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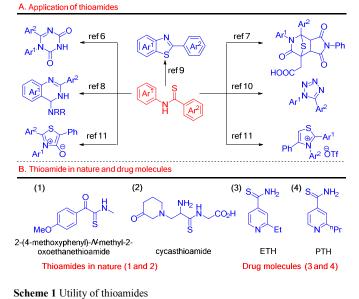
# A metal-free and a solvent-free synthesis of thioamides and amides: An efficient Friedel-Crafts arylation of isothiocyanates and isocyanates

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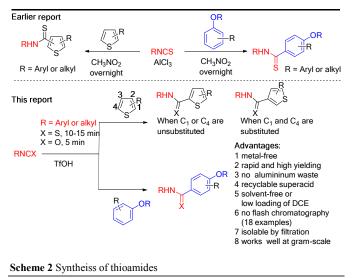
A rapid, metal-free and solvent-free (very low-loading of solvent in few cases) reaction conditions for synthesizing thioamides and amides using the Bronsted super acid such as triflic acid has been developed. This method shows a broad substrate scope with a variety of electronrich arenes including thiophene derivatives. The reaction works well for both aromatic as well as aliphatic isothiocyantes. Most of the thioamides are obtained in excellent yields in short reaction duration of time and in most of the examples, a simple work up procedure has been developed which does not require further purification.

### Introduction

Thioamides are important structural motifs that are found in a variety of biologically active molecules<sup>1</sup> and are building blocks for a number of pharmaceutically active compounds. Although a very few thioamide derivatives are found in natural products,<sup>3</sup> the well-known among them is closthioamide, which is a potent antibiotic.<sup>3,4</sup> It has been demonstrated by Hertweck group that the thioamide functional group in the closthioamide is responsible for the antibiotic property of closthioamide, whereas the corresponding amide analogue, closamide, is not a potent antibiotic.<sup>4</sup> Thioamides also find innumerous application as important precursors and intermediates in organic synthesis, which can be attributed to their reactivity.<sup>5</sup> Further, thioamides are important precursor for synthesizing a variety of pharmaceutically important compounds such as 1,3,5-triazine-2,4(1H,3H)-diones,<sup>6</sup> triones,<sup>7</sup> 4-aminoquinazoline derivatives,<sup>8</sup> 2-aryl benzothiazoles,<sup>9</sup> tetrazoles<sup>10</sup> and metal-complex ligand such as mesoionic thiazol-5-ylidenes<sup>11</sup> (Scheme 1, A). Further, they find utility in asymmetric synthesis,<sup>12</sup> vulcanizing agents, lubrication agents etc.<sup>13</sup> Thioamides serve as important ligands and are known to selectively chelate with metal ions.<sup>1</sup> Recently, thioamides were found to exhibit supra molecular polymerization, which is useful in designing novel supra molecular scafolds.<sup>15</sup> The drug molecules used for the treatment of mycobacterium infection (tuberculosis and leprosy) invariably contain thioamide moieties (Scheme 1, B).<sup>16</sup>



Although, there are number of methods available for synthesizing thioamides, the synthesis of thioamide is still a challenging task. The conventional method of thionation of amides for synthesizing thioamides employs Lawesson's reagent or  $P_4S_{10}$ .<sup>17</sup> Similarly,

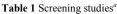


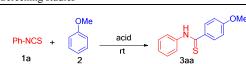
aldehydes, ketones carboxylic acids and nitriles are converted to their thioamides using reagents such as thiacetamide, thioacid, dithiophosphoric acid etc.<sup>18</sup> Other widely used method for the synthesis of thioamide is the Willgerodt-Kindler reaction, which employs ketones, elemental sulfur and secondary amines.<sup>19</sup> However, most of these methods suffer from limitations such as cumbersome isolation methods, tedious purification procedures and more importantly the byproducts of these reactions, which is generated in substantial amount, needs proper disposable measures. Very commonly used sulfur transferring reagents such as Lawesson's reagent and P<sub>4</sub>S<sub>10</sub> are very foul smelling, hazardous, and need proper care and handling till purification of the desired product. Considering the environmental impact and difficulties associated in handling and disposal of these hazardous wastes, the user-friendly and green methods are well sought for synthesizing thioamides. Interestingly, the reaction between phenyl isothiocyanate and arene under Friedel-Crafts conditions is useful method employed for the synthesis of thioamide (Gattermann reaction),<sup>20</sup> which has been modified over the time.<sup>21,22</sup> For example, thioamides and their derivatives have been synthesized by Jadozinski using improved reaction conditions which showed a broad substrate scope.<sup>22</sup> However, these Friedel-Crafts and related methods are also associated with the problems of generating a large amount of aluminum wastes, use of hazard solvent like CS<sub>2</sub> and often result in low yields of the products. Due to these reasons, synthesis of thioamides, still remain as a challenging task. In pursuit of our quest in developing new strategies for synthesizing a variety of sulfur and phosphorous compounds,<sup>23</sup> herein we report a synthesis of thioamides and amides using a simple, rapid and high yielding method that involves reusable catalyst,<sup>24</sup> and readily available starting materials with broad substrate scope. Additionally, a simple method for purification is developed (Scheme 2) and moreover, this method does not generate hazardous waste materials and the TfOH can be recycled.

### **Results and discussion**

The studies were started with a proposal that the the isothiocyanates can react with aromatic systems in the presence of Bronsted acids to form the corresