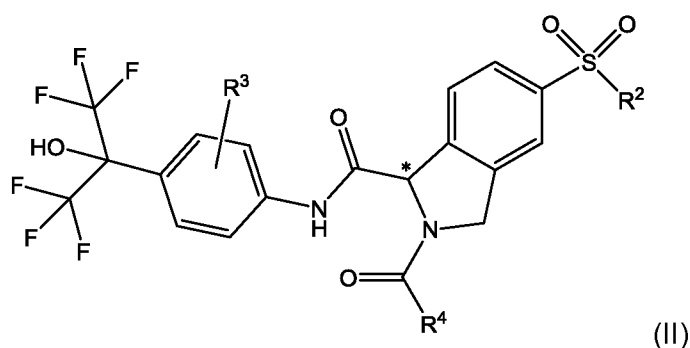
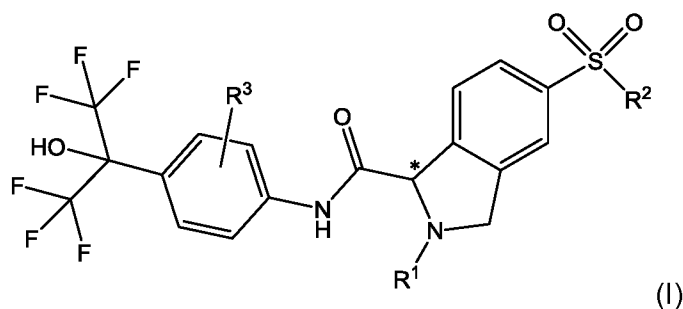
20 In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted ethyl; R^3 is H; and R^4 is unsubstituted ethyl.

25 In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (II), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted CH_2 -cyclopropyl; R^3 is H; and R^4 is unsubstituted ethyl.

In another embodiment, there is provided the compound of formula (I) or formula (II) which exhibits R-stereochemistry at the carbon atom marked with an asterisk as shown below:

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

5 Where any embodiment within this specification includes a group which is said to be “optionally substituted”, then unless otherwise stated the said group may be unsubstituted or may be substituted with 1, 2 or 3 substituents (such as 1 or 2 substituents, for example 1 substituent) independently selected from the list of substituents provided. For the avoidance of doubt a further embodiment will include that embodiment wherein the said
10 group is unsubstituted.

Where any embodiment within this specification includes a sub-selection of a smaller group (using the words “such as” or “for example”), then for the avoidance of doubt each sub-selected group represents an additional embodiment.

An example of a compound of the specification is:

15 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-2-formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

- 2-Acetyl-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-[Cyclopropyl(difluoro)acetyl]-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 10 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-2-(3-fluoropropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-(Cyclobutylacetyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 15 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(oxetan-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-(3-Cyanopropanoyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 20 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 25 2-{[1-(Dimethylamino)cyclopropyl]acetyl}-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-Acetyl-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-

- 2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-2-formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- Ethyl 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;
- 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 10 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 15 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 20 2-[Amino(cyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- Methyl 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;
- 25 2-[Cyclopropyl(difluoro)acetyl]-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

- 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- Methyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;
- Ethyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;
- 10 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 15 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2-(oxetan-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 20 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2-[(2*R*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2-[(2*S*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 25 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(phenylacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

Methyl 1- {[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(oxetan-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-(3-Fluoro-2-methylpropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

15 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-methylbutanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-(Cyclopropylacetyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(3*S*)-3-Fluorobutanoyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

25 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-(3-Fluoropropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(1-Ethoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
2-[(3*R*)-3-Fluorobutanoyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(2-methoxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
Propan-2-yl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

10 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
15 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(oxetan-3-ylacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)acetyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

25 2-(3-Cyanopropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(trans-3-hydroxycyclobutyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-

carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(*cis*-3-hydroxycyclobutyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

- 5 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(3*R*)-3-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(3*S*)-3-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

- 10 2-Acetyl-*N*-[3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(1-cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-*N*-[2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

- 15 *N*-[2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

- 20 *N*-[3-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

- 25 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

Methyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-2-formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

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2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 (1*R*)-2-Acetyl-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*S*)-2-Acetyl-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*R*)-2-Acetyl-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide; 10

(1*S*)-2-Acetyl-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

- (1*S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-15
hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
(1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-
hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5 (1*S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-
hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide; 20
(1*R*)-2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-
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(1*S*)-2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-
10 (methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
(1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-25
methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-
carboxamide;
(1*S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-
15 methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-
carboxamide;
(1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-
hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
(1*S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-
20 hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
(1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-5
hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
(1*S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-
hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
25 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

A further example of a compound of the specification is:

2-(Cyanoacetyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2- { [1-

- (hydroxymethyl)cyclopropyl]carbonyl}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(2-methoxybutanoyl)-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-5-
5 (methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-
10 2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(3-methyloxetan-3-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(oxetan-3-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
15 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2-methyloxetan-2-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
2-[(1-Fluorocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(2-methoxybutanoyl)-5-
20 (methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclobutyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-methoxypropanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
25 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)(1-²H)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
(1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2-methyloxetan-2-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

- 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 10 Methyl 1-{{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbonyl}-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;
- N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 15 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-{{[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-Acetyl-5-{{[(1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 20 Methyl 5-{{[(1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-1-{{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbonyl}}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;
- N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 25 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-{{[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

- 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-{[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-{[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-5-{[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- (1*R*)-2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 10 (1*S*)-2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- (1*R*)-2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)(1-²H)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 15 (1*S*)-2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)(1-²H)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- (1*R*)- *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-(2-methyloxetan-2-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 20 (1*R*)- *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-(2-methyloxetan-2-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- N*²-Cyclopropyl-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;
- 25 *N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-*N*²-methyl-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;
- N*²-Ethyl-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;
- N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-
- 30 dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;

*N*²-Cyclopropyl-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;
5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-*N*²-methyl-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;
5 *N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*²-methyl-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

A further feature is any of the embodiments described above with the proviso that any of the specific Examples are individually disclaimed. For example, a further feature is
10 any of the embodiments described above with the proviso that any one or more of the compounds selected from the above list of examples of compounds of the specification are individually disclaimed.

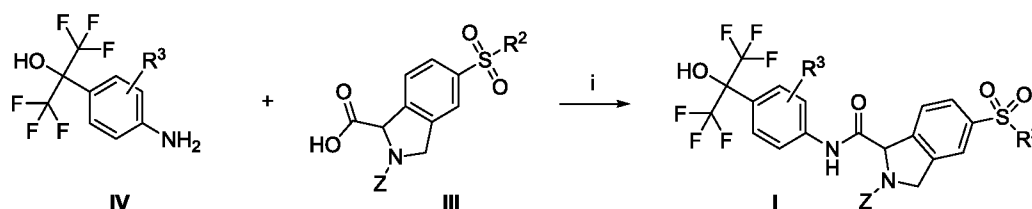
In some embodiments, the compound is a compound of formula (I) excluding at least one compound recited in the Examples below. To illustrate, in some such embodiments,
15 the compound is a compound of formula (I) excluding the compound disclosed in Example X, wherein X may be 1, 2, 3, etc. In other embodiments, the compound is a compound of formula (I) excluding the compounds disclosed in Examples Y, wherein Y may be any combination of 1, 2, 3, etc.

The compounds of general Formula I described in the present invention can be readily
20 prepared according to the following reaction schemes. Furthermore, a skilled organic chemist will appreciate that where specific reaction conditions are used, it is understood that other suitable reaction conditions may be used to achieve the same transformation and are thus included in the present invention. It will also be clear to the skilled person that where synthetic schemes contain functionality which may interfere with the desired reaction,
25 suitable protecting groups can be applied. For examples of protecting groups see T.W. Greene and P.G.M. Wuts, "Protective Groups in Organic Synthesis", Third Edition, John Wiley & Sons, New York, 1999.

Scheme 1 represents a general reaction scheme for preparing compounds of Formula (I), where R² and R³ are defined as above, and where Z is defined below. An intermediate
30 (IV) is condensed under standard amide bond forming conditions with intermediate (III). Conditions for this transformation include, but are not limited to the use of reagents such

as EDC and HOBt, HATU and T3P and are conducted in solvents such as DCM, ethyl acetate or DMF in the presence of bases such as triethylamine, DMAP, diisopropyl ethylamine (DIPEA) or 2,6-lutidine. The intermediates (IV) and (III) and the reagents described are either commercially available or can be prepared using methods known to those skilled in the art.

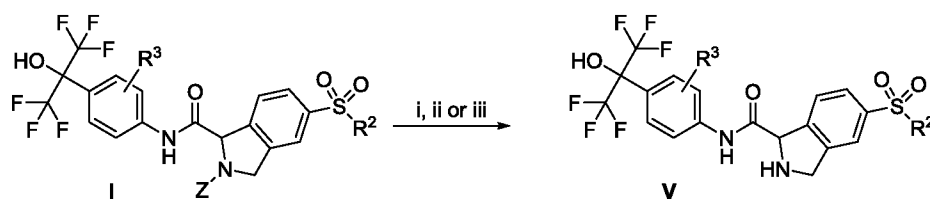
Scheme 1



Exemplary conditions: i) EDC, DIPEA, DCM, rt, or T3P, EtOAc, NEt₃, rt.

Z is either R¹ which is defined as above, but excluding R¹ = H, leading directly to compounds of Formula (I), or it is a commonly used amine protecting group such as, but not limited to *tert*-butyl carbamate (Boc), 9-Fluorenylmethyl carbamate (Fmoc) or benzyl carbamate (Cbz), which is removed to give the amine (V), a special case of formula I where R¹=H, either as a the free base or a salt, depending on the deprotection and isolation conditions (Scheme 2).

Scheme 2

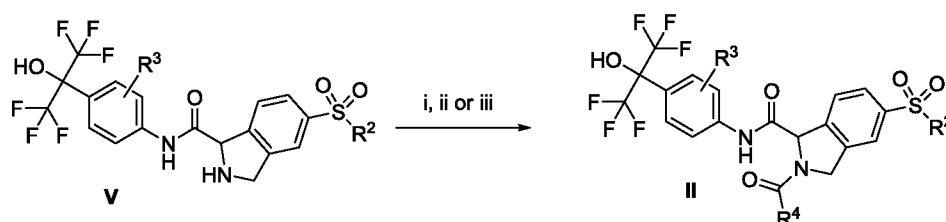


Exemplary conditions: i) Boc deprotection: TFA, DCM; or TBDMSOTf, DCM; or HCl, solvent; ii) Fmoc-deprotection: HNet₂, CH₃CN; or morpholine, solvent; iii) Cbz-deprotection: H₂, Pd/C, solvent.

As shown in Scheme 3, amine (V) can then be transformed to an amide, a urea or a carbamate using standard organic chemistry procedures to give compounds of Formula (II).

The reagents for these transformations such as, but not limited to, carboxylic acids, acid chlorides or anhydrides (R^4CO_2H , R^4COCl , $(R^4CO)_2O$), isocyanates ($R^{13}N=C=O$) and chloroformates ($R^{4'}OCOCl$) are either commercially available or can be prepared using methods known to those skilled in the art. For the avoidance of doubt, $R^{4'}$ O represents R^4 as defined as above, wherein the final atom of the corresponding R^4 is oxygen.

Scheme 3



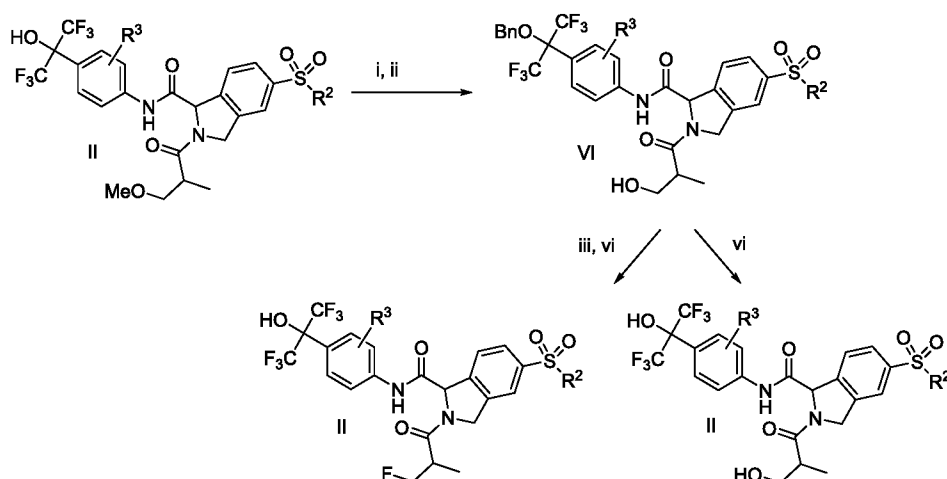
Exemplary conditions: i) Amide bond formation: R^4CO_2H , HATU, solvent, base *or*

10 R^4COCl , solvent, base *or* $(R^4CO)_2O$, base; ii) carbamate formation: $R^{4'}OCOCl$, base, solvent; iii) urea formation: $R^{13}N=C=O$, base, solvent.

Another possibility is to use the functionality present in the R^4 substituent of compounds of Formula (II) to transform it into other compounds of Formula (II). For some of these reactions, it might be advantageous to protect the hydroxy group with known protecting groups, such as, but not limited to, benzyl ethers. Scheme 4 shows an example of this approach.

Scheme 4

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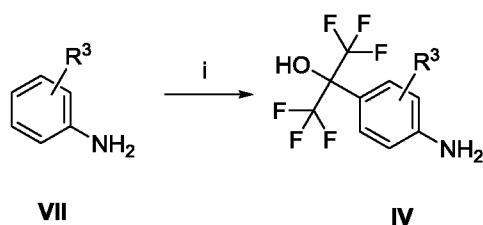
Exemplary conditions: i) Protection of hydroxy group: benzyl bromide, base, solvent; ii) Manipulation of R^4 : BBr_3 , DCM; iii) Manipulation of R^4 : DAST, DCM; iv) Deprotection: H_2 , Pd/C, solvent.

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Intermediates such as (IV) are either commercially available or may be prepared by the method shown in Scheme 5 from anilines. Other methods for the preparation of intermediates (IV) can be found for example in: Cheng, J.F. et al. Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry Letters 2006, 16, 3484 or Nishimura, N. et al., Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 2014, 57, 3094.

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Scheme 5



Exemplary conditions: i) 1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-one trihydrate, TsOH, microwave, heat.

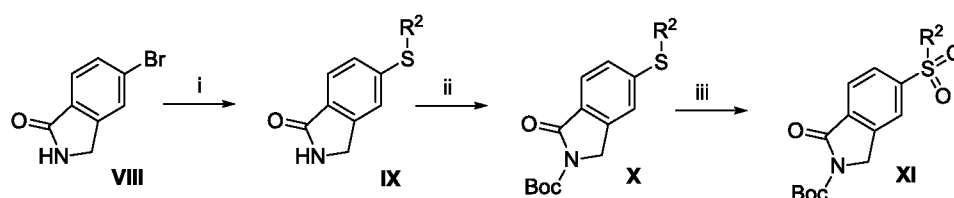
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Intermediates (III) can be prepared by one of the general methods shown in the following Schemes. Introduction of the sulphur residue onto bromo lactam (VIII) can be conducted in several ways, by base-catalyzed or metal catalyzed substitution of the

bromine with R^2SH , where R^2 is as defined above, but not NR^5R^6 . This leads to thioethers (IX), which after protection of the lactam NH with a suitable protecting group, such as, but not limited to Boc, gives compounds (X), which can be subsequently oxidized to sulphones (XI) (Scheme 6). The order of the protection and oxidation step may be

5 changed.

Scheme 6

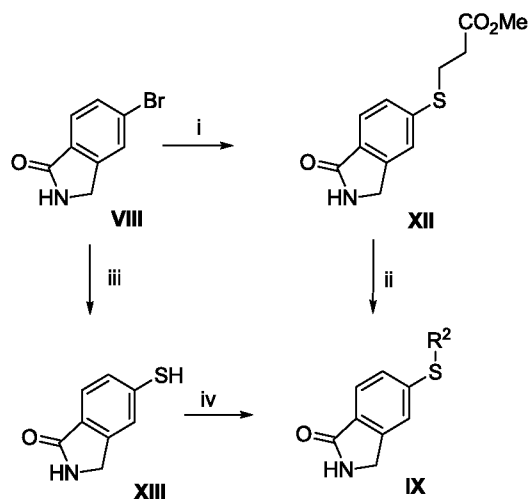


Exemplary conditions: i) R^2SH , base, solvent, heat; or R^2SNa , DMF, or Pd catalyst, ligand,
 10 R^2SH , solvent, heat ii) Boc_2O , base, solvent; iii) *m*CPBA, DCM;

Another approach to thioethers (IX) is shown in Scheme 7. A thioether is formed from the bromo lactam as shown in Scheme 6, but the substituent on the sulphur is a protecting group, for example, but not limited to, benzyl or a methyl-propanoate group.

15 Removal of the protecting group and alkylation of the resulting thiol then leads to thioethers (IX).

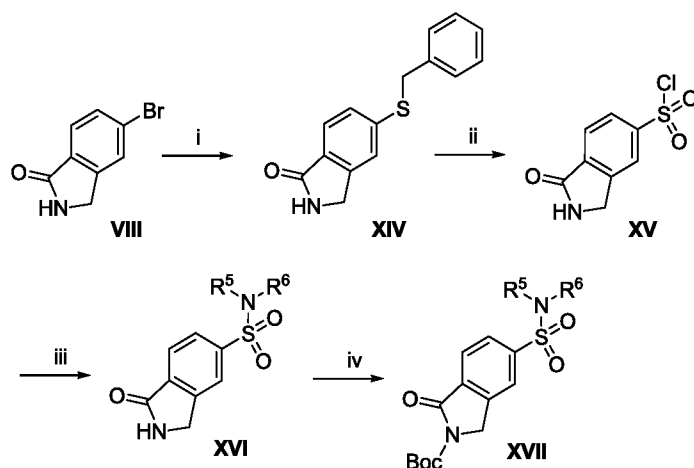
Scheme 7



Exemplary conditions: i) $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3$, Xantphos, DIPEA, $\text{HS}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$, dioxane; ii) KO^tBu , THF, then R^2Br ; iii) BnSH , $\text{Me}(\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{Me})_2\text{ONa}$, DMF, 100°C , 12h; iv) Alkylation of thiol XIII: R^2Br , solvent, base.

- 5 For $\text{R}^2 = \text{NR}^5\text{R}^6$ the route in Scheme 8 can be used. Benzyl thioether (XIV) is oxidized to the sulphonylchloride, which reacts with amines HNR^5R^6 to give sulphonamides (XVI). These can then be protected on the lactam nitrogen with a suitable protecting group, such as, but not limited to, Boc.

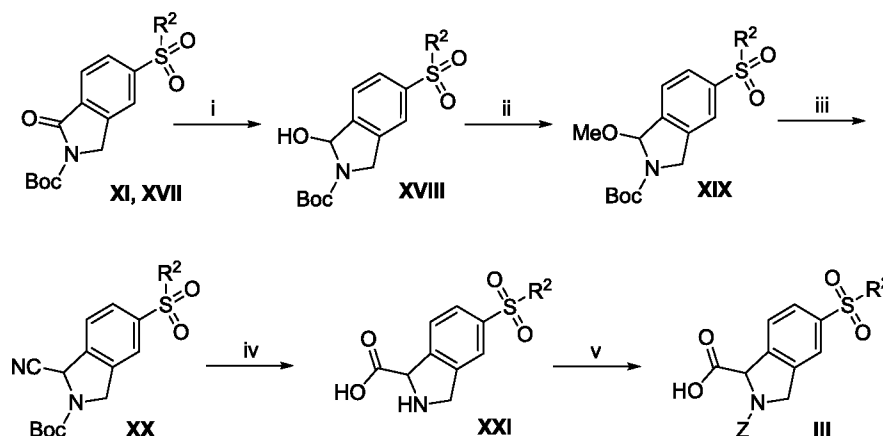
10 **Scheme 8**



Exemplary conditions: i) BnSH , $\text{Me}(\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{Me})_2\text{ONa}$, DMF, 100°C , 2h; ii) SOCl_2 , AcOH, water, DCM; iii) excess $\text{R}^5\text{R}^6\text{NH}$, DCM; iv) Boc_2O , DMAP, solvent.

- 15 Further elaboration of these intermediate lactams to the isoindoline carboxylic acids (III) is shown in Scheme 9. Similar chemistry is described in Moran-Ramallal et al. *Org. Lett.* 2012, 14, 1696-1699. Reduction of protected lactams (XI) or (XVII) is followed by introduction of the cyano group, which is subsequently hydrolyzed to the carboxylic acid. The resulting isoindoline (XX) is then protected at the nitrogen with a suitable protecting group such as, but not limited to Fmoc or Boc. Alternatively, the group R^4CO can be introduced at this stage.
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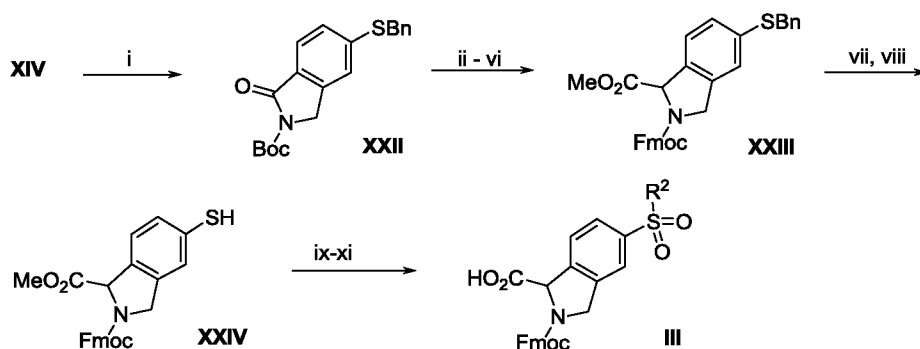
Scheme 9



Exemplary conditions: i) DIBAL-H, THF, -78 °C; or DIBAL-H, DCM, 0 °C; ii) PPTs, MeOH; iii) TMSCN, $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$, DCM; iv) 6M HCl, heat; or NaOH, heat; v) Boc_2O , base, solvent; or Fmoc-Cl, base, solvent; or R^4COCl , base, solvent; or $(\text{R}^4\text{CO})_2\text{O}$, base solvent; $\text{R}^{4'}\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{Cl}$, base, solvent; or $\text{R}^{13}\text{N}=\text{C}=\text{O}$, base, solvent.

Scheme 10 shows a further possibility to access building blocks (III). Here, the R^2 -moiety is introduced after elaboration of the lactam to the carboxylic acid by alkylation of the thiol with electrophiles R^2X , where X is a typical leaving group such as tosylate or halogen.

Scheme 10

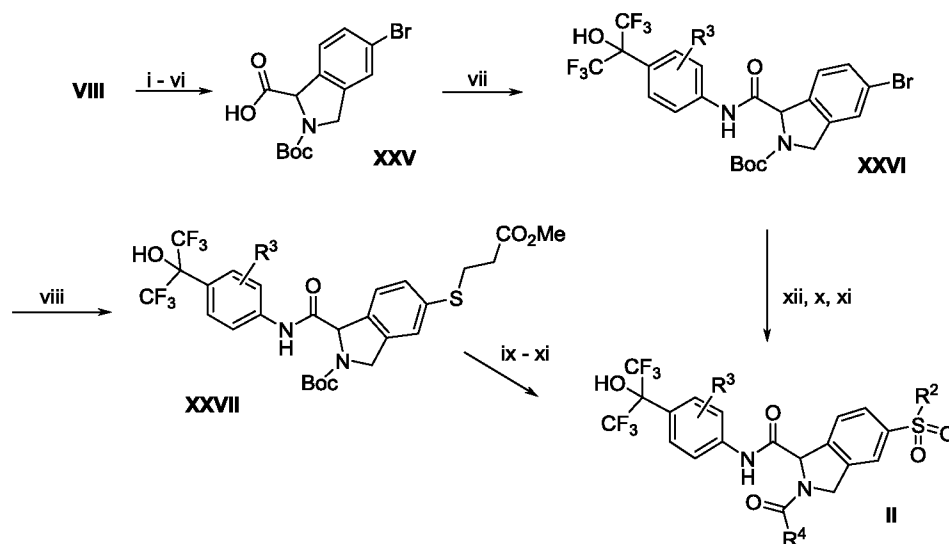


Exemplary conditions: i) Boc_2O , base, solvent; ii) $\text{Li}(\text{AlO}^t\text{Bu})_3\text{H}$, THF, 0 - 25 °C; iii) Ag_2O , MeI; iv) TMSCN, $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$, DCM; v) HCl, heat, MeOH vi) Fmoc-Cl, base, solvent; vii) HCOOH, NCS, NaCl; viii) Ph_3P , DCM; ix) K_2CO_3 , R^2X ; x) mCPBA; xi) Ester hydrolysis.

In Scheme 11, bromo lactam (VIII) is converted to intermediate (XXV), which is transformed to the advanced intermediate (XXVI). Subsequently, the bromine can be converted to a protected thiol derivative, as in (XXVII), or converted directly to precursor of the desired sulfone R^2 and eventually to compounds of formula (II).

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Scheme 11



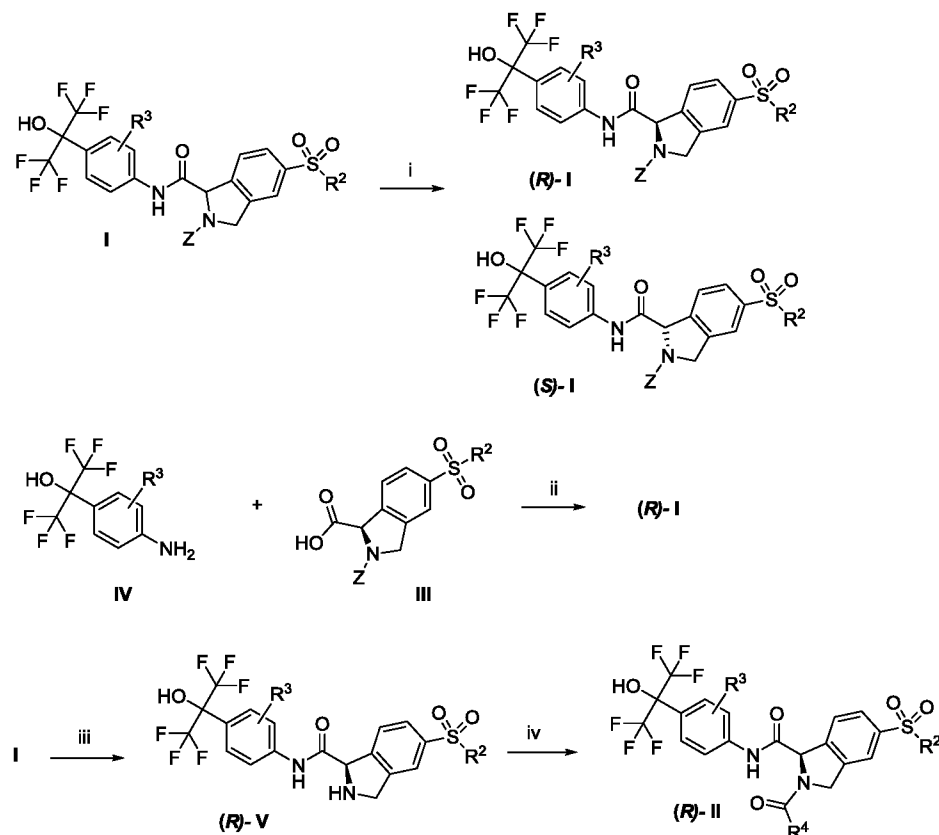
Exemplary conditions: i) Boc_2O , base, solvent; ii) $\text{Li}(\text{AlO}^t\text{Bu})_3\text{H}$, THF; iii) PPTs, MeOH; iv) TMSCN , $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$, DCM; v) 6M HCl, heat; or NaOH, heat; vi) Boc_2O , base, solvent; vii) T3P, compound IV, DCM; viii) $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3$, Xantphos, DIPEA, $\text{HS}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$; ix) KO^tBu , R^2X , THF; x) mCPBA; xi) see Scheme 2 and 3; xii) $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3$, Xantphos, DIPEA, R^2SH .

Compounds of formula (I) contain a stereogenic center in the isoindoline moiety.

Compounds of formula (I) can be separated into the (*R*)- and (*S*)-stereoisomers using appropriate chromatographic methods, as shown generically in Scheme 12 and described in the examples provided below. These stereoisomers can also be obtained by condensing intermediate (IV) under standard amide bond forming conditions with a chiral intermediate (III) as described in Scheme 1. Chiral intermediate III may be obtained from the corresponding unprotected chiral amino-acid using routine protection protocols known to those skilled in the art. The said unprotected chiral amino-acids are commercially available (for example from NetChem), or may be synthesised using procedures known to those

skilled in the art. Where Z is a commonly used amine protecting group, such as those described for Scheme 2, then deprotection leads to the chiral amine (V), which can then react under conditions described for Scheme 3 to give compounds of formula (R)-II.

5 Scheme 12



Exemplary conditions: i) Chromatographic separation of enantiomers either by RP-HPLC or SFC using chiral stationary phases; ii) see Scheme 1; iii) see Scheme 2; iv) see Scheme 3.

- 10 Detailed processes to the compounds of the specification are further described in the Examples below.

Compounds and salts described in this specification generally may be used in methods to treat various disorders in animals, particularly mammals. Mammals include, for example, humans.

- 15 The compounds of the specification, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, have activity as pharmaceuticals, in particular as modulators of ROR γ and/or ROR γ t, and can be used in the treatment of an ROR γ and/or ROR γ t mediated disease state. Disease

states that may be treated with a compound of the specification, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, include but are not limited to immune disorders such as psoriasis, ankylosing spondylitis, psoriatic arthritis, ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, multiple sclerosis, inflammatory bowel disease, rheumatoid arthritis, graft versus host disease, systemic lupus erythematosus, lupus nephritis and insulin dependent diabetes type I, and to respiratory disorders such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and asthma, and to cancer.

The present specification further provides a compound of formula (I) to (II) as hereinbefore defined, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, for use in therapy.

In another aspect, the specification provides the use of a compound of formula (I) to (II) as hereinbefore defined, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in the manufacture of a medicament for use in therapy.

In the context of the present specification, the term "therapy" also includes "prophylaxis" unless there are specific indications to the contrary. The terms "therapeutic" and "therapeutically" should be construed accordingly.

A further aspect provides a method of treating a disease state in a mammal suffering from, or at risk of, said disease, which comprises administering to a mammal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I) to (II) as hereinbefore defined, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

The present specification also provides the use of a compound of formula (I) to (II) as hereinbefore defined, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in the manufacture of a medicament for use in the treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), asthma or psoriasis.

The present specification further provides the use of a compound of formula (I) to (II) as hereinbefore defined, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in the manufacture of a medicament for use in the treatment of psoriasis. In a further aspect, the use is in the treatment of ankylosing spondylitis or psoriatic arthritis.

The present specification also provides the use of a compound of formula (I) to (II) as hereinbefore defined, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, for treating chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), asthma or psoriasis.

The present specification further provides the use of a compound of formula (I) to (II) as hereinbefore defined, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, for treating psoriasis. In a further aspect, the use is in the treatment of ankylosing spondylitis or psoriatic arthritis.

5 The present specification further provides a method of treating chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), asthma or psoriasis in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, which comprises administering to a mammal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I) to (II) as hereinbefore defined, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

10 The present specification further provides a method of treating psoriasis in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, which comprises administering to a mammal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I) to (II) as hereinbefore defined, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof. In a further aspect is a method of treating ankylosing spondylitis or psoriatic arthritis.

15 When a compound or salt described in this specification is administered to treat a disorder, a “therapeutically effective amount” is an amount sufficient to reduce or completely alleviate symptoms or other detrimental effects of the disorder; cure the disorder; reverse, completely stop, or slow the progress of the disorder; or reduce the risk of the disorder getting worse.

20 In some embodiments in which a combination therapy is used, the amount of the compound or salt described in this specification and the amount of the other pharmaceutically active agent(s) are, when combined, therapeutically effective to treat a targeted disorder in the animal patient. In this context, the combined amounts are “therapeutically effective amounts” if they are, when combined, sufficient to reduce or
25 completely alleviate symptoms or other detrimental effects of the disorder; cure the disorder; reverse, completely stop, or slow the progress of the disorder; or reduce the risk of the disorder getting worse. Typically, such amounts may be determined by one skilled in the art by, for example, starting with the dosage range described in this specification for the compound or salt and an approved or otherwise published dosage range(s) of the other
30 pharmaceutically active compound(s).

In order to use a compound of the specification, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, for the therapeutic treatment of a mammal, such as human, said ingredient is normally formulated in accordance with standard pharmaceutical practice as a pharmaceutical composition. Therefore in another aspect the present specification
5 provides a pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound of the formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof (active ingredient), and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

The pharmaceutical composition is typically intended for use in the therapeutic and/or prophylactic treatment of a warm-blooded animal, such as man.

10 Therefore the present specification provides a pharmaceutical composition that comprises a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) and one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.

By the term “pharmaceutically acceptable excipient” we mean a substance that serves as a vehicle or medium for the compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically
15 acceptable salt thereof), i.e. so as to prepare the active ingredient in a form suitable for administration. Generally the pharmaceutically acceptable excipients are pharmacologically inactive. Each excipient should be compatible with the other ingredients in the composition and should be acceptable for administration to a warm-blooded animal, such as man.

20 The excipient(s) selected for inclusion in a particular composition will depend on factors such as the mode of administration and the form of the composition provided. Suitable pharmaceutically acceptable excipients are well known to persons skilled in the art and are described, for example, in the Handbook of Pharmaceutical Excipients, Sixth edition, Pharmaceutical Press, edited by Rowe, Ray C; Sheskey, Paul J; Quinn, Marian.
25 Pharmaceutically acceptable excipients may function as, for example, adjuvants, diluents, carriers, stabilisers, flavorings, colourants, fillers, binders, disintegrants, lubricants, glidants, thickening agents and coating agents. As persons skilled in the art will appreciate, certain pharmaceutically acceptable excipients may serve more than one function and may serve alternative functions depending on how much of the excipient is
30 present in the composition and what other excipients are present in the composition.

A pharmaceutical composition of the specification may comprise one or more further active ingredients, as appropriate, examples of combinations of a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) and one or more additional active ingredients are described herein.

5 A process for the preparation of the pharmaceutical composition may comprise the step of mixing a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients. The process may further comprise the step of mixing one or more further active ingredients with a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) and one or
10 more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients. The processes are conducted using techniques and methods known to persons skilled in the art.

The pharmaceutical composition of the specification may be administered in a standard manner for the disease that it is desired to treat and/or prevent. For example, suitable modes of administration include oral, intravenous, rectal, parenteral, topical,
15 ocular, nasal, buccal or pulmonary administration. For these purposes a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) may be formulated by means known in the art into the form of, for example, tablets, capsules, syrups, powders, granules, aqueous or oily solutions or suspensions, (lipid) emulsions, dispersible powders, suppositories, ointments, creams, drops, aerosols, dry powder formulations, and sterile
20 injectable aqueous or oily solutions or suspensions.

The magnitude of prophylactic or therapeutic dose of a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) will vary depending upon a range of factors, including the activity of the specific compound (or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) that is used, the age, body weight, diet, general health and sex of
25 the patient, time of administration, the route of administration, the rate of excretion, the use of any other active ingredients, and the severity of the disease undergoing treatment.

Depending on the mode of administration, the pharmaceutical composition of the specification will comprise from 0.05 to 99%w/w (percent by weight), such as from 0.05 to 80%w/w, for example from 0.10 to 70%w/w, such as from 0.10 to 50%w/w, of a
30 compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof), all percentages by weight being based on the total composition.

The present specification provides a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) and one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients, which composition is formulated for oral administration.

5 A pharmaceutical composition of the specification that is suitable for oral administration may be provided in unit dosage form, for example in the form of a tablet or capsule. Such a unit dosage form may contain from 0.1mg to 1g, for example from 5mg to 250 mg, of a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) as active ingredient.

10 For oral administration a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) may be admixed with one or more excipients, such as a carrier and/or a binder and/or a lubricant. Suitable carriers include, for example, lactose, saccharose, sorbitol, mannitol, a starch (for example, potato starch, corn starch or amylopectin) and a cellulose derivative. Suitable binders include, for example, gelatine or
15 polyvinylpyrrolidone. Suitable lubricants include, for example, magnesium stearate, calcium stearate, polyethylene glycol, a wax, paraffin, and the like. The mixture may then be compressed into tablets using known techniques. If coated tablets are required, the cores, prepared as described above, may be coated with a suitable coating agent, for example with a concentrated sugar solution which may contain, for example, gum arabic,
20 gelatine, talcum and/or titanium dioxide. Alternatively, the tablet may be coated with a suitable polymer dissolved in a readily volatile organic solvent.

For the preparation of soft gelatine capsules, a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) may be admixed with one or more excipients, such as a diluent. Suitable diluents include, for example, a vegetable oil or polyethylene
25 glycol. Hard gelatine capsules may contain granules of the compound (or salt) using the above-mentioned excipients for tablets. Also liquid or semi-solid formulations of a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) may be filled into hard gelatine capsules.

Liquid preparations for oral application may be in the form of syrups or suspensions,
30 for example, solutions containing a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof), the balance being sugar and a mixture of ethanol, water, glycerol

and propylene glycol. Optionally such liquid preparations may contain colourants, flavours, saccharine and/or carboxymethylcellulose as a thickening agent or other excipients known to those skilled in art.

The present specification further provides a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) and one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients, which composition is formulated for topical administration. Topical administration may, for example, be in the form of creams, lotions, ointments or transdermal patches. Creams and ointments may comprise an aqueous or oily base to which suitable thickening or gelling agents are applied. Lotions may comprise an aqueous or oily base to which one or more emulsifying agents, stabilising agents, dispersing agents, suspending agents or thickening agents are applied.

A pharmaceutical composition of a compound of the specification that is suitable for pulmonary administration may be provided for inhaled administration. Administration may be by oral inhalation. In another embodiment administration may be by intra-nasal administration. The present specification therefore provides a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) and one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients, which composition is formulated for inhaled administration (particularly for oral inhaled administration).

When administered by oral inhalation, a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) may be used effectively at a daily dose in the μg range, for example up to 500 μg , such as from 0.1 to 50 μg , from 0.1 to 40 μg , from 0.1 to 30 μg , from 0.1 to 20 μg or from 0.1 to 10 μg , of a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) as active ingredient.

A pharmaceutical composition of the specification may be administered by oral inhalation in any suitable form and using any suitable inhaler device. Suitable inhaler devices are known to persons skilled in the art and may be manual or breath actuated. The pharmaceutical composition may be formulated as a dry powder, as a suspension (in a liquid or gas) or as a solution (in a liquid) for administration by oral inhalation by means of a suitable inhaler device.

Inhaler devices suitable for pulmonary administration include metered dose inhalers (MDIs), dry powder inhalers (DPIs), nebulisers and soft mist inhalers. Multi-chamber

devices may be used to allow for delivery of a compound of the specification (or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) and one or more further active ingredients (when present).

The specification further relates to a combination therapy wherein a compound of the specification, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and a second active ingredient are administered concurrently, sequentially or in admixture, for the treatment of one or more of the conditions listed above. Such a combination may be used in combination with one or more further active ingredients.

In one aspect there is provided a combination (for example, for use as a medicament for the treatment of one of the diseases or conditions listed herein, such as psoriasis, COPD or asthma, for example COPD or asthma) comprising a compound of the specification, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and at least one active ingredient selected from:

- a) a beta-adrenoceptor agonist;
- b) a muscarinic receptor antagonist;
- c) a joint muscarinic receptor antagonist and beta-adrenoceptor agonist; and
- d) a glucocorticoid receptor agonist (steroidal or non-steroidal).

In another aspect there is provided a combination (for example, for use as a medicament for the treatment of one of the diseases or conditions listed herein, such as psoriasis, COPD or asthma) comprising a compound of the specification, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and a phosphodiesterase-4 (PDE4) inhibitor.

In a further aspect of the present specification there is provided a pharmaceutical composition (for example, for use as a medicament for the treatment of one of the diseases or conditions listed herein, such as psoriasis, COPD or asthma) comprising a compound of the specification, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and at least one active ingredient selected from:

- a) a beta-adrenoceptor agonist;
- b) a muscarinic receptor antagonist;
- c) a joint muscarinic receptor antagonist and beta-adrenoceptor agonist; and
- d) a glucocorticoid receptor agonist (steroidal or non-steroidal).

In another aspect there is provided a pharmaceutical composition (for example, for use as a medicament for the treatment of one of the diseases or conditions listed herein, such as

psoriasis, COPD or asthma) comprising a compound of the specification, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and a phosphodiesterase-4 (PDE4) inhibitor.

The compounds described in this specification are further illustrated in the following
 5 Examples. These Examples are given by way of illustration only and are non-limiting.

Chemical names are preferably IUPAC names which were generated using ACD Labs 2014, or ChemDraw Ultra version 11.0.

Abbreviations:

10	ACN	acetonitrile
	Boc ₂ O	di- <i>tert</i> -butyl dicarbonate
	CDI	1,1'-carbonyldiimidazole
	DCM	dichloromethane
	DAST	diethylaminosulfur trifluoride
15	DBU	2,3,4,6,7,8,9,10-octahydropyrimido[1,2-a]azepine
	DIBAL-H	diisobutylaluminum hydride
	DIPEA	diisopropylethylamine
	DMAP	4- <i>N,N</i> -dimethylamino pyridine
	DMF	dimethylformamide
20	DMSO	dimethylsulfoxide
	dppf	1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene
	EDC	<i>N</i> ¹ -((ethylimino)methylene)- <i>N</i> ³ , <i>N</i> ³ -dimethylpropane-1,3-diamine hydrochloride
	ESI	electrospray ionization
25	EtOH	ethanol
	EtOAc	ethyl acetate
	Fmoc-Cl	9-fluorenylmethyl chloroformate
	h	hour
	HATU	1-[bis(dimethylamino)methylene]-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazolo[4,5-
30		b]pyridinium 3-oxid hexafluorophosphate
	HOBt	1 <i>H</i> -benzo[d][1,2,3]triazol-1-ol hydrate

	HPLC	high-performance liquid chromatography
	IPA	isopropyl alcohol
	LC/MS	liquid chromatography-mass spectroscopy
	LHMDS	lithium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide
5	mCPBA	3-chloroperoxybenzoic acid
	MeOH	methanol
	MsCl	methanesulfonyl chloride
	MTBE	methyl <i>tert</i> -butyl ether
	NBS	N-bromosuccinimide
10	NCS	N-chlorosuccinimide
	NaCl	4-nitrobenzenesulfonyl chloride
	(PinB) ₂	bis(pinacolato)diboron
	PPTs	pyridinium para-toluenesulphonate
	rt	room temperature
15	RP-HPLC	reverse phase HPLC
	SFC	supercritical fluid chromatography
	TEA	triethylamine
	T3P	2,4,6-tripropyl-1,3,5,2,4,6-trioxatriphosphinane 2,4,6-trioxide
	TBAF	tetra- <i>n</i> -butylammonium fluoride
20	TBDMSCl	<i>tert</i> -Butyldimethylsilyl chloride
	TBDMSOTf	<i>tert</i> -butyldimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate
	TBTU	2-(1 <i>H</i> -benzo[d][1,2,3]triazol-1-yl)-1,1,3,3-tetramethylisouronium tetrafluoroborate
	TFA	trifluoroacetic acid
25	TFAA	trifluoroacetic anhydride
	THF	tetrahydrofuran
	TMSCN	trimethylsilyl cyanide
	TsCl	<i>para</i> -toluenesulphonyl chloride
	TsOH	<i>para</i> -toluenesulphonic acid

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General Methods

NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance, Avance II or Avance III spectrometer at a proton frequency of 300, 400, 500 or 600 MHz. The central peaks of chloroform- δ (H 7.26 ppm), CD₃OD (H 3.30 ppm) or DMSO- d_6 (H 2.49 ppm) were used as internal references.

5 Optical rotations were measured on a Perkin Elmer 341 polarimeter.

LC/MS experiments were performed using a Waters Acquity system combined with a Waters Xevo Q-ToF Mass or a Shimadzu 2010EV UPLC system in ESI mode. LC was run in two set ups: 1) BEH C18 column (1.7 μ m 2.1x50 mm) in combination with a gradient (2-95% B in 5 minutes) of aqueous 46 mM ammonium carbonate/ammonia buffer at pH 10 (A) and MeCN (B) at a flow rate of 1.0 mL/min or in combination with a gradient (5-95% B in 2 minutes) of water and TFA (0.05%) (A) and CH₃CN and TFA (0.05%) at a flow rate of 1.0 mL/min (B).

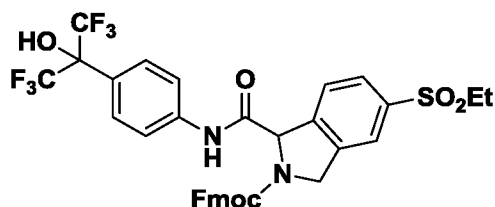
Optical purity, indicated as enantiomeric excess (% ee), was determined either on by HPLC using an Agilent 1100 series chromatograph, or on a Novasep Supersep 2.

15 Preparative HPLC was performed with a Waters FractionLynx system with integrated MS detection and equipped with Prep C18 OBD 5 μ m 19 x 150 mm columns from X-Bridge or Sunfire. Alternatively Gilson GX-281 with integrated UV detection was used, equipped with either Kromasil C8 10 μ m, 20x250 ID or 50x250 ID mm. As eluent (acidic) gradients of water/MeCN/acetic acid (95/5/0.1) or water/0.05% TFA (A) and MeCN/0.05% TFA (B) or (basic) MeCN or MeOH (A) and 0.03% ammonia in water or 0.03% NH₄HCO₃ (B) were applied.

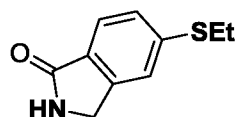
Preparative SCF was performed with a Waters Prep100 SCF system with integrated MS detection, equipped with Waters Viridis 2-EP or Phenomenex Luna Hilic, 30 x 250 mm, 5 μ m. As eluent gradients of CO₂ (100g/min, 120 bar, 40 °C) (A) and MeOH/NH₃ (20mM) or MeOH (5% formic acid) or MeOH (B) were applied.

Unless otherwise stated, starting materials were commercially available or previously described in the literature. All solvents and commercial reagents were of laboratory grade and were used as received unless otherwise stated.

30 **Intermediate 1:** 9*H*-Fluoren-9-yl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate

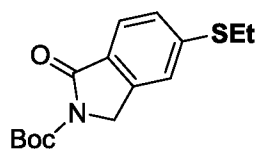


Step 1: 5-(Ethylthio)isoindolin-1-one



- 5 5-Bromoisindolin-1-one (10 g, 47.16 mmol) and sodium ethanethiolate (9.92 g, 117.90 mmol) were mixed together in DMF (100 mL) and the reaction heated to 100°C for 20 min. The reaction was cooled to room temperature, poured into water (100 mL) and the product extracted with EtOAc (3 x 200 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (4 x 50 mL). LCMS indicated product in the aqueous washings consequently
- 10 they were combined and extracted with EtOAc (4 x 50 mL). The organic extracts were combined, dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. The solid obtained was dried under high vacuum overnight. 5-(Ethylthio)isoindolin-1-one (8.68 g, 95 %) was obtained as a yellow solid. The material was used in the next step without further purification.
- 15 LC/MS: $m/z=194$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.27 (t, 3H), 3.06 (q, 2H), 4.33 (s, 2H), 7.36 (dd, 1H), 7.47 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.57 (d, 1H), 8.45 (s, 1H).

Step 2: tert-Butyl 5-(ethylthio)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate

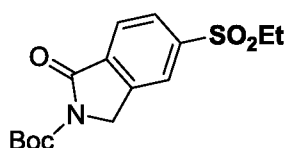


- 20 5-(Ethylthio)isoindolin-1-one (8.68 g, 44.91 mmol) was suspended in acetonitrile (400 mL) and DMAP (7.68 g, 62.88 mmol) was added in one portion. After 10 min Boc-anhydride (13.72g, 62.88 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in EtOAc and washed with 0.1M aqueous HCl (4 x 100 mL). The organic

extract was dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(ethylthio)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (12.50 g, 95 %) as an orange solid. The material was used in the next step without further purification.

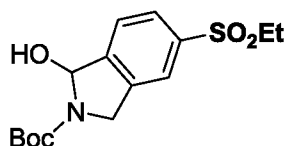
¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 1.29 (t, 3H), 1.51 (s, 9H), 3.09 (q, 2H), 4.74 (s, 2H),
5 7.39 (dd, 1H), 7.52 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.65 (d, 1H) 1H).

Step 3: tert-Butyl 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate



tert-Butyl 5-(ethylthio)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (13.18 g, 44.91 mmol) was
10 dissolved in DCM (500 mL) and to this *mCPBA* (≥77%) (24.16 g, 107.78 mmol) was
added portionwise (an increase of the temperature to ca 35°C was observed). The reaction
was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction was washed twice with 1M aq
NaOH and the DCM phase was dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in*
vacuo. *tert*-Butyl 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (14.00 g, 96 %) was
15 obtained as a yellow solid. The material was used in the next step without purification.
LC/MS: *m/z*=324 [M-H]⁻. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 1.12 (t, 3H), 1.53 (s, 9H),
3.38 (q, 2H), 4.89 (s, 2H), 7.99 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 8.21 (s, 1H).

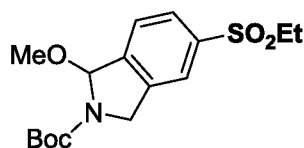
Step 4: tert-Butyl 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-1-hydroxyisindoline-2-carboxylate



20 *tert*-Butyl 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (12 g, 36.88 mmol) was
dissolved in DCM (300 mL) and the mixture was cooled in an ice bath. DIBAL-H (63 mL,
63.00 mmol) 1M solution in THF was added and the reaction stirred at this temperature for
15 min. Saturated aqueous Rochelle's salt (300 mL) was added and the mixture stirred for
25 20 min. DCM (300 mL) was added and the layers separated. The aqueous phase was
extracted with DCM. The combined organic extracts were dried using a phase separator
cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. The material was used crude in the next step.

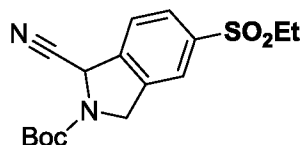
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Step 5: *tert*-Butyl 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate



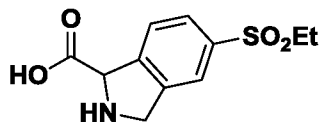
- 5 *tert*-Butyl 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-1-hydroxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (12.07 g, 36.88 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (210 mL) and to this PPTs (0.927 g, 3.69 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at room temperature. After 20 min LCMS indicated that no starting material remained and a single product formed however, the desired mass ion was not seen. The reaction was quenched by addition of triethylamine (81 mL, 581.14 mmol) and
- 10 concentrated *in vacuo* to afford a dark purple oil. This was used without further purification in the next step.

Step 6: *tert*-Butyl 1-cyano-5-(ethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate



- 15 *tert*-Butyl 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (12.59 g, 36.88 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (300 mL) and the solution cooled to -78°C . TMS-CN (7.42 mL, 55.32 mmol) and then $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ (7.01 mL, 55.32 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at -78°C for 15 min. Sat. aq NaHCO_3 solution (300 mL) and DCM (300 mL) were added and the reaction allowed to warm to room temperature. The two layers were
- 20 separated and the aqueous extracted with DCM. The combined organic extracts were dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. The material was purified by flash chromatography eluting with 40% EtOAc in heptane. *tert*-Butyl 1-cyano-5-(ethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (7.58 g, 61.1 %) was obtained as a pink solid.
- LC/MS: $m/z=335$ $[M-H]^-$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of rotamers, 1:1) δ 1.11 (t, 3H), 1.49, 1.51 (s, 9H), 3.29 – 3.36 (m, 2H), 4.75, 4.77 (s, 2H), 6.18, 6.20 (s, 1H), 7.83, 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.93, 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.96, 7.99 (s, 1H).
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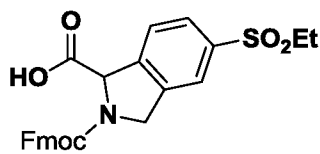
Step 7: 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid, hydrochloride salt



6M aq HCl (50 ml, 300.00 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 1-cyano-5-(ethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (5 g, 14.86 mmol) and the mixture heated at 70°C for 2 h. The reaction was cooled to room temperature and concentrated to dryness *in vacuo*. The dark solid obtained was used crude in the next step.

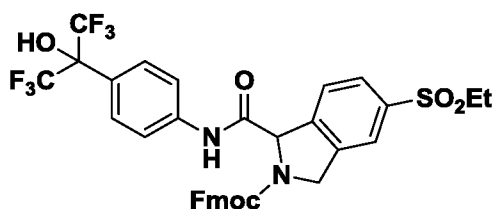
LC/MS: $m/z=254$ $[M-H]^-$.

Step 8: 2-((9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methoxy)carbonyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid



To 5-(ethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid, HCl (4.35 g, 14.9 mmol) in dioxane (80 mL)/ water (80 mL) was added potassium carbonate (10.30 g, 74.50 mmol) and 9-fluorenylmethyl chloroformate (3.47 g, 13.41 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature overnight. The dioxane was removed *in vacuo* and the aqueous acidified with 1M aq HCl and extracted with EtOAc until no product remained in the aqueous (as judged by LCMS). The combined organic extracts were dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. This material was used crude in the next step.

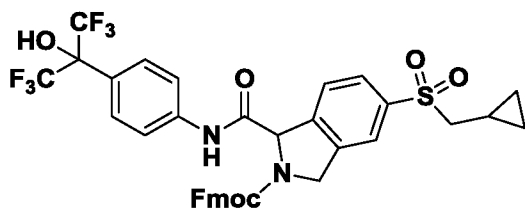
Step 9: (9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate



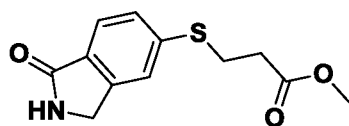
T3P (50% solution in EtOAc) (22.17 mL, 37.25 mmol) was added to a mixture of 2-(((9H-fluoren-9-yl)methoxy)carbonyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (7.12 g, 14.9 mmol), 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (2.317 g, 8.94 mmol) and triethylamine (4.15 mL, 29.80 mmol) in DCM (200 mL). This was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction mixture was partitioned between DCM and water. The layers were separated in a phase separator cartridge and the organic layer was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography eluting with 20% - 50% EtOAc in heptane. All product containing fractions were combined and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was triturated with methanol and a solid was obtained. This was collected by filtration and washed with methanol. The mother liquor was concentrated *in vacuo* and the trituration process repeated. A second batch of product was obtained which was less pure however, the two batches were combined (5.40 g, 50.4 %) and used in the next step.

LC/MS: $m/z=719$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 1:1) δ 1.09 – 1.14 (m, 3H), 3.28 – 3.33 (m, 2H), 4.14 – 4.39 (m, 3H), 4.87 – 5.05 (m, 2H), 5.72, 5.81 (s, 1H), 6.93 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.56 – 7.95 (m, 10H), 8.01 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.64, 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.82, 10.87 (s, 1H).

Intermediate 2: 9H-Fluoren-9-yl 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2H-isoindole-2-carboxylate



Step 1: Methyl 3-((1-oxoisoindolin-5-yl)thio)propanoate

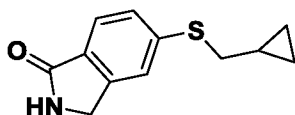


A solution of 5-bromoisoindolin-1-one (10 g, 47.16 mmol) in dioxane (450 mL) was degassed before Xantphos (2.73 g, 4.72 mmol), DIPEA (9.88 mL, 56.59 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃ (2.159 g, 2.36 mmol) and methyl 3-mercaptopropanoate (32.6 mL, 330.12 mmol) was added. The reaction was heated to 80°C for 1 h. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo*.

5 Approximately half of the material was purified by flash chromatography eluting with 0-5% methanol in EtOAc to afford 4.69g of product. Only half the material was purified this way because the crude material solidified part way through loading onto the column. The solidified material was triturated with methanol and 4.48 g of product was collected by filtration as a colorless solid. The mother liquor was concentrated *in vacuo* and purified by
10 flash chromatography eluting with 0-5% methanol in EtOAc to afford 1.1g product. This was combined with the material from the first column to give 10.27g (86%) of the title compound.

LC/MS: m/z=252 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO) δ 2.69 (t, 2H), 3.26 (t, 2H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 4.34 (s, 2H), 7.38 (d, 1H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d, 1H), 8.48 (s, 1H).

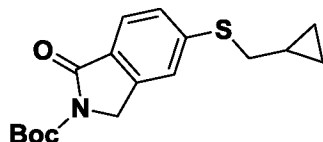
15 *Step 2: 5-((Cyclopropylmethyl)thio)isoindolin-1-one*



To a suspension of methyl 3-((1-oxoisoindolin-5-yl)thio)propanoate (5.79 g, 23.04 mmol) in THF (250 mL) was added potassium *tert*-butoxide (46.1 mL, 46.08 mmol, 1M solution
20 in THF). The reaction was stirred for 5 min at room temperature, followed by addition of (bromomethyl)cyclopropane (6.22 g, 46.08 mmol). The reaction was stirred for 30 min at room temperature. The reaction was poured into water and the product extracted into EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. The solid obtained was slurried in EtOAc,
25 collected by filtration and then washed with diethyl ether to afford 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)thio)isoindolin-1-one (2.35g, 46%).

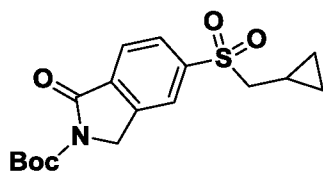
LC/MS: m/z=220 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 0.17 – 0.33 (m, 2H), 0.44 – 0.62 (m, 2H), 0.94 – 1.11 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, 2H), 4.33 (s, 2H), 7.38 (d, 1H), 7.50 (s, 1H), 7.55 (d, 1H), 8.45 (s, 1H).

Step 3: *tert*-Butyl 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)thio)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate



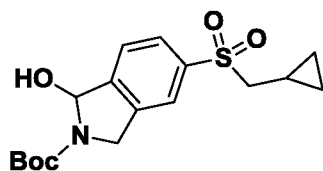
5-((Cyclopropylmethyl)thio)isindolin-1-one (4.13 g, 18.83 mmol) was suspended in acetonitrile (150 mL) and DMAP (3.22 g, 26.37 mmol) was added in one portion. Boc-anhydride (5.75 g, 26.37 mmol) was then added and the reaction stirred at room temperature for 20 min. The acetonitrile was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in EtOAc and washed with 0.5M aqueous HCl (3 x 200 mL). The organic extract was dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. *tert*-Butyl 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)thio)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate was obtained as a brown oil that solidified on standing. The material was used in the next step without further purification. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 0.23 – 0.34 (m, 2H), 0.5 – 0.6 (m, 2H), 1 – 1.13 (m, 1H), 1.51 (s, 9H), 3.04 (d, 2H), 4.73 (s, 2H), 7.41 (d, 1H), 7.55 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, 1H).

Step 4: *tert*-Butyl 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate



tert-Butyl 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)thio)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (6.01 g, 18.83 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (200 mL) and to this mCPBA (≥77%) (10.13 g, 45.19 mmol) was added (an exotherm of ca 36°C was observed). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 20 min. The reaction mixture was washed twice with 1M aq NaOH. The DCM was dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford *tert*-butyl 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (5.98 g, 90 %) as an off-white solid. The material was used in the next step without further purification. LC/MS: *m/z*=350 [M-H]⁻. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 0.01 – 0.2 (m, 2H), 0.33 – 0.5 (m, 2H), 0.78 – 0.93 (m, 1H), 1.53 (s, 9H), 3.35 (d, 2H), 4.89 (s, 2H), 7.97 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 8.21 (s, 1H).

Step 5: *tert*-Butyl 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)-1-hydroxyisindoline-2-carboxylate

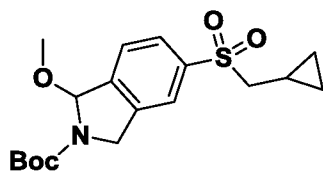


tert-Butyl 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (5.48 g, 15.59 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (150 mL) and the mixture was cooled in an ice bath.

DIBAL-H (26.5 mL, 26.51 mmol) 1M solution in THF was added and the reaction stirred at this temperature for 15 min. 100 ml saturated aq Rochelle's salt was added and the resultant mixture was stirred for 20 min whilst warming to room temperature. DCM (150 mL) was added and the layers separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with DCM. The combined organic extracts were dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. The product was obtained as a pink gum/foam. The material was used as such in the next step.

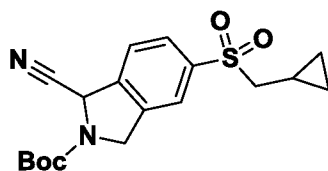
LC/MS: $m/z=352$ $[M-H]^-$.

Step 6: tert-Butyl 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)-1-methoxyisindoline-2-carboxylate



tert-Butyl 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)-1-hydroxyisindoline-2-carboxylate (5.51 g, 15.59 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (110 mL) and to this PPTs (0.392 g, 1.56 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at room temperature. After 20 min LCMS indicated no starting material remained and a single product had formed however, the desired mass ion was not seen. The reaction was quenched by addition of triethylamine (34.8 mL, 249.44 mmol) and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford a dark purple oil. This was used without further purification in the next step.

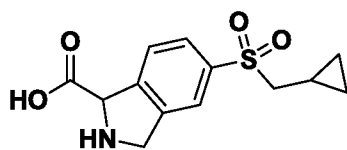
Step 7: tert-butyl 1-cyano-5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)isindoline-2-carboxylate



tert-Butyl 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (5.73 g, 15.59 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (110 mL). This was cooled to -78°C before TMS-CN (3.14 mL, 23.39 mmol) and BF₃·OEt₂ (2.96 mL, 23.39 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at -78°C for 15 min. Sat. aq NaHCO₃ and DCM was added and the reaction allowed to warm to room temperature. The two layers were separated and the aqueous extracted with DCM. The combined organic extracts were dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified on silica eluting with 25-50% EtOAc in heptane. *tert*-Butyl 1-cyano-5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (3.22 g, 57 %) was obtained as a pale pink foam.

LC/MS: *m/z*=361 [M-H]⁻. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO) δ 0.06 – 0.16 (m, 2H), 0.33 – 0.53 (m, 2H), 0.7 – 0.95 (m, 1H), 1.49, 1.51 (s, 9H), 3.27 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 4.75, 4.77 (s, 2H), 6.18, 6.20 (s, 1H), 7.82, 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.94, 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.97, 7.99 (s, 1H).

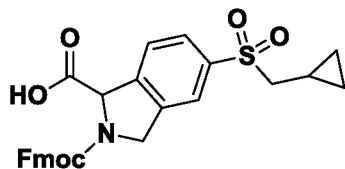
Step 8: 5-((Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid, hydrochloride salt



6M aq HCl (35 mL, 210.00 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 1-cyano-5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (3.48 g, 9.60 mmol) and the mixture heated at 70°C for 2.5 h. The reaction was cooled to room temperature and concentrated to dryness *in vacuo*. The dark solid obtained was used crude in the next step.

LC/MS: *m/z*=280 [M-H]⁻.

Step 9: 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-2-[(9H-fluoren-9-yloxy)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxylic acid

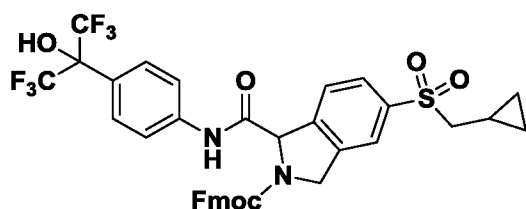


To 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid, HCl (3.05 g, 9.6 mmol) in dioxane (70 mL)/water (70 mL) was added potassium carbonate (6.63 g, 48.00 mmol) and 9-fluorenylmethyl chloroformate (2.235 g, 8.64 mmol). The reaction was stirred at

room temperature overnight. The dioxane was removed *in vacuo*. The aqueous was then acidified with 1M aq HCl and extracted with EtOAc. The organic extracts were combined, dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. The material was used as such in the next step.

5 LC/MS: $m/z=504$ $[M+H]^+$.

Step 10: 9H-Fluoren-9-yl 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2H-isoindole-2-carboxylate

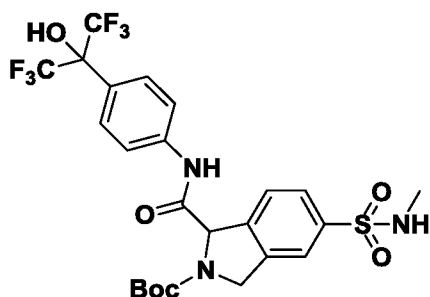


10 T3P (50% solution in EtOAc, 10.29 mL, 17.28 mmol) was added to a mixture 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-2-[(9H-fluoren-9-yloxy)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxylic acid (4.35 g, 8.64 mmol), 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (1.791 g, 6.91 mmol) and triethylamine (2.408 mL, 17.28 mmol) in DCM (100 mL). This reaction was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction
 15 mixture was washed with water and the layers separated using a phase separator cartridge. The DCM was removed *in vacuo* to afford a black tar. This was triturated with methanol and the solid (1.8g) obtained was collected by filtration and washed with methanol. The mother liquor was concentrated *in vacuo* and purified on silica eluting with 25-50% EtOAc in heptane. An additional 1.4 g of material was obtained. The two batches were combined
 20 and used directly in the next step.

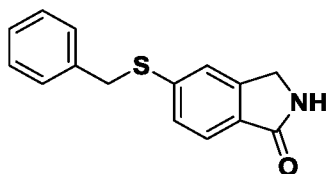
LC/MS: $m/z=754$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 1:1) δ 0.05 – 0.2 (m, 2H), 0.4 – 0.52 (m, 2H), 0.84 (m, 1H), 3.22 – 3.3 (m, 2H), 4.13 – 4.4 (m, 3H), 4.83 – 5.04 (m, 2H), 5.72, 5.81 (s, 1H), 6.92 – 7 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.56 – 7.83 (m, 8H), 7.87 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 8 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.66 (br s, 1H), 10.82, 10.86 (s, 1H).

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Intermediate 3: *tert*-Butyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-isoindole-2-carboxylate

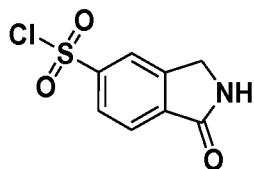


Step 1: 5-(Benzylthio)isoindolin-1-one



- 5 Benzyl mercaptan (11.71 g, 94.32 mmol) was added to 5-bromoisoindolin-1-one (10 g, 47.16 mmol) and sodium 2-methyl-2-butoxide (5.19 g, 47.16 mmol) in DMF (100 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (300 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 300 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to dryness to afford 5-
- 10 (benzylthio)isoindolin-1-one (7.00 g, 58.1%) as a yellow solid.
- LC/MS: m/z=256 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 4.33 (s, 2H), 4.35 (s, 2H), 7.23 – 7.61 (m, 8H), 8.48 (s, 1H).

Step 2: 1-Oxoisindoline-5-sulfonyl chloride

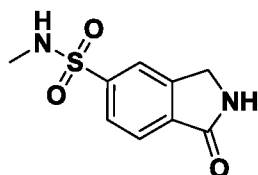


- 15 SOCl₂ (6.86 mL, 93.99 mmol) was added to 5-(benzylthio)isoindolin-1-one (6 g, 23.50 mmol), AcOH (6.73 mL, 117.49 mmol) and water (1.69 mL, 93.99 mmol) in DCM (80 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ (100 mL),
- 20 extracted with DCM (3×125 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford 1-oxoisindoline-5-sulfonyl chloride (5.00 g, crude) as a yellow solid.

The product was used directly in the next step without further purification.

LC/MS: $m/z=232$ $[M+H]^+$.

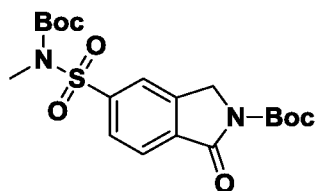
Step 3: N-Methyl-1-oxoisindoline-5-sulfonamide



Methanamine (4.02g, 129.50 mmol) was added to 1-oxoisindoline-5-sulfonyl chloride (10 g, 43.17 mmol) in DCM (200 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (100 mL), extracted with DCM (3×250 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford *N*-methyl-1-oxoisindoline-5-sulfonamide (8.0g, 82%) as an orange solid. The product was used in the next step directly without further purification.

LC/MS: $m/z=227$ $[M+H]^+$.

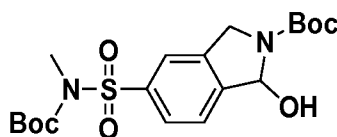
Step 4: tert-Butyl 5-(N-(tert-butoxycarbonyl)-N-methylsulfamoyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate



Di-*tert*-butyl dicarbonate (10.80 g, 49.50 mmol) was added to *N*-methyl-1-oxoisindoline-5-sulfonamide (8 g, 35.36 mmol) and DMAP (6.05 g, 49.50 mmol) in MeCN (200 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (100 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3×150 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (7.00 g, 46.4 %) as a pale yellow oil.

LC/MS: $m/z=490$ $[M+Na+MeCN]^+$. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.38 (s, 9H), 1.65 (s, 9H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 4.87 (s, 2H), 8.01 – 8.09 (m, 3H).

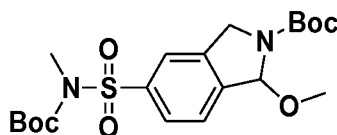
Step 5: *tert*-Butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-hydroxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate



Lithium triethylborohydride (3.97 g, 37.52 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-oxoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (8 g, 18.76 mmol) in DCM (200 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 minutes. Another part of lithium triethylborohydride (1.987 g, 18.76 mmol) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred at 0°C for more 30 minutes. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated Rochelle's salt (100 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-hydroxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (8.0g) as a pale yellow oil.

LC/MS: $m/z=411$ [M-OH]⁺.

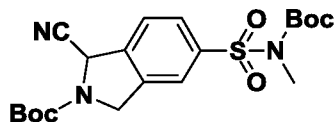
Step 6: *tert*-Butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate



PPTs (0.47 g, 1.87 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-hydroxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (8 g, 18.67 mmol) in MeOH (150 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction was quenched by addition of Et₃N (41.6 mL, 298.72 mmol) and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (8.00 g) as a purple oil.

LC/MS: $m/z=411$ [M-MeO]⁺.

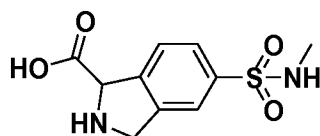
Step 7: *tert*-Butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate



5 *tert*-Butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (1.20 g, 2.71 mmol) in DCM (20 mL) cooled to -78°C over a period of 5 minutes under nitrogen. Trimethylsilanecarbonitrile (0.40 g, 4.07 mmol) and BF₃·Et₂O (0.51 mL, 4.07 mmol) was added to. The resulting mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 30 minutes. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ (150 mL), extracted with DCM (3×150 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford yellow oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 20 to 40% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (0.80 g, 67.4 %) as a yellow solid.

10 LC/MS: *m/z*=455 [M+H+NH₃]⁺. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, mixture of rotamers, 1.6*:1) δ 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.57, 1.61* (s, 9H), 3.39 (3H, s), 4.79, 4.83* (s, 2H), 5.80*, 5.85 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.66*, 7.66 – 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.89 – 8.01 (m, 2H).

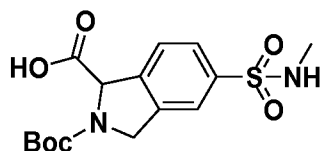
15 *Step 8: 5-(N-Methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid*



20 *tert*-Butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-methylsulfamoyl)-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (7 g, 16.00 mmol) was added to HCl (6 M) (140 mL, 840.00 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 2 hours. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford 5-(*N*-methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (4.0g) as a black solid.

LC/MS: *m/z*=257 [M+H]⁺.

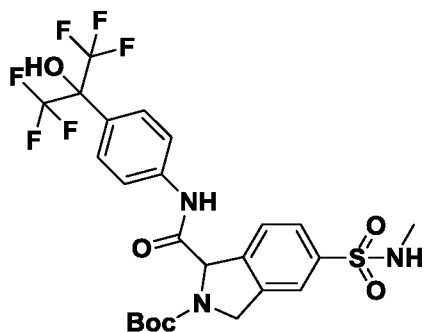
25 *Step 9: 2-(tert-Butoxycarbonyl)-5-(N-methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid*



Di-*tert*-butyl dicarbonate (5.13 g, 23.50 mmol) was added to 5-(*N*-methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (4 g, 15.67 mmol) and Et₃N (3.28 mL, 23.50 mmol) in DCM (50 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with 0.1M HCl (100 mL),
 5 extracted with DCM (2×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford dark solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 5 to 10% MeOH in DCM. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-5-(*N*-methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (3.0 g, 53.7 %) as a black solid.

10 LC/MS: *m/z*=301 [M+H-*t*Bu]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.5*:1) δ 1.41*, 1.46 (s, 9H), 2.42 (d, 3H), 4.67 – 4.78 (m, 2H), 5.42 (s, 1H), 7.48 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.73 – 7.82 (m, 2H), 13.20 (brs, 1H).

15 *Step 10: tert*-Butyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



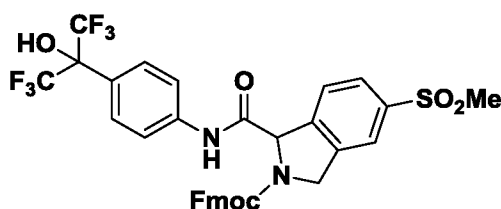
2-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (2.84 g, 10.94 mmol) was added to a mixture of 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-5-(*N*-methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid
 20 (3 g, 8.42 mmol), HATU (4.16 g, 10.94 mmol) and DIPEA (2.94 mL, 16.84 mmol) in DCM (50 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH₄Cl (75 mL), extracted with DCM (3×75 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford orange solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution
 25 gradient 30 to 50% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-

5-(*N*-methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (3.00 g, 59.6 %) as a yellow solid.

LC/MS: $m/z=598$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 1.8*:1) δ 1.36*, 1.48 (s, 9H), 2.43 (d, 3H), 4.63 – 4.87 (m, 2H), 5.60 – 5.77 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.85 (m, 8H), 8.66*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.75 (s, 1H).

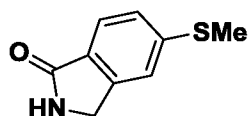
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Intermediate 4: 9*H*-Fluoren-9-yl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



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Step 1: 5-(Methylthio)isoindolin-1-one



5-Bromoisindolin-1-one (15 g, 70.74 mmol) and sodium methyl mercaptide (12.40 g, 176.85 mmol) were mixed together in DMF (150 mL) and heated to 100°C for 1 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and poured into water (160 mL). The product extracted with EtOAc (400 mL). The layers were then separated and the aqueous was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 200 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (3 x 100 mL). The organic extracts were combined, dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. 5-(Methylthio)isoindolin-1-one (12.00 g, 95 %) was obtained as a yellow solid. The material was used in the next step without further purification.

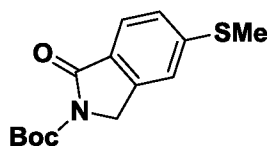
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LC/MS: $m/z=180$ $[M-H]^-$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 2.54 (s, 3H), 4.33 (s, 2H), 7.33 (d, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.56 (d, 1H), 8.43 (s, 1H).

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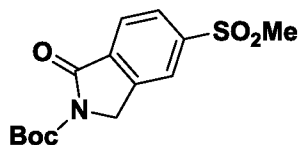
Step 2: tert-Butyl 5-(methylthio)-1-oxoisoindoline-2-carboxylate



5-(Methylthio)isoindolin-1-one (12.68 g, 70.74 mmol) was suspended in acetonitrile (500 mL) and DMAP (12.10 g, 99.04 mmol) was added in one portion. Boc-anhydride (21.61 g, 99.04 mmol) was then added and the reaction stirred for 20 min at room temperature. The acetonitrile was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in EtOAc and washed with 0.5M aq HCl (3 x 200ml). The organic extract was dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. *tert*-Butyl 5-(methylthio)-1-oxoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (15.60 g, 79 %) was obtained as a brown oil that solidified on standing. The material was used in the next step without further purification.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 1.51 (s, 9H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 4.74 (s, 2H), 7.37 (d, 1H), 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, 1H).

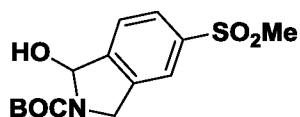
Step 3: tert-Butyl 5-(methylsulfonyl)-1-oxoisoindoline-2-carboxylate



tert-Butyl 5-(methylthio)-1-oxoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (15.58 g, 55.77 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (500 mL) and to this mCPBA (≥77%) (30.0 g, 133.85 mmol) was added portionwise (an exotherm to ca. 38°C was observed). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 20 min. The reaction was washed twice with 1M aq NaOH. The organic layer was dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(methylsulfonyl)-1-oxoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (15.56 g, 90 %) as a yellow solid. The material was used in the next step without further purification.

LC/MS: *m/z*=310 [M-H]⁻. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 1.53 (s, 9H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 4.88 (s, 2H), 8.00 (d, 1H), 8.08 (d, 1H), 8.25 (s, 1H).

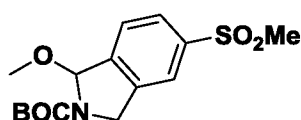
Step 4: tert-Butyl 1-hydroxy-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate



tert-Butyl 5-(methylsulfonyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (15.56 g, 49.98 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (375 mL), cooled in an ice bath and kept under a nitrogen atmosphere. DIBAL-H (85 mL, 84.96 mmol) 1M solution in THF was added gradually over 10 min. The reaction was stirred at this temperature for 15 min. Sat. aq Rochelle's salt (100ml) was added and the resultant mixture was stirred for 20 min whilst warming to room temperature. DCM (200 mL) was added and the layers separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with DCM. The combined organic extracts were dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. The product was obtained as a pink-brown gum/foam which was used crude in the next step.

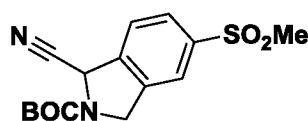
LC/MS: $m/z=312$ $[M-H]^-$.

Step 5: tert-Butyl 1-methoxy-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate



tert-Butyl 1-hydroxy-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (15.66 g, 49.98 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (300 mL) and to this PPTs (1.256 g, 5.00 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at room temperature. After 20 min LCMS indicated that no starting material remained and one product had formed but the desired mass ion was not seen. The reaction was quenched by addition of triethylamine (111 mL, 799.68 mmol) and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford a dark purple oil. This was used crude in the next step.

Step 6: tert-Butyl 1-cyano-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate

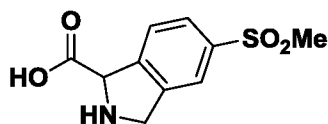


tert-Butyl 1-methoxy-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (16.36 g, 49.98 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (375 mL). This was cooled to -78°C before TMS-CN (10.05 mL, 74.97 mmol) and $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ (9.50 mL, 74.97 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at -78°C for 15 min. Sat aq NaHCO_3 and DCM was added and the reaction allowed to warm to room temperature. The two layers were separated and the aqueous extracted with DCM. The combined organic extracts were dried using a phase separator cartridge and

concentrated *in vacuo*. The material was purified by flash chromatography eluting with 40-50% EtOAc in heptane. *tert*-Butyl 1-cyano-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (10.6 g, 65.8%) was obtained as a slightly pink solid.

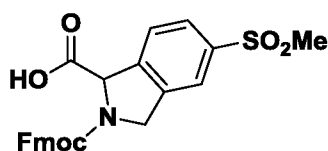
LC/MS: $m/z=321$ [M-H]⁻. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 1:1) δ 1.50, 1.51 (s, 9H), 3.24, 3.25 (s, 3H), 4.74, 4.76 (s, 2H), 6.17, 6.19 (s, 1H), 7.83 (d, 1H), 7.96 – 8.05 (m, 2H).

Step 7: 5-(Methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid, hydrochloride salt



6M aq HCl (110 mL, 660.00 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 1-cyano-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (10.6 g, 32.88 mmol) and the mixture was heated at 70°C for 2.5 h. The reaction was cooled to room temperature and concentrated to dryness to afford a dark solid, which was used in the next step without further purification. LC/MS: $m/z=240$ [M-H]⁻.

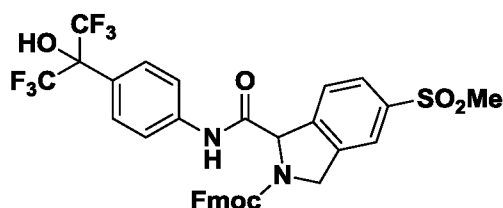
Step 8: 2-[(9H-Fluoren-9-yloxy)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxylic acid



To 5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid, HCl (9.13 g, 32.88 mmol) in dioxane (230 mL)/water (230 mL) was added potassium carbonate (22.72 g, 164.40 mmol) and 9-fluorenylmethyl chloroformate (7.66 g, 29.59 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature overnight. The dioxane was removed *in vacuo*. The aqueous was then acidified with 1M aq HCl and extracted with EtOAc. These organic extracts were combined, dried using a phase separator and concentrated *in vacuo*. The material was used crude in the next step.

LC/MS: $m/z=462$ [M-H]⁻.

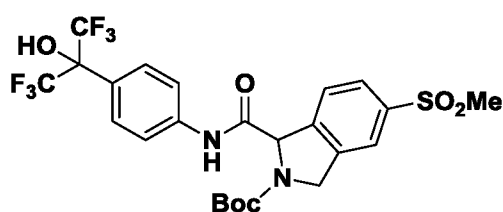
Step 9: 9H-Fluoren-9-yl 1-{{4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl}carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-isoindole-2-carboxylate



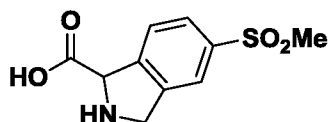
T3P (50% solution in EtOAc, 37.7 mL, 63.40 mmol) was added to a mixture of 2-[(9H-fluoren-9-yloxy)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxylic acid (14.69 g, 31.7 mmol), 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (6.57 g, 25.36 mmol) and triethylamine (8.84 mL, 63.40 mmol) in DCM (300 mL). This was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction mixture was washed with water and the layers separated using a phase separator cartridge. The DCM was removed *in vacuo* to afford a black tar. The first attempt to purify by flash chromatography was unsuccessful because the main impurity crystallised and blocked the column. The column had to be flushed with 1:1 EtOAc:methanol to unblock it. The product containing solution obtained was concentrated *in vacuo*. This was then purified by flash chromatography eluting with 30%-50% EtOAc in heptane to afford (9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (10.64 g, 47.6%).

LC/MS: $m/z=705$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 1:1) δ 3.22, 3.23 (s, 3H), 4.14 – 4.39 (m, 3H), 4.88 – 5.03 (m, 2H), 5.72, 5.81 (s, 1H), 6.93 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.56 – 7.83 (m, 8H), 7.9 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 8.03 – 8.09 (m, 1H), 8.64, 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.82, 10.87 (s, 1H).

Intermediate 5: *tert*-Butyl 1-{{4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl}carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-isoindole-2-carboxylate



Step 1: 5-(Methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid, hydrochloride salt



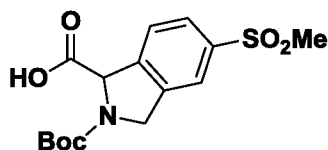
6M aq HCl (110 mL, 660.00 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 1-cyano-5-

- 5 (methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (10.6 g, 32.88 mmol) with stirring, and the mixture was heated at 70°C for 3 h. The reaction was concentrated to 13.3 g of a sticky black solid, which was used as such in the next step.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 3.25 (s, 3H), 4.61 (q, 1H), 4.69 (q, 1H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d, 1H), 7.99 (d, 1H), 8.04 (s, 1H).

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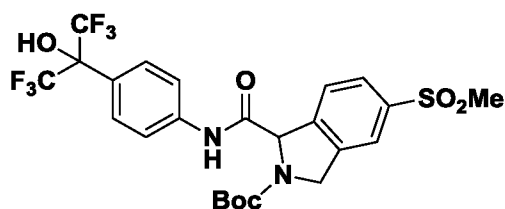
Step 2: 2-(*tert*-Butoxycarbonyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid



- The hydrochloride salt of 5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (7.78 g, 28 mmol) was dissolved in water (130 mL) and 1,4-dioxane (200 mL) and 2M aq potassium carbonate (70.0 mL, 140.00 mmol) was added. Di-*tert*-butyl dicarbonate (6.11 g, 28.00 mmol) was added in one portion, and the solution was stirred at room temperature overnight. The dioxane was removed *in vacuo* and DCM (100 mL) was added. A black precipitate formed in the aqueous which was removed by filtration. The aqueous solution was washed a second time with DCM and the organic washes discarded.
- 20 The aqueous solution was then chilled with stirring on an ice water bath before adding EtOAc (100mL). The pH was gradually adjusted to 2 by the slow addition of chilled 3.8M aq HCl; the biphasic mixture was stirred for a few minutes before the EtOAc phase was separated. The aqueous solution was washed with EtOAc (2 x 100 mL). The combined EtOAc extracts were washed with water (1 x 100 mL) and brine (50 mL) before drying
- 25 over MgSO₄. This was filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (4.55 g, 47.5%) as solid.

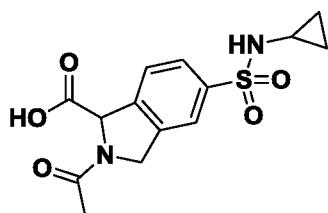
LC/MS: $m/z = 681$ $[2M-H]^-$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 1.6*:1) δ 1.41*, 1.46 (s, 9H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.68 – 4.8 (m, 2H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 7.60*, 7.63 (d, 1H), 7.87 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.95, 7.98* (s, 1H).

- 5 *Step 3: tert-Butyl 1-{{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-isoindole-2-carboxylate*

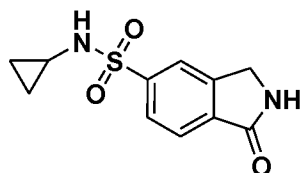


- 2-(*tert*-Butoxycarbonyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (4.40 g, 12.89 mmol) and 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (3.34 g, 12.89 mmol) were combined in ethyl acetate (50 mL) to give a suspension, before the addition of triethylamine (5.39 mL, 38.67 mmol) gave a dark brown solution. The solution was chilled by stirring on an ice / water bath before the addition of T3P (50% in EtOA, 15.35 mL, 25.78 mmol) by dropping funnel. The addition was controlled to ensure temperature did not exceed 5°C. After one hour the reaction solution was washed with water (2 x 50mL). The combined water washes were extracted with EtOAc (50mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with 0.1M aq HCl (2 x 50mL) and brine (25mL) before drying over MgSO₄. This was filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography eluting with 0 – 60% EtOAc in n-heptane to give the title compound (4.95 g, 66%) as asolid.
- LC/MS: $m/z = 581$ $[M-H]^-$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 1.8*:1) δ 1.35*, 1.47 (s, 9H), 3.20, 3.21* (s, 3H), 4.69 – 4.88 (m, 2H), 5.61*, 5.63 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.76 (m, 5H), 7.86 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.98, 8.01* (s, 1H), 8.63*, 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.75 (s, 1H).

- Intermediate 6:** 2-Acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxylic acid

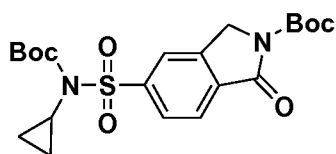


Step 1: N-Cyclopropyl-1-oxoisindoline-5-sulfonamide



- 5 Cyclopropanamine (1.848 g, 32.38 mmol) was added to 1-oxoisindoline-5-sulfonyl chloride (2.5 g, 10.79 mmol, prepared as described for intermediate 3, step 1 and 2) in DCM (30 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (125 mL), extracted with DCM (3×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford *N*-cyclopropyl-1-oxoisindoline-5-sulfonamide (1.60 g, 58.8 %) as a yellow solid. The product was used in the next step directly without further purification.
- 10 LC/MS: $m/z=253$ [M+H]⁺

- Step 2: tert-Butyl 5-(N-(tert-butoxycarbonyl)-N-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate*
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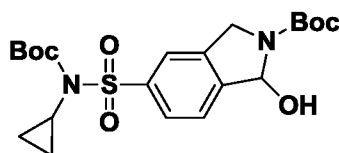


- Di-*tert*-butyl dicarbonate (1.938 g, 8.88 mmol) was added to *N*-cyclopropyl-1-oxoisindoline-5-sulfonamide (1.6 g, 6.34 mmol) and DMAP (1.085 g, 8.88 mmol) in MeCN (20 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (100 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3×75 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 30 to 40% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to
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afford *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (1.10 g, 38.3 %) as a pale yellow oil.

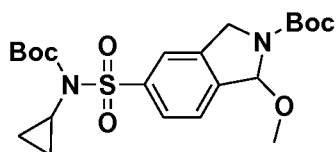
LC/MS: $m/z=397$ $[M+H-tBu]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 0.88 – 0.92 (m, 2H), 1.11 – 1.14 (m, 2H), 1.39 (s, 9H), 1.61 (s, 9H), 2.82 – 2.87 (m, 1H), 4.87 (s, 2H), 8.05 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 8.13 (s, 1H).

Step 3: tert-Butyl 5-(N-(tert-butoxycarbonyl)-N-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-hydroxyisindoline-2-carboxylate



- 10 DIBAL-H (1M in THF) (4.42 mL, 4.42 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (1 g, 2.21 mmol) in DCM (25 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aq. Rochelle's salt (25 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-hydroxyisindoline-2-carboxylate (0.92 g, 92%) as a pale yellow oil. The crude product was used in the next step directly without further purification.
- 15 LC/MS: $m/z=437$ $[M-OH]^+$.

- 20 *Step 4: tert-Butyl 5-(N-(tert-butoxycarbonyl)-N-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-methoxyisindoline-2-carboxylate*



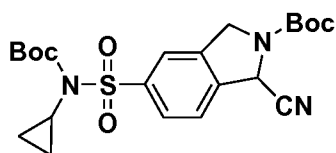
- PPTs (50.9 mg, 0.20 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-hydroxyisindoline-2-carboxylate (920 mg, 2.02 mmol) in MeOH (2 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction was quenched by addition of Et₃N (4.51 mL, 32.38 mmol) and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-

cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (940 mg, 99%) as a dark purple oil. The crude product was used to the next step directly without further purification.

LC/MS: $m/z=437$ $[M - \text{MeO}]^+$

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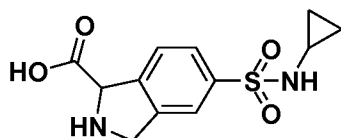
Step 5: tert-Butyl 5-(N-(tert-butoxycarbonyl)-N-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate



$\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (0.38 mL, 3.01 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (940 mg, 2.01 mmol) and trimethylsilanecarbonitrile (299 mg, 3.01 mmol) in DCM (25 mL) cooled to -78°C under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at -78°C for 30 minutes. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO_3 (25 mL), extracted with DCM (3×25 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford dark oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 60% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (240 mg, 25.8%) as a solid.

LC/MS: $m/z=464$ $[M+\text{H}]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.82 – 0.85 (m, 2H), 1.03 – 1.10 (m, 2H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.56 (d, 9H), 2.77 – 2.82 (m, 1H), 4.77 – 4.80 (m, 2H), 5.80 (d, 1H), 7.59 – 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.93 – 7.99 (m, 2H).

Step 6: 5-(N-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid

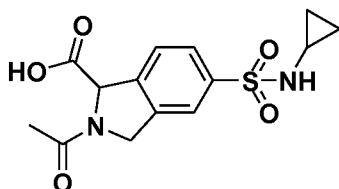


tert-Butyl 5-(*N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-*N*-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (240 mg, 0.52 mmol) was added to 6M aq HCl (2.4 mL, 14.40 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at 70°C for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was concentrated

under reduced pressure to afford 5-(*N*-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (110 mg, 75%) as solid, which was used without further purification.

LC/MS: $m/z=283$ $[M+H]^+$.

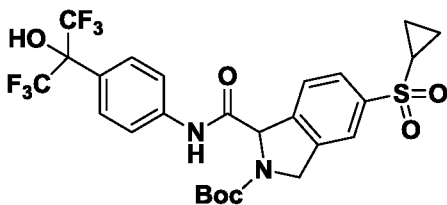
5 *Step 7: 2-Acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxylic acid*



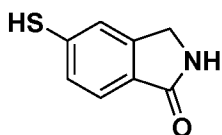
Acetic anhydride (39.8 mg, 0.39 mmol) was added to 5-(*N*-cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (110 mg, 0.39 mmol) and Et₃N (0.217 mL, 1.56 mmol) in DCM (2 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude 2-acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxylic acid (110 mg, 87%), which was used without further purification.

LC/MS: $m/z=325$ $[M+H]^+$.

15 **Intermediate 7:** *tert*-Butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-([4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



20 *Step 1: 5-mercaptoisoindolin-1-one*

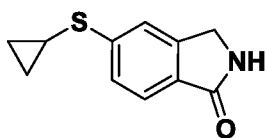


Sodium 2-methylbutan-2-olate (31.2 g, 282.96 mmol) was added to 5-bromoisindolin-1-one (30 g, 141.48 mmol) and phenylmethanethiol (35.1 g, 282.96 mmol) in DMF (300 mL)

under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (300 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3×300 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford 5-(benzylthio)isoindolin-1-one (6.00 g, 16.61 %) as a yellow solid. The water layer was acidified with 2M HCl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3×150 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to dryness to afford 5-mercaptoisoindolin-1-one (15.00 g, 64.2 %) as a solid.

LC/MS: m/z=166 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 4.32 (s, 2H), 5.88 (s, 1H), 7.37 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 8.45 (s, 1H).

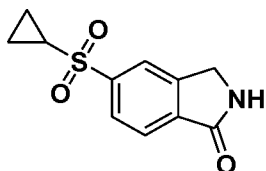
Step 2: 5-(Cyclopropylthio)isoindolin-1-one



5-Mercaptoisoindolin-1-one (8 g, 48.42 mmol) was added to bromocyclopropane (8.79 g, 72.63 mmol) and NaH (2.32 g, 96.85 mmol) in DMF (100 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (300 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3×300 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 30 to 50% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 5-(cyclopropylthio)isoindolin-1-one (5.00 g, 50.3 %) as a solid.

LC/MS: m/z=206 [M+H]⁺.

Step 3: 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)isoindolin-1-one

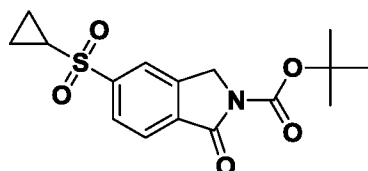


mCPBA (10.51 g, 60.89 mmol) was added to 5-(cyclopropylthio)isoindolin-1-one (5 g, 24.36 mmol) in DCM (100 mL) cooled to 0°C over a period of 5 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture

was quenched with saturated NaHCO_3 (200 mL), extracted with DCM (3×200 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)isoindolin-1-one (6.00 g, crude) as a white solid. LC/MS: $m/z=238$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.

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Step 4: tert-Butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate



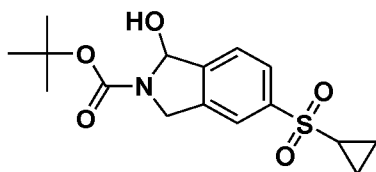
Boc-anhydride (8.81 mL, 37.93 mmol) was added to 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)isoindolin-1-one (6 g, 25.29 mmol) and DMAP (4.63 g, 37.93 mmol) in DCM (120 mL) under nitrogen.

10 The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl (100 mL), extracted with DCM (3×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 50% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (7.10 g, 83 %) as a solid.

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LC/MS: $m/z=401$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}+\text{MeCN}]^+$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.10 – 1.13 (m, 2H), 1.39 – 1.43 (m, 2H), 1.62 (s, 9H), 2.48 – 2.54 (m, 1H), 4.87 (s, 2H), 8.02 – 8.10 (m, 3H).

Step 5: tert-Butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-hydroxyisindoline-2-carboxylate



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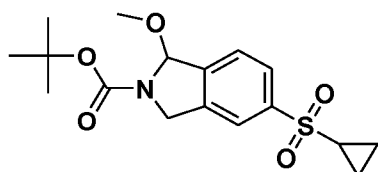
DIBAL-H (42.1 mL, 42.09 mmol) was added dropwise to *tert*-butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (7.1 g, 21.04 mmol) in DCM (140 mL) cooled to 0°C over a period of 10 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 0°C for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aq. Rochelle's salt (200 mL), extracted with DCM (3×200 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-hydroxyisindoline-

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2-carboxylate (6.80 g).

LC/MS: $m/z=266$ $[M-OH-tBu]^+$.

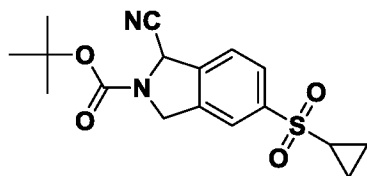
Step 6: tert-Butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-methoxyisindoline-2-carboxylate



PPTs (0.067 g, 0.27 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-hydroxyisindoline-2-carboxylate (0.9 g, 2.65 mmol) in MeOH (20 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with Et₃N (50 mL). The resulting mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure to afford crude *tert*-butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-methoxyisindoline-2-carboxylate (5.80 g, 83%).

LC/MS: $m/z=266$ $[M-MeO-tBu]^+$.

Step 7: tert-Butyl 1-cyano-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)isindoline-2-carboxylate

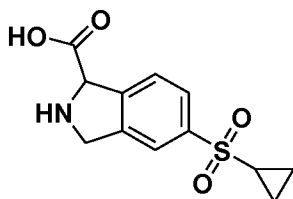


BF₃·Et₂O (3.12 mL, 24.62 mmol) was added dropwise to *tert*-butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-methoxyisindoline-2-carboxylate (5.8 g, 16.41 mmol) and TMS-CN (3.30 mL, 24.62 mmol) in DCM (120 mL) at -78°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at -78 °C for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ (150 mL), extracted with DCM (3×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford dark solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 50% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 1-cyano-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)isindoline-2-carboxylate (2.400 g, 42.0).

LC/MS: $m/z=366$ $[M+H+NH_3]^+$. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.06 – 1.15 (m, 2H), 1.35 – 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.62 (s, 9H), 2.48 – 2.54 (m, 1H), 4.82 – 4.89 (m, 2H), 5.82 – 5.88 (m, 1H),

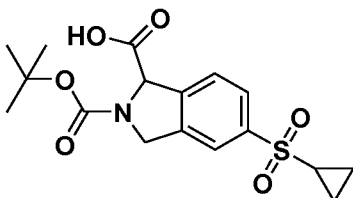
7.66 – 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.89 – 8.07 (m, 2H).

Step 8: 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid



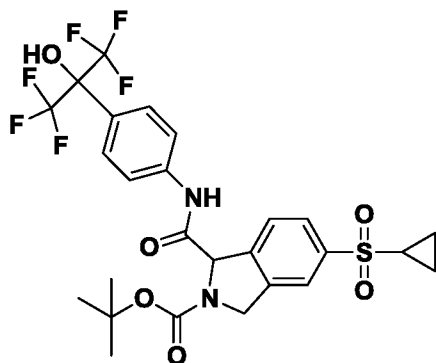
- 5 A mixture of *tert*-butyl 1-cyano-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (2.38 g, 6.83 mmol) in HCl (6M, 24 mL, 144.00 mmol) was stirred at 70 °C for 3 hours. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure to afford 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid 2.2 g of a dark solid, which was used without further purification.
- 10 LC/MS: $m/z=268$ $[M+H]^+$.

Step 9: 2-(tert-Butoxycarbonyl)-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid



- Boc₂O (1.91 mL, 8.23 mmol) was added to 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (2.2 g, 8.23 mmol) and Et₃N (4.59 mL, 32.92 mmol) in DCM (40 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was acidified with 1M HCl. The resulting mixture was extracted with DCM (3×50 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford dark oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 10% MeOH in DCM. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (2.20 g, 72.8 %).
- 20 LC/MS: $m/z=268$ $[M+H-Boc]^+$. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 1.00 – 1.27 (m, 4H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 2.82 – 2.88 (m, 1H), 4.68 – 4.78 (m, 2H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.66 (m, 1H),
- 25 7.82 – 7.93 (m, 2H).

Step 10: *tert*-Butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



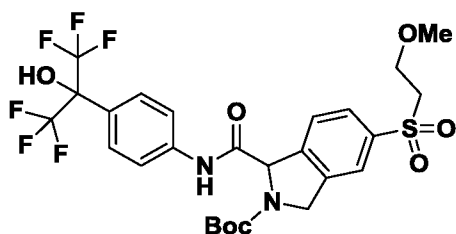
- 5 DIPEA (1.426 mL, 8.17 mmol) was added to 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (1 g, 2.72 mmol), HATU (1.138 g, 2.99 mmol) and 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (0.705 g, 2.72 mmol) in DCM (10 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl (20 mL), extracted with
- 10 DCM (3×25 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford dark oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 50% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford the title compound (1.3 g, 77 %) as a pale yellow solid.

LC/MS: $m/z=609$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of rotamers, 1.8*:1) δ

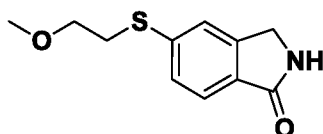
15 1.04 – 1.21 (m, 4H), 1.35*, 1.47 (s, 9H), 2.84 – 2.86 (m, 1H), 4.73 – 4.86 (m, 2H), 5.61*, 5.63 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.78 (m, 5H), 7.83 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.94 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 8.65*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.76 (s, 1H).

Intermediate 8: *tert*-Butyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate

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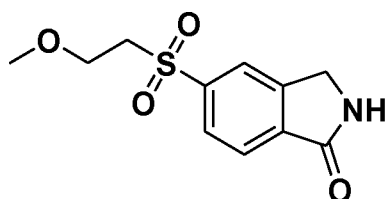
Step 1: 5-(2-Methoxyethylthio)isoindolin-1-one



- 5 1-Bromo-2-methoxyethane (12.62 g, 90.79 mmol) was added to 5-mercaptoisoindolin-1-one (10 g, 60.53 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (16.73 g, 121.06 mmol) in DMF (200 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (200 mL), extracted with EtOAc (2×200 mL), the organic layer was washed with water (2×200 mL) and brine (1×200 mL), dried over
- 10 Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 30 to 50% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 5-((2-methoxyethyl)thio)isoindolin-1-one (9.60 g, 71%).

LC/MS: $m/z = 224 [M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $DMSO-d_6$) δ 3.25 (t, 2H), 3.27 (s, 3H),
 15 3.56 (t, 2H), 4.34 (s, 2H), 7.39 – 7.58 (m, 3H), 8.49 (s, 1H).

Step 2: 5-((2-Methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindolin-1-one



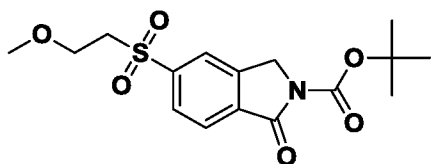
- mCPBA (15.58 g, 90.29 mmol) was added portionwise to 5-((2-methoxyethyl)thio)isoindolin-1-one (9.6 g, 42.99 mmol) in DCM (60 mL) under nitrogen.
- 20 The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated Na_2CO_3 (200 mL), extracted with DCM (6×150 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford 5-((2-

methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindolin-1-one (8.20 g, 75%) as pale yellow solid. The crude product was used to the next step directly.

LC/MS: $m/z = 256$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.09 (s, 3H), 3.61 – 3.71 (m, 4H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 7.91 (d, 1H), 8.00 (d, 1H), 8.14 (s, 1H), 8.96 (s, 1H).

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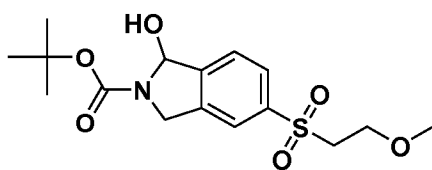
Step 3: tert-Butyl 5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)-1-oxoisoindoline-2-carboxylate



DMAP (5.81 g, 47.59 mmol) was added to 5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindolin-1-one (8.1 g, 31.73 mmol) and (Boc) $_2$ O (11.05 mL, 47.59 mmol) in MeCN (160 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl (200 mL), extracted with DCM (3 $\times$ 200 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 50% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)-1-oxoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (7.20 g, 63.2 %) as a brown solid.

LC/MS: $m/z = 300$ $[M+H-tBu]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.55 (s, 9H), 3.08 (s, 3H), 3.65 – 3.72 (m, 4H), 4.90 (s, 2H), 7.98 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 8.22 (s, 1H).

20 *Step 4: tert-Butyl 1-hydroxy-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate*



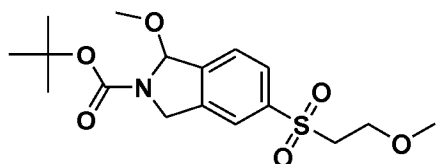
DIBAL-H (5.76 g, 40.52 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)-1-oxoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (7.2 g, 20.26 mmol) in DCM (140 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 5 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with sat Rochelle's salt (50 mL), extracted with DCM (3 $\times$ 50 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford *tert*-butyl 1-

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hydroxy-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (6.50 g, 90 %).

LC/MS: $m/z = 340$ $[M-OH]^+$.

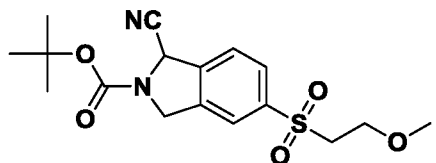
Step 5: tert-Butyl 1-methoxy-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate



PPTs (0.457 g, 1.82 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 1-hydroxy-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (6.5 g, 18.19 mmol) in MeOH (130 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 5 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with Et₃N (150 mL), the organic layer was filtered and evaporated to afford *tert*-butyl 1-methoxy-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (6.50 g, 96%) as brown oil.

LC/MS: $m/z = 340$ $[M-MeO]^+$.

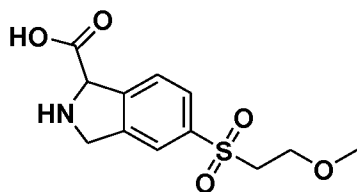
Step 6: tert-Butyl 1-cyano-5-(2-methoxyethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate



BF₃·Et₂O (3.79 mL, 29.88 mmol) was added dropwise to *tert*-butyl 1-methoxy-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (7.4 g, 19.92 mmol) and TMS-CN (4.01 mL, 29.88 mmol) in DCM (148 mL) cooled to -78°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at -78°C for 45 minutes. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ (150 mL), extracted with DCM (3×150 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford purple oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 1-cyano-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (3.20 g, 43.8%).

LC/MS: $m/z = 384$ $[M+H+NH_3]^+$. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 1.52 (s, 9H), 3.11 (s, 3H), 3.64 (s, 4H), 4.77 (s, 2H), 6.21 (s, 1H), 7.82 – 8.00 (m, 3H).

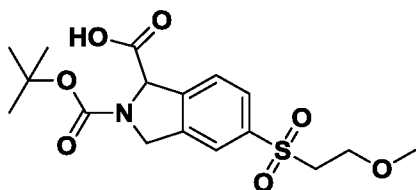
Step 7: 5-((2-Methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid



A mixture of *tert*-butyl 1-cyano-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (3.2 g, 8.73 mmol) in HCl (6M, 0.2 mL, 1.20 mmol) was heated to 70 °C for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude 5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (3.2g), which was used without further purification.

LC/MS: $m/z = 286$ $[M+H]^+$.

Step 8: 2-(*tert*-Butoxycarbonyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid

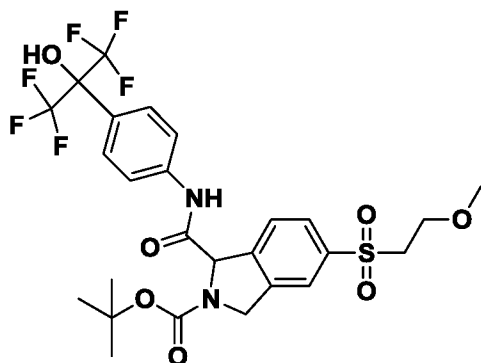


Boc-anhydride (2.60 mL, 11.22 mmol) was added to 5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (3.2 g, 11.22 mmol) and Et₃N (6.25 mL, 44.86 mmol) in DCM (64 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. The reaction mixture was acidified with 1M HCl. The resulting mixture was extracted with DCM (3×60ml), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford dark solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 10% MeOH in DCM. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (2.80 g, 64.8 %).

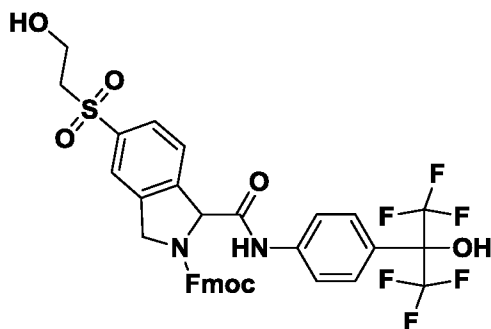
LC/MS: $m/z = 286$ $[M+H-Boc]^+$.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.3*:1) δ 1.43*, 1.48 (s, 9H), 3.11 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 4H), 4.73 – 4.76 (m, 2H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.96 (m, 3H), 13.28 (1H, brs).

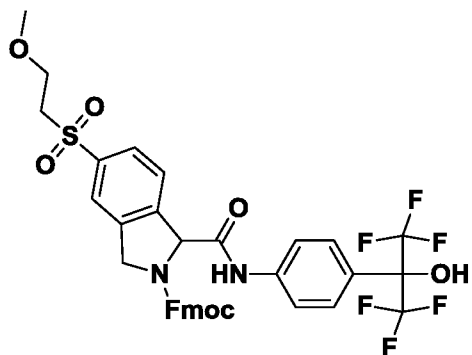
Step 9: *tert*-Butyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



- DIPEA (3.81 mL, 21.79 mmol) was added to 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (2.8 g, 7.26 mmol), 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (1.883 g, 7.26 mmol) and HATU (3.04 g, 7.99 mmol) in DCM (56 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (20 mL), extracted with DCM (3×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford dark solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 60% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (3.53 g, 96 %).
- LC/MS: $m/z = 571$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}-t\text{Bu}]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of rotamers, 1.8*:1) δ 1.34*, 1.48 (s, 9H), 3.09 (s, 3H), 3.58 – 3.60 (m, 4H), 4.66 – 4.89 (m, 2H), 5.60*, 5.62 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.78 (m, 5H), 7.81 – 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.91 – 7.99 (m, 1H), 8.63*, 8.64 (s, 1H), 10.74 (1H, s).
- Intermediate 9:** (9*H*-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenylcarbamoyl)-5-(2-hydroxyethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate



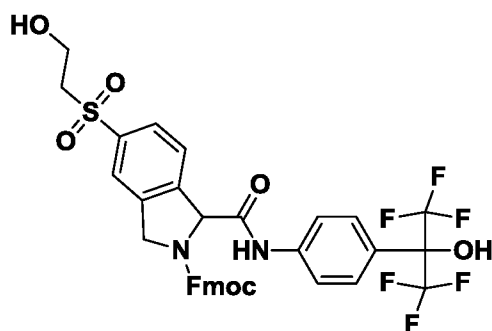
Step 1: (9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenylcarbamoyl)-5-(2-methoxyethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate



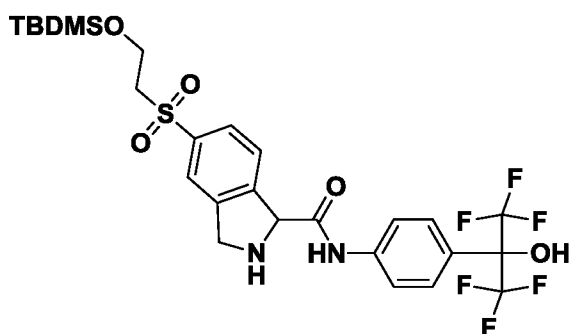
- 5 9-Fluorenylmethyl chloroformate (73.7 mg, 0.28 mmol) was added to *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (100 mg, 0.19 mmol, prepared as described in Example 700) and sat. aq. NaHCO₃ (4 mL) in DCM (2 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (10 mL), extracted with DCM
- 10 (3×10 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 30 to 50% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford (9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (120 mg,
- 15 84%).

LC/MS: $m/z = 749$ $[M+H]^+$. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.1*:1) δ 3.11*, 3.12 (s, 3H), 3.60 – 3.64 (m, 4H), 4.14 – 4.42 (m, 3H), 4.78 – 5.03 (m, 2H), 5.72, 5.82* (s, 1H), 6.92 – 7.00 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.50 (m, 3H), 7.55 – 7.84 (m, 8H), 7.86 – 7.96 (m, 2H), 8.00 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.67, 8.69* (s, 1H), 10.84, 10.88* (s, 1H).

Step 2: (9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenylcarbamoyl)-5-(2-hydroxyethylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate

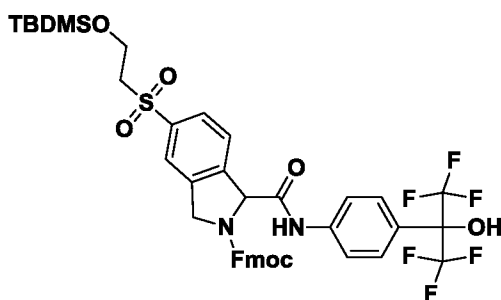


- Tribromoborane (1088 mg, 4.34 mmol) was added dropwise to (9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-
 5 ((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (650 mg, 0.87 mmol) in DCM (20 mL) cooled to -40°C over a period of 20 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 0 °C for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with ice (50 mL), extracted with DCM (3 x 75 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated
 10 to afford pale yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 80% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford (9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-((2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (442 mg, 69.3%).
- 15 LC/MS: m/z=735 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.2*:1) δ 3.46 – 3.49 (m, 2H), 3.68 – 3.71 (m, 2H), 4.16 – 4.38 (m, 3H), 4.88 – 5.03 (m, 3H), 5.72, 5.82* (s, 1H), 6.94 – 7.00 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.85 (m, 8H), 7.87 – 7.96 (m, 2H), 8.01 – 8.06 (m, 1H), 8.67, 8.69* (s, 1H), 10.85, 10.90* (s, 1H).
- 20 **Intermediate 10:** 5-((2-((*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)ethyl)sulfonyl)-N-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide



Step 1: (9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 5-((2-((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)ethyl)sulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-

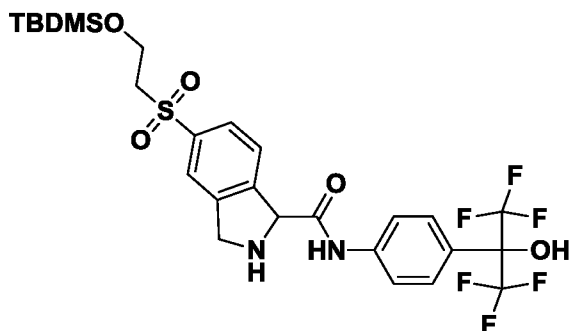
5 carboxylate



tert-Butylchlorodimethylsilane (451 mg, 2.99 mmol) was added to (9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-((2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (440 mg, 0.60 mmol), 2,6-dimethylpyridine (193 mg, 1.80 mmol) in DCM (10 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 25 °C for 4 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (15 mL), extracted with DCM (3 x 20 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford pale yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 70% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford (9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl 5-((2-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)ethyl)sulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (320 mg, 62.9%).

LC/MS: $m/z=849$ [M+H]⁺.

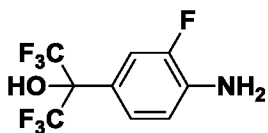
20 Step 2: 5-((2-((*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)ethyl)sulfonyl)-N-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide



Diethylamine (267 mg, 3.65 mmol) was added to (9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)methyl 5-((2-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)ethyl)sulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (310 mg, 0.37 mmol) in DCM (2 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 70% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 5-((2-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)ethyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (210 mg, 92%).

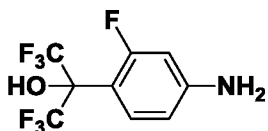
LC/MS: $m/z=627$ $[M+H]^+$.

Intermediate 11: 2-(4-amino-3-fluorophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol

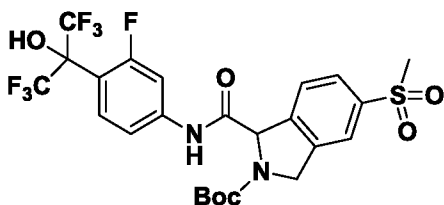


2-Fluoroaniline (3 g, 27.00 mmol), 1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-one sesquihydrate (4.23 ml, 34.60 mmol) and 4-methylbenzenesulfonic acid hydrate (0.54 g, 2.84 mmol) were mixed in a vial under nitrogen. The mixture was heated to 90°C overnight. The reaction contents were then diluted with 600 mL ethyl acetate and washed with NaHCO₃(sat.). The ethyl acetate phase was then washed with brine, dried using a phase separator, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography on silica gel eluting with 0 to 20% EtOAc in heptanes gave impure product, which was purified again under the same conditions to afford 2-(4-amino-3-fluorophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (2.3 g, 31%).

LC/MS: $m/z=276$ $[M-H]^-$. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO) δ 5.55 (s, 2H), 6.82 (t, 1H), 7.15 (d, 1H), 7.19 (d, 1H), 8.44 (s, 1H).

Intermediate 12: 2-(4-Amino-2-fluorophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol

- 5 To 3-fluoroaniline (3 g, 27.00 mmol) in a vial was added 1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-one sesquihydrate (4.23 ml, 34.60 mmol) and 4-methylbenzenesulfonic acid hydrate (0.54 g, 2.84 mmol). The tube was then purged with nitrogen, sealed and heated overnight at 90°C. The reaction contents were then diluted with ethyl acetate and washed 3 x with NaHCO₃(sat.). The ethyl acetate phase was then washed with brine, dried using a phase
- 10 separator, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The desired product was isolated by flash chromatography on silica using 0 to 20% ethyl acetate in heptane. This resulted in a solid that was recrystallised using hexanes and ethyl acetate. 2-(4-Amino-2-fluorophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (1.22 g, 16.3%) was obtained as a solid.
- LC/MS: *m/z* = 276 [M-H]⁻. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO) δ 5.78 (s, 2H), 6.33 (dd, 1H), 6.44 (dd, 1H), 7.35 (t, 1H), 8.33 (s, 1H).
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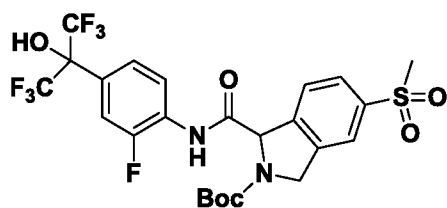
Intermediate 13: *tert*-Butyl 1-{[3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate

- 20 2-(*tert*-Butoxycarbonyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (345 mg, 1.01 mmol) was suspended in DCM (5 mL) and to this 2-(4-amino-2-fluorophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (280 mg, 1.01 mmol) and triethylamine (0.282 mL, 2.02 mmol) was added. To the solution obtained T3P (643 mg, 2.02 mmol, 50% in EtOAc) was then added.
- 25 The reaction was stirred at rt for 30mins. LCMS indicated complete conversion to product. The reaction was diluted with DCM and washed with 0.5M HCl. The layers were separated

using a phase separator and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified on silica eluting with 40% EtOAc in heptane. Pure fractions were combined and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford *tert*-butyl 1-((3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (422 mg, 69.5%) as a solid.

LC/MS: $m/z = 601$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 1.34*, 1.47 (s, 9H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.71 – 4.86, (m, 2H), 5.6*, 5.62 (s, 1H), 7.51 (td, 1H), 7.63 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.75 – 7.81 (m, 1H), 7.85 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.98, 8.02* (s, 1H), 8.84*, 8.86 (s, 1H), 10.94 (s, 1H).

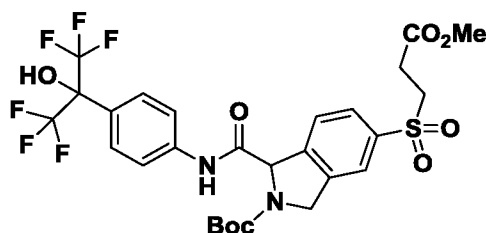
Intermediate 14: *tert*-Butyl 1-{[2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



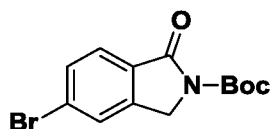
2-(*tert*-Butoxycarbonyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (345 mg, 1.01 mmol) was suspended in DCM (5 mL) and to this 2-(4-amino-3-fluorophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (280 mg, 1.01 mmol) and triethylamine (0.282 mL, 2.02 mmol) was added. To the resulting solution T3P (1.203 mL, 2.02 mmol) 50% in EtOAc was then added. The reaction was stirred at rt for 30mins. LCMS indicated complete conversion to product. The reaction was diluted with DCM and washed with 0.5M HCl. The layers were separated using a phase separator and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified on silica eluting with 40% EtOAc in heptane. Completely pure fractions were combined and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford *tert*-butyl 1-((2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (402 mg, 66.3%) as a solid.

LC/MS: $m/z = 601$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 1.38*, 1.47 (s, 9H), 3.21, 3.23* (s, 3H), 4.7 – 4.85 (m, 2H), 5.81*, 5.85 (s, 1H), 7.42 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.67*, 7.72 (d, 1H), 7.88 – 8.06 (m, 3H), 8.92 (s, 1H), 10.60, 10.63* (s, 1H).

Intermediate 15: *tert*-Butyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(3-methoxy-3-oxopropyl)sulfonyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



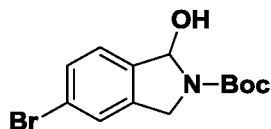
Step 1: tert-Butyl 5-bromo-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate



(Boc)₂O (69.5 g, 318.33 mmol) was added slowly to 5-bromoisindolin-1-one (45 g, 212.22 mmol) and DMAP (38.9 g, 318.33 mmol) in acetonitrile (1000 mL) at room temperature over a period of 30 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at this temperature for 12 hours. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was treated with water (500 mL), extracted with DCM (3×500 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 10% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-bromo-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (55.0 g, 83%).

LC/MS: *m/z* = 256, 258 [M-*t*Bu+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.62 (s, 9H), 4.76 (s, 2H), 7.63 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.78 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H).

Step 2: tert-Butyl 5-bromo-1-hydroxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate

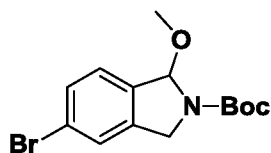


Lithium tri-*tert*-butoxyaluminum hydride (61.1 g, 240.26 mmol) was added slowly to *tert*-butyl 5-bromo-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (50 g, 160.17 mmol) in THF (800 mL) at

0°C over a period of 45 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 25 °C for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with ice (500 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3×250 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient
5 10 to 20% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-bromo-1-hydroxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (40.0 g, 79%).

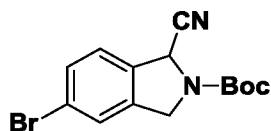
LC/MS: m/z = 240,242 [M-*t*Bu-OH]⁺.

Step 3: tert-Butyl 5-bromo-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate



PPTs (3.20 g, 12.73 mmol) was added slowly to *tert*-butyl 5-bromo-1-hydroxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (20 g, 63.66 mmol) in MeOH (400 mL) at room temperature over a period of 15 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at this temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with Et₃N (100 mL). The solvent was removed
15 under reduced pressure to afford *tert*-butyl 5-bromo-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (20.00 g, 96%). The product was used in the next step directly without further purification. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, mixture of rotamers, 1:1) δ 1.55 (s, 9H), 3.23, 3.32 (s, 3H), 4.57 – 4.75 (m, 2H), 6.23, 6.33 (s, 1H), 7.29 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.50 (m, 2H).

20 *Step 4: tert-Butyl 5-bromo-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate*

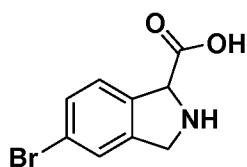


BF₃·Et₂O (11.58 mL, 91.41 mmol) was added dropwise to *tert*-butyl 5-bromo-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (20 g, 60.94 mmol) and TMS-CN (12.25 mL, 91.41 mmol) in DCM (400 mL) at -78°C over a period of 45 minutes under nitrogen. The
25 resulting solution was stirred at -78 °C for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with ice/water (300 mL), extracted with DCM (3×200 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by

flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 10 to 20% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-bromo-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (15.0 g, 76%).

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, mixture of rotamers, 1.5*:1) δ 1.54, 1.58* (s, 9H), 4.68, 4.72* (s, 2H), 5.65*, 5.70 (s, 1H), 7.28 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.58 (m, 2H).

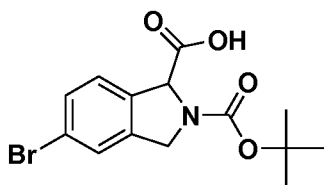
Step 5: 5-Bromoisoinndoline-1-carboxylic acid



tert-Butyl 5-bromo-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (7g, 21.66 mmol) was added slowly to 6M HCl (140 mL) at room temperature over a period of 35 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 3 hours. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to afford 5-bromoisoinndoline-1-carboxylic acid (5.0 g, 95%). The product was used in the next step directly without further purification.

LC/MS: *m/z* = 242,244 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 4.52 (d, *J*=15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (d, *J*=15.1Hz, 1H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J*=8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (dd, *J*=8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J*=1.8 Hz, 1H), 9.54 (brs, 1H), 11.29 (brs, 1H).

Step 6: 5-Bromo-2-(tert-butoxycarbonyl)isoinndoline-1-carboxylic acid



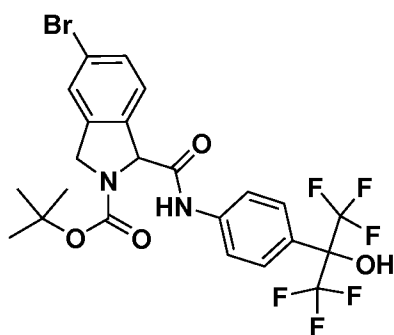
(Boc)₂O (5.41 g, 24.79 mmol) was added slowly to 5-bromoisoinndoline-1-carboxylic acid (5 g, 20.66 mmol) and Et₃N (11.52 mL, 82.62 mmol) in DCM (100 mL) at 0°C over a period of 30 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with water (100 mL), extracted with DCM (3×50 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient

10 to 20% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 5-bromo-2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (3.0 g, 42.4%).

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, mixture of rotamers, 1.6*:1) δ 1.47*, 1.49 (s, 9H), 4.61 – 4.83 (m, 2H), 5.25 – 5.32 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.43 (m, 3H).

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Step 7: tert-Butyl 5-bromo-1-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenylcarbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate



Et₃N (5.50 mL, 39.45 mmol) was added to 5-bromo-2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (4.5 g, 13.15 mmol), 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (3.41 g, 13.15 mmol) and T3P (12.55 g, 39.45 mmol) in DCM (100 mL) under nitrogen.

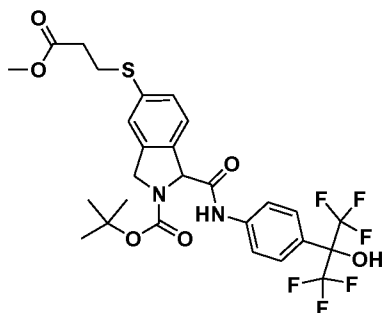
The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with saturated NH₄Cl (100 mL), extracted with DCM (3×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford yellow solid. The crude

product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 60% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-bromo-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (5.70 g, 74.3%).

LC/MS: *m/z* = 583, 585 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.7*:1) δ 1.34*, 1.45 (s, 9H), 4.61 – 4.77 (m, 2H), 5.43 – 5.47 (m, 1H), 7.36 (dd, *J*=10.8, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (dd, *J*=8.1, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.74 (m, 5H), 8.61*, 8.63 (s, 1H), 10.63, 10.64* (s, 1H).

Step 8: tert-Butyl 1-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenylcarbamoyl)-5-(3-methoxy-3-oxopropylthio)isoindoline-2-carboxylate

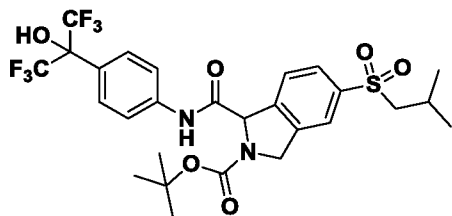
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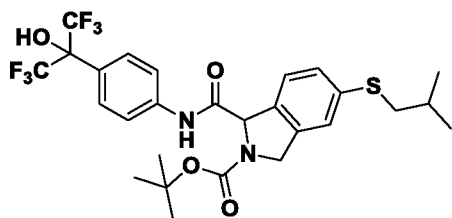
DIPEA (5.14 mL, 29.40 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-bromo-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isindoline-2-carboxylate (5.7 g, 9.77 mmol), methyl 3-mercaptopropanoate (1.174 g, 9.77 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃ (0.447 g, 0.49 mmol) and Xantphos (0.565 g, 0.98 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (120 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (100 mL), extracted with DCM (3×125 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford white solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 25% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-((3-methoxy-3-oxopropyl)thio)isindoline-2-carboxylate (5.5 g, 90%).

LC/MS: *m/z* = 623 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.54 (s, 9H), 2.65 (t, *J*=7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.19 (t, *J*=7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 4.77 – 4.90 (m, 2H), 5.48 – 5.65 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.63 (m, 7H), 9.38 (brs, 1H).

Intermediate 16: : *tert*-Butyl 1-{{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isindole-2-carboxylate



Step 1: tert-Butyl 1-{{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isindole-2-carboxylate

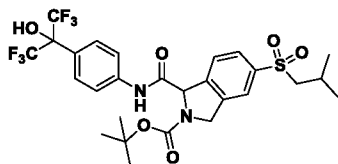


A solution of *tert*-butyl 5-bromo-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (150 mg, 0.26 mmol) in dioxane (3 mL) was degassed before Xantphos (14.88 mg, 0.03 mmol), DIPEA (0.054 mL, 0.31 mmol),

- 5 Pd₂(dba)₃ (11.77 mg, 0.01 mmol) and 2-methylpropane-1-thiol (162 mg, 1.80 mmol) were added. The reaction was heated to 80 °C for 40 min. The reaction was judged to be complete by LCMS. The reaction was cooled to room temperature and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography eluting with 0-40% EtOAc in heptane. *tert*-Butyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfanyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate (130 mg, 85%) was obtained as a foam.

- 10 LC/MS: *m/z* = 591 [M-H]⁻. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 3*:1) 0.98 (d, 6H), 1.34*, 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.73 - 1.83 (m, 1H), 2.82 - 2.89 (m, 2H), 4.53 - 4.74 (m, 2H), 5.43*, 5.46 (d, 1H), 7.23 - 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.28 - 7.4 (m, 2H), 7.6 - 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.7 - 7.75 (m, 2H), 8.61*, 8.63 (s, 1H), 10.60, 10.61* (s, 1H).

Step 2: tert-Butyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate

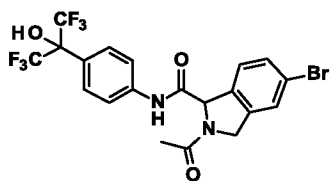


- 20 *tert*-Butyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfanyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate (127 mg, 0.21 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (5 mL) and to this mCPBA (≥77%) (115 mg, 0.51 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 20 min. After this time LCMS indicated that approximately 20% of the sulfoxide remained. mCPBA (≥77%) (30 mg, 0.13 mmol)
- 25 was added and the reaction stirred at rt for 10 min. LCMS indicated complete clean

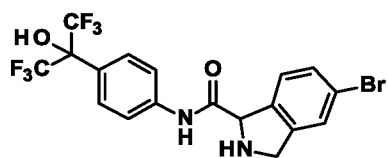
conversion to the sulphone had been achieved. The reaction was diluted with DCM and washed twice with 1M aqueous NaOH. The DCM was dried using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford *tert*-butyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-1,3-dihydro-2H-isoindole-2-carboxylate. (130 mg, 97%) as a foam. The material was used in the next step without purification.

LC/MS: $m/z = 625$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 0.92 - 1 (m, 6H), 1.35*, 1.47 (s, 9H), 2 - 2.08 (m, 1H), 3.2 (t, 2H), 4.69 - 4.86 (m, 2H), 5.61*, 5.63 (d, 1H), 7.61 - 7.76 (m, 5H), 7.84 - 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.95, 7.98* (s, 1H), 8.65 (br s, 1H), 10.76, 10.77* (s, 1H).

Intermediate 17: 2-Acetyl-5-bromo-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide



Step 1: 5-Bromo-N-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide



tert-Butyl 5-bromo-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-

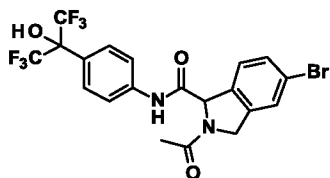
yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-isoindoline-2-carboxylate (300 mg, 0.51 mmol) was dissolved in

DCM (4 mL) and to this TFA (2 mL, 25.96 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue obtained was dissolved in methanol. This was loaded onto a 10g Isolute™ SCX cartridge (previously flushed with methanol). The cartridge was flushed with methanol and then the product was eluted with 7M NH_3 in methanol. The methanolic ammonia was removed *in vacuo* to afford 5-bromo-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-

yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (180 mg, 72.4%). The material was used in the next step without purification.

LC/MS: $m/z = 483/485$ $[M+H]^+$.

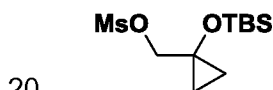
- 5 *Step 2: 2-Acetyl-5-bromo-N-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide*



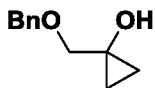
- 10 5-Bromo-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (180 mg, 0.37 mmol) was suspended in DCM (2 mL) and to this triethylamine (0.104 mL, 0.75 mmol), acetic acid (0.043 mL, 0.75 mmol) and T3P (50% solution in EtOAc) (0.444 mL, 0.75 mmol) were added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction was diluted with DCM and washed with 0.5M aqueous HCl and then saturated aqueous NaHCO₃. The layers were separated using a phase separator cartridge and the DCM removed *in vacuo*. The yield was assumed
- 15 quantitative and the material was used without further purification.

LC/MS: $m/z = 523/525$ $[M-H]^-$

Intermediate 18: (1-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyloxy)cyclopropyl)methyl methanesulphonate



Step 1: 1-(Benzyloxymethyl)cyclopropanol

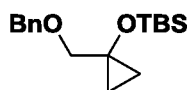


- 25 Ethylmagnesium bromide in Et₂O (154 mL, 463.36 mmol) was added dropwise to ethyl 2-(benzyloxy)acetate (20 g, 102.98 mmol) and titanium (IV) isopropoxide (30.18 mL, 102.98 mmol) in Et₂O (200 mL) cooled to 0°C over a period of 30 minutes under nitrogen. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH₄Cl (200 mL) in a bath of ice, extracted

with EtOAc (3 × 250 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford grey oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 20% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 1-((benzyloxy)methyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (15.0 g, 82%).

- 5 ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 0.47 – 0.52 (m, 2H), 0.56 – 0.60 (m, 2H), 3.46 (s, 2H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 7.23 – 7.40 (m, 5H).

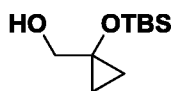
Step 2: 1-(Benzyloxymethyl)cyclopropoxy)(tert-butyl)dimethylsilane



- 10 Imidazole (2.86 g, 42.08 mmol) was added to 1-((benzyloxy)methyl)cyclopropan-1-ol (5 g, 28.05 mmol) and TBDMSCl (4.65 g, 30.86 mmol) in DCM (4 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (20 mL), extracted with DCM (3 × 20 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford pale yellow oil. The crude
- 15 product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 5% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford (1-((benzyloxy)methyl)cyclopropoxy)(tert-butyl)dimethylsilane (5.30 g, 64.6%).
- ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 0.09 (s, 6H), 0.60 – 0.65 (m, 4H), 0.82 (s, 9H), 3.47 (s, 2H), 4.51 (s, 2H), 7.29 – 7.37 (m, 5H).

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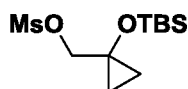
Step 3: (1-tert-Butyldimethylsilyloxy)cyclopropyl)methanol



- Pd-C (40 mg, 0.38 mmol) was added to (1-((benzyloxy)methyl)cyclopropoxy)(tert-butyl)dimethylsilane (5.3 g, 18.12 mmol) in MeOH (100 mL) under nitrogen. The
- 25 resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours under hydrogen. The reaction mixture was filtered through celite. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 5% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford (1-((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)cyclopropyl)methanol (2.3 g, 62.7%).

^1H NMR (300 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 0.10 (s, 6H), 0.53 – 0.57 (m, 4H), 0.82 (s, 9H), 3.43 (d, $J=5.7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 4.65 (t, $J=5.7\text{Hz}$, 1H).

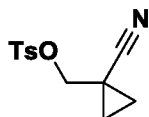
Step 4: (2-(9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-methyl 5-(benzylthio)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate



Et_3N (1.891 mL, 13.56 mmol) was added to (1-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)cyclopropyl)methanol (1.83 g, 9.04 mmol) and MsCl (0.846 mL, 10.85 mmol) in DCM (30 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (25 mL), extracted with DCM (2×25 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford (1-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)cyclopropyl)methyl methanesulfonate (1.85 g, 72.9%).

^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.17 (s, 6H), 0.76 – 0.95 (m, 13H), 3.09 (s, 3H), 4.22 (s, 2H).

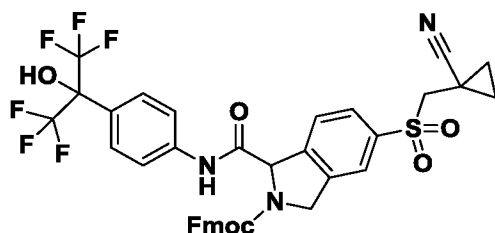
Intermediate 19: (1-Cyanocyclopropyl)methyl 4-methylbenzenesulphonate



Et_3N (8.97 mL, 64.36 mmol) was added to 1-(hydroxymethyl)cyclopropane-1-carbonitrile (5 g, 51.48 mmol) and TsCl (11.78 g, 61.78 mmol) in DCM (100 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (20 mL), extracted with DCM (3×20 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford white solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 100% DCM in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford (1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (5.20 g, 40%).

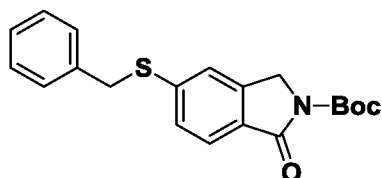
LC/MS: $m/z = 252$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.09 (dd, $J=7.5, 5.7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 1.38 (dd, $J=7.5, 5.4\text{Hz}$, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 4.01 (s, 2H), 7.40 (d, $J=8.1\text{Hz}$, 2H), 7.84 (d, $J=8.1\text{Hz}$, 2H).

Intermediate 20: 9*H*-Fluoren-9-yl 5-{[(1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-1-{{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



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Step 1: tert-Butyl 5-(benzylthio)1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate



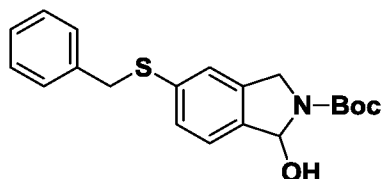
(Boc)₂O (87.20 g, 400.00 mmol) was added to 5-(benzylthio)isindolin-1-one (68.00 g, 266.7 mmol) and DMAP (48.80 g, 400 mmol) in MeCN (900 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by crystallisation from MeCN to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(benzylthio)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (60.0 g, 63%).

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LC/MS: *m/z* = 300 [M-*t*Bu+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 1.50 (s, 9H), 4.37 (s, 2H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 7.25 – 7.64 (m, 8H).

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Step 2: tert-Butyl 5-(benzylthio)1-hydroxyisindoline-2-carboxylate



Lithium tri-*tert*-butoxyaluminum hydride (32.2 g, 126.60 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-(benzylthio)-1-oxoisindoline-2-carboxylate (30 g, 84.40 mmol) in THF (750 mL) cooled to 0 °C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH₄Cl (500 mL), extracted with EtOAc

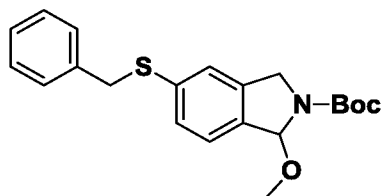
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(3×500 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(benzylthio)-1-hydroxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (29.6 g, 98%).

LC/MS: *m/z* = 340 [M-OH]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 1.48 (s, 9H), 4.27 (s, 2H), 4.45 – 4.48 (m, 2H), 6.03 – 6.25 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.40 (m, 8H).

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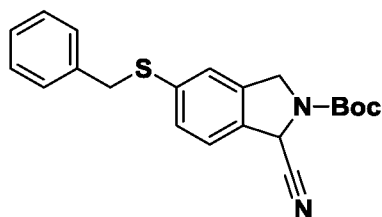
Step 3: tert-Butyl 5-(benzylthio)1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate



Silver (I) oxide (77 g, 331.22 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-(benzylthio)-1-hydroxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (29.6 g, 82.80 mmol) and MeI (31.1 mL, 496.83 mmol) in toluene (650 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 4 hours. The reaction mixture was filtered through celite. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The product *tert*-butyl 5-(benzylthio)-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (29.6 g, 96%) was used in the next step directly without further purification.

LC/MS: *m/z* = 340 [M-MeO]⁺. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1:1) δ 1.47 (s, 9H), 3.14 (brs, 3H), 4.27 (s, 2H), 4.44 – 4.57 (m, 2H), 6.14, 6.19 (s, 1H), 7.22 – 7.38 (m, 8H).

Step 4: tert-Butyl 5-(benzylthio)1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate

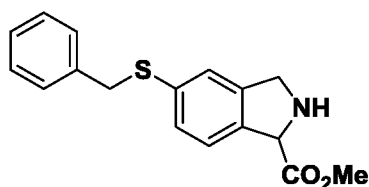


BF₃·Et₂O (15.15 mL, 119.52 mmol) was added dropwise to *tert*-butyl 5-(benzylthio)-1-methoxyisoindoline-2-carboxylate (29.6 g, 79.68 mmol) and trimethylsilanecarbonitrile (11.86 g, 119.52 mmol) in DCM (600 mL) cooled to -78 °C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at -78 °C for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ (5 mL), extracted with DCM (3×10 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford red oil. The crude product was purified by flash

silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 5% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford tert-butyl 5-(benzylthio)-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (15.50 g, 53.1%).

LC/MS: $m/z = 430$ $[M+Na+MeCN]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 1.1*:1) δ 1.49, 1.50* (s, 9H), 4.30 (s, 2H), 4.61*, 4.63 (s, 2H), 5.99, 6.00* (s, 1H), 7.22 – 7.47 (m, 8H).

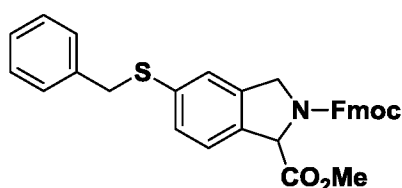
Step 5: Methyl 5-(benzylthio)isoindoline-1-carboxylate



- Hydrogen chloride (12N, 43 mL, 516.00 mmol) was added slowly to tert-butyl 5-(benzylthio)-1-cyanoisoindoline-2-carboxylate (19 g, 51.91 mmol) in MeOH (30 mL) cooled to 0°C. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 18 hours. The reaction mixture was basified with 2M NaOH (200 mL), extracted with DCM (3×200 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford dark oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 10% MeOH in DCM. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford methyl 5-(benzylthio)isoindoline-1-carboxylate (8.0 g, 51.5%).

LC/MS: $m/z = 300$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.65 (s, 3H), 4.02 – 4.24 (m, 4H), 4.89 (s, 1H), 7.18 – 7.37 (m, 8H).

Step 6: 2-(9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-methyl 5-(benzylthio)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate



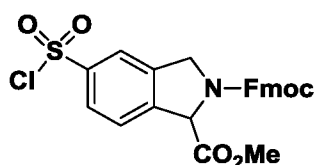
- K₂CO₃ (44.6 g, 322.83 mmol) was added to (9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl carbonochloridate (3.48 g, 13.45 mmol), methyl 5-(benzylthio)-1H-isoindole-1-carboxylate (4 g, 13.45 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (15 mL) and water (60.0 mL) at 0°C under air. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with

water (75 mL), extracted with DCM (3×75 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford black solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 5% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-((9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)methyl)-1-methyl-5-

5 (benzylthio)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate (4.50 g, 64.1%).

LC/MS: m/z = 522 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.1*:1) δ 3.59, 3.66* (s, 3H), 4.19 – 4.50 (m, 5H), 4.64 – 4.74 (m, 2H), 5.41, 5.48* (s, 1H), 7.21 – 7.93 (m, 16H).

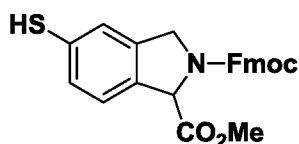
10 *Step 7: 2-(9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-methyl 5-(chlorosulphonyl)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate*



Formic acid (60 mL, 1604.35 mmol) was added to 2-((9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)methyl) 1-methyl 5-(benzylthio)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate (5.08 g, 9.74 mmol), NCS (6.50 g, 48.69
15 mmol) and sodium chloride (2.85 g, 48.69 mmol) in DCM (140 mL) and water (60 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 25°C for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with water (150 mL), extracted with DCM (3×200 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford 2-((9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)methyl) 1-methyl 5-(chlorosulfonyl)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate (4.40 g, 90%). The product was used in
20 the next step directly without further purification.

LC/MS: m/z = 498 [M+H]⁺.

Step 8: 2-(9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-methyl 5-mercaptoisoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate

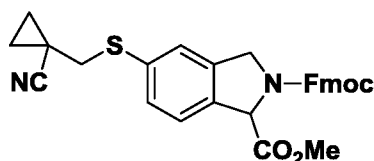


25 Ph₃P (9.48 g, 36.15 mmol) was added to 2-((9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)methyl) 1-methyl 5-(chlorosulfonyl)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate (6 g, 12.05 mmol) in DMF (18 mL) and DCM (180 mL) at 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 30°C for 4

hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (100 mL), extracted with DCM (3×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 60% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-
 5 ((9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)methyl) 1-methyl 5-mercaptoisindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate (1.6 g, 30.8%).

LC/MS: *m/z*= 432 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, mixture of rotamers, 1.1*:1) δ
 3.53, 3.55* (s, 1H), 3.67, 3.79* (s, 3H), 4.24, 4.36* (t, *J*=6.7Hz, 1H), 4.43 – 4.59 (m, 2H),
 4.74 – 4.91 (m, 2H), 5.39 – 5.43, 5.52 – 5.56 (m, 1H), 7.18 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.48 (m,
 10 5H), 7.55 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.76 – 7.82 (m, 2H).

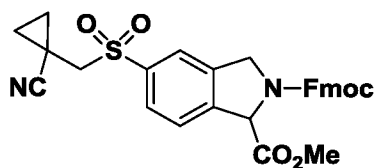
Step 9: 2-((9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-methyl 5-((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methylthio)isindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate



K₂CO₃ (4.68 g, 14.37 mmol) was added to 2-((9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)methyl) 1-methyl 5-
 mercaptoisindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate (3.1 g, 7.18 mmol) and (1-
 cyanocyclopropyl)methyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (2.72 g, 10.78 mmol) in DMF (100
 mL) at 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2
 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (100 mL), extracted with DCM
 20 (3×125 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford
 white solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution
 gradient 0 to 25% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to
 afford 2-((9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)methyl) 1-methyl 5-(((1-
 cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)thio)isindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate (3.39 g, 92%).

LC/MS: *m/z*= 511 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, mixture of rotamers, 1.1*:1) δ
 0.89 – 0.93 (m, 2H), 1.29 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 3.07, 3.08* (s, 2H), 3.67, 3.81* (s, 3H), 4.22,
 4.33* (t, *J*=6.7Hz, 1H), 4.39 – 4.60 (m, 2H), 4.74 – 4.94 (m, 2H), 5.40, 5.60* (brs, 1H),
 7.29 – 7.47 (m, 7H), 7.54 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.74 – 7.83 (m, 2H).

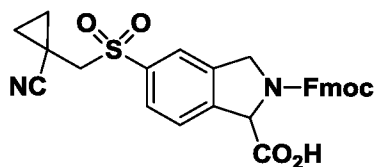
Step 10: 2-((9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-methyl 5-((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate



mCPBA (3.44 g, 19.92 mmol) was added to 2-((9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl) 1-methyl 5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)thio)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate (3.39 g, 6.64 mmol) in DCM (100 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with saturated NaHCO₃ (100 mL), extracted with DCM (3×150 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford white solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 30% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-((9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl) 1-methyl 5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate (3.20 g, 89%).

LC/MS: m/z=543 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, mixture of rotamers, 1.1*:1) δ 1.19 – 1.27 (m, 2H), 1.39 – 1.49 (m, 2H), 3.22, 3.24* (s, 2H), 3.64, 3.79* (s, 3H), 4.22, 4.34* (t, J=6.7Hz, 1H), 4.42 – 4.65 (m, 2H), 4.79 – 5.03 (m, 2H), 5.51, 5.69* (brs, 1H), 7.28 – 7.49 (m, 4H), 7.53 – 7.85 (m, 5H), 7.90 – 8.02 (m, 2H).

Step 11: 2-(((9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methoxy)carbonyl)-5-((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid

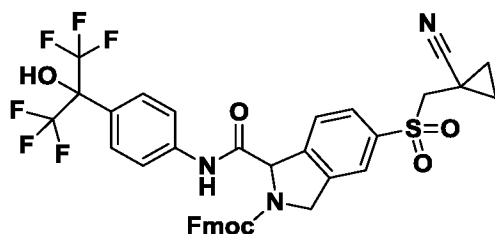


Lithium iodide (0.740 g, 5.53 mmol) was added to 2-((9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl) 1-methyl 5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1,2-dicarboxylate (3 g, 5.53 mmol) in EtOAc (100 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 70 °C for 15 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with 0.1M HCl (50 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3 × 100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford white solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution

gradient 0 to 10% MeOH in DCM. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-(((9H-fluoren-9-yl)methoxy)carbonyl)-5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (2.2 g, 75%).

LC/MS: $m/z=529$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.01 – 1.05 (m, 2H), 1.30 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 4.10 – 4.39 (m, 3H), 4.78 – 4.86 (m, 2H), 5.23 – 5.39 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.95 (m, 11H).

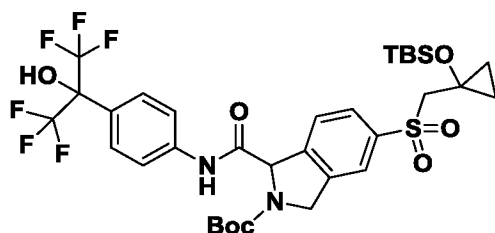
Step 12: (9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 5-{[(1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2H-isoindole-2-carboxylate



DIPEA (0.991 mL, 5.68 mmol) was added to 2-(((9H-fluoren-9-yl)methoxy)carbonyl)-5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (1 g, 1.89 mmol), 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (0.981 g, 3.78 mmol) and HATU (1.439 g, 3.78 mmol) in DCM (20 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with saturated NH_4Cl (20 mL), extracted with DCM (3×25 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford (9H-fluoren-9-yl)methyl 5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (1.200 g, 82%), which was used in the next step without further purification.

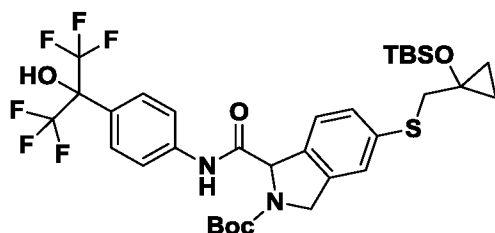
LC/MS: $m/z=770$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 0.99 – 1.07 (m, 2H), 1.29 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 3.73 (s, 2H), 4.15 – 4.39 (m, 3H), 4.93 – 5.05 (m, 2H), 5.75 – 5.85 (m, 1H), 6.95 – 8.08 (m, 15H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.86 – 10.92 (m, 1H).

Intermediate 21: *tert*-Butyl 5-{[(1-{[*tert*-butyl(dimethyl)silyl]oxy}cyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



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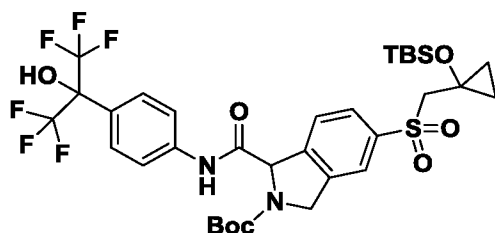
Step 1: tert-Butyl 5-{[(1-{[*tert*-butyl(dimethyl)silyl]oxy}cyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



- 10 (1-((*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)cyclopropyl)methyl methanesulfonate (1.8 g, 6.42 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-((3-methoxy-3-oxopropyl)thio)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (2.7 g, 4.34 mmol) and potassium 2-methylpropan-2-olate (1.947 g, 17.35 mmol) in THF (70 mL) at -78°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 60 °C for 3 hours. The
- 15 reaction mixture was treated with water (75 mL), extracted with DCM (3 × 100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford white solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 25% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(((1-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)cyclopropyl)methyl)thio)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (2.60 g, 83%).
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LC/MS: $m/z=721$ [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.5*:1) δ 0.10 (s, 6H), 0.61-0.68 (m, 2H), 0.72-0.77 (m, 2H), 0.82 (s, 9H), 1.35*, 1.46 (s, 9H), 3.22, 3.23* (s, 2H), 4.54 – 4.77 (m, 2H), 5.39 – 5.49 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.56 – 7.77 (m, 4H), 8.61*, 8.63 (s, 1H), 10.60 (s, 1H).

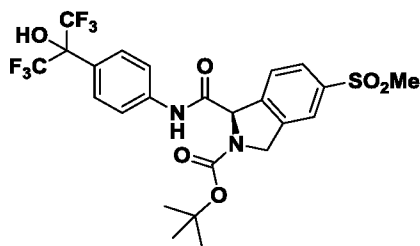
Step 2: *tert*-Butyl 5-{{[(1-{{[*tert*-butyl(dimethyl)silyl]oxy}cyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-1-{{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



mCPBA (1.867 g, 10.82 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-(((1-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)cyclopropyl)methyl)thio)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (2.6 g, 3.61 mmol) in DCM (50 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at rt for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was treated with saturated Na₂CO₃ (50 mL), extracted with DCM (3 × 75 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford white solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 25% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(((1-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)cyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (2.2 g, 81%).

LC/MS: *m/z*=753 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.8*:1) δ -0.12, -0.08* (s, 6H), 0.61 (s, 9H), 0.66 – 0.79 (m, 4H), 1.37*, 1.48 (s, 9H), 3.45 – 3.65 (m, 2H), 4.66 – 4.90 (m, 2H), 5.60*, 5.62 (brs, 1H), 7.59 – 7.78 (m, 5H), 7.82 – 7.98 (m, 2H), 8.61*, 8.62 (s, 1H), 10.71 (s, 1H).

Intermediate 22: (*R*)-*tert*-Butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate



A 2L reactor, equipped with a thermometer, was charged with (*R*)-2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid (110 g, 307.08 mmol) under nitrogen.

EtOAc (1000 mL) was added and the resulting mixture was stirred for 1 min. The vessel
 5 was then charged with 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (84 g, 307.08 mmol), the resulting mixture was cooled to +10 °C and then pyridine (27.3 mL, 337.79 mmol) was added. The reaction was cooled to +5 °C, and T3P (50% in EtOAc, 274 mL, 460.62 mmol) was added at 5 °C over 15min. The temperature rose to 13.3 °C over the addition, and the resulting solution was allowed to reach room temperature over 20

10 minutes and left stirring overnight at room temperature. The mixture was cooled to +5 °C, and an aqueous solution of citric acid (1N) was added, followed by 500 mL of EtOAc.

Stirring was continued for 15 min, then stirring was stopped and the layers separated. The organic layer was washed with aqueous citric acid (1000 mL), and then twice with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (1000 mL), followed by brine (1000 mL). The organic layer

15 was separated and concentrated under reduced pressure (bath temperature 32 °C). The crude material was dissolved in 550 mL of EtOH at rt, and water (440 mL) was slowly added dropwise over 15 min. Seed crystals (20 mg), were added, and the mixture was left overnight at 20 °C. The precipitate was isolated by filtration, washed with a 4:1 mixture of H₂O/EtOH (220 mL), and dried under high vacuum. The title compound (132 g,

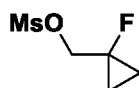
20 quantitative) was used in the next step without further purification.

LC/MS: *m/z* = 581 [M-H]⁻, 583 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.9*:1) δ 1.34*, 1.46 (s, 9H), 3.20, 3.21* (s, 3H), 4.69 – 4.88 (m, 2H), 5.60*, 5.62 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.76 (m, 5H), 7.86 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.98, 8.01* (s, 1H), 8.68*, 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.76 (s, 1H).

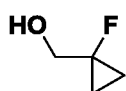
25 The seed crystals were obtained from (*R*)-*tert*-butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (0.5

g, 0.86 mmol, prepared as described above for the large scale preparation of intermediate 22). This material was dissolved in ethanol (2.5 ml). Water (2 ml) was added until the point the mixture just became turbid. Spontaneous crystallization occurred after about 30 seconds, and (*R*)-*tert*-butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate was obtained after filtration and drying as a colorless solid (0.38g, 76%).

Intermediate 23: (1-Fluorocyclopropyl)methyl methanesulphonate



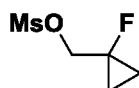
Step 1: (1-Fluorocyclopropyl)methanol



LiAlH₄ (0.912 g, 24.02 mmol) was added dropwise to 1-fluorocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid (2.5 g, 24.02 mmol) in THF (1 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at rt for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with Na₂SO₄·10H₂O, extracted with Et₂O (3 × 20 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford pale yellow oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 20% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford (1-fluorocyclopropyl) methanol (0.700 g, 32.3 %) as a colourless oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 0.63 – 0.69 (m, 2H), 0.88 – 0.97 (m, 2H), 3.62 (dd, 2H), 5.00 (t, 1H).

Step 2: (1-Fluorocyclopropyl)methyl methanesulphonate

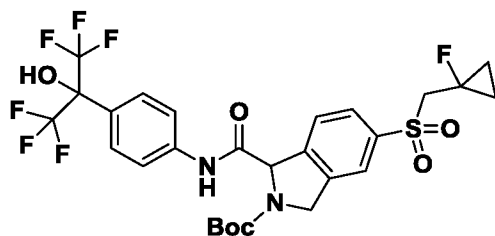


Et₃N (0.464 mL, 3.33 mmol) was added to (1-fluorocyclopropyl)methanol (150 mg, 1.66 mmol) and MsCl (0.195 mL, 2.50 mmol) in DCM (2 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The reaction mixture

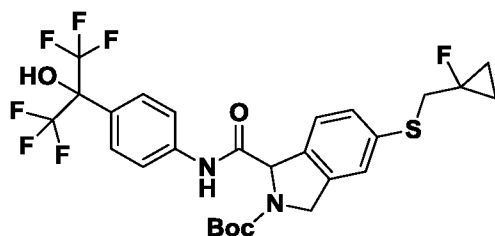
was quenched with water (5 mL), extracted with DCM (3×5 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford (1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl methanesulfonate (250 mg, 89 %) as pale yellow oil.

^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.86 – 0.93 (m, 2H), 1.21 – 1.32 (m, 2H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 4.50 (d, 2H).

Intermediate 24: *tert*-Butyl 5-{[(1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



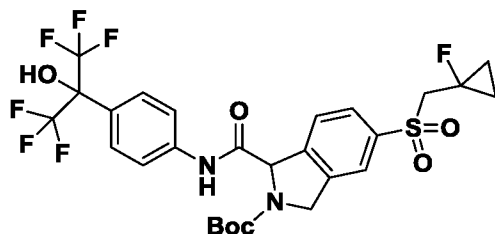
Step 1: tert-Butyl 5-{[(1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



KO^tBu in THF (2.168 mL, 2.17 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-((3-methoxy-3-oxopropyl)thio) isoindoline-2-carboxylate (450 mg, 0.72 mmol) and (1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl methanesulfonate (243 mg, 1.45 mmol) in THF (10 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 60°C for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (20 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3×20 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(((1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl)thio)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl) carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (400 mg, 91 %) as an oil. LC/MS: $m/z=609$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of rotamers, 1.6*:1) δ 0.70 – 0.78 (m, 2H), 0.99 – 1.14 (m, 2H), 1.35*, 1.47 (s, 9H), 3.51, 3.52* (d, 2H), 4.50 –

4.76 (m, 2H), 5.47*, 5.48 (s, 1H), 7.31 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.70 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 8.63*, 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.64 (s, 1H).

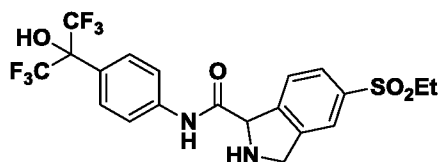
Step 2: *tert*-Butyl 5-{[(1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-
2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2H-isoindole-2-carboxylate



mCPBA (247 mg, 1.43 mmol) was added slowly to *tert*-butyl 5-(((1-fluorocyclopropyl)methylthio)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (290 mg, 0.48 mmol) in DCM (15 mL) at
0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (15 mL), extracted with DCM (3×10 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 10 to 20% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *tert*-butyl 5-(((1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (200 mg, 65.5 %) as a solid.

LC/MS: $m/z=641$ [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.2*:1) δ 0.69 – 0.77 (m, 2H), 0.93 – 1.07 (m, 2H), 1.36*, 1.47 (s, 9H), 3.95 – 4.04 (m, 2H) 4.72 – 4.87 (m, 2H), 5.62*, 5.63 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.69 (m, 3H), 7.70 – 7.77 (m, 2H), 7.85 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.94 – 8.03 (m, 1H), 8.64*, 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.75 (s, 1H).

Example 100: 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



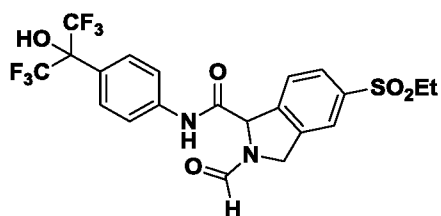
(9H-Fluoren-9-yl)methyl 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (5.4 g, 7.51 mmol) was suspended in acetonitrile (200 mL). Diethylamine (62.8 mL, 601.12 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at room temperature for 20 min. The reaction was evaporated to dryness and the residue dissolved in methanol. This was loaded on an Isolute™ SCX cartridge (previously flushed with methanol). The SCX was then flushed with methanol and the product eluted with 2M ammonia in methanol. The methanolic ammonia was removed *in vacuo* to afford 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-N-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (3.20 g, 86 %).

A sample for biological screening was triturated with diethyl ether and the solid obtained was collected by filtration and washed with ether.

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{20}H_{18}F_6N_2O_4S + H)^+$ 497.0970; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 497.0977.

^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.09 (t, 3H), 3.27 (q, 2H), 3.94 (s, 1H), 4.29 – 4.48 (m, 2H), 5.09 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, 2H), 7.7 – 7.84 (m, 5H), 8.62 (s, 1H), 10.33 (s, 1H).

Example 101: 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-2-formyl-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxamide

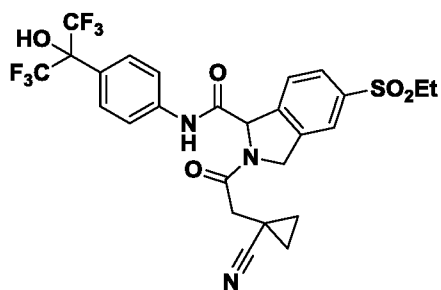


T3P (50% in EtOAc) (0.134 mL, 0.23 mmol) was added to a solution of 5-(ethylsulfonyl)-N-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (80 mg, 0.16 mmol), formic acid (9.64 mg, 0.21 mmol) and triethylamine (0.045 mL, 0.32 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1h. The reaction mixture was partitioned between DCM and sat aq $NaHCO_3$. The layers were separated in a phase separator cartridge and the organic layer was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography eluting with 60%-100% EtOAc in heptane. 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-2-formyl-N-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (67.0 mg, 79%) was obtained as a solid.

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{21}H_{18}F_6N_2O_5S + H)^+$ 525.0919; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 525.0891.

^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 1.09, 1.10* (t, 3H), 3.27 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 4.74 – 4.91, 5.05 – 5.17* (m, 2H), 5.77*, 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.7 – 7.78 (m, 3H), 7.83 – 7.9 (m, 1H), 7.97 – 8.03 (m, 1H), 8.39, 8.48* (s, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.76*, 10.86 (s, 1H).

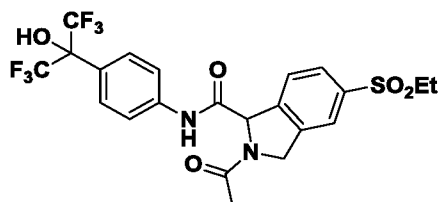
Example 102: 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Using the same procedure described in example 101, but using 2-(1-cyanocyclopropyl)acetic acid, the title compound (15.6 mg, 16%) was obtained after purification by RP-HPLC (chromatographic conditions: gradient 5-95% ACN in 0.1M HCO₂H, pH3; column: Waters Sunfire C18 ODB 5 μ 19x150mm).

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{26}H_{23}F_6N_3O_5S + H)^+$ 604.1341; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 604.1368. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 0.87 – 1.26 * (m, 7H), 2.75 – 2.94, 3.01 – 3.12* (m, 2H), 3.27 – 3.32 (m, 2H), 4.97, 5.20* (s, 2H), 5.76 – 5.8 (m, 1H), 7.6 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.94 – 7.98 (m, 1H), 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.74*, 10.76 (s, 1H).

Example 103: 2-Acetyl-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Using the same procedure as in Example 101 but acetic acid instead of formic acid, the title compound (1.0g, 81%) was obtained after purification by flash chromatography eluting with 50% to 100% EtOAc in heptane.

- 5 HRMS: calculated for $(C_{22}H_{20}F_6N_2O_5S + H)^+$ 539.1075; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 539.1077.
 ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.09, 1.10* (t, 3H), 1.99, 2.15* (s, 3H), 3.27 – 3.32 (m, 2H), 4.77 – 4.91, 5 – 5.09* (m, 2H), 5.73*, 5.93 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.8 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.96*, 7.98 (s, 1H), 8.66*, 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.71*, 10.94 (s, 1H).

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The (1*R*) and the (1*S*) enantiomers of 2-acetyl-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (1230 mg) were separated by a preparative SFC system equipped with a Chiralpak AS column 30% EtOH 100 in CO₂ (120bar); flow: 150 mL/min; injection volume was 1 mL of a 200 mg/mL ethanol solution.

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Isomer 1 (peak 1): 624 mg, 99.9% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: Chiralpak AS column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μ m, 3.5 ml/min, 35% EtOH in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C). $[\alpha]_D^{589} +99^\circ$ (c=1, CH₃CN).

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{22}H_{20}F_6N_2O_5S + H)^+$ 539.1075; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 539.1082.

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^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.10 (t, 3H), 1.99, 2.15* (s, 3H), 3.27 – 3.32 (m, 2H), 4.77 – 4.91*, 5 – 5.09 (m, 2H), 5.73*, 5.93 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.8 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.96*, 7.98 (s, 1H), 8.66*, 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.71*, 10.94 (s, 1H).

Isomer 2 (peak 2): 612 mg, 99.8% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions:

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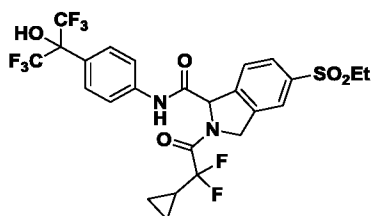
Chiralpak AS column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μ m, 3.5 ml/min, 35% EtOH in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C). $[\alpha]_D^{589} -100^\circ$ (c=1, CH₃CN).

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{22}H_{20}F_6N_2O_5S + H)^+$ 539.1075; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 539.1077.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.10 (t, 3H), 1.99, 2.15* (s, 3H), 3.27 – 3.32 (m, 2H), 4.77 – 4.91*, 5 – 5.09 (m, 2H), 5.73*, 5.93 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.8 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.96*, 7.98 (s, 1H), 8.66*, 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.71*, 10.94 (s, 1H).

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Example 104: 2-[Cyclopropyl(difluoro)acetyl]-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

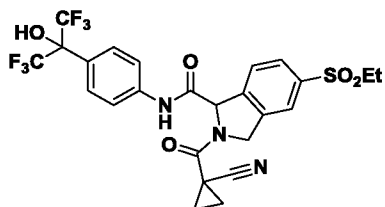


- 10 Using the same procedure described in example 101, but using 2-cyclopropyl-2,2-difluoroacetic acid, the title compound (18.5 mg, 37.4%) was obtained after purification by RP-HPLC (chromatographic conditions: gradient 5-95% ACN in 0.1M HCO₂H, pH3; column: Waters Sunfire C18 ODB 5μ 19x150mm).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₂F₈N₂O₅S +H)⁺ 615.1200; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 615.1200.

- 15 ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 0.55 – 0.8 (m, 4H), 1.09, 1.10* (t, 3H), 1.69 – 1.82 (m, 1H), 3.29 (q, 2H), 4.92 – 5.1, 5.18 – 5.29* (m, 2H), 5.91*, 6.17 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.83 (m, 5H), 7.86 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.99*, 8.02 (s, 1H), 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.90, 10.96* (s, 1H).

- 20 **Example 105:** 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Using the same procedure described in example 101, but using using 1-

- 25 cyanocyclopropanecarboxylic acid, the title compound (25.2 mg, 70.7%) was obtained

after purification by preparative SFC (chromatographic conditions: MeOH/NH₃ 20mM; column: Phenomenex Luna Hilic 5 μ 30x250mm).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₁F₆N₃O₅S +H)⁺ 590.1184; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 590.1232.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 6*:1, only data for the major rotamer reported) δ 1.11 (t, 3H), 1.53 – 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.66 – 1.76 (m, 2H), 3.30 (q, 2H), 5.35 – 5.4 (m, 2H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.7 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.87 – 8 (m, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.88 (s, 1H).

Examples 106-117

10 Examples 106-117 (Table 1) were prepared using a similar procedures to those described in the preceding examples.

Example 106: 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

15 **Example 107:** 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 108: 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-2-(3-fluoropropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 109: 2-(Cyclobutylacetyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

20 **Example 110:** 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(oxetan-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 111: 2-(3-Cyanopropanoyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

25 **Example 112:** 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 113: 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 114: 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

30 **Example 115:** 2- {[1-(Dimethylamino)cyclopropyl]acetyl}-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-

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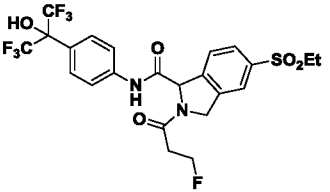
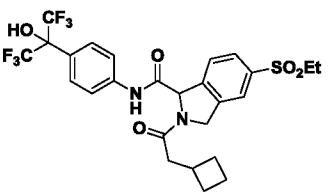
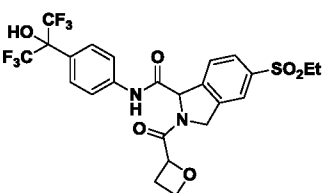
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Example 116: 2-(Cyanoacetyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

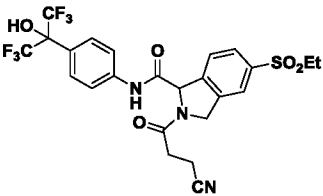
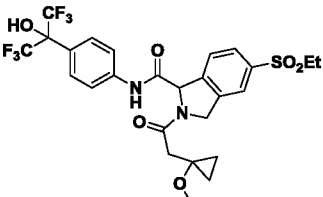
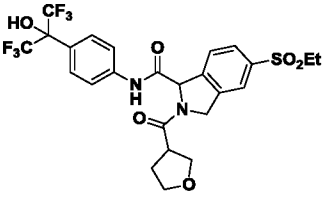
Example 117: 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2- $\{[1-(\text{hydroxymethyl})\text{cyclopropyl}]\text{carbonyl}\}$ -2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

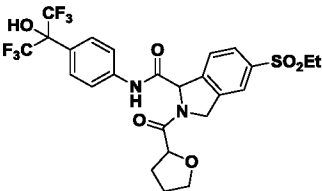
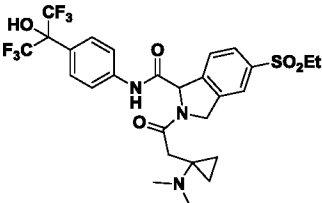
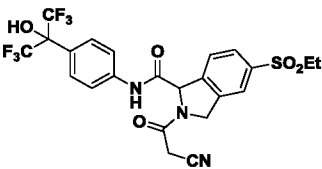
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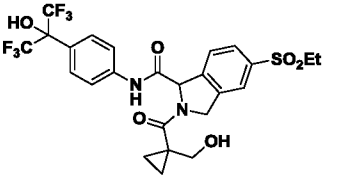
Example No.	Structure	NMR + MS
106		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₆F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 597.1494; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 597.1484. ¹H NMR (500 MHz DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 1.10 (t, 3H), 1.22, 1.26* (s, 6H), 2.52 – 2.64 (m, 2H), 3.27 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 4.80 (s, 1H), 4.82 – 4.96, 5.08 – 5.19* (m, 2H), 5.78*, 6.10 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.7 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.95*, 7.98 (s, 1H), 8.65*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.66 *, 10.97 (s, 1H).
107		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 595.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 595.1337. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 0.53 – 0.63 (m, 4H), 1.09, 1.10 (t, 3H), 2.6 – 2.67 (m, 1H), 2.78 – 2.88 (m, 1H), 3.30 (q, 2H), 4.79 – 4.99, 5.12* (m, 2H), 5.35*, 5.36 (s, 1H), 5.77*, 6.08 (s, 1H), 7.55 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.7 – 7.83 (m, 3H), 7.83 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.96*, 7.99 (s, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.69*, 10.94 (s, 1H).

108		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₁F₇N₂O₅S + H)⁺ 571.1138; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 571.1130. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.09, 1.10* (t, 3H), 2.83 – 3.05 (m, 2H), 3.28 – 3.32 (m, 2H), 4.66 – 4.78 (m, 2H), 4.81 – 4.97, 5.04-5.11* (m, 2H), 5.77*, 5.98 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.7 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.96*, 7.99 (s, 1H), 8.69*, 8.71 (s, 1H), 10.76*, 10.97 (s, 1H).
109		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₆H₂₆F₆N₂O₅S + H)⁺ 593.1545; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 593.1556. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.09, 1.10* (t, 3H), 1.55 – 1.75 (m, 2H), 1.77 – 1.89 (m, 2H), 2 – 2.25 (m, 2H), 2.59 (d, 2H), 2.6 – 2.71 (m, 1H), 3.26 – 3.32 (m, 2H), 4.72 – 4.93, 4.99 – 5.07* (m, 2H), 5.72*, 5.94 (s, 1H), 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.8 (m, 3H), 7.82 – 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.94*, 7.97 (s, 1H), 8.68 (br s, 1H), 10.70*, 10.94 (s, 1H).
110		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 581.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1161. Mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; only major diastereomer/rotamer reported: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 1.10 (t, 3H), 2.71 – 2.85 (m, 1H), 2.85 – 2.99 (m, 1H), 3.25 – 3.3 (m, 2H), 4.46 – 4.54 (m, 1H), 4.6 – 4.68 (m, 1H), 4.83 – 4.91 (m, 1H), 4.99 – 5.06 (m, 1H), 5.42 – 5.54 (m, 1H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.71 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.84

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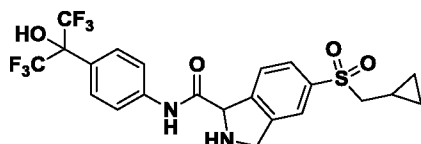
		– 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.81 (s, 1H).
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112		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{26}H_{26}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 609.1494; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 609.1484. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d_6, mixture of rotamers, 6*:1) δ 0.54 – 0.79 (m, 4H), 1.09, 1.10 (t, 3H), 2.75 – 2.92 (m, 2H), 3.14, 3.24* (s, 3H), 3.30 (q, 2H), 4.77 – 4.96, 5.07 – 5.18* (m, 2H), 5.75*, 6.01 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.84–7.88 (m, 1H), 7.97*, 7.99 (s, 1H), 8.66 (br s, 1H), 10.74*, 10.98 (s, 1H).
113		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{25}H_{24}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 595.1337; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 595.1331. Mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; only major diastereomer/rotamer reported: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d_6) δ 1.04 – 1.13 (m, 3H), 1.95 – 2.24 (m, 2H), 3.27 – 3.32 (m, 2H), 3.42 – 3.45 (m, 1H), 3.63 – 3.83 (m, 4H), 5.04 – 5.16 (m, 2H), 5.74 – 5.79 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.84 –

		7.88 (m, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.73 – 10.8 (m, 1H).
114		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 595.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 595.1349. Mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; only major diastereomer/rotamer reported: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 1.04 – 1.15 (m, 3H), 1.72 – 2.24 (m, 4H), 3.22 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 3.75 – 3.89 (m, 2H), 4.66 – 4.79 (m, 1H), 5.04 – 5.24 (m, 2H), 5.75 – 5.81 (m, 1H), 7.6 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.93 – 7.96 (m, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.76 – 10.81 (m, 1H).
115		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₇H₂₉F₆N₃O₅S + H)⁺ 622.1810; found: 622.1790. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 7*:1) δ 0.41 – 0.68 (m, 4H), 1.09, 1.10* (t, 3H), 2.20, 2.32* (s, 6H), 2.58 – 2.63 (m, 1H), 2.79 – 2.87 (m, 1H), 3.29 (q, 2H), 4.74 – 4.93, 5.06 – 5.18* (m, 2H), 5.72*, 5.97 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.77 (m, 5H), 7.82 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.98, 7.99* (s, 1H), 8.69* 8.72 (s, 1H), 10.79*, 11.01 (s, 1H).
116		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₁₉F₆N₃O₅S + H)⁺ 564.1028; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 564.1046. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 6*:1, only major rotamer reported) δ 1.10 (m, 3H), 3.30 (q, 2H), 4.15 – 4.3 (m, 2H), 4.96 – 5.08 (m, 2H), 5.78 (d, 1H), 7.64 (d, 2H), 7.7 – 7.75 (m, 3H), 7.86 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 8.70 (s, 1H), 10.81 (s, 1H).

117		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 595.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 595.1354. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 9:1, only major rotamer reported) δ 0.69 - 0.76 (m, 1H), 0.79 - 0.83 (m, 1H), 0.85 - 0.9 (m, 1H), 0.93 - 0.98 (m, 1H), 1.10 (t, 3H), 3.29 (q, 2H), 3.59 (dd, 1H), 3.71 (dd, 1H), 5.04 (t, 1H), 5.21 (d, 1H), 5.32 (d, 1H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 7.62 (d, 2H), 7.68 - 7.74 (m, 3H), 7.85 (d, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.63 (s, 1H).
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Example 200: 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

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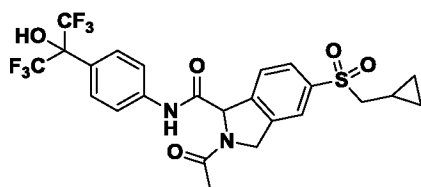
9*H*-Fluoren-9-yl 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate (3.2 g, 4.30 mmol) was dissolved in acetonitrile (140 mL). Diethylamine (35.9 mL, 343.76 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at room temperature for 20 min. The reaction was evaporated to dryness and the residue dissolved in methanol. This was loaded onto Isolute™ SCX (previously flushed with methanol). The resin was flushed with methanol and the product was then eluted with 2M ammonia in methanol. The methanolic ammonia was removed *in vacuo* to afford 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (1.918 g, 85%). A sample purified for biological screening was obtained after purification by RP-HPLC (chromatographic conditions: gradient 5-95% ACN in 0.2% NH₃, pH10; column: Waters Xbridge, C18 5μ ODB 19x150mm).

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{22}H_{20}F_6N_2O_4S + H)^+$ 523.1126; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 523.1105.

^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 0.05 – 0.15 (m, 2H), 0.42 – 0.47 (m, 2H), 0.77 – 0.84 (m, 1H), 3.20 – 3.27 (m, 2H), 3.96 (br s, 1H), 4.28 – 4.43 (m, 2H), 5.09 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, 2H), 7.71 (d, 1H), 7.75 – 7.85 (m, 4H), 8.65 (br s, 1H), 10.33 (s, 1H).

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Example 201: 2-Acetyl-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



10 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (300 mg, 0.57 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (15 mL) and to this triethylamine (0.160 mL, 1.15 mmol) and acetic acid (0.036 mL, 0.63 mmol) was added followed by T3P (50% in EtOAc, 0.479 mL, 0.80 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction mixture was partitioned
15 between DCM and water, the layers were separated using a phase separator cartridge and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The compound was purified by RP-HPLC (chromatographic conditions: gradient 5-95% ACN in 0.1M HCO₂H, pH3; column: Waters Sunfire C18 ODB 5 μ 19x150mm) to give 2-acetyl-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-
20 carboxamide (189 mg, 58.3%).

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{24}H_{22}F_6N_2O_5S + H)^+$ 565.1232; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 565.1252.

^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 0.02 – 0.18 (m, 2H), 0.41 – 0.52 (m, 2H), 0.77 – 0.88 (m, 1H), 1.99*, 2.15 (s, 3H), 3.21 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 4.76 – 4.92, 4.98 – 5.1* (m, 2H), 5.73*, 5.93 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.79 (m, 3H), 7.85 –
25 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.96*, 7.99 (s, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.70*, 10.94 (s, 1H).

The (1*R*) and the (1*S*) enantiomers of 2-Acetyl-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-

carboxamide (120 mg) were separated by a preparative SFC system equipped with a Chiralpak IB column 30% IPA in CO₂ (120bar); flow: 80 mL/min; injection volume was 1 mL of a 30 mg/mL ethanol solution.

Isomer 1 (peak 1) 41 mg, 95.4% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions:

5 Chiralpak IB column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μm, 3.5 ml/min, 30% IPA in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₅S +H)⁺ 565.1232; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 565.1234.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 0.1 – 0.18 (m, 2H), 0.47 – 0.56 (m, 2H), 0.9 – 1.01 (m, 1H), 2.14, 2.27* (s, 3H), 3.11 – 3.21 (m, 2H), 4.96 – 5.22 (m, 2H), 5.81*, 5.91 (s, 1H), 7.65 – 7.77 (m, 5H), 7.9 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 8.01 (s, 1H).

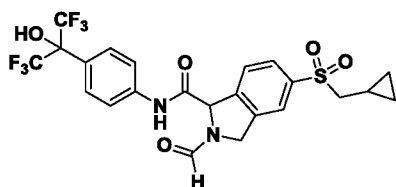
10 Isomer 2 (peak 2) 41 mg, 87.3% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions:

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HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₅S +H)⁺ 565.1232; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 565.1250.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 0.1 – 0.18 (m, 2H), 0.47 – 0.56 (m, 2H), 0.9 – 1.01 (m, 1H), 2.14, 2.27* (s, 3H), 3.1 – 3.21 (m, 2H), 4.96 – 5.22 (m, 2H), 5.81*, 5.91 (s, 1H), 7.65 – 7.77 (m, 5H), 7.9 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 8.01 (s, 1H).

Example 202: 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-2-formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Made using the same procedure as Example 201 but using formic acid instead of acetic acid. The title compound (52 mg, mg, 70.5%) was obtained after purification by RP-HPLC (chromatographic conditions: gradient 5-95% ACN in 0.1M HCO₂H, pH3; column: Waters Sunfire C18 ODB 5μ 19x150mm).

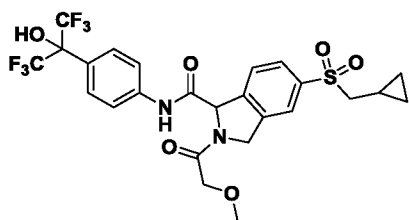
25 HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₀F₆N₂O₅S +H)⁺ 551.1075; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 551.1089.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 0.07 – 0.17 (m, 2H), 0.4 – 0.49 (m, 2H), 0.77 – 0.88 (m, 1H), 3.2 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 4.72 – 4.93, 5.02 – 5.18* (m, 2H),

5.77*, 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.71 – 7.86 (m, 3H), 7.86 – 7.9 (m, 1H), 7.96, 8.00* (s, 1H), 8.38, 8.48* (m, 1H), 8.67*, 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.76*, 10.86 (s, 1H).

Example 203: 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-

5 hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Made using the same procedure as Example 201 but using 2-methoxyacetic acid instead of acetic acid. The title compound (43.1 mg, 54%) was obtained after purification by

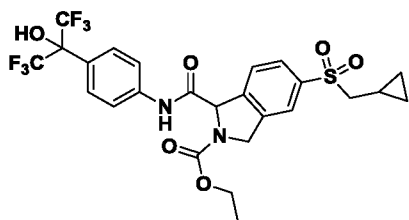
10 preparative SFC (chromatographic conditions: MeOH/NH₃ 20mM, EP; column: Waters BEH 2-EP 5μm 30x250mm).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 595.1337; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 595.1380.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 0.05 – 0.18 (m, 2H), 0.37 – 0.51 (m, 2H), 0.68 – 0.88 (m, 1H), 3.18 – 3.32 (m, 5H), 3.93 – 4.12, 4.17 – 4.3* (m, 2H),
15 4.81 – 5.05 (m, 2H), 5.80*, 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.62 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.7 – 7.79 (m, 3H), 7.85 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.97*, 8.00 (s, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.76*, 10.86 (s, 1H).

Example 204: Ethyl 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate

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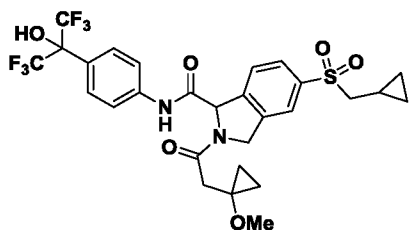
Ethyl carbonochloridate (5.19 mg, 0.05 mmol) in acetonitrile (0.25 mL) was added to 5-((cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (25 mg, 0.05 mmol) and DIPEA (0.025 mL, 0.14

mmol) in acetonitrile (1 mL). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The acetonitrile was removed *in vacuo* and the residue partitioned between DCM and water. The layers were separated in a phase separator cartridge and the organic layer was concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by preparative SFC (chromatographic conditions: MeOH/NH₃ 20mM; column: Waters Waters BEH 2-EP 5μm 30x250mm) gave the title compound (12.0 mg, 42.2%).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 595.1337; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 595.1340.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 1:1) δ 0.04 – 0.16 (m, 2H), 0.39 – 0.53 (m, 2H), 0.77 – 0.88 (m, 1H), 1.10, 1.26 (t, 3H), 3.19 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 4.01 – 4.19 (m, 2H), 4.78 – 4.92 (m, 2H), 5.64 – 5.7 (m, 1H), 7.6 – 7.75 (m, 5H), 7.83 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.96, 7.98 (s, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.76, 10.78 (s, 1H).

Example 205: 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Made using the same procedure as Example 201 but using 2-(1-methoxycyclopropyl)acetic acid instead of acetic acid. The title compound (21.2 mg, 23.3%) was obtained after purification by RP-HPLC (chromatographic conditions: gradient 5-95% ACN in 0.1M HCO₂H, pH3; column: Waters Sunfire C18 ODB 5μ 19x150mm).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₈H₂₈F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 635.1650; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 635.1699.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 6*:1) δ 0.09 – 0.15 (m, 2H), 0.41 – 0.48 (m, 2H), 0.56 – 0.77 (m, 4H), 0.79 – 0.87 (m, 1H), 2.76 – 2.92 (m, 2H), 3.14, 3.24* (s, 3H), 3.25 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 4.8 – 4.96, 5.08 – 5.18* (m, 2H), 5.76*, 6.01 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.85 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.98*, 7.99 (s, 1H), 8.66*, 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.73*, 10.96 (s, 1H).

Examples 206-214

Examples 206-214 (Table 2) were prepared using a similar procedures to those described in the preceding examples.

Example 206: 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 207: 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 208: 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 209: 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 210: 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

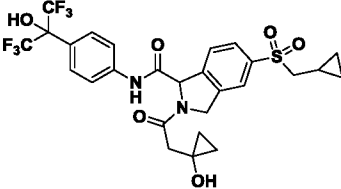
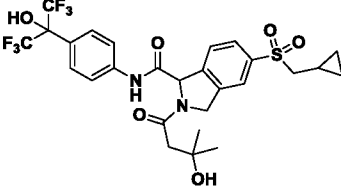
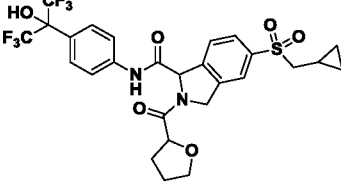
Example 211: 2-[Amino(cyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

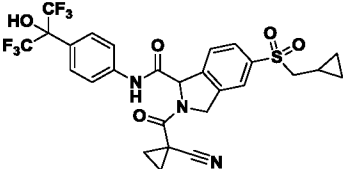
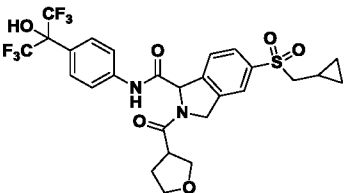
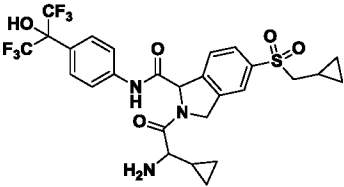
Example 212: 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

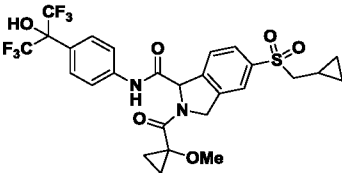
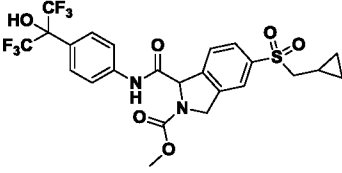
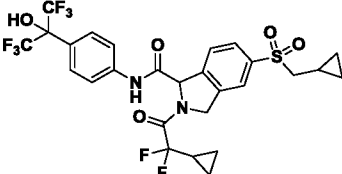
Example 213: Methyl 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate

Example 214: 2-[Cyclopropyl(difluoro)acetyl]-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Table 2

Example No.	Structure	NMR + MS
206		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{27}H_{26}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 621.1494; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 621.1501. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d_6, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 0.07 – 0.14 (m, 2H), 0.4 – 0.49 (m, 2H), 0.53 – 0.64 (m, 4H), 0.79 – 0.88 (m, 1H), 2.57 – 2.66 (m, 1H), 2.79 – 2.89 (m, 1H), 3.22 – 3.32 (m, 2H), 4.77 – 4.99, 5.05 – 5.18* (m, 2H), 5.34*, 5.38 (s, 1H), 5.77*, 6.08 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.86 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.96*, 7.99 (s, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.68*, 10.96 (s, 1H).
207		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{27}H_{28}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 623.1650; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 623.1656. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d_6, mixture of rotamers, 6:1, only data for the major rotamer reported) δ 0.09 – 0.15 (m, 2H), 0.39 – 0.49 (m, 2H), 0.75 – 0.88 (m, 1H), 1.26 (s, 6H), 2.55 – 2.61 (m, 2H), 3.21 – 3.3 (m, 2H), 5 – 5.18 (m, 2H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.8 (m, 3H), 7.83 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.66 (s, 1H).
208		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{27}H_{26}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 621.1494; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 621.1505. Mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; only major diastereomer/rotamer reported: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d_6) δ 0.1 – 0.14 (m, 2H), 0.42 – 0.49 (m, 2H), 0.75 – 0.88 (m, 1H), 1.72 – 2.23 (m, 4H), 3.2 – 3.3 (m, 2H), 3.62 – 3.88 (m, 2H), 4.68 – 4.78 (m, 1H), 5.01

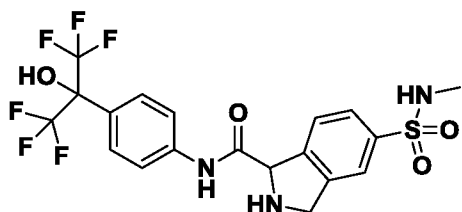
		– 5.22 (m, 2H), 5.74 – 5.8 (m, 1H), 7.6 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.83 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.94 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.76 – 10.81 (m, 1H).
209		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{27}H_{23}F_6N_3O_5S + H)^+$ 616.1341.1545; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 616.1346. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, mixture of rotamers, 6:1, only data for the major rotamer reported) δ 0.05 – 0.15 (m, 2H), 0.35 – 0.51 (m, 2H), 0.74 – 0.88 (m, 1H), 1.49 – 1.82 (m, 4H), 3.18 – 3.32 (m, 2H), 5.33 – 5.4 (m, 2H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.77 (m, 3H), 7.88 – 8.02 (m, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.87 (s, 1H).
210		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{27}H_{26}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 621.1494; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 621.1490. Mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; Only major diastereomer/rotamer reported: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d_6) δ 0.06 – 0.17 (m, 2H), 0.41 – 0.5 (m, 2H), 0.76 – 0.86 (m, 1H), 1.95 – 2.24 (m, 2H), 3.2 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 3.42 – 3.45 (m, 1H), 3.62 – 3.84 (m, 4H), 5 – 5.25 (m, 2H), 5.65 – 5.83 (m, 1H), 7.6 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.75 (m, 3H), 7.86 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.61 – 10.86 (m, 1H).
211		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{27}H_{27}F_6N_3O_5S + H)^+$ 620.1653; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 620.1654. Mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; Only major diastereomer/rotamer reported:

		¹ H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d ₆) δ 0.08 – 0.16 (m, 2H), 0.23 – 0.53 (m, 6H), 0.77 – 0.87 (m, 1H), 1.05 – 1.14 (m, 1H), 3.2 – 3.31 (m, 3H), 5.02 – 5.24 (m, 2H), 5.73 – 5.82 (m, 1H), 7.6 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.67 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.85 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.6 – 10.83 (m, 1H).
212		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₇H₂₆F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 621.1494; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 621.1524. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 0.1 – 0.17 (m, 2H), 0.43 – 0.5 (m, 2H), 0.77 – 0.86 (m, 1H), 0.87 – 1.19 (m, 4H), 3.2 – 3.32 (m, 2H), 3.16, 3.35* (s, 3H), 4.8 – 5.03, 5.19 – 5.28* (m, 2H), 5.89*, 6.21 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.85 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.99, 8.01* (s, 1H), 8.65, 8.67* (s, 1H), 10.79, 10.87* (s, 1H).
213		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 580.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 580.1176. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, mixture of rotamers, 1.4*:1) δ 0.06 – 0.15 (m, 2H), 0.39 – 0.49 (m, 2H), 0.76 – 0.85 (m, 1H), 3.19 – 3.3 (m, 2H), 3.63, 3.70* (s, 3H), 4.86 (s, 2H), 5.68*, 5.70 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.96*, 7.98 (s, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.76, 10.78* (s, 1H).
214		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₇H₂₄F₈N₂O₅S + H)⁺ 641.1356; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 641.1341 ¹H NMR (600 MHz, , mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 0.08 – 0.17 (m, 2H), 0.39 – 0.51 (m, 2H), 0.54 – 0.86 (m, 5H), 1.7 – 1.83 (m, 1H),

		3.19 – 3.3 (m, 2H), 4.91 – 5.12, 5.16 – 5.31* (m, 2H), 5.91*, 6.17 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.66 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.87 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 8.00*, 8.02 (s, 1H), 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.89, 10.95* (s, 1H).
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Example 300: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

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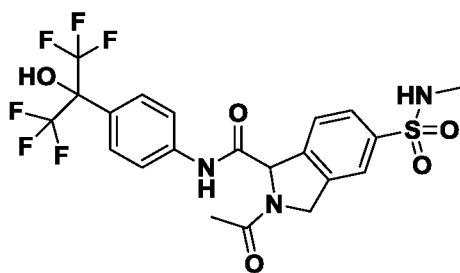


tert-Butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-(*N*-methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (380 mg, 0.64 mmol) was added to a solution of HCl in dioxane (15 mL, 60.00 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was basified with saturated NaHCO₃. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (50 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(*N*-methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (300 mg, 95 %) as an orange solid. LC/MS: *m/z*=498 [M+H]⁺.

HRMS: calculated for (C₁₉H₁₇F₆N₃O₄S +H)⁺ 498.0922; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 498.0918.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.41 (d, 3H), 4.39 (s, 2H), 5.08 (s, 1H), 7.40 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.76 (m, 5H), 7.83 (d, 2H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.34 (s, 1H).

Example 301: 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Ac₂O (1 mL, 10.60 mmol) was added to *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (100 mg, 0.20 mmol) in DCM (10 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at r.t for 2

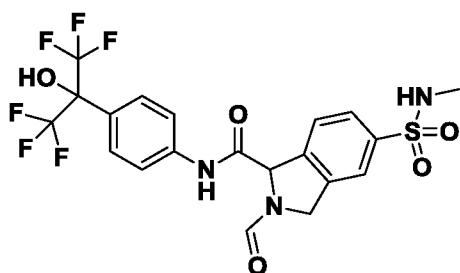
5 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (50 mL), extracted with DCM (3×50 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford pale yellow solid. The crude product was purified by preparative HPLC (XBridge Prep C18 OBD column, 5μ silica, 19 mm diameter, 100 mm length), using decreasingly polar mixtures of water (containing 0.08% NH₄HCO₃) and MeCN as eluents. Fractions

10 containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(*N*-methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (50.0 mg, 46.1%). LC/MS: *m/z*=540 [M+H]⁺.

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₉F₆N₃O₅S +H)⁺ 540.1028; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 540.1004.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 4.3*:1) δ 1.98, 2.14* (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 4.77 – 5.10 (m, 2H), 5.71 – 5.98 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.88 (m, 8H), 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.71 – 11.00 (m, 1H).

Example 302: 2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



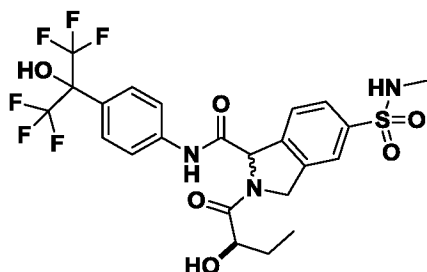
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-

dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (90 mg, 0.18 mmol) was added to formic acid (12.49 mg, 0.27 mmol), HATU (103 mg, 0.27 mmol) and DIPEA (0.06 mL, 0.36 mmol) in DCM (5 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH₄Cl (75 mL), extracted with DCM (3×100 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 5 to 90% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford the title compound (80 mg, 84 %) as a white solid. LC/MS: *m/z*=526 [M+H]⁺.

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₀H₁₇F₆N₃O₅S +H)⁺ 526.0871; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 526.0864.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 2.43 (d, 3H), 4.72 – 4.93, 5.03 – 5.19* (m, 2H), 5.75*, 5.96 (s, 1H), 7.51 – 7.87 (m, 8H), 8.38, 8.49* (s, 1H), 8.68*, 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.77*, 10.87 (s, 1H).

Example 303: (*R,S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (80.10 mg, 0.16 mmol) was added to (*R*)-2-

hydroxybutanoic acid (21.77 mg, 0.21 mmol), HATU (92.32 mg, 0.24 mmol) and DIPEA (0.056 mL, 0.32 mmol) in DMF (6 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was diluted with DCM (75 mL), and washed sequentially with water (1×75 mL), saturated brine (2×75 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford crude product. The crude product was purified by preparative HPLC (XBridge Shield RP18 OBD column, 5μ silica, 19 mm diameter, 150 mm length), using decreasingly polar mixtures of water (containing 0.5% formic acid) and MeCN as eluents. Fractions containing the desired compound were

evaporated to dryness to afford isomer 1 (15.0 mg, 16%) and isomer 2 (20.0 mg, 21.3%), both as solids.

Isomer 1: LC/MS: $m/z=584$ $[M+H]^+$.

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{23}H_{23}F_6N_3O_6S + H)^+$ 584.1290; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 584.1286.

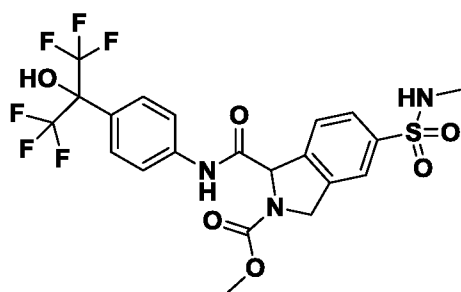
5 ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 3*:1) δ 0.80, 0.92* (t, 3H), 1.53 – 1.71 (m, 2H), 2.39 – 2.41 (m, 3H), 3.90 – 3.97, 4.15 – 4.21* (m, 1H), 4.75 – 4.98, 5.06 – 5.19* (m, 2H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 5.73*, 6.17 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.67 (m, 3H), 7.69 – 7.76 (m, 4H), 7.82 (d, 1H), 8.61 – 8.68 (m, 1H), 10.74*, 10.88 (s, 1H).

10 Isomer 2: LC/MS: $m/z=584$ $[M+H]^+$.

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{23}H_{23}F_6N_3O_6S + H)^+$ 584.1290; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 584.1299.

^1H NMR (isomer 2) (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 7*:1) δ 0.87 – 0.94 (m, 3H), 1.55 – 1.75 (m, 2H), 2.38 – 2.43 (m, 3H), 3.92 – 4.00, 4.20 – 4.29* (m, 1H), 4.78 – 5.21 (m, 3H), 5.78*, 6.04 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.77 (m, 6H), 7.79 – 7.86 (d, 1H), 8.67 (m, 1H), 10.76*, 10.91 (s, 1H).

Example 304: Methyl 1- $\{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3\text{-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl})\text{phenyl}] \text{carbamoyl}\}$ -5-(methylsulfamoyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



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N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (90 mg, 0.18 mmol) was added to methyl carbonochloridate (51.3 mg, 0.54 mmol) in DCM (5 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (50 mL), extracted with DCM (3×50 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford orange solid. The crude product was purified by

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flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 5 to 70% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford methyl 1-{{4-[(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate (90 mg, 90%). LC/MS: $m/z=556$ $[M+H]^+$.

- 5 HRMS: calculated for $(C_{21}H_{19}F_6N_3O_6S + H)^+$ 556.0977; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 556.0994.
 ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 1.3*:1) δ 2.41(d, 3H), 3.62, 3.70* (s, 3H), 4.84 (br.s, 2H), 5.65 (br.s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.70 – 7.77 (m, 3H), 7.81 – 7.86 (m, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.72 – 10.78 (m, 1H).

10 Examples 305-313

Examples 305-313 (Table 3) were prepared using a similar procedures to those described in the preceding examples

Example 305: Ethyl 1-{{4-[(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate

- 15 **Example 306:** *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

- Example 307, isomer 1:** (*R*) or (*S*) *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

- Example 307, isomer 2:** (*R*) or (*S*) *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

- Example 308:** *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

- Example 309:** *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2-(oxetan-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

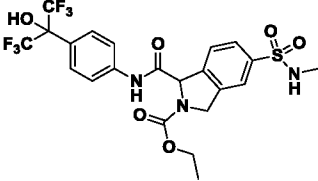
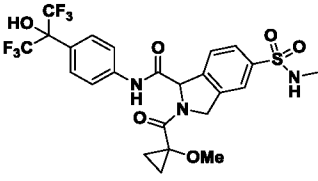
- Example 310:** *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2-[(2*R*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

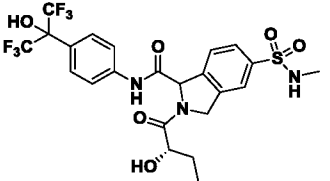
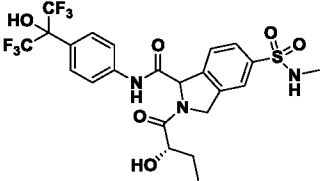
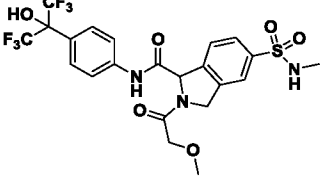
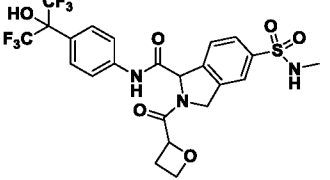
Example 311: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2-[(2*S*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

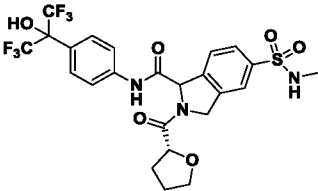
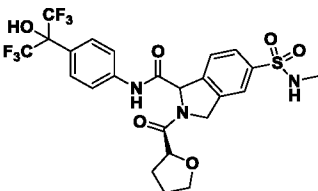
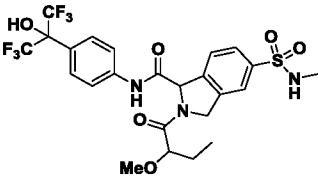
Example 312: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(2-methoxybutanoyl)-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

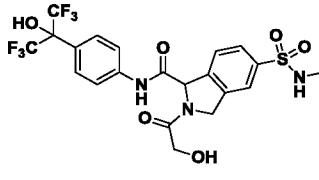
Example 313: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Table 3

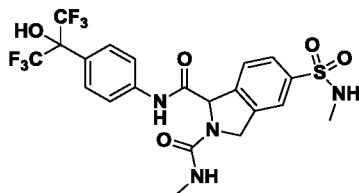
Example No.	Structure	NMR + MS
305		HRMS: calculated for (C ₂₂ H ₂₁ F ₆ N ₃ O ₆ S + H) ⁺ 570.1133; found (ESI [M+H] ⁺) 570.1133. ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d ₆ , mixture of rotamers, 1.2*:1) δ 1.10, 1.26* (t, 3H), 2.42 (d, 3H), 3.99 – 4.21 (m, 2H), 4.75 – 4.93 (m, 2H), 5.66 (s, 1H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.70 (m, 3H), 7.70 – 7.80 (m, 3H), 7.80 – 7.90 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.77, 10.79* (s, 1H).
306		HRMS: calculated for (C ₂₄ H ₂₃ F ₆ N ₃ O ₆ S + H) ⁺ 596.1290; found (ESI [M+H] ⁺) 596.1295. ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d ₆ , mixture of rotamers, 2.2*:1) δ 0.8 – 1.25 (m, 4H), 2.39 – 2.46 (m, 3H), 3.19, 3.36* (s, 3H), 4.85 – 5.02, 5.17 – 5.30* (m, 2H), 5.87*, 6.20 (s, 1H), 7.48 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.81 (m, 6H), 7.84 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 8.66, 8.68* (s, 1H), 10.81, 10.88* (s, 1H).

307 Isomer 1		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₃F₆N₃O₆S + H)⁺ 584.1290; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 584.1292. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 3*:1) δ 0.81, 0.93* (t, 3H), 1.48 – 1.80 (m, 2H), 2.42 (d, 3H), 3.88 – 3.99, 4.14 – 4.26* (m, 1H), 4.76 – 5.51 (m, 3H), 5.74*, 6.18 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.78 (m, 6H), 7.79 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.75*, 10.88 (s, 1H).
307 Isomer 2		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₃F₆N₃O₆S + H)⁺ 584.1290; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 584.1272. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 7*:1) δ 0.93 (t, 3H), 1.51 – 1.8 (m, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 4.2 – 4.32 (m, 1H), 4.81 – 5.24 (m, 3H), 5.80*, 6.06 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.56 – 7.79 (m, 6H), 7.79 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 8.48, 8.68* (s, 1H), 10.77 (s, 1H).
308		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₂H₂₁F₆N₃O₆S + H)⁺ 570.1133; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 570.1127. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 2.43 (d, 3H), 3.28, 3.38* (s, 3H), 3.93 – 4.13, 4.18 – 4.33* (m, 2H), 4.80 – 5.09 (m, 2H), 5.78*, 5.98 (s, 1H), 7.50 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.61 – 7.81 (m, 6H), 7.83 – 7.90 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.77*, 10.87, (s, 1H).
309		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₁F₆N₃O₆S + H)⁺ 582.1133; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 582.1131. Mixture of diastereomers/rotamers; ratio major*: minor = 7.7:1.3:1; only major isomer reported:

		¹ H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- <i>d</i> ₆) δ 2.42 (d, 3H), 2.71 – 3.04 (m, 2H), 4.44 – 4.71 (m, 2H), 4.79 – 5.08 (m, 2H), 5.42 – 5.55 (m, 1H), 5.80 (s, 1H), 7.48 – 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.8 (m, 6H), 7.80 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 8.70 (s, 1H), 10.83 (s, 1H).
310		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₃F₆N₃O₆S + H)⁺ 596.1290; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 596.1307. Mixture of diastereomers/rotamers, 5*:4:1.3:1; only 2 major isomers reported: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆) δ 1.7 – 2.27 (m, 4H), 2.4 – 2.45 (m, 3H), 3.62 – 3.91 (m, 2H), 4.68 – 5.22 (m, 3H), 5.74, 4.76* (s, 1H), 7.48 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.79 (m, 6H), 7.80 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.77, 10.80* (s, 1H).
311		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₃F₆N₃O₆S + H)⁺ 596.1290; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 596.1311. Mixture of diastereomers/rotamers, 5*:5:2:1; only 2 major isomers reported: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆) δ 1.71 – 2.26 (m, 4H), 2.40 – 2.43 (m, 3H), 3.73 – 3.89 (m, 2H), 4.68 – 5.21 (m, 3H), 5.75, 5.76* (s, 1H), 7.48 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.79 (m, 6H), 7.81 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.77, 10.80* (s, 1H).
312		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₅F₆N₃O₆S + H)⁺ 598.1447; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 598.1470. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.2*:1) δ 0.89 – 1.00 (m, 3H), 1.63 – 1.78 (m, 2H), 2.42 (d, <i>J</i> = 4.9 Hz, 3H), 3.27,

		3.30* (s, 3H), 3.91 – 4.13 (m, 1H), 4.93 – 5.27 (m, 2H), 5.78, 5.84* (s, 1H), 7.47 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.79 (m, 6H), 7.80 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.80, 10.83* (s, 1H).
313		HRMS: calculated for (C ₂₁ H ₁₉ F ₆ N ₃ O ₆ S +H) ⁺ 556.0977; found (ESI [M+H] ⁺) 556.0972. ¹ H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- <i>d</i> ₆ , mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 2.42 (d, <i>J</i> = 4.6 Hz, 3H), 4.10 – 4.33 (m, 2H), 4.96 (s, 3H), 5.76*, 5.97 (s, 1H), 7.47 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.79 (m, 6H), 7.80 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 8.65*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.73*, 10.90 (s, 1H).

Example 314: *N*²-Cyclopropyl-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide



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Et₃N (0.070 mL, 0.50 mmol) was added to *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(*N*-methylsulfamoyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (50 mg, 0.10 mmol) and methylcarbamic chloride (37.6 mg, 0.40 mmol) in DCM (4 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at r.t. for 1 hour. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by preparative HPLC Column: XBridge Prep OBD C18 Column 30×150mm 5μm; Mobile Phase A: Water (10 mmol/L NH₄HCO₃), Mobile Phase B: ACN; Flow rate: 60 mL/min; Gradient: 28% B to 43% B in 7 min. Fractions containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*²-Cyclopropyl-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide (25 mg, 45%) as a solid.

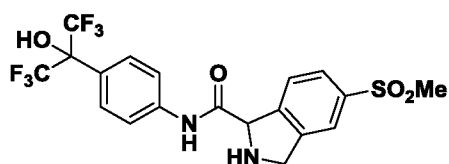
HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₂₀F₆N₄O₅S +H)⁺ 555.1136; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 555.1147.

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¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO d₆) δ 2.42 (d, 2H), 2.64 (d, 3H), 4.73 (d, 1H), 4.82 (d, 1H), 5.64 (d, 1H), 6.58 (q, 1H), 7.49 (q, 1H), 7.59-7.67 (m, 4H), 7.74 (d, 2H), 7.77 (d, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.62 (s, 1H).

5 **Example 400:** *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

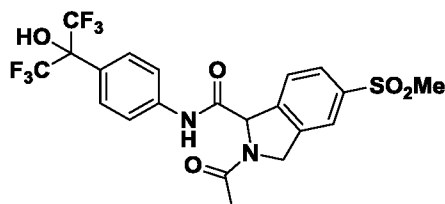


9*H*-Fluoren-9-yl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-
 10 5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate (10.64 g, 15.1 mmol) was dissolved in acetonitrile (300 mL) and to this diethylamine (126 mL, 1208 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction was evaporated to dryness and the residue dissolved in methanol. This was loaded onto Isolute™ SCX resin previously flushed with methanol. The resin was flushed with
 15 methanol and the product was then eluted with 2M ammonia in methanol. The methanolic ammonia was removed *in vacuo* to afford *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (5.16 g, 70.8 %).

A sample for biological screening was purified by RP-HPLC (chromatographic conditions: gradient 5-95% ACN in 0.1M HCO₂H, pH3; Column: Waters Sunfire C18
 20 ODB 5μ 19x150mm) to afford the title compound.

HRMS: calculated for (C₁₉H₁₆F₆N₂O₄S +H)⁺ 483.0813; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 483.0811.
¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.18 (s, 3H), 4.37 (d, 1H), 4.41 (d, 1H), 5.09 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, 2H), 7.71 (d, 1H), 7.77 – 7.83 (m, 3H), 7.87 (s, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.33 (s, 1H).

25 **Example 401:** 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoinidole-1-carboxamide (4.2 g, 8.71 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (150 mL) and to this triethylamine (2.427 mL, 17.41 mmol) and acetic acid (0.748 mL, 13.06 mmol) was added followed by T3P (50% in EtOAc, 10.37 mL, 17.41 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction was partitioned between DCM and water, the layers were separated using a phase separator cartridge and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*.

The residue was purified on silica eluting with 50% to 100% EtOAc in heptane. Product fractions were combined, concentrated *in vacuo* and a pink gum was obtained. This was triturated with diethyl ether and a solid was formed. This was collected by filtration and washed with diethyl ether to afford 2-acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoinidole-1-carboxamide (3.32 g, 72.7%).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₈F₆N₂O₅S +H)⁺ 525.0919; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 525.0927.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.99, 2.15* (s, 3H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.76 – 4.94, 4.98 – 5.11* (m, 2H), 5.73*, 5.93 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.81 (m, 5H), 7.87 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 8.00*, 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.64*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.69*, 10.93 (s, 1H).

The (1*R*) and the (1*S*) enantiomers of 2-acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoinidole-1-carboxamide (4011 mg) were separated by a preparative SFC system equipped with a Chiralpak AS column 25% EtOH 100 in CO₂ (120bar); flow: 150 mL/min; injection volume was 2.5 mL of a 60 mg/mL ethanol/DMSO 9/1 solution.

Isomer 1 (peak 1): 1730 mg, 99.4% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: Chiralpak AS column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μm, 3.5 ml/min, 30% EtOH in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C). [α]_D⁵⁸⁹ +13° (c=0.5, CHCl₃/DMSO 8/2).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₈F₆N₂O₅S +H)⁺ 525.0919; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 525.0914.

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^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.99, 2.15* (s, 3H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.76 – 4.94, 4.98 – 5.11* (m, 2H), 5.73*, 5.93 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.81 (m, 5H), 7.87 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 8.00*, 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.64*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.69*, 10.93 (s, 1H).

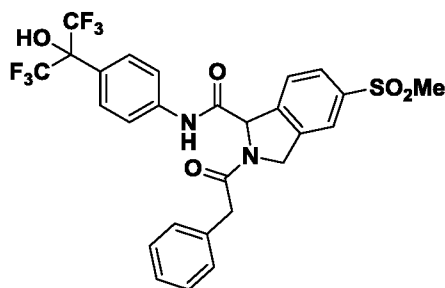
Isomer 2 (peak 2): 1980 mg, 99.5% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions:

- 5 Chiralpak AS column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μm , 3.5 ml/min, 30% EtOH in CO_2 , 120 bar, 40 $^\circ\text{C}$). $[\alpha]_D^{589}$ -11 $^\circ$ (c=0.2, $\text{CHCl}_3/\text{DMSO}$ 8/2).

HRMS: calculated for $(\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{F}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S} + \text{H})^+$ 525.0919; found: (ESI $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$) 525.0916.

- ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.99, 2.15* (s, 2H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 2H), 4.76 – 4.94, 4.98 – 5.11* (m, 2H), 5.73*, 5.93 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.81 (m, 5H),
10 7.87 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 8.00*, 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.64*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.69*, 10.93 (s, 1H).

Example 402: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(phenylacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



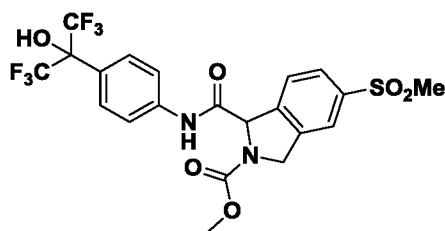
- 15 Prepared using the same procedure as Example 401 but using 2-phenylacetic acid instead of acetic acid. The title compound (14.7 mg, 47%) was obtained after purification by preparative SFC (chromatographic conditions: MeOH/ NH_3 20mM; column: Phenomenex Luna Hilic 5 μ 30x250mm).

- 20 HRMS: calculated for $(\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{22}\text{F}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S} + \text{H})^+$ 601.1232; found: (ESI $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$) 601.1224.
 ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 7*:1) δ ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.21 (s, 3H), 3.81 – 3.91 (m, 2H), 4.77 – 4.99, 5.03 – 5.17* (m, 2H), 5.79*, 6.05 (s, 1H), 7.18 – 7.36 (m, 5H), 7.6 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.88 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 8.00*, 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.66*, 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.76*, 10.99 (s, 1H).

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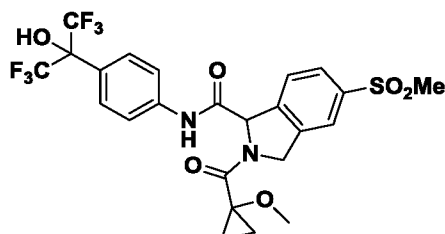
Example 403: Methyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-

yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



- To a suspension of 5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxylic acid, HCl (0.078 g, 0.28 mmol) in acetonitrile (3 mL) was added DIPEA (0.147 mL, 0.84 mmol) and to this methyl carbonochloridate (0.027 g, 0.28 mmol) was added as a solution in acetonitrile (0.25 mL). After 30 mins the reaction was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in DCM (4 mL) and to this triethylamine (0.078 mL, 0.56 mmol), 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (0.073 g, 0.28 mmol) and T3P (50% solution in EtOAc) 0.251 mL, 0.42 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at rt for 30 min. The reaction mixture diluted with DCM and washed with water. The layers were separated using a phase separator cartridge and the organic layer was concentrated *in vacuo*. The title compound (41 mg, 27%) was obtained after purification by preparative SFC (chromatographic conditions: MeOH/NH₃ 20mM; column: Waters BEH 2-EP 5μm 30x250mm).
- HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₈F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 541.0868; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 541.0875.
- ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 1:1) δ 3.21 (s, 3H), 3.63, 3.71 (s, 3H), 4.8 – 4.91 (m, 2H), 5.68, 5.70 (s, 1H), 7.57 – 7.79 (m, 5H), 7.86 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 8.00, 8.02 (s, 1H), 10.80 (s, 1H).

- Example 404:** *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Procedure A:

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (80 mg, 0.17 mmol) was added to a mixture of 1-methoxycyclopropanecarboxylic acid (28.9 mg, 0.25 mmol), HATU (95 mg, 0.25 mmol) and DIPEA (0.087 mL, 0.50 mmol) in DMF (5 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH₄Cl (25 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 50 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford pale yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 10 to 90% MeOH in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford the title compound (85 mg, 88 %).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 581.1181; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1199. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 2.3*:1) δ 0.84 – 1.27 (m, 4H), 3.20, 3.23* (s, 3H), 3.37 (s, 3H), 4.85 – 5.06, 5.18 – 5.34* (m, 2H), 5.91*, 6.24 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.86 (m, 5H), 7.89 – 7.96 (m, 1H), 8.02 – 8.09 (m, 1H), 8.66, 8.67* (s, 1H), 10.82 10.90* (s, 1H).

Procedure B:

The hydrochloride salt of *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (1.2 g, 2.31 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (20 mL) and to this triethylamine (0.967 mL, 6.94 mmol) and 1-methoxycyclopropanecarboxylic acid (0.295 g, 2.54 mmol) was added. T3P (50% in EtOAc, 2.75 mL, 4.63 mmol) was then added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1 hr. LCMS indicated complete conversion to product. The reaction was diluted with DCM and washed with 0.5M HCl. The layers were separated and the organic layer concentrated *in vacuo*.

The (1*R*) and the (1*S*) enantiomers of *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (1400 mg) were separated by a preparative SFC system equipped with a CelluCoat column 20% EtOH in CO₂ (120bar); flow: 150 mL/min; injection volume

was 1 mL of a 140 mg/mL ethanol solution.

Isomer 1 (peak 1): 580 mg, 99.8% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: CelluCoat column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μ m, 3.5 ml/min, 25% EtOH in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C). $[\alpha]_D^{589} +97^\circ$ (c=0.6, CH₃CN).

- 5 HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 581.1181; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1173. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 0.80 – 1.23 (m, 4H), 3.17, 3.19* (s, 3H), 3.20, 3.21* (s, 3H), 4.82 – 5.05, 5.18 – 5.30* (m, 2H), 5.90*, 6.22 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.83 (m, 5H), 7.86 – 7.94 (m, 1H), 8.03, 8.06* (s, 1H), 10.80, 10.87* (s, 1H).

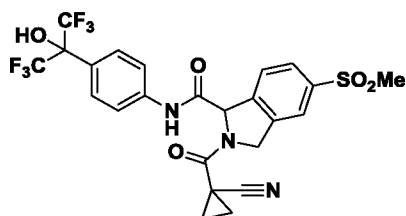
- 10 Isomer 2 (peak 2): 580 mg, 97.6% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: CelluCoat column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μ m, 3.5 ml/min, 25% EtOH in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C). $[\alpha]_D^{589} -95^\circ$ (c=0.6, CH₃CN).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 581.1181; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1163.

- 15 ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 0.80 – 1.23 (m, 4H), 3.17, 3.19* (s, 3H), 3.20, 3.21* (s, 3H), 4.82 – 5.05, 5.18 – 5.30* (m, 2H), 5.90*, 6.22 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.83 (m, 5H), 7.86 – 7.94 (m, 1H), 8.03, 8.06* (s, 1H), 10.80, 10.87* (s, 1H).

Example 405: 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

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Prepared using the same procedure as Example 404 B, but using 1-cyanocyclopropanecarboxylic acid (332 mg, 2.99 mmol). After work-up, about 150 mg (10% of the crude product) were purified by preparative SFC (chromatographic conditions: MeOH/NH₃ 20mM, EP; column: Waters BEH 2-EP 5 μ m 30x250mm) to give the title compound (94 mg, 66%).

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HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₁₉F₆N₃O₅S +H)⁺ 576.1028; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 576.1002.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 1.50 – 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.86 (m, 2H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.85 – 5, 5.31 – 5.40* (m, 2H), 5.85*, 6.44 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.76 (m, 5H), 7.91 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 8.03, 8.12* (s, 1H), 8.69 (br s, 1H), 10.88*, 11.21 (s, 1H).

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The remaining material (1200 mg) was subjected to chiral separation using a by a preparative SFC system equipped with a Chiralpak IC 25% EtOH 100 CO₂ (120bar); flow: 70 mL/min; injection volume was 0.6 mL of a 100 mg/mL ethanol solution to give the (1*R*) and the (1*S*) enantiomers.

10 Isomer 1 (peak 1): 470 mg, 98.3% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: Chiralpak IC, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μm, 3.5 ml/min, 25% EtOH in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C). [α]_D⁵⁸⁹ +78.9° (c=1, CH₃CN).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₁₉F₆N₃O₅S +H)⁺ 576.1028; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 576.1030.

15 ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 1.50 – 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.86 (m, 2H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.85 – 5, 5.31 – 5.40* (m, 2H), 5.85*, 6.44 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.76 (m, 5H), 7.91 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 8.03, 8.12* (s, 1H), 8.69 (br s, 1H), 10.88*, 11.21 (s, 1H).

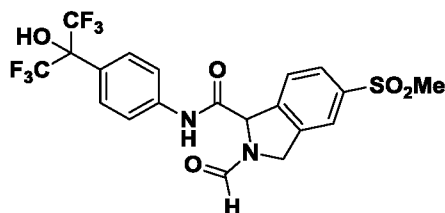
Isomer 2 (peak 2): 515 mg, 99.0% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: Chiralpak IC, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μm, 3.5 ml/min, 25% EtOH in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C). [α]_D⁵⁸⁹ -79.4° (c=1, CH₃CN).

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HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₁₉F₆N₃O₅S +H)⁺ 576.1028; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 576.1057.

25 ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 1.5 – 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.86 (m, 2H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.85 – 5, 5.31 – 5.4* (m, 2H), 5.85*, 6.44 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.76 (m, 5H), 7.91 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 8.03, 8.12* (s, 1H), 8.69 (br s, 1H), 10.88*, 11.21 (s, 1H).

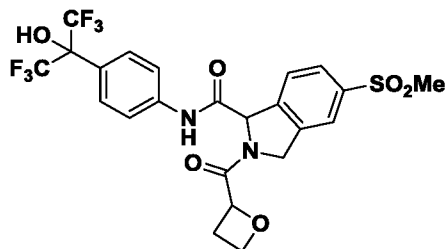
Example 406: 2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (50 mg, 0.10 mmol) was added to a solution of formic acid (6.20 mg, 0.13 mmol), HATU (59.1 mg, 0.16 mmol) and DIPEA (0.054 mL, 0.31 mmol) in DCM (5 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at r.t for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl (50 mL) and extracted with DCM (3 x 50 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford pale yellow solid, which was purified by preparative HPLC (XBridge Prep C18 OBD column, 5 μ silica, 19 mm diameter, 100 mm length), using decreasingly polar mixtures of water (containing 0.08 % NH_4HCO_3) and MeCN as eluents. Fractions containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (35.0 mg, 66.2%) as a colorless solid. LC/MS: $m/z=511$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.

HRMS: calculated for $(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S} + \text{H})^+$ 511.0762; found: (ESI $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 511.0744. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.70 – 4.91, 5.01 – 5.18* (m, 2H), 5.76*, 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.95 (m, 6H), 8.01 – 8.07 (m, 1H), 8.38, 8.48* (s, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.77*, 10.88 (s, 1H).

Example 407: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(oxetan-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-

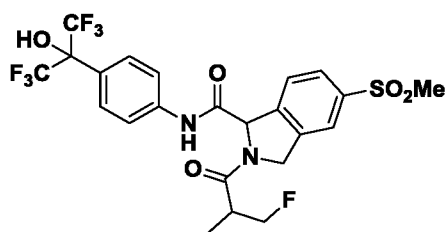
dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (80 mg, 0.17 mmol) was added to a solution of oxetane-2-carboxylic acid (25.4 mg, 0.25 mmol), HATU (95 mg, 0.25 mmol) and DIPEA (0.087 mL, 0.50 mmol) in DMF (5 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated

5 NH_4Cl (25 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 50 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford pale yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 10 to 90% MeOH in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(oxetan-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-

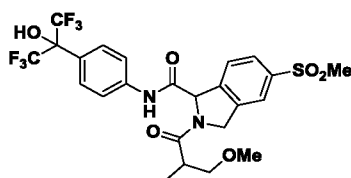
10 isoindole-1-carboxamide (20.0 mg, 21.3 %) as a solid. LC/MS: $m/z=567$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$. HRMS: calculated for $(\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_6\text{S} + \text{H})^+$ 567.1024; found: (ESI $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 567.1015. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; ratio 13:2:2:1; data given for the major rotamer/diastereomer) δ 2.73 – 3.02 (m, 2H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 4.47 – 4.68 (m, 2H), 4.82 – 5.07 (m, 2H), 5.43 – 5.55 (m, 1H), 5.83 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.84 (m, 5H), 7.88

15 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.97 – 8.07 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.84 (s, 1H).

Example 408: 2-(3-Fluoro-2-methylpropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



20 *Step 1: N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-methoxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide



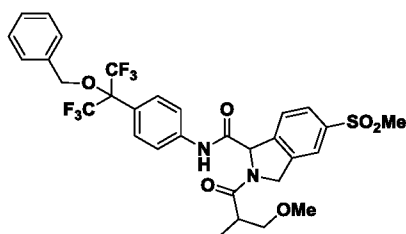
N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-

25 dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (300 mg, 0.62 mmol) was added to a solution of 3-

methoxy-2-methylpropanoic acid (147 mg, 1,24 mmol), HATU (307 mg, 0,81 mmol) and DIPEA (0,326 mL, 1,87 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl (50 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3 x 50 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford pale yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 10 to 90% MeOH in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-methoxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (300 mg, 83%) as a solid.

LC/MS: $m/z=583$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of diastereomers and rotamers ; ratio 9.5:5.3:1; data given for the 2 major rotamers/diastereomers) δ 1.06*, 1.09 (d, 3H), 3.02 – 3.10 (m, 1H), 3.19 – 3.32 (m, 7H), 3.45 – 3.58 (m, 1H), 5.08 – 5.14 (m, 2H), 5.76, 5.77* (s, 1H), 7.62 – 7.80 (m, 5H), 7.88 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.64, 10.73* (s, 1H).

Step 2: N-(4-(2-(Benzyloxy)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(3-methoxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide

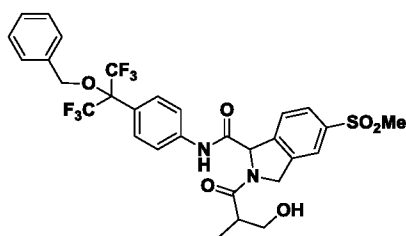


alpha-Bromotoluene (106 mg, 0,62 mmol) was added to *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(3-methoxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (300 mg, 0,52 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (142 mg, 1,03 mmol) in DMF (8 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (25 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3 x 25 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 10 to 90% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-(4-(2-(benzyloxy)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-

yl)phenyl)-2-(3-methoxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (220 mg, 63.5%).

LC/MS: $m/z=673$ $[M+H]^+$. $^1\text{HNMR}$ (300 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of diastereomers and rotamers ; ratio 10:6:3:1; data given for the 2 major rotamers/diastereomers) δ 1.06 – 1.10 (m, 3H), 2.97 – 3.13 (m, 1H), 3.17 – 3.30 (m, 7H), 3.43 – 3.60 (m, 1H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 5.02 – 5.18 (m, 2H), 5.72 – 5.83 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 8.04 (m, 12H), 10.75, 10.84* (s, 1H).

Step 3: *N*-(4-(2-(Benzyloxy)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(3-hydroxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide



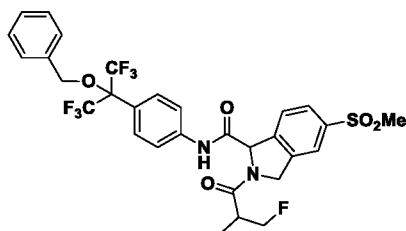
Boron tribromide (410 mg, 1,64 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of *N*-(4-(2-(benzyloxy)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(3-methoxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (220 mg, 0,33 mmol) in DCM (10 mL) cooled to -40°C under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 0°C for 5 hours.

The reaction mixture was quenched with ice water (25 mL), extracted with DCM (3 x 25 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 10% MeOH in DCM. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-(4-(2-(benzyloxy)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(3-hydroxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (130 mg, 60.3%).

LC/MS: $m/z=659$ $[M+H]^+$. $^1\text{HNMR}$ (300 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of diastereomers and rotamers ; ratio 5:3:1.6:1; data given for the 2 major rotamers/diastereomers) δ 0.97 – 1.18 (m, 3H), 2.88 – 3.05 (m, 1H), 3.16 – 3.69 (m, 5H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 4.78 – 5.27 (m, 3H), 5.79 (s, 1H), 7.31 – 8.12 (m, 12H), 10.61, 10.84* (s, 1H).

Step 4: *N*-(4-(2-(Benzyloxy)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(3-fluoro-2-

methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide



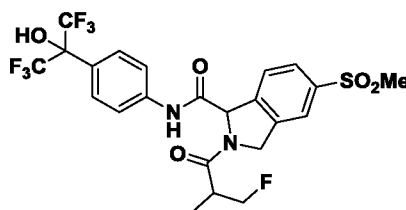
DAST (0,047 mL, 0,36 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of *N*-(4-(2-(benzyloxy)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(3-hydroxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-

- 5 (methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (130 mg, 0,20 mmol) in DCM (8 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (15 mL), extracted with DCM (3 x 20 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford pale yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to
- 10 20% MeOH in DCM. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-(4-(2-(benzyloxy)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(3-fluoro-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (100 mg, 77%).

LC/MS: *m/z*=661 [M+H]⁺. ¹HNMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of diastereomers and rotamers ; ratio 5:3:1.6:1; data given for the 2 major rotamers/diastereomers) δ 1.02 – 1.17

15 (m, 3H), 3.12 – 3.29 (m, 4H), 4.27 – 4.74 (m, 4H), 4.78 – 5.24 (m, 2H), 5.78, 5.81* (s, 1H), 7.33 – 8.06 (m, 12H), 10.84, 10.90* (s, 1H).

Step 5: 2-(3-Fluoro-2-methylpropanoyl)-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxamide



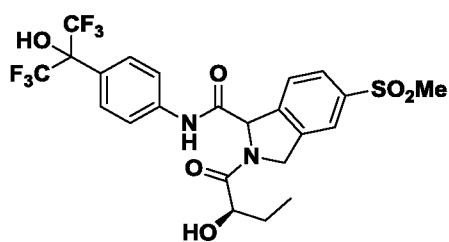
- 20 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxamide (100 mg, 0,15 mmol) and Pd-C (1,611 mg, 0,02 mmol) in MeOH (10 mL) were stirred under an atmosphere of hydrogen at room temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was filtered through celite. The solvent was

removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 10 to 90% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-(3-fluoro-2-methylpropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (60.0 mg, 69.5%).

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{23}H_{21}F_7N_2O_5S + H)^+$ 571.1138; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 571.1146.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of diastereomers / rotamers, 8*:6:2:1, only data for 2 major isomers reported) δ 1.07 – 1.16 (m, 3H), 3.19 – 3.29 (m, 4H), 4.32 – 4.71 (m, 2H), 4.79 – 5.21 (m, 2H), 5.77, 5.80* (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.83 (m, 5H), 7.89 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.73, 10.79* (s, 1H).

Example 409: (*R,S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



N-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (90 mg, 0.19 mmol) was added to (*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoic acid (29.1 mg, 0.28 mmol), HATU (142 mg, 0.37 mmol) and DIPEA (0.098 mL, 0.56 mmol) in DCM (10 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl (50 mL), extracted with DCM (3 x 50 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-((*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (100 mg, 94 %).

Half of this amount was purified by preparative HPLC (Waters XBridge Prep C18 OBD column, 5 μ silica, 19 mm diameter, 100 mm length), using decreasingly polar mixtures of water (containing 0.08% Formic acid) and MeCN as eluents. Fractions containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford:

Isomer 1, (20.0 mg, 38.0%).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 569.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 569.1193.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 3*:1) δ 0.82, 0.94* (t, 3H), 1.50 – 1.79 (m, 2H), 3.22, 3.23* (s, 3H), 3.91 – 4.00, 4.17 – 4.26* (m, 1H), 4.76 – 5.02, 5.11 – 5.20* (m, 2H), 5.21 – 5.28*, 5.58 – 5.64 (d, 1H), 5.79*, 6.28 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.70 – 7.83 (m, 3H), 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.06 (m, 1H), 8.52, 8.86* (s, 1H), 10.85*, 11.13 (s, 1H).

Isomer 2, (20 mg, 38%).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S - H)⁻ 567.1388; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 567.1379.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 9*:1) δ 0.89 – 1.00 (m, 3H), 1.51 – 1.80 (m, 2H), 3.22, 3.23* (s, 3H), 3.93 – 4.03, 4.23 – 4.33* (m, 1H), 4.82 – 5.24 (m, 3H), 5.84, 6.11 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.81 (m, 5H), 7.88 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.53, 8.71* (s, 1H), 10.82*, 10.95 (s, 1H).

Examples 410-433

Examples 410-433 (Table 4A) were prepared using a similar procedures to those described in examples 401 to 409.

Example 410: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-methylbutanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 411: 2-(Cyclopropylacetyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 412: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 413: 2-[(3*S*)-3-Fluorobutanoyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 414: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 415: 2-(3-Fluoropropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 416: 2-[(1-Ethoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-

hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 417: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 418: 2-[(3*R*)-3-Fluorobutanoyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 419: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(2-methoxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 420: Propan-2-yl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate

Example 421: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 422: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 423: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 424, isomer 1: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 424, isomer 2: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 425: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 426: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(oxetan-3-ylacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 427: 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)acetyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 428: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 429: 2-(3-Cyanopropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 430: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(trans-3-

hydroxycyclobutyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 431: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(*cis*-3-hydroxycyclobutyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

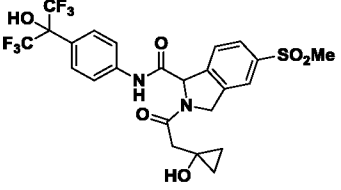
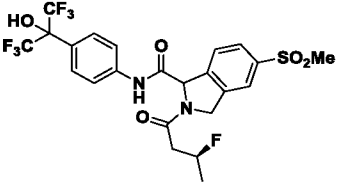
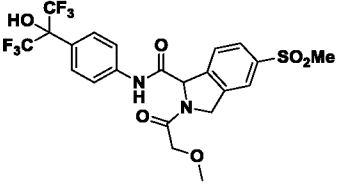
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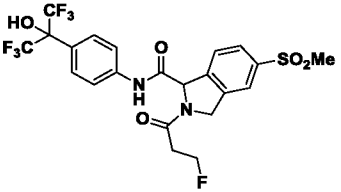
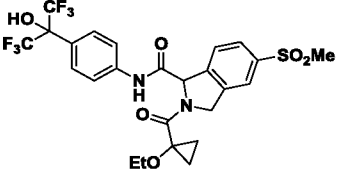
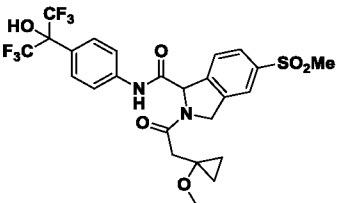
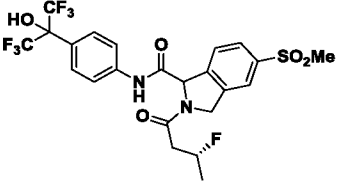
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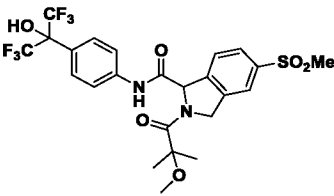
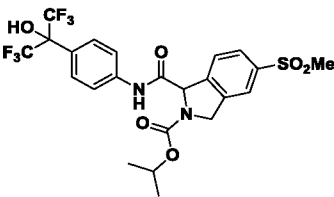
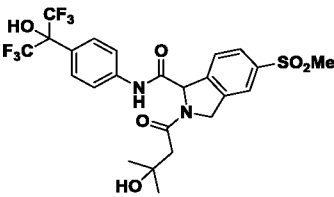
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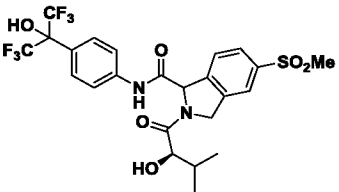
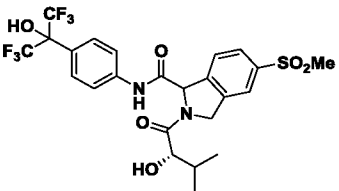
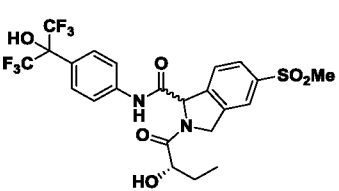
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411		HRMS: calculated for (C ₂₄ H ₂₂ F ₆ N ₂ O ₅ S + H) ⁺ 565.1232; found (ESI [M+H] ⁺) 565.1236. ¹ H NMR (600 MHz DMSO- <i>d</i> ₆ , mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 0 – 0.23 (m, 2H), 0.38 – 0.52 (m, 2H), 0.94 – 1.1 (m, 1H), 2.28 – 2.47 (m, 2H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.79 – 4.94, 4.95 – 5.04* (m, 2H), 5.75*, 5.90 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.78 (m, 3H), 7.88 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.98*, 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.71*, 10.88 (s, 1H).

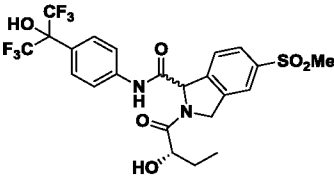
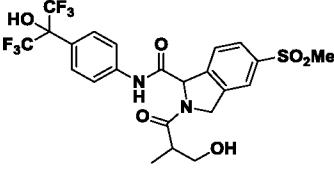
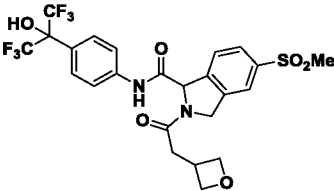
412		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 581.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1160. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 0.40 – 0.65 (m, 4H), 2.58 – 2.67 (m, 1H), 2.77 – 2.87 (m, 1H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.77 – 4.98, 5.05 – 5.2* (m, 2H), 5.35*, 5.36 (s, 1H), 5.77*, 6.07 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.88 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 8.00*, 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.66*, 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.68*, 10.94 (s, 1H).
413		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₁F₇N₂O₅S + H)⁺ 571.1138; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 571.1179. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; data reported for major diastereomer/rotamer) δ 1.34 – 1.46 (m, 3H), 2.71 – 3.05 (m, 2H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 4.78 – 5.24 (m, 3H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.86 (m, 5H), 7.88 – 7.94 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.06 (m, 1H), 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.71 – 11.11 (m, 1H).
414		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₂H₂₀F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 555.1024; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 555.1031. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 3.21*, 3.22 (s, 3H), 3.26, 3.36* (s, 3H), 3.92 – 4.16, 4.17 – 4.34* (m, 2H), 4.8 – 5.08 (m, 2H), 5.79*, 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.71 – 7.8 (m, 3H), 7.89 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 8.00* 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.77*, 10.86 (s, 1H).

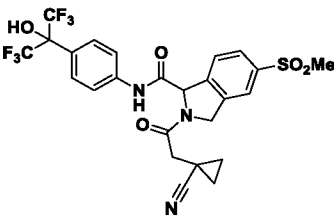
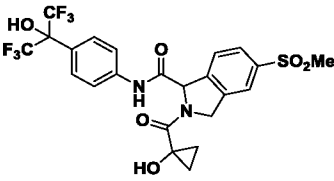
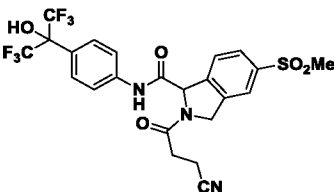
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416		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 595.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 595.1368. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 2.8:1*) δ 0.91 – 1.27 (m, 7H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 3.40 – 3.76 (m, 2H), 4.80 – 5.08, 5.19 – 5.34* (m, 2H), 5.90*, 6.27 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.96 (m, 6H), 8.01 – 8.13 (m, 1H), 8.64, 8.66* (s, 1H), 10.81, 10.88* (s, 1H).
417		HRIS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 595.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 595.1322. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 6*:1, only data for major reported) δ 0.55 – 0.78 (m, 4H), 2.83 – 2.93 (m, 2H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 5.08 – 5.17 (m, 2H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 7.57 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.88 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 8.01 (s, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.74 (s, 1H).
418		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₁F₇N₃O₅S + H)⁺ 571.1138; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 571.1144. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; data reported for major diastereomer/rotamer) δ 1.39(dd, 3H),

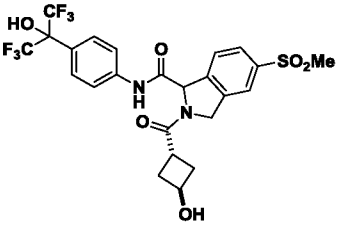
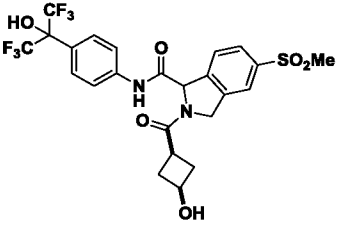
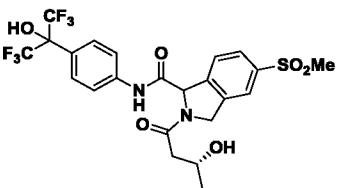
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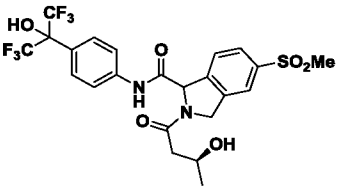
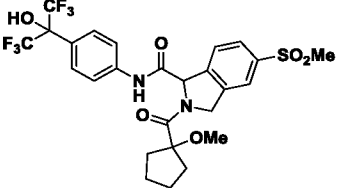
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419		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 583.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 583.1340. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 10*:1, only data for major reported) δ 1.37 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 5.10 – 5.29 (m, 2H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.88 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 8.01 (s, 1H), 10.88 (s, 1H).
420		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 569.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 569.1187. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.2*:1) δ 1.05*, 1.20*, 1.27, 1.28 (2d, 6H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.75 – 4.92 (m, 3H), 5.64 – 5.69 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.79 (m, 5H), 7.88 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.65*, 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.76*, 10.79 (s, 1H).
421		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 583.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 583.1346. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 6.5*:1) δ 1.23, 1.27* (s, 6H), 2.55 – 2.68 (m, 2H), 3.23, 3.24* (s, 3H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 4.77 – 5.00, 5.09 – 5.22* (m, 2H), 5.79*, 6.12 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.85 (m, 5H), 7.88 – 7.967 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.07 (m, 1H), 8.67*, 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.68*, 10.99 (s, 1H).

422		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 583.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 583.1343. Mixture of diastereomers and rotamers. Ratio diastereomer 1 major rotamer : diastereomer 2 major rotamer 1.3[#] : 1 Ratio major rotamer: minor rotamer 5:1 only major rotamer reported: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 0.9 – 0.96 (m, 6H), 1.95 – 2.06 (m, 1H), 3.21, 3.22[#] (s, 3H), 3.98, 4.04[#] (t, 1H), 4.96 – 5.26 (m, 3H), 5.78, 5.84[#] (d, 1H), 7.6 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.75 (m, 3H), 7.88 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 8.66 (br s, 1H), 10.79, 10.82[#] (s, 1H).
423		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 583.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 583.1346. Mixture of diastereomers and rotamers. Ratio diastereomer 1 major rotamer : diastereomer 2 major rotamer 1.2[#] : 1 Ratio major rotamer: minor rotamer 5:1 only major rotamer reported: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 0.9 – 0.96 (m, 6H), 1.97 – 2.05 (m, 1H), 3.21, 3.22[#] (s, 3H), 3.98, 4.04[#] (d, 1H), 5.06 – 5.25 (m, 2H), 5.78, 5.84[#] (d, 1H), 7.56 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.66 – 7.74 (m, 3H), 7.86 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 8.66 (br s, 1H), 10.78, 10.81[#] (s, 1H).
424 Isomer 1		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 569.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 569.1174. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 6.5*:1) δ 0.94 (t, 3H), 1.48 – 1.8 (m, 2H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 3.94 – 4.03, 4.23 – 4.31*

		(m, 1H), 4.81 – 5.26 (m, 3H), 5.84*, 6.13 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.87 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.97 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.51, 8.80* (s, 1H), 10.84*, 11.05 (s, 1H).
424 Isomer 2		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 569.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 569.1192. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 3.2*:1) δ 0.82, 0.94* (t, 3H), 1.5 – 1.8 (m, 2H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 3.91 – 4.00, 4.17 – 4.26* (m, 1H), 4.78 – 5.2 (m, 2H), 5.22*, 5.58 (d, 1H), 5.78*, 6.25 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.84 (m, 5H), 7.87 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.07 (m, 1H), 8.53, 8.77* (s, 1H), 10.82*, 11.03 (s, 1H).
425		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 569.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 569.1170. Mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; ratio major: minor = 6:3:1; only major isomer reported: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆) δ 1.06 (d, 3H), 2.87 – 3.03 (m, 1H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 3.43 (s, 1H), 3.51 – 3.68 (m, 1H), 4.76 – 5.26 (m, 3H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 7.70 (ddt, 5H), 7.88 – 7.96 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.07 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.49 (s, 1H).
426		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 581.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1191. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 2.86 – 3.01 (m, 2H), 3.22, 3.24* (s, 3H), 3.26 – 3.45 (m, 1H), 4.22 – 4.37 (m, 2H), 4.66 – 4.73 (m, 2H), 4.75 – 4.94, 5.02 – 5.10* (m, 2H), 5.72*, 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.60

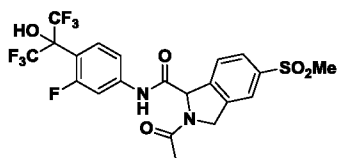
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427		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₁F₆N₃O₅S + H)⁺ 590.1184; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 590.1200. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 5:1, data only for major rotamer) δ 0.85 – 1.16 (m, 4H), 2.99 – 3.18 (m, 2H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 5.10 – 5.29 (m, 2H), 5.79 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.77 (m, 5H), 7.88 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.99 – 8.03 (m, 1H), 8.74 (s, 1H), 10.77 (s, 1H).
428		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₀F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 567.1024; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 567.1051. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.4*:1) δ 0.74 – 1.27 (m, 4H), 3.22, 3.23* (s, 3H), 4.82 – 5.01, 5.27 – 5.48* (m, 2H), 5.84*, 6.48 (s, 1H), 6.51, 6.53* (s, 1H), 7.57 – 7.96 (m, 6H), 8.00 – 8.08 (m, 1H), 8.73 (s, 1H), 10.82*, 10.83 (s, 1H).
429		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₁₉F₆N₃O₅S + H)⁺ 564.1028; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 564.1042. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 6*:1) δ 2.70 (t, 2H), 2.83 – 2.99 (m, 2H), 3.23, 3.24* (s, 3H), 4.80 – 5.00, 5.01 – 5.10* (m, 2H), 5.78*, 5.97 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.85 (m, 5H), 7.89 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 8.01 – 8.07 (m, 1H), 8.67*, 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.76*, 10.98 (s, 1H).

430		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{24}H_{22}F_6N_4O_6S + H)^+$ 581.1181; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 581.1183. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d_6, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 2.05 – 2.22 (m, 2H), 2.41 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 3.24 – 3.33 (m, 1H), 4.12 – 4.26 (m, 1H), 4.78 – 4.98 (m, 2H), 5.07, 5.16* (d, 1H), 5.77*, 5.85 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.79 (m, 5H), 7.87 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.97 – 8.06 (m, 1H), 8.69*, 8.71 (s, 1H), 10.77*, 10.95 (s, 1H).
431		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{24}H_{22}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 581.1181; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 581.1166. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, mixture of rotamers, 4.5*:1) δ 1.94 – 2.12 (m, 2H), 2.38 – 2.63 (m, 2H), 2.71 – 2.96 (m, 1H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 3.88 – 4.15 (m, 1H), 4.76 – 5.07 (m, 2H), 5.76*, 5.94 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.81 (m, 5H), 7.88 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.97 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 10.81*, 11.08 (s, 1H).
432		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{23}H_{22}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 569.1181; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 569.1151. Mixture of diastereomers and rotamers; ratio major*: minor = 7:6:2:1; only 2 major isomers reported: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d_6) δ 1.14 – 1.21 (m, 3H), 2.41 – 2.68 (m, 2H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 4.02 – 4.16 (m, 1H), 5.01 – 5.19 (m, 2H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.82 (m, 5H), 7.89 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.99 – 8.03 (m, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.66, 10.73* (s, 1H).

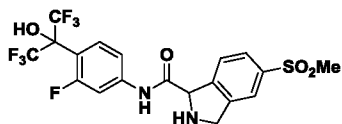
433		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 569.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 569.1190. Mixture of diastereomers/rotamers; ratio major*: minor = 6:5:2:1; only 2 major isomers reported: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆) δ 1.14 – 1.21 (m, 3H), 2.40 – 2.55 (m, 1H), 2.58 – 2.66 (m, 1H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 4.04 – 4.13 (m, 1H), 4.64 – 5.15 (m, 3H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.82 (m, 5H), 7.88 – 7.94 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.66, 10.72* (s, 1H).
434		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₆H₂₆F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 609.1494; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 609.1520. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 12*:1 only major isomer reported) δ 1.52 – 1.61 (m, 2H), 1.61 – 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.88 – 2.05 (m, 3H), 2.1 – 2.17 (m, 1H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 5.11 – 5.23 (m, 2H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.7 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.86 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 8.01 (s, 1H), 8.67 (br s, 1H), 10.88 (s, 1H).

Example 435: 2-Acetyl-*N*-[3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

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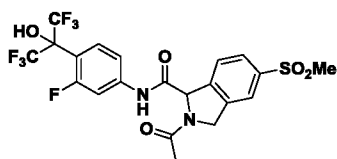
Step 1: *N*-[3-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



tert-Butyl 1-((3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (402 mg, 0.67 mmol) was suspended in isopropyl acetate (15 mL). hydrogen chloride in IPA (1.473 mL, 7.36 mmol) was added. Stirred at rt overnight. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was coevaporated with EtOAc (2x25ml), EtOAc/Hept (1:1, 50ml) to afford the crude product as its hydrochloride salt. The product was used in the next step without further purification.

LC/MS: $m/z = 501$ $[M+H]^+$.

Step 2: 2-Acetyl-N-[3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxamide



N-(3-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-

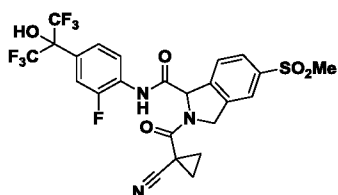
(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide, HCl (100 mg, 0.19 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (1 mL) and to this triethylamine (0.078 mL, 0.56 mmol) and acetic acid (13.42 mg, 0.22 mmol) was added followed by T3P (0.222 mL, 0.37 mmol) 50% in EtOAc was then added. The reaction was stirred at rt for 1hr. LCMS indicated complete conversion to product. The reaction was diluted with DCM and washed with 0.5M HCl. The layers were separated using a phase separator and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in DMSO and separated by preparative SFC (chromatographic conditions: MeOH/NH₃ 20mM; column: Waters BEH 5 μ m 30x250mm) to afford 2-acetyl-N-(3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (79 mg, 78%).

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{21}H_{17}F_7N_2O_5S + H)^+$ 543.0825; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 543.0830.

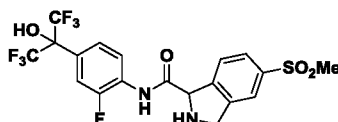
¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 1.99, 2.15* (s, 3H), 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.73 – 4.94, 4.99 – 5.1* (m, 2H), 5.71*, 5.94 (s, 1H), 7.49*, 7.54 (dd, 1H),

7.62 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.76 – 7.81 (m, 1H), 7.88 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 8.00*, 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.89 (br s, 1H), 10.92 *, 11.15 (s, 1H).

Example 436: 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-N-[2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



*Step 1: N-[2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide*



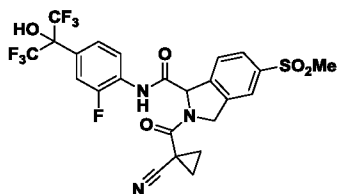
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tert-Butyl 1-((2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (402 mg, 0.67 mmol) was suspended in isopropyl acetate (1.5 mL). hydrogen chloride in IPA (1.5 mL, 7.50 mmol) was added. Stirred at rt overnight. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was coevaporated with EtOAc and then, EtOAc/Hept (1:1). The title compound

15 was obtained as its hydrochloride salt (353 mg, 99 %). The pinkish solid was used without further purification in the next step.

LC/MS: $m/z = 501 [M+H]^+$.

*Step 2: 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-N-[2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide*



N-(2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide, HCl (50 mg, 0.09 mmol) was dissolved in

DCM (1 mL) and to this triethylamine (0.039 mL, 0.28 mmol) and 1-cyanocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid (15.52 mg, 0.14 mmol) was added followed by T3P (0.111 mL, 0.19 mmol) 50% in EtOAc was then added. The reaction was stirred at rt for 1hr. LCMS indicated complete conversion to product. The reaction was diluted with DCM and washed with 0.5M HCl. The layers were separated using a phase separator cartridge and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in DMSO and separated by preparative SFC (chromatographic conditions: MeOH/NH₃ 20mM; column: Waters BEH 5µm 30x250mm) to afford 2-(1-cyanocyclopropane-1-carbonyl)-*N*-(2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (31.6 mg, 57.2%).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₁₈F₇N₃O₅S +H)⁺ 594.0933; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 594.0894.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 6*:1) δ 1.44 – 1.81 (m, 4H), 3.22, 3.23* (s, 3H), 4.86 – 5.00, 5.32 – 5.42* (m, 2H), 6.06*, 6.64 (s, 1H), 7.43 – 7.5 (m, 1H), 7.51 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.76 (d, 1H), 7.93 – 8.02 (m, 2H), 8.03, 8.12* (s, 1H), 8.96 (br s, 1H), 10.74*, 11.11 (s, 1H).

Examples 437-449

Examples 437-449 (Table 4B) were prepared using a similar procedures to those described in the preceding examples.

Example 437: 2-Acetyl-*N*-[2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 438: *N*-[2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 439: 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 440: *N*-[3-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 441: *N*-[2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 442: *N*-[2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 443: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(3-methyloxetan-3-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

5 **Example 444:** *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(oxetan-3-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 445: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2-methyloxetan-2-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

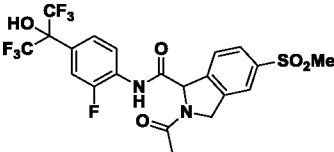
10 **Example 446:** 2-[(1-Fluorocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

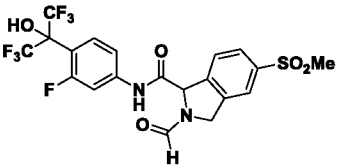
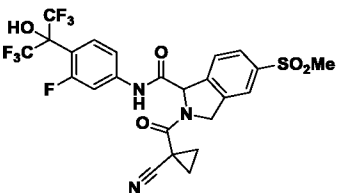
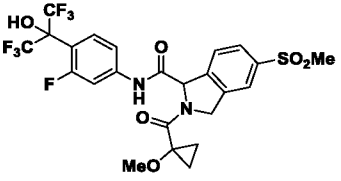
Example 447: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(2-methoxybutanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

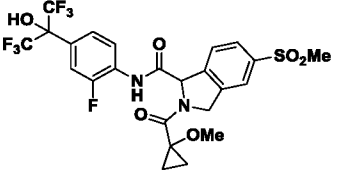
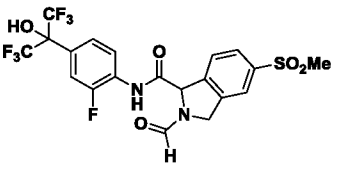
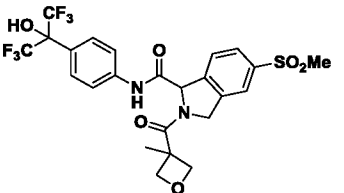
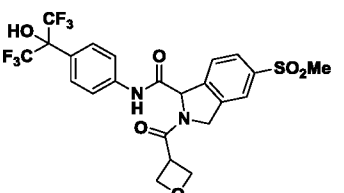
15 **Example 448:** *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclobutyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

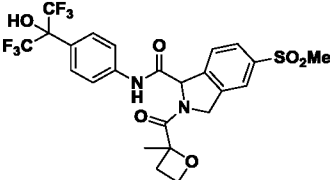
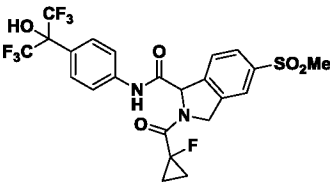
Example 449: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-methoxypropanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

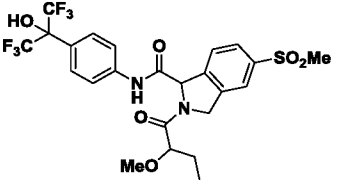
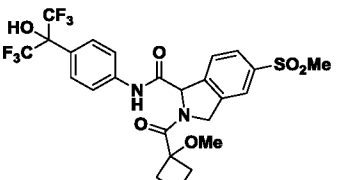
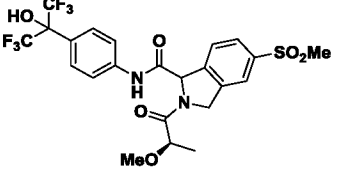
Table 4B

Example No.	Structure	NMR + MS
437		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₇F₇N₂O₅S + H)⁺ 543.0825; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 543.0825. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 2.01, 2.15* (s, 3H), 3.22, 3.23* (s, 3H), 4.75 – 4.92, 4.99 – 5.07* (m, 2H) 5.95*, 6.12 (s, 1H), 7.43 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.71*, 7.77 (d, 1H), 7.89 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.99 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 8.93 (br s, 1H), 10.58*, 10.82 (s, 1H).

438		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 581.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1160. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 2*:1) δ 3.21, 3.22* (s, 3H), 4.71 – 4.92, 5.04 – 5.16* (m, 2H), 5.76*, 6.00 (s, 1H), 7.50*, 7.54(dd, 1H), 7.62 – 7.87 (m, 3H), 7.89 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 8.03, 8.05* (s, 1H), 8.39, 8.49* (s, 1H) 8.88 (br s, 1H), 10.98*, 11.08 (s, 1H).
439		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₁₈F₇N₃O₅S + H)⁺ 594.0933; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 594.0890. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 6*:1) δ 1.49 - 1.87 (m, 4H), 3.21, 3.23* (s, 3H), 4.86 – 5, 5.33 – 5.43* (m, 2H), 5.84*, 6.43 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.6 – 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.73 - 7.84 (m, 2H), 7.89 – 7.97 (m, 1H), 8.04, 8.13* (s, 1H), 8.89 (s, 1H), 11.09*, 11.40 (s, 1H).
440		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₁F₇N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 599.1086; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 599.17. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 1*:1) δ 0.78 - 1.20 (m, 4H), 3.18, 3.22* (s, 3H), 3.21, 3.35* (s, 3H), 4.83 – 5.05, 5.16 – 5.31* (m, 2H), 5.88*, 6.20 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.64 (dd, 1H), 7.7 – 7.82 (m, 2H), 7.87 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 8.03, 8.06* (s, 1H), 8.88 (s, 1H), 11.02, 11.10* (s, 1H).

441		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₁F₇N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 599.1086; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 599.1094. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 2:1 only major reported) δ 0.84 - 1.2 (m, 4H), 3.22 (d, 3H), 3.33 (s, 3H), 5.13 - 5.31 (m, 2H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 7.46 (d, 1H), 7.49 - 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.76(d, 1H), 7.89 - 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.98 - 8.07 (m, 2H), 8.95 (s, 1H), 10.71 (s, 1H).
442		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₀H₁₅F₇N₂O₅S + H)⁺ 529.0668; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 529.0647. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 2:1 only major reported) δ 3.23 (s, 3H), 5.02 - 5.16 (m, 2H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.54 (d, 1H), 7.74(d, 1H), 7.92 - 8.04 (m, 3H), 8.48 (s, 1H), 8.95 (br s, 1H), 10.66 (s, 1H).
443		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 581.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1180. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers >10:1 only major reported) δ 1.68 (s, 3H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 4.27 - 4.32 (m, 2H), 4.73 - 4.9 (m, 2H), 4.94 (dd, 2H), 5.81 (d, 1H), 7.63 (d, 2H), 7.71 - 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.91 (d, 1H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.82 (s, 1H).
444		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₀F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 567.1024; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 567.1061. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 4:1 only major reported) δ 3.20 (s, 3H), 4.2 - 4.28 (m, 1H), 4.43 - 4.97 (m, 6H), 5.79 (s, 1H), 7.61-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.7 - 7.8 (m,

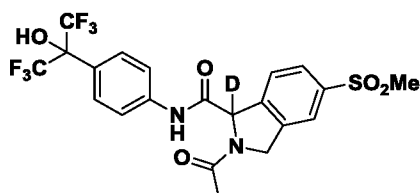
		3H), 7.90 (d, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 8.71 (br s, 1H), 10.80 (s, 1H).
445		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 581.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1178. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, 1:1 mixture of diastereomers, and 1:1 ratio of rotamers, for each diastereomer) δ 1.51 (s, 0.75H), 1.61 (s, 0.75H), 1.63 (s, 0.75H), 1.64 (s, 0.75H), 2.55 – 2.65 (m, 1H), 2.84 (m, 0.5H), 2.97 (m, 0.5H), 3.19 (s, 0.5H), 3.20 (s, 2.5H), 4.05 – 4.11 (m, 0.25H), 4.25 – 4.3 (m, 0.25H), 4.34 – 4.51 (m, 1.5H), 4.82 – 4.93 (m, 0.25H), 4.95 – 5.03 (m, 1.25H), 5.24 (d, 0.25H), 5.32 (d, 0.25H), 5.84 (d, 0.25H), 5.85 (d, 0.25H), 5.95 (d, 0.25H), 6.49 (d, 0.25H), 7.58 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.77 (m, 2.5H), 7.81 (d, 0.5H), 7.87 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.99 (s, 0.5H), 8.01 (s, 0.25H), 8.03 (s, 0.25H), 8.6 – 8.69 (m, 1H), 10.58 (s, 0.25H), 10.81 (s, 0.5H), 10.87 (s, 0.25H).
446		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₁₉F₇N₂O₅S + H)⁺ 569.0981; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 569.1009. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 2:1 only major reported) δ 1.18 – 1.48 (m, 4H) 3.22 (s, 3H), 5.22 – 5.32 (m, 2H), 5.90 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.83 (m, 3H), 7.88 – 7.94 (m, 1H), 8.02 – 8.07 (m, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.85 (s, 1H).

447		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{24}H_{24}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 583.1337; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 583.1317. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d_6, 1:1 mixture of diastereomers and approximately 6:1 ratio of rotamers for each diastereomer; only major rotamer for each diastereomer reported) δ 0.91 – 0.97 (m, 3H), 1.64 – 1.75 (m, 2H), 3.2 – 3.22 (m, 3H), 3.27 (s, 1.5H), 3.31 (s, 1.5H), 3.99 – 4.06 (m, 1H), 5.08 (dd, 1H), 5.19 (t, 1H), 5.81 (d, 0.5H), 5.87 (d, 0.5H), 7.59 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.7 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.87 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.82 (s, 0.5H), 10.85 (s, 0.5H).
448		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{25}H_{24}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 595.1337; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 595.1374. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d_6, mixture of rotamers, 7:1 only major reported) δ 1.52 – 1.61 (m, 1H), 1.76 – 1.86 (m, 1H), 2.04 – 2.11 (m, 1H), 2.15 – 2.26 (m, 1H), 2.44 – 2.49 (m, 1H), 2.57 – 2.65 (m, 1H), 3.15 (s, 3H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 4.92 – 5.09 (m, 2H), 5.88 (d, 1H), 7.59 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.78 (m, 3H), 7.89 (d, 1H), 8.01 (s, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.90 (s, 1H).
449		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{23}H_{22}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 569.1181; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 569.1174. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO d_6, 1:1 mixture of diastereomers and approximately 6:1 ratio of rotamers for each diastereomer; only major rotamer for each diastereomer reported) δ 1.29 (d, 1.5H), 1.32 (d, 1.5H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 3.27 (s, 1.5H), 3.31 (s, 1.5H), 4.20 (q, 0.5H), 4.27 (q,

		0.5H), 5.03 – 5.1 (m, 1H), 5.12 – 5.24 (m, 1H), 5.80 (s, 1H), 5.84 (d, 1H), 7.56 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.91 (d, 1H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 10.82 (s, 0.5H), 10.83 (s, 0.5H).
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Example 450: 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)(1-²H)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

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2-Acetyl-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (0.156 g, 0.30 mmol) was mixed with CD₃OD (2 mL) and triethylamine (0.082 mL, 0.59 mmol) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 18h. A precipitate had formed and the mixture was diluted with more CD₃OD (3 mL) and heated at 50 °C for 3h. The mixture was then stirred at ambient temperature for 20h. Acetic acid (2.1 equiv.) was added and the mixture was partitioned between water (5 mL) and dichloromethane (50 mL). The layers were separated in a phase separator and the organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure to give a white solid (0.160 g, 102%).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₇DF₆N₂O₅S + H)⁺ 526.0982; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 526.0964. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 2.27 (s, 3H), 3.12 – 3.15 (m, 3H), 5.06 – 5.2 (m, 2H), 7.66 – 7.76 (m, 5H), 7.94 – 7.98 (m, 1H), 8.02 – 8.06 (m, 1H).

20 Separation of the (1*R*) and the (1*S*) enantiomers:

The racemate (0.14 g) was separated into the enantiomers by a preparative SFC system equipped with a YMC SA (IA) column, 250x20, 35% isopropyl alcohol 100 in CO₂ (120 bar), flow: 70 mL/min; injection volume was 5.0 mL of a 14 mg/mL ethanol/dichloromethane 1/1 solution.

Isomer 1 (peak 1): 0.065g, 99.4% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: YMC SA (IA) column, 150x3 mm, 3 μ m, 3.5 ml/min, 40% IPA in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₇DF₆N₂O₅S +H)⁺ 526.0982; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 526.0989.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD, mixture of rotamers, 6:1, only data for major rotamer

5 reported) δ 2.26 (s, 3H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 5.06 (d, 1H), 5.16 (d, 1H), 7.66 – 7.69 (m, 4H), 7.70 (d, 1H), 7.93 (d, 1H), 8.02 (s, 1H).

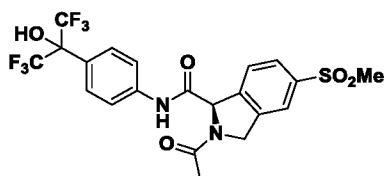
Isomer 2 (peak 2): 0.073g, 96.6% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: YMC SA (IA) column, 150x3 mm, 3 μ m, 3.5 ml/min, 40% IPA in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₇DF₆N₂O₅S +H)⁺ 526.0982; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 526.0978.

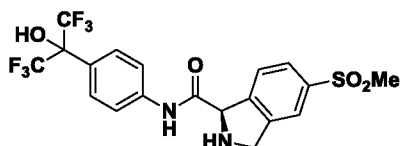
10 ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD, mixture of rotamers, 6:1, only data for major rotamer

reported) δ 2.26 (s, 3H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 5.07 (d, 1H), 5.16 (d, 1H), 7.66 – 7.69 (m, 4H), 7.70 (d, 1H), 7.94 (d, 1H), 8.02 (s, 1H).

Example 451: (1*R*)-2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Step 1: (1R)-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxamide



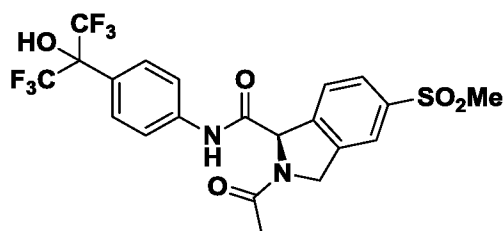
20 (R)-*tert*-Butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (132 g, 226.6 mmol) was suspended in isopropyl acetate (500 mL). Hydrogen chloride in isopropyl alcohol (500 ml, 2500.00 mmol) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred at 20 °C for 16½h and then transferred to an evaporation flask. The solvents were removed under reduced pressure at a bath temperature of 30 °C and the residue was coevaporated with EtOAc (2x500 ml),

25 EtOAc/Hept (1:1 800ml) and heptane (2x400 ml), and subsequently dried under vacuum

for 20h. The hydrochloride salt of (*R*)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (125 g, 106%) was obtained as a solid and used without further purification in the next step.

LC/MS: $m/z = 483$ $[M+H]^+$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.23 (s, 3H), 4.72 (d, 1H), 4.80 (d, 1H), 5.96 (s, 1H), 7.68 (d, 2H), 7.81 (d, 2H), 7.97 (d, 1H), 8.02 (d, 1H), 8.06 (bs, 1H), 8.71 (s, 1H), 9.75 (bs, 1H), 10.96 (bs, 1H) 11.93 (s, 1H).

Step 2: (1R)-2-Acetyl-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxamide



(1*R*)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide hydrochloride (125 g, 216.82 mmol) was dissolved in ethyl acetate (1250 mL). Acetic acid (24.82 mL, 433.64 mmol) and pyridine (73.8 mL, 867.29 mmol) was added. T3P in ethyl acetate (50% in EtOAc, 258 mL, 433.64 mmol) was added slowly over 10 min and the resultant mixture was stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (500 mL) and washed with an aqueous solution of citric acid (1M, 2x750 mL), aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (4%, 2x750 mL) and water (500 mL). The organic layer was evaporated and the resulting greyish foam crushed and dried under vacuum overnight. The crude solid (123 g) was dissolved in EtOAc (300 mL) and the material was filtered through a plug of silica gel (450g) and eluted with EtOAc (1000 mL). The filtrate was evaporated, and the crude was dissolved in EtOAc (600 mL) and cooled to 10 °C. *n*-Heptane (275 mL) was added slowly. Seed crystals were added after addition of half of the heptane. After addition, the temperature of the mixture was raised to 55 °C for 50 min. The cycling between 10 and 55 °C was then repeated two more times. The precipitate was filtered off using a P3 glass filter and the solid was washed with EtOAc/heptane (1:1 400 mL) and heptane (200 mL), and then dried in the funnel for 30 min, before being dried in the vacuum oven at 30 °C for 2 h. (*1R*)-2-Acetyl-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-

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hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (62.6 g, 51.5%) was obtained as a solid (mp = 228°C).

Analytical chiral SFC 99.9% ee (analytical conditions: 1 mg of compound / ml in ACN; CelluCoat column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 µm, 3.5 ml/min, 25% IPA in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C, 240 nm). $[\alpha]_D^{589} +108^\circ$ (c=1.0, CH₃CN, 20 °C).

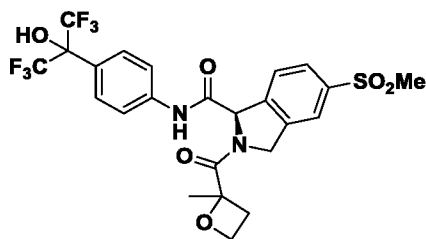
HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₈F₆N₂O₅S +H)⁺ 525.0919; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 525.0917.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.99, 2.15* (s, 3H), 3.22, 3.23* (s, 3H), 4.79 (d, 1H), 4.89 (d, 1H), 4.98 – 5.11* (m, 2H), 5.73*, 5.93 (s, 1H), 7.6 – 7.81 (m, 5H), 7.88 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 8.00*, 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.64*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.70*, 10.92 (s, 1H).

The mother liquor was evaporated and the solid was dissolved in ethyl acetate (200 mL) and heptane (90 mL) was slowly added. After about half of the heptane was added, seed crystal were added, and the mixture was heated to 55 °C for 64h. The solid was filtered off and washed with EtOAc/Hept (1:1, 120 ml) and Heptane (2x120 ml), dried in the funnel for 15 min and then under vacuum at 40°C for 72h. A second batch of (1*R*)-2-acetyl-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (30,0 g, 24,7%) was thus obtained as a solid. 98.3% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: 1 mg of compound / ml in ACN; CelluCoat column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 µm, 3.5 ml/min, 25% IPA 100 in CO₂, 120 bar, 40°C, 240 nm). $[\alpha]_D^{589} +103^\circ$ (c=1.0, ACN).

The seed crystals were obtained from 440 mg crude (1*R*)-2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide, prepared as described above, by crystallization from EtOAc and heptane, and leaving the mixture stirring overnight. The solid was filtered off to give a colorless solid (377 mg, 85%) and washed with EtOAc/heptane (1:4, 1,3ml) and heptane (1 ml).

Example 452: (1*R*)- *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2-methyloxetan-2-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



(R)-N-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-

(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide, HCl (620 mg, 1.19 mmol) was suspended in DCM (10 mL) and to this 2-methyloxetane-2-carboxylic acid (278 mg, 2.39 mmol) and

5 pyridine (0.242 mL, 2.99 mmol) was added followed by T3P (1.423 mL, 2.39 mmol, 50% in EtOAc). The reaction was stirred at RT for 1hr. LCMS indicated complete conversion to product. The reaction was diluted with DCM and washed with 0.5M HCl. The layers were separated using a phase sep and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product (690 mg) was purified on a preparative SFC system equipped with a YMC SA (IA) column, 250x20, 5
10 μ M, 18% IPA in CO₂ (160 bar), flow: 70 mL/min; injection volume was 0.30 mL of a 138 mg/mL ethanol solution.

Isomer 1 (peak 1): 160 mg, 23% yield; 99.9% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: YMC SA (IA) column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μ m, 3.5 ml/min, 25% IPA in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C). $[\alpha]_D^{589} +92^\circ$ (c=0.6, CH₃CN).

15 HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 581.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1182.
¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆, 1:1 ratio of rotamers) δ 1.51 (s, 1.5H), 1.63 (s, 1.5H), 2.51 - 2.7 (m, 1H), 2.77 - 2.88 (m, 0.5H), 2.87 - 2.97 (m, 0.5H), 3.17 (s, 1.5H), 3.20 (s, 1.5H), 4.34 - 4.56 (m, 2H), 4.89 (d, 0.5H), 4.99 (d, 1H), 5.24 (d, 0.5H), 5.85 (s, 0.5H), 6.49 (s, 0.5H), 7.63 (dd, 2H), 7.69 - 7.78 (m, 2.5H), 7.81 (d, 0.5H), 7.90 (d, 1H), 7.99 (s, 0.5H),
20 8.03 (s, 0.5H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.80 (s, 0.5H), 10.86 (s, 0.5H).

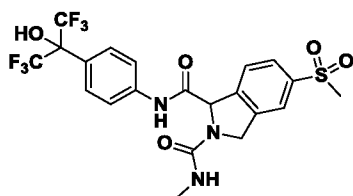
Isomer 2 (peak 2): 172 mg, 25% yield; 98.5% ee by analytical chiral SFC (analytical conditions: YMC SA (IA) column, 150x4.6 mm, 3 μ m, 3.5 ml/min, 25% IPA in CO₂, 120 bar, 40 °C). $[\alpha]_D^{589} +94^\circ$ (c=0.6, CH₃CN).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 581.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1159.

25 ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆, 1:1 ratio of rotamers) δ 1.61 (s, 1.5H), 1.64 (s, 1.5H), 2.51 - 2.64 (m, 1H), 2.81 - 2.88 (m, 0.5H), 2.97 - 3.03 (m, 0.5H), 3.19 (s, 1.5H), 3.2 (s, 1.5H), 4.04 - 4.12 (m, 0.5H), 4.25 - 4.31 (m, 0.5H), 4.33 - 4.4 (m, 0.5H), 4.46 - 4.52 (m, 0.5H),

4.87 (d, 0.5H), 4.96 (s, 0.5H), 5.02 (d, 0.5H), 5.33 (d, 0.5H), 5.84 (s, 0.5H), 5.95 (s, 0.5H), 7.61 (dd, 2H), 7.73 (dd, 2.5H),

Example 453: *N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-*N*²-methyl-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide



Methyl isocyanate (21.99 mg, 0.39 mmol) was added to a mixture of *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide, HCl (100 mg, 0.19 mmol) and triethylamine (0.081 mL, 0.58 mmol) in DCM (1 mL)/THF (1 mL). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 15 min. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc and washed with saturated brine. The layers were separated and the organic layer was dried using a phase separator cartridge. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue triturated with DCM. The solid obtained was collected by filtration and washed with DCM before being dried under vacuum. The title compound (84 mg, 81 %) was obtained as a colorless solid.

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₉F₆N₃O₅S + H)⁺ 540.1028; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 540.1050.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO *d*₆) δ 2.64 (d, 3H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 4.75 (d, 1H), 4.82 (dd, 1H), 5.66 (d, 1H), 6.59 (q, 1H), 7.61 (d, 2H), 7.68 (d, 1H), 7.73 (d, 2H), 7.88 (dd, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 8.62 (s, 1H), 10.60 (s, 1H).

Examples 454-456

Examples 454-456 (Table 4C) were prepared using a similar procedures to those described in the preceding examples.

Example 454: *N*²-Ethyl-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide

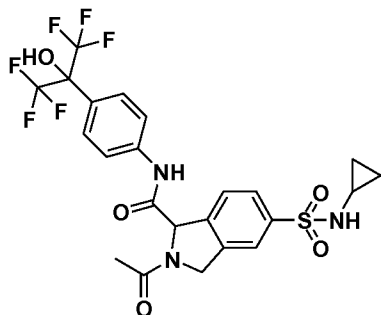
Example 455: *N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide

Example 456: *N*²-Cyclopropyl-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide

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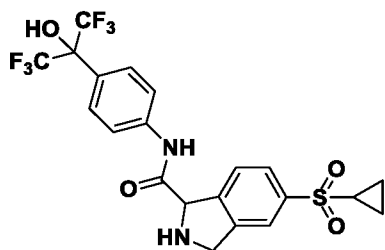
Example No.	Structure	NMR + MS
454		HRMS: calculated for (C ₂₂ H ₂₁ F ₆ N ₃ O ₅ S + H) ⁺ 554.1184; found (ESI [M+H] ⁺) 554.1165. ¹ H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO d ₆) δ 1.06 (t, 3H), 3.05 – 3.17 (m, 2H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 4.75 (d, 1H), 4.82 (dd, 1H), 5.66 (d, 1H), 6.63 (t, 1H), 7.61 (d, 2H), 7.68 (d, 1H), 7.72 (d, 2H), 7.88 (d, 1H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.62 (s, 1H).
455		HRMS: calculated for (C ₂₀ H ₁₇ F ₆ N ₃ O ₅ S + H) ⁺ 526.0871; found (ESI [M+H] ⁺) 526.0860. ¹ H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO d ₆) δ 3.22 (s, 3H), 4.77 (d, 1H), 4.84 (dd, 1H), 5.64 (d, 1H), 6.23 (s, 2H), 7.61 (d, 2H), 7.68 (d, 1H), 7.73 (d, 2H), 7.87 (d, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 8.62 (s, 1H), 10.59 (s, 1H).
456		HRMS: calculated for (C ₂₃ H ₂₁ F ₆ N ₃ O ₅ S + H) ⁺ 566.1184; found (ESI [M+H] ⁺) 566.1182. ¹ H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO d ₆) δ 0.39 – 0.52 (m, 2H), 0.54 – 0.63 (m, 2H), 2.55 – 2.58 (m, 1H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 4.71 (d, 1H), 4.79 (dd, 1H), 5.66 (d, 1H), 6.77 (d, 1H), 7.62 (d, 2H), 7.67 (d, 1H), 7.72 (d, 2H), 7.87 (d, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.62 (s, 1H).

Example 500: 2-Acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



- 5 DIPEA (0.162 mL, 0.92 mmol) was added to 2-acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxylic acid (100 mg, 0.31 mmol), 2-(4-aminophenyl)-1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol (88 mg, 0.34 mmol) and HATU (129 mg, 0.34 mmol) in DCM (5 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl (20 mL), extracted with
- 10 DCM (3×20 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford dark solid. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 100% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (40.0 mg, 22.94%) as a colorless
- 15 solid. LC/MS: $m/z=566$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.
 HRMS: calculated for $(\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_6\text{N}_3\text{O}_5\text{S} + \text{H})^+$ 566.1184; found (ESI $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 566.1185.
 ^1H NMR (400MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of rotamers, 4.5*:1) δ 0.36 – 0.54 (m, 4H), 1.99, 2.15* (s, 3H), 2.08 – 2.10 (m, 1H), 4.76 – 4.93, 5.00 – 5.09* (m, 2H), 5.71*, 5.91 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.70 (m, 3H), 7.71 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 8.00, 8.02* (d, 1H), 8.67*,
- 20 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.71*, 10.94 (s, 1H).

Example 600: 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

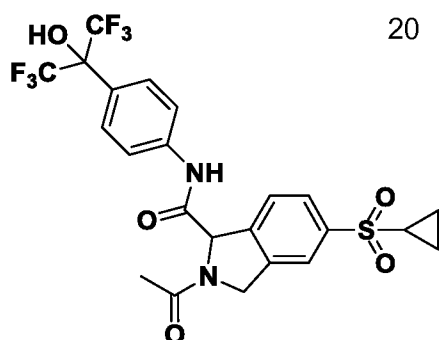


HCl (gas) was bubbled into a solution of *tert*-butyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (1.3 g, 2.14 mmol) in DCM (20 mL) at room temperature and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. The reaction mixture was basified with saturated Na₂CO₃. The reaction mixture was extracted with DCM (3 x 25 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford yellow oil. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 30% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (0.750 g, 69.1 %) as a pale yellow solid.

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₁₈F₆N₂O₄S +H)⁺ 509.0970; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 509.0957.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 0.98 – 1.2 (m, 4H), 2.76 – 2.95 (m, 1H), 3.87 – 4.11 (m, 1H), 4.24 – 4.53 (m, 2H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.7 – 7.76 (m, 1H), 7.77 – 7.88 (m, 4H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.35 (s, 1H).

Example 601: 2-Acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



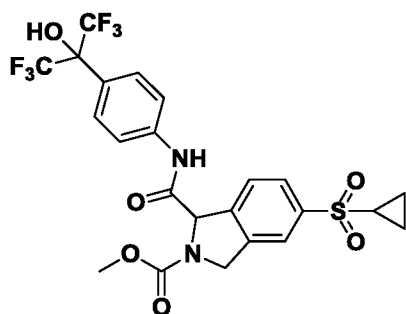
5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (50 mg, 0.10 mmol) was added to AcOH (6.2 μl,

0.11 mmol), HATU (41.1 mg, 0.11 mmol) and DIPEA (0.052 mL, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (2 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl (10 mL), extracted with DCM (3 x 10 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford yellow oil. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 70% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford the title compound (50 mg, 78%) as a white solid. LC/MS: $m/z=551$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.

HRMS: calculated for $(\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S} + \text{H})^+$ 551.1075; found (ESI $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 551.1071.

^1H NMR (300 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of rotamers, 4.5*:1) 0.97 – 1.27 (m, 4H), 1.98, 2.14* (s, 3H), 2.68 – 2.91 (m, 1H), 4.73 – 5.11 (m, 2H), 5.72*, 5.92 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.84 (m, 5H), 7.84 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.94 – 8.03 (m, 1H), 8.66, 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.71*, 10.94 (s, 1H).

Example 602: Methyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1- $\{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3\text{-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl})\text{phenyl}] \text{carbamoyl}\}$ -1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



Methyl carbonochloridate (22.30 mg, 0.24 mmol) was added dropwise to 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (60 mg, 0.12 mmol) in DCM (5 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (20 mL), extracted with DCM (3 x 25 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 10 to 80% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford the title compound (40 mg, 59.8%) as a solid. LC/MS: $m/z=567$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₀F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 567.1024; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 567.1041.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.3*:1) δ 0.98 – 1.21 (m, 4H), 2.81 – 2.91 (m, 1H), 3.64, 3.71* (s, 3H), 4.79 – 4.91 (m, 2H), 5.68*, 5.70 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.78 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.9 (m, 1H), 7.96 – 8.02 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.79*, 10.81 (s, 1H).

Examples 603-609

Examples 603-609 (Table 6) were prepared using similar procedures to those described in the preceding examples. Example 610 was prepared using a similar procedure to those described for Examples 314 or 453.

Example 603: 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 604: 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-2-formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 605: 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 606: 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 607: 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-

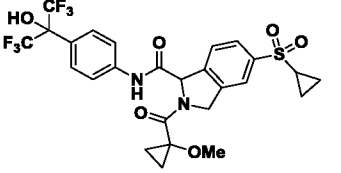
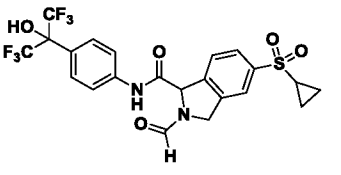
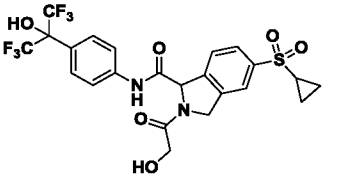
(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

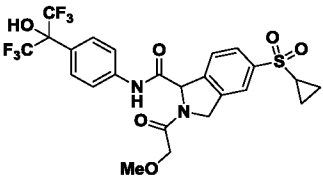
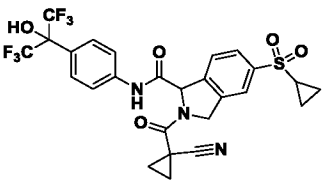
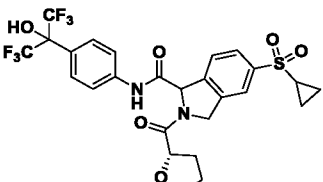
Example 608: 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

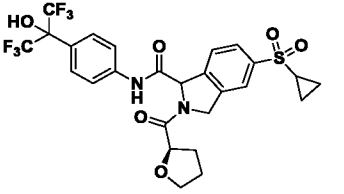
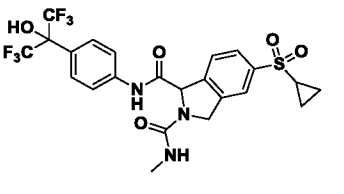
Example 609: 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 610: 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-*N*²-methyl-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide

Table 6

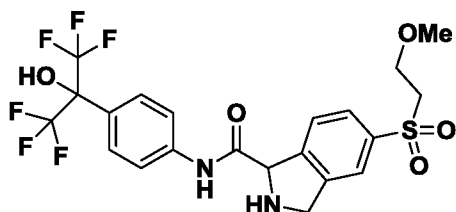
Example No.	Structure	NMR + MS
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604		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₂H₁₈F₆N₂O₅S + H)⁺ 537.0919; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 537.0928. ¹H NMR (400 MHz DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.8*:1) δ 0.98 – 1.32 (m, 4H), 2.86 (s, 1H), 4.74 – 4.94, 5.04 – 5.19* (m, 2H), 5.78*, 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.71 – 7.93 (m, 4H), 7.98 – 8.06 (m, 1H), 8.40, 8.49* (s, 1H), 8.66*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.77*, 10.87 (s, 1H).
605		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₀F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 567.1024; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 567.1004. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 0.98 – 1.21 (m, 4H), 2.81 – 2.93 (m, 1H), 3.87 – 4.34 (m, 2H), 4.81 – 5.25 (m, 3H), 5.80*, 6.01 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.84 (m, 5H), 7.89 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, <i>J</i> = 12.1 Hz, 1H), 8.67*, 8.69 (s, 1H), 10.77*, 10.95 (s, 1H).

606		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 581.1181; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1175. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 0.97 – 1.29 (m, 5H), 2.80 – 2.92 (m, 1H), 3.27, 3.36* (s, 3H), 3.93 – 4.13, 4.16 – 4.34* (m, 2H), 4.81 – 5.07 (m, 2H), 5.80*, 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.7 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.88 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.97 – 8.03 (m, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.78*, 10.88 (s, 1H).
607		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₆H₂₁F₆N₃O₅S + H)⁺ 602.1184; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 602.1210. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 6*:1) δ 0.98 – 1.17 (m, 4H), 1.52 – 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.78 (m, 2H), 2.80 – 2.92 (m, 1H), 4.86 – 5.00, 5.32 – 5.43* (m, 2H), 5.85*, 6.44 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.86 – 7.99 (m, 1H), 8.00 – 8.14 (m, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.89*, 11.22 (s, 1H).
608		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₆H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 607.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 607.1342. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of 4 isomers, only 2 main isomers reported) δ 0.97 – 1.27 (m, 4H), 1.72 – 2.00 (m, 2H), 2.00 – 2.27 (m, 2H), 2.80 – 2.91 (m, 1H), 3.75 – 3.91 (m, 2H), 4.69 – 4.78 (m, 1H), 5.00 – 5.24 (m, 2H), 5.77*, 5.79 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.68 – 7.77 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.95 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.78*, 10.80 (s, 1H).

609		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₆H₂₄F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 607.1337; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 607.1320. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of 4 isomers, only 2 main isomers reported) δ 1.00 – 1.16 (m, 4H), 1.81 – 1.93 (m, 2H), 2.00 – 2.27 (m, 2H), 2.79 – 2.9 (m, 1H), 3.73 – 3.92 (m, 2H), 4.68 – 4.79 (m, 1H), 5.00 – 5.13 (m, 1H), 5.13 – 5.24 (m, 1H), 5.77*, 5.78 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.68 – 7.77 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.90 (m, 1H), 7.95 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 8.63 – 8.72 (m, 1H), 10.78*, 10.80 (s, 1H).
610		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₁F₆N₃O₅S +H)⁺ 566.1184; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 566.1199. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆) δ 0.98 – 1.08 (m, 2H), 2.65 (d, 3H), 2.81-2.94 (m, 1H), 4.75 (d, 1H), 4.83 (dd, 1H), 5.67 (d, 1H), 6.60 (q, 1H), 7.62 (d, 2H), 7.68 (d, 1H), 7.75 (d, 2H), 7.85 (dd, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.63 (s, 1H).

Example 700: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoin-1-carboxamide

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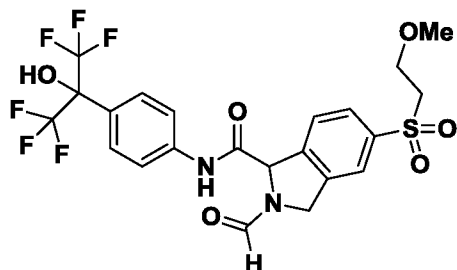
HCl (gas) (0.171 mL, 5.63 mmol) was passed through a solution of *tert*-butyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoin-2-carboxylate (3.53 g, 5.63 mmol) in DCM (35 mL).

The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. The reaction mixture was basified with saturated NaHCO₃. The reaction mixture was extracted with DCM (3 x 50 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 50% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford the title compound (2.110 g, 71.1 %) as a solid. LC/MS: m/z=527 [M+H]⁺.

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₁H₂₀F₆N₂O₅S +H)⁺ 527.1075; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 527.1071.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 3.10 (s, 3H), 3.51 – 3.65 (m, 4H), 4.38 (s, 2H), 5.08 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, 2H), 7.70 (d, 1H), 7.74 – 7.89 (m, 4H), 8.63 (s, 1H), 10.33 (s, 1H).

Example 701: 2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

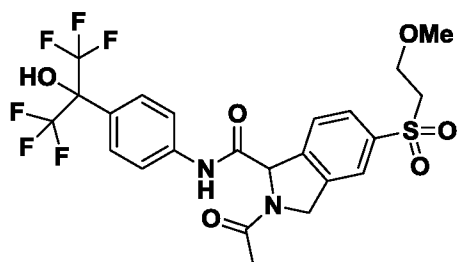


DIPEA (0.080 mL, 0.46 mmol) was added to *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (80 mg, 0.15 mmol), formic acid (13.99 mg, 0.30 mmol) and HATU (63.6 mg, 0.17 mmol) in DCM (10 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 5 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH₄Cl (15 mL), extracted with DCM (3 x 20 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 50% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford the title compound (67.0 mg, 80%) as a white solid. LC/MS: m/z=555 [M+H]⁺.

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₂H₂₀F₆N₂O₆S +H)⁺ 555.1024; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 555.117.

¹H NMR (300MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.7*:1) δ 3.11 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 4H), 4.72 – 4.94, 5.03 – 5.21* (m, 2H), 5.78*, 6.00 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.94 (m, 6H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 8.40, 8.50* (s, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.79*, 10.89 (s, 1H).

Example 702: 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

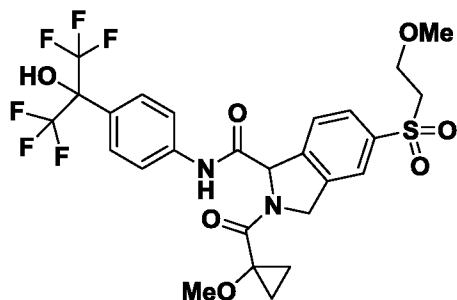


Following the procedure in example 701 but using acetic acid instead of formic acid, a brown oil was obtained after work-up. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 30% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford the title compound (20 mg, 6.67%) as a white solid. LC/MS: $m/z=569$ $[M+H]^+$.

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{23}H_{22}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 569.1181; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 569.1197.

^1H NMR (300MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 4.2*:1) δ 1.98, 2.14* (s, 3H), 3.06 – 3.11 (m, 3H), 3.60 (s, 4H), 4.72 – 5.08 (m, 2H), 5.72*, 5.95 (s, 1H), 7.57 – 7.80 (m, 5H), 7.82 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.93 – 8.00 (m, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.73*, 11.01 (s, 1H).

Example 703: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Following the procedure in example 701 but using 1-methoxycyclopropanecarboxylic acid instead of formic acid afforded a colorless solid as the crude product, which was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 70% MeCN in water. Pure

fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(1-methoxycyclopropanecarbonyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (50.8 mg, 86 %) as a colorless solid. HRMS: calculated for (C₂₆H₂₆F₆N₂O₇S + H)⁺ 625.1443; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 625.1461.

- 5 ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 2.2*:1) δ 0.83 – 1.27 (m, 4H), 3.11, 3.12* (s, 3H), 3.19, 3.36* (s, 3H), 3.55 – 3.66 (m, 4H), 4.86 – 5.04, 5.18 – 5.31* (m, 2H), 5.90*, 6.22 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.7 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.84 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.66, 8.68* (s, 1H), 10.82, 10.90* (s, 1H).

- 10 **Examples 704-706** (Table 7) were prepared using similar procedures to those described in the preceding examples. Example 707 was prepared using a similar procedure to those described for Examples 314 or 453.

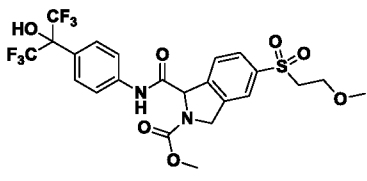
Example 704: Methyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate

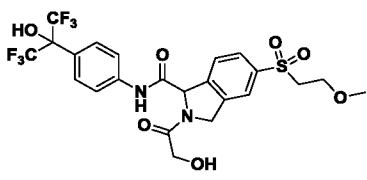
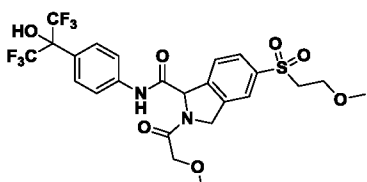
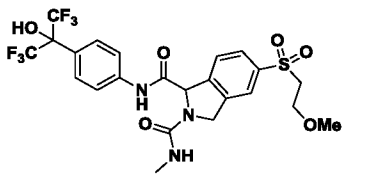
Example 705: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

Example 706: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

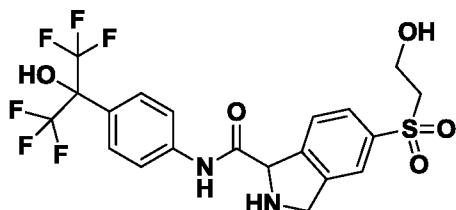
- 20 **Example 707:** *N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*²-methyl-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide

Table 7

Example No.	Structure	NMR + MS
704		HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₂F₆N₂O₇S + H)⁺ 585.1130; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 585.1130. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-<i>d</i>₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.4*:1) δ 3.09 (s, 3H), 3.56 – 3.73 (m, 7H), 4.80 – 4.91 (m, 2H), 5.68 (m, 1H), 7.56 – 7.77 (m, 5H), 7.86 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.1 Hz,

		1H), 7.97 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.77, 10.79* (s, 1H).
705		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{23}H_{22}F_6N_2O_7S + H)^+$ 585.1130; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 585.1145. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d_6, mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 3.09 (s, 3H), 3.57 – 3.64 (m, 4H), 3.86 – 4.33 (m, 2H), 4.80 – 5.10 (m, 3H), 5.79*, 6.00 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.80 (m, 3H), 7.83 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.93 – 8.02 (s, 1H), 8.66*, 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.75*, 10.92 (s, 1H).
706		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{24}H_{24}F_6N_2O_7S + H)^+$ 599.1287; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 599.1309. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d_6, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 3.09 (s, 3H), 3.26, 3.36* (s, 3H), 3.61 (s, 4H), 3.93 – 4.12, 4.17 – 4.32* (m, 2H), 4.78 – 5.16 (m, 2H), 5.79*, 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.68 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.87 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.95 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.79* 10.89 (s, 1H).
707		HRMS: calculated for $(C_{23}H_{23}F_6N_3O_6S + H)^+$ 584.1290; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 584.1282. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d_6) δ 2.65 (d, 3H), 3.11 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 4H), 4.75 (d, 1H), 4.84 (d, 1H), 5.67 (d, 1H), 6.62 (d, 1H), 7.63 (d, 2H), 7.68 (d, 1H), 7.75 (d, 2H), 7.85 (dd, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.64 (s, 1H).

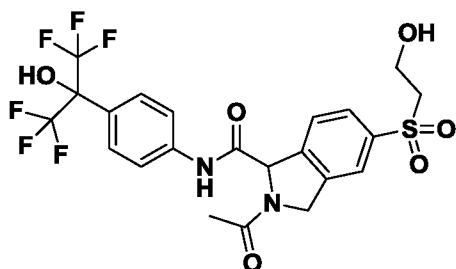
Example 800: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



- 5 Diethylamine (59.7 mg, 0.82 mmol) was added to (9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)methyl 1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbonyl)-5-((2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (60 mg, 0.08 mmol) in DCM (3 mL) at 25°C over a period of 10 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 25°C for 4 hours. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was
- 10 purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 50 to 70% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-((2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (25.0 mg, 59.7%) as a white solid. LC/MS: $m/z=513$ $[M+H]^+$. HRMS: calculated for $(C_{20}H_{18}F_6N_2O_5S + H)^+$ 513.0919; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 513.0927.
- 15 ^1H NMR (400MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 4.5*:1, only major isomer reported) δ 3.43 (t, 2H), 3.67 (q, 2H), 3.94 (br.s, 1H), 4.33 – 4.46 (m, 2H), 4.86 (t, 1H), 5.09 (s, 1H), 7.57 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.76 – 7.87 (m, 4H), 8.64 (s, 1H), 10.34 (s, 1H).

Example 801: 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

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Tribromoborane (485 mg, 1.93 mmol) was added dropwise to 2-acetyl-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-

hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-((2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (220 mg, 0.39 mmol) in DCM (20 mL) cooled to -40°C over a period of 30 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at 0°C for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO_3 (25 mL), extracted with DCM (3×25 mL).

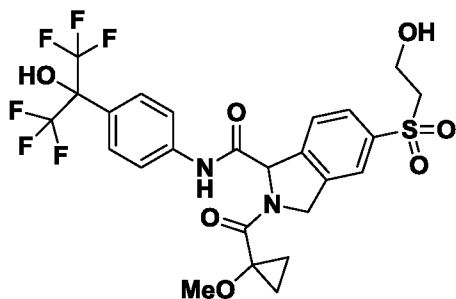
- 5 The precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with DCM (20 mL) and dried under vacuum to afford 2-acetyl-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-((2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (42.0 mg, 17.95 %) as a white solid. LC/MS: $m/z = 555$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.

HRMS: calculated for $(\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_6\text{S} + \text{H})^+$ 555.1024; found (ESI $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 555.1019.

- 10 ^1H NMR (300MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, mixture of rotamers, 4.4*:1) δ 1.98, 2.14* (s, 3H), 3.45 (t, 2H), 3.67 (q, 2H), 4.78 – 4.91, 5.00 – 5.07* (m, 3H), 5.74*, 5.92 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.78 (m, 5H) 7.83 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.93 – 8.00 (m, 1H), 8.64*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.70*, 10.94 (s, 1H).

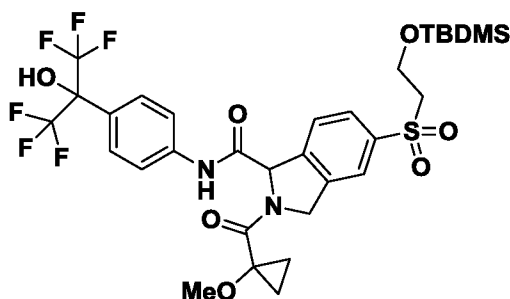
Example 802: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-

- 15 hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Step 1: 5-((2-((*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)ethyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(1-methoxycyclopropanecarbonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide

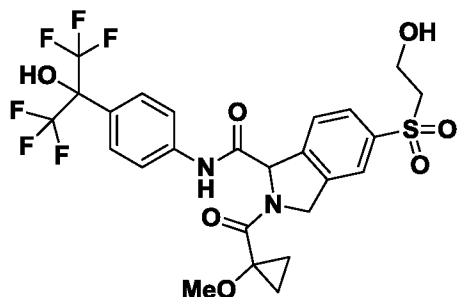
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DIPEA (0.084 ml, 0.48 mmol) was added to 5-((2-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)ethyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (100 mg, 0.16 mmol), 1-methoxycyclopropanecarboxylic acid (37.1 mg, 0.32 mmol) and HATU (66.7 mg, 0.18 mmol) in under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 70% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford the title compound (120 mg, 104%) as a colourless dry film.

LC/MS: $m/z=725$ $[M+H]^+$.

Step 2: N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1H-isoindole-1-carboxamide



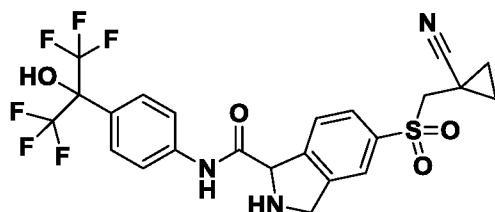
Triethylamine trihydrofluoride (0.270 mL, 1.66 mmol) was added to 5-((2-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)ethyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(1-methoxycyclopropanecarbonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (120 mg, 0.17 mmol) in THF (6 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The crude product was purified by preparative HPLC (XBridge Prep C18 OBD column using decreasingly polar mixtures of water (containing 0.1% TFA) and MeCN as eluents. Fractions containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford the title compound (32.0 mg, 31.7%) as a colorless solid.

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{25}H_{24}F_6N_2O_7S + H)^+$ 611.1287; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 611.1304.

^1H NMR (400MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 2.2*:1) δ 0.87 – 1.22 (m, 4H), 3.20, 3.36* (s, 3H), 3.46 (t, 2H), 3.69 (q, 2H), 4.85 – 5.31 (m, 3H), 5.90*, 6.22 (s, 1H), 7.61 –

7.68 (m, 2H), 7.71 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.86 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.04 (m, 1H), 8.66, 8.68* (s, 1H), 10.82, 10.89* (s, 1H).

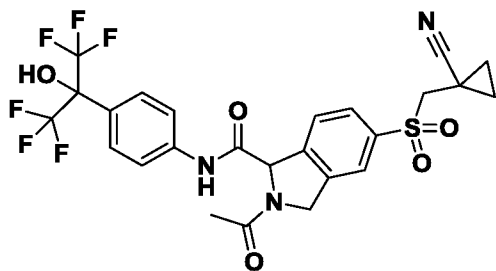
Example 900: 5-[[[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Diethylamine (1.5 mL, 0.19 mmol) was added to (9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)methyl 5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (150 mg, 0.19 mmol) in DCM (15 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at rt for 14 hours. 5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (100 mg, 94 %) was detected by LCMS. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 0 to 40% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford 5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (100 mg, 94%).

LC/MS: $m/z=548$ $[M+H]^+$. HRMS: calculated for $(C_{23}H_{19}F_6N_3O_4S + H)^+$ 548.1087; found (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 548.1098. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 0.99 – 1.13 (m, 2H), 1.27 – 1.31 (m, 2H), 3.69 (s, 2H), 4.42 (s, 2H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.89 (m, 7H), 8.64 (s, 1H), 10.34 (s, 1H).

Example 901: 2-Acetyl-5-[[[(1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



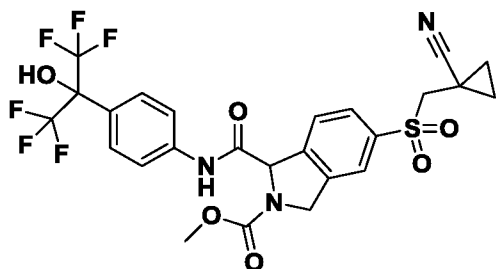
Ac₂O (0.138 mL, 1.46 mmol) was added to 5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (80 mg, 0.15 mmol) in DCM (5 mL) at 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred

at room temperature for 3 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with water (5 mL), extracted with DCM (3 × 10 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford white solid. The crude product was purified by preparative HPLC Column: XBridge Prep C18 OBD Column, 5μm, 19×150mm; Mobile Phase A: Waters (0.05% TFA), Mobile Phase B: ACN; Flow rate: 20 mL/min; Gradient: 10% B to 54% B

in 7 min; 254/220 nm. Fractions containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-acetyl-5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (60.0 mg, 69.7%).

LC/MS: *m/z*=590 [M+H]⁺. HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₁F₆N₃O₅S +H)⁺ 590.1184; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 590.1185. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.00 – 1.04 (m, 2H), 1.29 – 1.33 (m, 2H), 2.00, 2.16* (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 2H), 4.85 – 5.07 (m, 2H), 5.75*, 5.96 (s, 1H), 7.62 – 8.04 (m, 7H), 8.66*, 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.71*, 10.93 (s, 1H).

Example 902: Methyl 5-{[(1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate



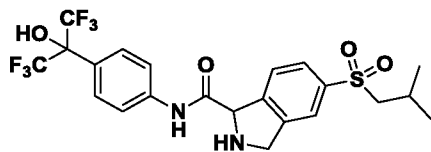
Methyl carbonochloridate (69.0 mg, 0.73 mmol) was added dropwise to 5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (80 mg, 0.15 mmol) in DCM (10 mL) at 0°C over a period of 10 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room

temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with water (10 mL), extracted with DCM (3 × 10 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by preparative HPLC, Column:

XSelect CSH Prep C18 OBD Column, 19*250mm, 5μm; Mobile Phase A: Water (0.1%FA), Mobile Phase B: ACN; Flow rate: 25 mL/min; Gradient: 52% B to 52% B in 6 min; 254/220 nm; Rt: 5.50 min. Fractions containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford methyl 5-(((1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (60.0 mg, 67.8%).

LC/MS: m/z =606 [M+H]⁺. HRMS: calculated for (C₂₅H₂₁F₆N₃O₆S +H)⁺ 606.1133; found (ESI [M+H]⁺) 606.1160. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 1.5*:1) δ 1.00 – 1.01 (m, 2H), 1.26 – 1.30 (m, 2H), 3.61 – 3.76 (m, 5H), 4.87 (s, 2H), 5.67 – 5.74 (m, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J*=8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.72 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.90 (d, *J*=8.1 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J*=5.7 Hz, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.78*, 10.80 (s, 1H).

Example 1000: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

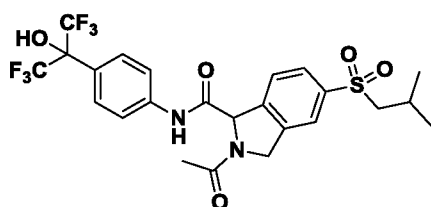


tert-Butyl 1-[[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl]-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate (130 mg, 0.21 mmol) was dissolved in isopropyl acetate (1 mL). 5M hydrogen chloride in IPA (1 mL, 5.00 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue was co-evaporated with EtOAc/Hept (1:1 20mL). *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-

2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide HCl salt (100 mg, 92%) was obtained as an off-white solid. The material was used without further purification.

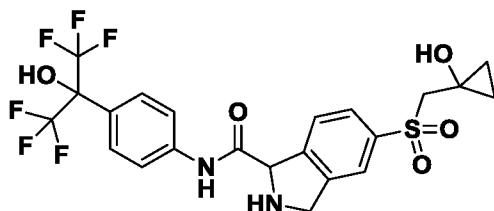
LC/MS: $m/z = 525$ $[M+H]^+$.

- 5 **Example 1001:** 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



- N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide HCl salt (60 mg, 0.11 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (5 mL) and to this triethylamine (0.045 mL, 0.32 mmol) and acetic acid (7.35 μ L, 0.13 mmol) were added followed by T3P (50% solution in EtOAc) (0.127 mL, 0.21 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction was diluted with DCM and washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 . The layers were separated using a phase separator cartridge and the DCM removed *in vacuo*. A sample for biological screening was purified: Instrument: SFC-MS. Chromatographic conditions: MeOH/ NH_3 20mM. Column: Waters Acquity UPC2 BEH 2-EP 3.5 μ m 3x100mm. 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (42.5 mg, 70.1 %)
- HRMS: calculated for $(\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{F}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S} + \text{H})^+$ 567.1388; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 567.1381. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 0.96 (d, 3H), 0.98 (d, 3H), 1.99 - 2.05 (m, 1H), 1.99, 2.14* (s, 3H), 3.20, 3.22* (d, 2H), 4.75 - 4.91, 5 - 5.09* (m, 2H), 5.72*, 5.92 (s, 1H), 7.6 - 7.79 (m, 5H), 7.87 (d, 1H), 7.97*, 8.00 (s, 1H), 8.68 (br s, 1H), 10.71*, 10.94 (s, 1H).

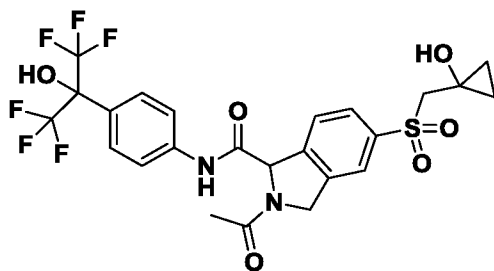
Example 1100: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



TFA (3 mL, 40 mmol) was added to *tert*-butyl 5-(((1-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)cyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (60 mg, 0.08 mmol) in DCM (3 mL) at 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by preparative HPLC Column: XBridge Prep C18 OBD Column, 5μm, 19*150mm; Mobile Phase A: Waters(0.05%TFA), Mobile Phase B: ACN; Flow rate: 20 mL/min; Gradient: 10% B to 54% B in 7 min; 254/220 nm. Fractions containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(((1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (TFA salt) (40.0 mg, 61.5%).

LC/MS: $m/z = 539[M+H]^+$. HRMS: calculated for $(C_{22}H_{20}F_6N_2O_5S + H)^+$ 539.1075; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 539.1069. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 0.51 – 0.61 (m, 4H), 3.56 (s, 2H), 4.76 (dd, $J=25.2, 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (brs, 1H), 5.74 (s, 1H), 7.69 – 7.79 (m, 4H), 7.82 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.92 – 7.98 (m, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.73 (s, 1H), 11.28 (s, 1H).

Example 1101: 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[[[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

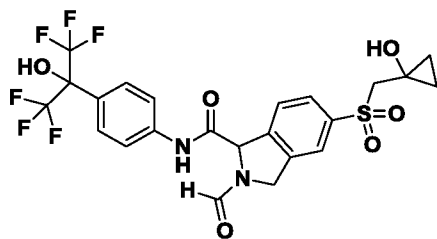


Ac₂O (15.17 mg, 0.15 mmol) was added to *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(((1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (80 mg, 0.15 mmol) in DCM (1 mL) at 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at

room temperature for 1 hour. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by preparative HPLC Column: XBridge Prep C18 OBD Column, 5 μ m, 19*150mm; Mobile Phase A: Waters (0.05% TFA), Mobile Phase B: ACN; Flow rate: 20 mL/min; Gradient: 10% B to 54% B in 7 min; 254/220 nm. Fractions containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-acetyl-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(((1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (40.0 mg, 46.4%).

LC/MS: m/z = 581[M+H]⁺. HRMS: calculated for (C₂₄H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 581.1181; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 581.1208. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 0.48-0.60 (m, 4H), 2.00, 2.16* (s, 3H), 3.53 (s, 2H), 4.76 – 5.10 (m, 2H), 5.34, 5.35* (s, 1H), 5.73*, 5.93 (s, 1H), 7.62 – 7.77 (m, 5H), 7.85 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.95 – 8.00 (m, 1H), 8.65*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.70*, 10.93 (s, 1H).

Example 1102: 2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[[[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

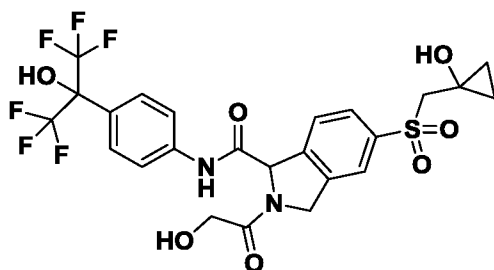


DIPEA (0.052 mL, 0.30 mmol) was added to *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(((1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (80 mg, 0.15 mmol), formic acid (68.4 mg, 1.49 mmol) and HATU (169 mg, 0.45 mmol) in DCM (1 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by preparative HPLC Column: XBridge Prep C18 OBD Column, 5 μ m, 19*150mm; Mobile Phase A: Waters (0.05% TFA), Mobile Phase B: ACN; Flow rate: 20 mL/min; Gradient: 10% B to 54% B in 7 min; 254/220 nm. Fractions containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford 2-formyl-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-

hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(((1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (62.0 mg, 59.0%).
 LC/MS: $m/z = 567$ $[M+H]^+$. HRMS: calculated for $(C_{23}H_{20}F_6N_2O_6S + H)^+$ 567.1024; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 567.1004. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 1.7*:1) δ
 5 0.48 – 0.61 (m, 4H), 3.53 (s, 2H), 4.74 – 4.92, 5.02 – 5.18* (m, 2H), 5.34, 5.35* (s, 1H), 5.77*, 5.99 (s, 1H), 7.63 – 7.84 (m, 5H), 7.87 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 8.40, 8.49* (s, 1H), 8.65*, 8.67 (s, 1H), 10.76*, 10.86 (s, 1H).

Example 1103: *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-

10 (hydroxyacetyl)-5-[[[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

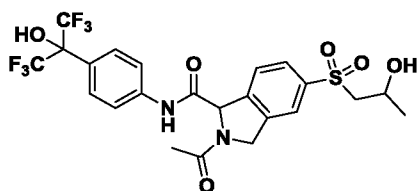


DIPEA (0.058 mL, 0.33 mmol) was added to *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-(((1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (60 mg, 0.11 mmol), 2-hydroxyacetic acid (42.4 mg, 0.56 mmol) and HATU (169 mg, 0.45 mmol) in DCM (2 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at
 15 room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was treated with NH_4Cl (5 mL), extracted with DCM (3×10 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and evaporated to afford colourless dry film. The crude product was purified by preparative
 20 HPLC Column: CHIRALPAK IF, 2×25 cm, $5 \mu m$; Mobile Phase A: Hex--HPLC, Mobile Phase B: EtOH--HPLC; Flow rate: 20 mL/min; Gradient: 30 B to 30 B in 16 min; 220/254 nm; Fractions containing the desired compound were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-2-(2-hydroxyacetyl)-5-(((1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (18.00 mg, 27.1%).

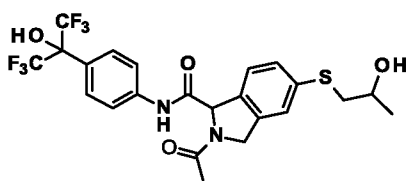
25 LC/MS: $m/z = 597$ $[M+H]^+$. HRMS: calculated for $(C_{24}H_{22}F_6N_2O_7S + H)^+$ 597.1130; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 597.1130. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 5*:1) δ 0.49 – 0.59 (m, 4H), 3.53 (s, 2H), 3.85 – 4.31 (m, 2H), 4.83 – 5.21 (m, 3H), 5.35, 5.36* (s, 1H),

5.79*, 6.00 (s, 1H), 7.63 – 7.78 (m, 5H), 7.88 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.94 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 8.67*, 8.68 (s, 1H), 10.76*, 10.93 (s, 1H).

Example 1200: 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-
5 [(2-hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

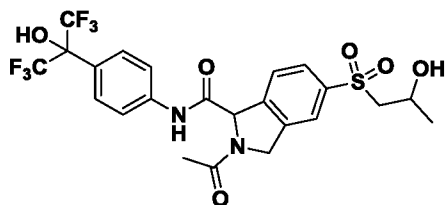


Step 1: 2-Acetyl-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-((2-hydroxypropyl)thio)isoindoline-1-carboxamide



A solution of 2-acetyl-5-bromo-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (83 mg, 0.16 mmol) in dioxane (1.5 mL) was degassed before, Xantphos (9.14 mg, 0.02 mmol), DIPEA (0.033 mL, 0.19 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃ (7.24 mg, 7.90 μmol) and 1-mercaptopropan-2-ol (102 mg, 1.11 mmol) was added. The reaction was heated to 80°C for 40 min. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue was purified by flash chromatography eluting with 0-40% EtOAc in heptane. 2-Acetyl-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-((2-hydroxypropyl)thio)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (60.0 mg, 70.8%) was obtained as a foam. LC/MS: $m/z=535$ [M-H]⁻. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO d₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.15 (d, 3H), 1.96, 2.12* (s, 3H), 2.87 - 2.96 (m, 1H), 2.98 - 3.04 (m, 1H), 3.72 - 3.8 (m, 1H), 4.63 - 4.97 (m, 3H), 5.56*, 5.74 (s, 1H), 7.24 - 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.59 - 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.69 - 7.76 (m, 2H), 8.62*, 8.65 (s, 1H), 10.55*, 10.78 (s, 1H).

Step 2: 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



2-Acetyl-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)-5-((2-hydroxypropyl)thio)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (60 mg, 0.11 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (2 mL) and to this *m*CPBA ($\geq 77\%$) (60.2 mg, 0.27 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at room temperature for 30 min. Sulphoxide could still be seen in the LCMS.

*m*CPBA ($\geq 77\%$)

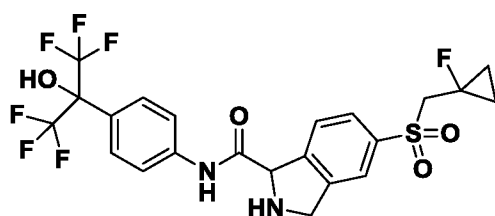
(25.06 mg, 0.11 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at room temperature for another 30 min. The reaction was diluted with EtOAc and washed with 1M aq NaOH. The layers were separated and the aqueous was extracted twice with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were dried using a phase separator cartridge and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. Sample for biological screening was purified: Instrument: SFC2-MS.

Chromatographic conditions: MeOH/NH₃ 20mM. Column: Phenomenex Luna Hilic 5 μ 30x250mm. 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide (28.4 mg, 44.7 %).

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₃H₂₂F₆N₂O₆S + H)⁺ 569.1181; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 569.1178.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆, mixture of rotamers, 4*:1) δ 1.09 - 1.15 (m, 3H), 1.99, 2.15* (s, 3H), 3.96 - 4.07 (m, 1H), 4.76 - 4.88, 4.99 - 5.08* (m, 2H), 4.90 (d, 1H), 5.72*, 5.92 (s, 1H), 7.59 - 7.78 (m, 5H), 7.86 (d, 1H), 7.95*, 7.98 (s, 1H), 8.67*, 8.70 (s, 1H), 10.70*, 10.94 (d, 1H).

Example 1300: 5-{[(1-Fluorocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide

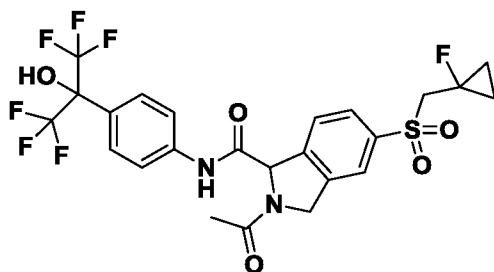


TFA (1 mL, 12.98 mmol) was added to tert-butyl 5-(((1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-1-((4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)carbamoyl)isoindoline-2-carboxylate (200 mg, 0.31 mmol) in DCM (5 mL) cooled to 0°C under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ (10 mL), extracted with DCM (3×20 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford 5-(((1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (100 mg, 59.3 %) as an oil.

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₂H₁₉F₇N₂O₄S + H)⁺ 541.1032; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 541.1049.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO d₆) δ 0.69 – 0.77 (m, 2H), 0.92 – 1.05 (m, 2H), 3.96 (d, 2H), 4.34 – 4.44 (m, 2H), 5.09 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, 2H), 7.60 (d, 1H), 7.77 – 7.90 (m, 4H), 8.63 (s, 1H), 10.33 (s, 1H).

Example 1301: 2-Acetyl-5-{[(1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl}-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide



Acetic anhydride (151 mg, 1.48 mmol) was added dropwise to 5-(((1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (80 mg, 0.15 mmol) in DCM (5 mL) at 0°C over a period of 10 minutes under nitrogen. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with ice/water (5 mL), extracted with DCM (3×10 mL), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford brown oil. The crude product was purified by preparative HPLC, Column: XBridge Prep C18 OBD Column 19×150mm 5μm; Mobile Phase A: Water (0.05%TFA), Mobile Phase B: ACN; Flow rate: 20 mL/min; Gradient: 39% B to 47% B in 7 min; 254/220 nm; Rt: 6.33 min. Fractions containing the desired compound were

evaporated to dryness to afford 2-acetyl-5-(((1-fluorocyclopropyl)methyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl)isoindoline-1-carboxamide (54 mg, 62%) as a solid.

HRMS: calculated for $(C_{24}H_{21}F_7N_2O_5S + H)^+$ 583.1138; found: (ESI $[M+H]^+$) 583.1135.

- 5 ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , mixture of rotamers, 3.5*:1) δ 0.66 – 0.79 (m, 2H), 0.92 – 1.06 (m, 2H), 1.99, 2.14* (s, 3H), 4.00 (d, 2H), 4.78 – 4.90, 5.01 – 5.07* (m, 2H), 5.73*, 5.93 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.81 (m, 5H), 7.88 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.98 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 8.64*, 8.66 (s, 1H), 10.69*, 10.94 (s, 1H).

10 Biological data

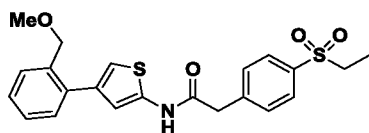
Compounds according to Formula I are ROR γ modulators and their activities were determined in one of the following assays.

ROR γ Radioligand Competition Binding Assay (SPA)

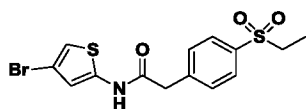
- 15 The aim of this assay is to identify compounds which bind to the ROR γ ligand binding domain, by competing with tritiated 2-(4-(ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)-*N*-(4-(2-(methoxymethyl)phenyl)thiophen-2-yl)acetamide.

Preparation of tritiated 2-(4-(Ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)-*N*-(4-(2-(methoxymethyl)phenyl)thiophen-2-yl)acetamide

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Step 1: *N*-(4-Bromothiophen-2-yl)-2-(4-(ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)acetamide

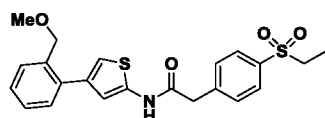


- 25 The trifluoroacetate salt of 4-bromothiophen-2-amine (2.45 g, 8.42 mmol, obtained by deprotection of tert-butyl *N*-(4-bromo-2-thienyl)carbamate with TFA in DCM) was added to 2-(4-(ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)acetic acid (2 g, 8.76 mmol), EDC (2.016 g, 10.51 mmol) and DMAP (3.21 g, 26.29 mmol) in DCM (30 mL) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (100 mL), and

washed sequentially with water (150 mL) and saturated brine (125 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford the crude product. The crude product was purified by flash silica chromatography, elution gradient 10% to 60% EtOAc in petroleum ether. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford *N*-(4-

- 5 bromothiophen-2-yl)-2-(4-(ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)acetamide (2.0 g, 61%) as a solid.
LC/MS: *m/z*= 535 [M-H]⁻. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 1.09, (t, 3H), 3.26 (q, 2H), 3.85 (s, 2H), 6.63 (d, 1H), 7.06, (d, 1H), 7.58 (d, 2H), 7.84 (d, 2H), 11.64 (s, 1H).

Step 2: 2-(4-(Ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)-N-(4-(2-(methoxymethyl)phenyl)thiophen-2-yl)acetamide



- PdCl₂(dppf) (9.42 mg, 0.01 mmol) was added to *N*-(4-bromothiophen-2-yl)-2-(4-(ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)acetamide (100 mg, 0.26 mmol), (2-(methoxymethyl)phenyl)boronic acid (85 mg, 0.52 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (107 mg, 0.77 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (4 mL) and
15 water (0.5 mL) at 25°C under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 5 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (30 x 2 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated to afford yellow solid. The crude product was purified by flash C18-flash chromatography, elution gradient 5 to 50% MeCN in water. Pure fractions were evaporated to dryness to afford
20 2-(4-(ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)-*N*-(4-(2-(methoxymethyl)phenyl)thiophen-2-yl)acetamide (81 mg, 73.2 %) as a solid.

HRMS: calculated for (C₂₂H₂₃NO₄S + H)⁺ 430.1133; found: (ESI [M+H]⁺) 430.1147.

- ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.29 (t, 3H), 3.11 (q, 2H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 3.82 (s, 2H), 4.38 (s, 2H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 6.92 (s, 1H), 7.28-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.43-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.51 (d, 2H), 7.85 (d, 2H), 8.35 (s, 1H).
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Step 3: Tritiation of 2-(4-(ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)-N-(4-(2-(methoxymethyl)phenyl)thiophen-2-yl)acetamide

- 2-(4-(Ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)-*N*-(4-(2-(methoxymethyl)phenyl)thiophen-2-yl)acetamide (2.3 mg, 5.35 μmol) and 1-iodopyrrolidine-2,5-dione (1.3 mg, 5.78 μmol) were dissolved in
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DCM (0.2 mL) and TFA (0.02 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes, then concentrated by a stream of nitrogen. The residue was dissolved in EtOH (0.4 mL), triethylamine (20 μ l, 144.28 μ mol) was added and the solution was transferred to a tritiation vial containing Pd/C (3 mg, 2.82 μ mol, 10% Pd). The vial was degassed by 3 freeze-pump-thaw-cycles. The flask was filled with T₂ gas (290GBq). The reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 2.5h. T₂ gas was recovered via the washing bed and the reaction mixture was concentrated by a stream of nitrogen. MeOH (0.7 mL) were added and the reaction mixture was concentrated by a stream of nitrogen. This procedure was repeated 3 times. The reaction mixture was filtered and dissolved in MeOH (15 mL total). After evaporation, the crude product was dissolved in DMSO and purified by preparative HPLC on a XBridge C18 column (10 μ m, 250x19 mm) using a gradient of 5-95% acetonitrile in H₂O/ACN/HOAc 95/5/0.5 buffer over 40 minutes with a flow of 15 mL/min. The product was detected by UV at 244nm. Yield: 1717 MBq.

Protein production

Human ROR γ (Ligand Binding Domain (ROR γ LBD) was expressed in *E. coli* (BL21DE3 Star) as a fusion protein: N-6xHN-Avi-GST-TCS-hROR γ LBD (S258-K518) subcloned into pET24a(+). The LBD (258-518) is underlined in the protein sequence:

HNHNHNHNHNHNGGLNDIFEAQKIEWHEGSPILGYWKIKGLVQPTRLLEYLEEK
YEEHLYERDEGDKWRNKKFELGLEFPNLPYYIDGDVKLTQSMAIIRYIADKHNML
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RKVEQLQYNLELAFHHHLCKTHRQSILAKLP PKGKLRSLCSQHVERLQIFQHLHPI
VVQAAFPPPLYKELFSTETESPVGLSK. The bacteria was grown in TB with

Autoinduction media (Stock 50x ZYM-5052: 25% Glycerol, 2.5% Glucose, 10% Lactose), 3mM MgOAc and 100ug/ml Kan A. The culture was incubated at 180rpm, at 37°C. At OD600 1.9, the temperature was decreased to 20°C and at OD600 7.9 the cells were

harvested. After centrifugation the bacterial pellet was resuspended in ice cold Lysis Buffer (20mM Tris pH8.0, 250mM NaCl, 10% (v/v) Glycerol, 0.5% CHAPS (w/v), 20mM Imidazole, 1mM TCEP, 1x Protease inhibitor (Complete, Roche), 1ul Benzonase/100ml buffer (E1014, Sigma)). Lysis was performed on ice at 30 kpsi using a Cell disruptor. To
5 remove cell debris the sample was centrifuged at 48 000 xg (20 000 rpm) for 20 minutes, at 4°C.

The protein was purified in two steps at room temperature. The 6xHN tag was utilized in the first affinity purification step where lysate was run over a HisTrap 5ml Crude column (Amersham Pharmacia) using ÄKTA FPLC system (Amersham Pharmacia). After washing
10 with Affinity purification buffer A (20mM Tris pH8.0, 250mM NaCl, 10% (v/v) Glycerol, 0.5% CHAPS (w/v), 20mM Imidazole, 1mM TCEP), proteins were eluted with a step gradient (50-100-150-200-250-300-500mM Imidazole). Fractions of 0.5ml volume were collected and analysed with SDS-PAGE (Novex system) and Coomassie staining.

Fractions containing protein with expected molecular weight (from 50mM Imidazole
15 elution step) were pooled. The pool also contained protein with molecular weight corresponding to free GST. To separate GST from GST-ROR γ a second size exclusion purification step was performed using a SEC Sephadex200 16/60 column (Amersham Pharmacia) at 0.8ml/min in Size Exclusion/Storage Buffer (20mM Tris pH8.0, 150mM KCl, 0.5mM EDTA, 20% (v/v) Glycerol, 0.5% (w/v) CHAPS, 1mM TCEP). Fractions of
20 0.5ml volume were collected and were analysed on a gel as described above. Fractions with no or low levels of the band corresponding to free GST, were pooled, frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -80 °C for use in the SPA binding assay.

Assay protocol

25 The scintillation proximity assay (SPA) was run in white polystyrene flat-bottom 384-well plates (Greiner, cat. No. 781075). Assays were carried out in 40 μ l reaction volumes. Various concentrations of test ligands in 0.4 microlitres of DMSO were added to assay plates using an acoustic liquid dispenser. 4nM purified N-(HN)6-GST-TCS-hROR γ (258-518) was mixed with 40 micrograms Yttrium oxide (YOx) glutathione SPA imaging beads
30 in assay buffer (20mM Tris, 150mM NaCl, 10% Glycerol, 0.25% CHAPS, 1mM TCEP) prior to adding 30 microlitres to test ligands. Assay plates were incubated for one hour at

room temperature before adding 10 microlitres tritiated 2-(4-(ethylsulfonyl)phenyl)-N-(4-(2-(methoxymethyl)phenyl)thiophen-2-yl)acetamide to test plates in assay buffer (final concentration, 25nM). Test plates were incubated for 16 hours and read using a LEADseeker Multimodality imaging instrument.

- 5 The raw data was analysed and IC₅₀ and K_i values for the compounds were calculated using Genedata Screener software. Raw data was transformed to % effect using equation 1: Compound % effect = 100*[(X-min)/(max-min)], where X represents the normalized value for the compound based on the Min (vehicle) and Max (reference compound) inhibition controls.
- 10 The concentration of test ligand that inhibited radioligand binding by 50% (*i.e.*, the IC₅₀) was calculated by plotting the % effect versus test ligand concentration and fitting the data using the Genedata Screener Smart fit algorithm. K_i is calculated from the IC₅₀ value using the equation $K_i = IC_{50} / (1 + [L] / K_d)$ where [L] = 25 nmol/L and K_d = 17 nmol/L

15 **ROR γ co-factor recruitment assay (FRET)**

A high throughput coactivator binding assay for the identification of inverse agonists of the recruitment of peptide SRC-1 (NCOA1_677-_700) to the ROR γ ligand binding domain was established.

20 Protein production

The ligand binding domain (LBD) of human ROR γ was expressed in *E. coli* (BL21DE3 Star) as a fusion protein: N-6xHN-MBP-Avi-TCS-hROR γ LBD(P260-K518) subcloned into pET24a(+). The LBD (P260-K518) is underlined in the protein sequence:

- MHNHNHNHNHNHNGGLNDIFEAQKIEWHEGMKIEEGKLVIWINGDKGYNGLAE
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- 5 ELFSTETESPVGLSK Bacterial colonies were picked and inoculated in 16x 500 mL TB medium supplemented with 25 mM (NH₄)₂SO₄, 50 mM KH₂PO₄, 50 mM Na₂HPO₄, 0.8% v/v Glycerol, 0.05% w/v Glucose, 0.2% w/v α -Lactose, 1 mM MgSO₄ and 200 μ g/ml Kanamycin to promote autoinduction. After incubation at 37°C at 200 rpm for two hours the temperature was decreased to 20°C. When the OD₆₀₀ was 12.4, the temperature was
- 10 further decreased to 16°C. Cells were harvested at OD₆₀₀ 24 by centrifugation at 4000 rpm for 10 minutes at 4°C. The pellet, approximately ~320 g was stored at -80°C.

- The pellet was resuspended in 1600 mL Lysis Buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, 10% v/v Glycerol, 1 mM TCEP, 2 tablets Protease Inhibitor/100 mL Lysis Buffer (Complete, Roche), 4 μ l
- 15 Benzonase/100 mL Lysis Buffer (E1014, Sigma), pH 8.0). Lysis was performed at 25 kpsi using Cell disruptor (Constant Cell Disruptor Systems). The sample was kept on ice during the whole lysis procedure For removal of cell debris, the lysed cells were ultracentrifuged at 143719xg (43000rpm) for 45 minutes at 4°C. The supernatant was stored at -80°C.

- 20 The thawed supernatant was captured utilizing the N-6xHN tag with washed 100 mL NiNTA Superflow resin (Qiagen) in Wash Buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, 50 mM NaCl, 30 mM Imidazole, 10% v/v Glycerol, 1 mM TCEP, pH 8.0) and slowly stirred with a magnetic bar at room temperature. After 1.5 hours the supernatant was removed by vacuum suction through a porcelain funnel (sieve size 2). The resin, with the captured protein was washed
- 25 with 700 mL Wash Buffer and transferred to three PD columns with filter (GE). Each column was eluted with 10 mL + 90 mL Elution Buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, 50 mM NaCl, 300 mM Imidazole, 10% v/v Glycerol, 1 mM TCEP, pH 8.0) and collected. All fractions from the columns were pooled and analyzed with SDS-PAGE (Novex System) and stained in commassie. The pooled sample was concentrated to ~30 mL using concentrators with
- 30 30K cutoff (Amicon, Millipore) at 4000 rpm and at 4°C. The concentrated sample was clarified at 30000xg for 15 minutes at 4°C. After centrifugation a small pellet of

aggregated protein was visible which was discarded. In a size exclusion column (XK50/60, GE) 1000 mL Superdex 200 resin (GE) was equilibrated with GF Buffer (20 mM Tris-HCl, 150 mM NaCl, 10% v/v Glycerol, 1 mM TCEP, pH 8.0). The concentrated sample was loaded onto the column at the flow rate 6 mL/min and 14 mL fractions were collected.

- 5 The fractions were analyzed on a gel as described above. Fractions containing the major band which corresponded to the expected molecular weight for N-6xHN-MBP-Avi-TCS-hROR γ LBD(P260-K518) (75.9kDa) were collected and pooled. To further verify the mass, the pooled sample was analysed using mass spectrometry (Waters) and the mass corresponded to the expected mass. From 8 litres culture (~320g bacteria cells) 348 mg of
- 10 N-6xHN-MBP-Avi-TCS-hROR γ LBD(P260-K518) was purified. Purified protein was flash frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -80°C.

- Protein N-6xHN-MBP-Avi-TCS-hROR γ LBD(P260-K518), 42 μ M (223mg) purified as described above was incubated with 15000 units BirA/ μ L (Avidity LLC) in 70 mL
- 15 Biotinylation Buffer (200 μ M Biotin, 10 mM ATP, 10 mM Mg₂OAc) at room temperature whilst slowly stirring with a magnetic bar for 9 hours. The reaction was analyzed using mass spectrometry and the mass determined to be 76.2 kDa corresponding to biotinylated N-6xHN-MBP-Avi-TCS-hROR γ LBD(P260-K518). After centrifugation at 19000 rpm for 15 minutes at 4°C precipitation was visible which was discarded. The sample was
- 20 concentrated as described above to ~25 mL. The reaction was polished in size exclusion columns (HiLoad Superdex 200 26/60, GE) equilibrated with GF Buffer using a flow rate of 2.5 mL/min and 2 mL/fractions were collected. The fractions were analyzed on a gel as described above. Fractions containing the major band which corresponded to the expected molecular weight for biotinylated N-6xHN-MBP-Avi-TCS-hROR γ LBD(P260-K518)
- 25 (76,2 kDa) were collected and pooled. The estimated yield was ~185 mg. Biotinylated protein was flash frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -80°C.

Assay protocol

- The assay was run in black 384 well plates (Greiner cat no: 784900). Various
- 30 concentrations of test ligands in 0.1 microlitres DMSO were dispensed to assay plates using an Echo acoustic dispenser. Two pre-mixes were prepared and incubated for 1 h at

- room temp in the dark. Pre-mix 1 comprised 100 nM Protein (Biotinylated HN-Avi-MBP-TCS-hROR γ (258-518)) and 60 nM Streptavidin APC in assay buffer, 50 mM MOPS pH7.4, 50 mM KF, 0.003% (w/v) CHAPS, 10 mM DTT and 0.01% (w/v) BSA and pre-mix 2 comprised 160 nM biotinylated SRC-1 peptide (NCOA1-677-700) and 20 nM
- 5 Europium-W8044 labelled Streptavidin in assay buffer. Five microlitres of pre-mix 2 was dispensed to assay plates containing 0.1 microlitres of test compound and was incubated for 15 minutes prior to adding five microlitres of pre-mix 1. Plates were incubated at room temperature for 1 hour in the dark, prior to reading in a Pherastar multi-mode plate reader using HTRF filter set (ex 320, em 612 and 665). The FRET signal at 665 nm was divided
- 10 by the signal at 612nm and multiplied by 10,000 to generate a signal ratio value for each well. The raw data was transformed to % effect using the equation:
- $$\text{Compound \% effect} = 100 * [(X - \text{min}) / (\text{max} - \text{min})],$$
- where X represents the normalized value for the compound based on the Min (vehicle) and Max (reference compound) inhibition control.
- 15 The concentration of test ligand that inhibited the activity by 50% (*i.e.*, the IC₅₀) was calculated by plotting the % effect versus test ligand concentration and fitting the data using the Genedata Screener Smart fit algorithm.

Inhibition of IL-17 release from human T_H17 cells (IL-17 Release)

- 20 This test is designed to screen compounds for their inhibitory effect on the release of IL-17 from isolated and cultured human T_H17 cells.

- Peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMC) were isolated from heparin treated human whole blood from healthy donors by density gradient centrifugation. T_H17 cells
- 25 (CD4+CXCR3-CCR6+) were enriched using a human T_H17 Cell Enrichment Kit (Stemcell Technologies) according to the manufacturer's protocol. The isolated T_H17 cells were activated with aCD3aCD28 beads (MACS Miltenyi) and cultured in X-Vivo15 medium (Lonza) supplemented with L-glutamine, β -mercaptoethanol and a cytokine cocktail consisting of; IL-2, IL-23, IL-1 β , IL-6, TGF- β . Cells were seeded at 8000
- 30 cells/well in a 384-plate (Corning, #3707) in the presence of compounds or DMSO and cultured for 4 days (37°C, 5% CO₂). On day 4 supernatants were collected and IL-17A was

measured using a Human IL-17 HTRF Assay kit (Cisbio Bioassays) according to the manufacturer's protocol. The IC₅₀ values for the tested compounds was calculated using Genedata Screener® software (Genedata) using the following calculation method;

Compound % effect = $100 * [(X - \text{min}) / (\text{max} - \text{min})]$,

- 5 where X represents the normalized value for the compound based on the Min (DMSO) and Max (compound 3-(1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)-1-(3,5-dimethylpiperidin-1-yl)-3-(2-hydroxy-4,6-dimethoxyphenyl)propan-1-one at 10 µM, described in J. R. Hu *et al.* ACS Med. Chem. Lett. **2013**, 4, 79-84) inhibition controls.

10 Results

All exemplified compounds were tested in the FRET assay described above. All of the exemplified compounds were also tested in the SPA assay. Selected compounds were further characterized for the inhibition of IL-17 release in the cell assay. Results are summarized in the table below.

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Table: Screening results of exemplified compounds

Example No.	pIC ₅₀ (FRET)	pIC ₅₀ (SPA)	pIC ₅₀ IL-17 release
100	7.2	6.4	7.4
101	7.3	7.5	7.9
102	6.7	7.1	7.1
103 racemate	7.2	7.5	7.9
103 isomer 1	7.2	7.5	7.9
103 isomer 2	6.5	6.8	7.6
104	6.7	7.1	7.7
105	6.4	6.9	7.7
106	6.5	6.9	7.2
107	6.8	7.2	7.3
108	7.0	7.4	7.4
109	7.0	7.2	7.7

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110	7.1	7.1	7.7
111	6.9	7.4	7.2
112	7.0	7.1	7.5
113	6.4	6.9	7.1
114	6.7	7.0	7.5
115	6.3	6.5	7.2
116	6.7	7.2	6.7
117	7.3	7.4	7.1
200	7.2	7.8	7.5
201, racemate	7.2	7.9	8.1
201, isomer 1	6.3	7.0	7.4
201, isomer 2	7.4	8.2	8.2
202	7.5	8.1	8.2
203	7.2	7.9	8.0
204	7.0	7.6	8.1
205	6.9	7.7	7.8
206	7.1	7.8	7.4
207	7.1	7.6	7.4
208	7.0	7.5	7.7
209	7.0	7.8	7.6
210	6.7	7.4	7.6
211	6.7	7.3	6.7
212	6.6	7.3	7.8
213	7.5	7.8	8.1
214	6.8	7.7	8.0
300	7.3	6.5	7.6
301	7.3	7.3	7.7
302	7.2	7.6	8.2
303, isomer 1	6.3	6.9	6.7
303, isomer 2	6.9	7.4	7.5

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304	6.8	7.0	7.9
305	7.0	6.1	8.0
306	6.6	7.2	7.7
307, isomer 1	7.1	7.4	7.5
307, isomer 2	6.3	6.7	6.5
308	7.3	7.3	7.5
309	6.9	7.3	7.3
310	6.6	7.4	7.5
311	6.8	7.1	7.5
312	6.4	6.0	7.4
313	7.1	7.5	7.0
314	7.0	7.5	7.2
400	6.7	5.7	6.5
401, racemate	7.0	6.8	7.6
401, isomer 1	7.4	7.1	7.8
401, isomer 2	5.7	<5.4	6.9
402	7.0	7.6	7.9
403	7.2	6.6	7.6
404, racemate	6.7	6.7	7.5
404, isomer 1	6.8	6.9	7.6
404, isomer 2	4.8	5.2	6.5
405, racemate	6.6	6.7	7.4
405, isomer 1	6.9	7.1	7.8
405, isomer 2	4.7	<5.2	<6.8
406	7.3	6.8	7.6
407	7.1	6.6	7.2
408	6.5	6.8	7.9
409, isomer 1	6.4	6.3	7.2
409, isomer 2	7.1	6.8	7.1
410	6.9	6.9	7.7

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411	7.0	6.8	7.6
412	6.8	6.5	7.6
413	6.7	7.1	7.5
414	7.2	6.7	7.5
415	7.0	7.1	7.5
416	6.4	6.6	7.5
417	6.9	6.4	7.5
418	6.5	6.9	7.4
419	6.2	6.5	7.3
420	6.1	6.2	7.1
421	6.8	6.4	7.0
422	6.8	6.6	7.4
423	7.0	6.6	7.1
424, isomer 1	6.8	6.5	6.8
424, isomer 2	6.4	6.3	6.5
425	6.7	6.7	7.1
426	6.5	6.0	6.5
427	6.6	6.8	7.0
428	6.9	7.0	6.9
429	7.1	7.0	6.9
430	6.6	6.7	6.9
431	6.8	6.7	6.6
432	6.8	6.4	6.8
433	6.9	6.8	7.1
434	6.3	6.7	7.6
435	7.0	7.1	7.7
436	6.6	6.7	7.8
437	6.8	6.6	7.7
438	7.2	7.0	7.7
439	6.5	7.2	7.6

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440	6.4	6.9	7.5
441	6.3	6.6	7.6
442	7.2	6.6	7.3
443	6.0	6.3	7.0
444	6.5	6.7	7.2
445	6.7	6.7	7.6
446	6.7	6.5	7.5
447	6.1	6.3	7.3
448	6.1	6.5	7.1
449	6.3	6.6	7.1
450, racemate	6.9	6.8	7.6
450, isomer 1	7.3	7.0	7.9
450, isomer 2	6.1	6.2	7.0
452, isomer 1	6.8	7.0	7.7
452, isomer 2	6.7	6.8	7.3
453	6.8	6.9	7.4
454	6.9	6.9	7.4
455	7.0	7.0	7.0
456	6.8	6.6	7.9
500	7.3	7.7	8.0
600	6.4	5.4	-
601	7.4	6.6	7.5
602	7.1	6.6	7.6
603	6.6	<5.8	7.5
604	7.2	6.6	7.3
605	7.2	6.9	6.9
606	7.0	6.6	7.5
607	6.8	6.6	7.4
608	6.7	6.4	7.4
609	6.6	6.6	7.3

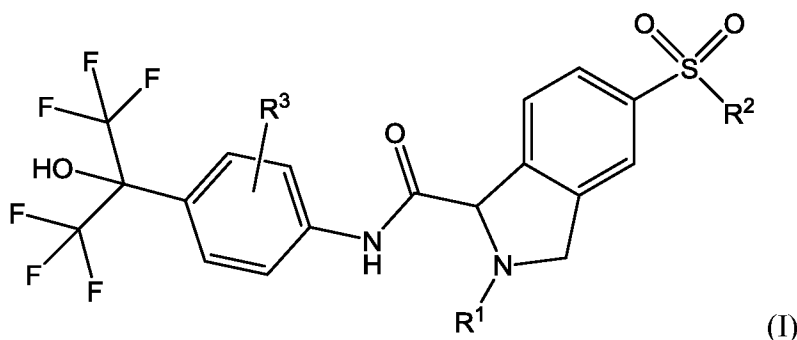
610	7.1	6.8	7.2
700	6.4	5.7	7.0
701	7.1	7.0	7.8
702	7.2	6.8	7.5
703	6.4	6.7	7.6
704	7.0	6.9	7.6
705	7.0	7.1	7.0
706	6.8	7.0	7.3
707	7.0	7.1	7.3
800	6.2	5.4	-
801	6.7	6.7	7.1
802	6.2	6.5	7.1
900	6.3	5.5	-
901	7.1	6.8	7.1
902	7.1	6.4	7.3
1001	6.9	6.2	7.0
1100	7.2	6.0	6.7
1101	7.0	7.1	7.2
1102	7.2	7.2	7.5
1103	6.8	7.1	6.3
1200	6.7	6.7	6.8
1300	7.4	7.5	6.6
1301	7.2	7.9	6.8

The above description of illustrative embodiments is intended only to acquaint others skilled in the art with the Applicant's specification, its principles, and its practical application so that others skilled in the art may readily adapt and apply the specification in its numerous forms, as they may be best suited to the requirements of a particular use. This description and its specific examples, while indicating embodiments of this specification, are intended for purposes of illustration only. This specification, therefore, is not limited

to the illustrative embodiments described in this specification, and may be variously modified. In addition, it is to be appreciated that various features of the specification that are, for clarity reasons, described in the context of separate embodiments, also may be combined to form a single embodiment. Conversely, various features of the specification
5 that are, for brevity reasons, described in the context of a single embodiment, also may be combined to form sub-combinations thereof.

Claims

1. A compound of formula (I):



wherein:

R^1 is H or $(CO)R^4$;

R^2 is C_{1-6} alkyl, cyclopropyl, CH_2 -cyclopropyl, or NR^5R^6 , wherein said C_{1-6} alkyl is optionally substituted with OH or C_{1-6} alkoxy and said CH_2 -cyclopropyl is optionally substituted with halo, OH, CN or C_{1-6} alkoxy;

R^3 is H, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, halo or CN.

R^4 is:

- H;
- C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted with $(R^7)_a$;
- C_{3-7} cycloalkyl optionally substituted with halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, OH, CN, C_{1-6} alkoxy, or C_{1-3} alkyl-OR⁸;
- heterocycloalkyl optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl or OH;
- C_{1-6} alkoxy; or
- NHR^{13} ;

a is 1, 2 or 3;

R^6 is H, C_{1-6} alkyl or C_{3-7} cycloalkyl;

R^7 is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, OH, CN, C_{1-6} alkoxy, NR^9R^{10} , C_{3-7} cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl and aryl, wherein said C_{3-7} cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl or aryl groups are further optionally substituted with 1, 2 or 3 groups

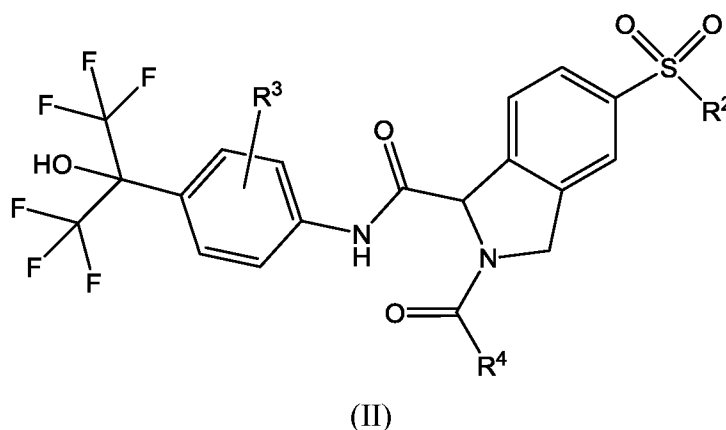
independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₆ alkyl, CN, OH, C₁₋₆ alkoxy and NR¹¹R¹²;

R¹³ is H, C₁₋₆ alkyl or C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl;

R⁵, R⁸, R⁹, R¹⁰, R¹¹ and R¹² are each independently H or C₁₋₆ alkyl;

5 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. A compound of formula (II) according to claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R², R³ and R⁴ are as defined in claim 1:



3. A compound of formula (II) according to claim 2, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

15 R² is C₁₋₆ alkyl (optionally substituted with OH or C₁₋₆ alkoxy) or CH₂-cyclopropyl (optionally substituted with halo, OH, CN or C₁₋₆ alkoxy);

R³ is H;

R⁴ is C₁₋₆ alkyl (optionally substituted with (R⁷)_a), C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl (optionally substituted with halo, C₁₋₆ alkyl, OH, CN, C₁₋₆ alkoxy or C₁₋₃ alkyl-OR⁸), heterocycloalkyl (optionally substituted with C₁₋₆ alkyl or OH) or C₁₋₆ alkoxy;

20 and wherein R⁷, R⁸ and a are as defined in claim 1.

4. A compound of formula (II) according to claim 3, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl or unsubstituted CH_2 -cyclopropyl.
5. A compound of formula (II) according to claim 3 or claim 4, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^2 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl or unsubstituted CH_2 -cyclopropyl and R^4 is C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted with $(R^7)_a$); and wherein R^7 and a are as defined in claim 1.
6. A compound of formula (II) according to any one of claims 3, 4 or 5, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^4 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl.
7. A compound according to claim 1 selected from:
- 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-2-formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-Acetyl-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-[Cyclopropyl(difluoro)acetyl]-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;
- 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-2-(3-fluoropropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-(Cyclobutylacetyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(oxetan-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 2-(3-Cyanopropanoyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-{[1-(Dimethylamino)cyclopropyl]acetyl}-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

15 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-2-formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

Ethyl 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

25 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

30 5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[Amino(cyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

Methyl 5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

2-[Cyclopropyl(difluoro)acetyl]-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

Methyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

Ethyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-

carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2-(oxetan-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2-[(2*R*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfamoyl)-2-[(2*S*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

15 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(phenylacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

Methyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

20 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

25 2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(oxetan-2-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-(3-Fluoro-2-methylpropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

30 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-methylbutanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-(Cyclopropylacetyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(3*S*)-3-Fluorobutanoyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-(3-Fluoropropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(1-Ethoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

15 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)acetyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(3*R*)-3-Fluorobutanoyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(2-methoxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

Propan-2-yl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbonyl}-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

25 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

30 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(3-hydroxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-(oxetan-3-ylacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)acetyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 2-(3-Cyanopropanoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(trans-3-hydroxycyclobutyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

15 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(cis-3-hydroxycyclobutyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(3*R*)-3-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(3*S*)-3-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-*N*-[3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

25 2-[(1-cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-*N*-[2-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

30 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[3-fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[3-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 2-Acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfamoyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 Methyl 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

15 5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-2-formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Formyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

25 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

30 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*R*)-2-Acetyl-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*S*)-2-Acetyl-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 (1*R*)-2-Acetyl-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide; 10

(1*S*)-2-Acetyl-5-[(cyclopropylmethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 (1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-15 hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

15 (1*S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide; 20

(1*R*)-2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 (1*S*)-2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-25 methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

25 (1*S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

30 (1*S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*R*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-5
hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*S*)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-2-
hydroxybutanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

8. A compound according to claim 1 selected from:

2-(Cyanoacetyl)-5-(ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-
yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 5-(Ethylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-{[1-
(hydroxymethyl)cyclopropyl]carbonyl}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(2-methoxybutanoyl)-
5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

15 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-5-
(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-
methoxycyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-
carboxamide;

20 *N*-[2-Fluoro-4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-
(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(3-methyloxetan-3-
yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2-
(oxetan-3-ylcarbonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

25 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2-methyloxetan-2-
yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-[(1-Fluorocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-
yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

30 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(2-methoxybutanoyl)-
5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(1-methoxycyclobutyl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-2-methoxypropanoyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)(1-²H)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 (1*R*)- *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2-methyloxetan-2-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

15 2-[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-5-(cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-tetrahydrofuran-2-ylcarbonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

Methyl 1-{[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbamoyl}-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

25 *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(methoxyacetyl)-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5- {[(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl} -N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-5- {[(1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl} -N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

5 Methyl 5- {[(1-cyanocyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl} -1- {[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]carbonyl} -1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-2-carboxylate;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5- [(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

10 2-Acetyl-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5- [(2-methylpropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5- {[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl} -2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

2-Acetyl-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5- {[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl} -2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

15 2-Formyl-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5- {[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl} -2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-(hydroxyacetyl)-5- {[(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)methyl]sulfonyl} -2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

20 2-Acetyl-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5- [(2-hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*R*)-2- [(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*S*)-2- [(1-Cyanocyclopropyl)carbonyl]-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

25 (1*R*)-2-Acetyl-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)(1-²H)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*S*)-2-Acetyl-N-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)(1-²H)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*R*)- *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*R*)-(2-methyloxetan-2-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

(1*R*)- *N*-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-2-[(2*S*)-(2-methyloxetan-2-yl)carbonyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isoindole-1-carboxamide;

*N*²-Cyclopropyl-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;

*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-*N*²-methyl-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;

*N*²-Ethyl-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;

*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;

*N*²-Cyclopropyl-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;

5-(Cyclopropylsulfonyl)-*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-*N*²-methyl-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;

*N*¹-[4-(1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoro-2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)phenyl]-5-[(2-methoxyethyl)sulfonyl]-*N*²-methyl-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,2-dicarboxamide;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

9. A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8, and one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.

10. A compound, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8, for use in therapy.

11. A compound, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8, for the treatment of an ROR γ and/or ROR γ t mediated disease state.

12. A compound, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8, for the treatment of psoriasis.

5 13. Use of a compound, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8, in the manufacture of a medicament for use in the treatment of an ROR γ and/or ROR γ t mediated disease state.

10 14. A method of treating or preventing an ROR γ and/or ROR γ t mediated disease state in a mammal suffering from, or at risk of, said disease, which comprises administering to a mammal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8.

15 15. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8, and at least one active ingredient selected from:

- (a) a beta-adrenoceptor agonist;
- (b) a muscarinic receptor antagonist;
- (c) a joint muscarinic receptor antagonist and beta-adrenoceptor agonist; and
- 20 (d) a glucocorticoid receptor agonist (steroidal or non-steroidal).

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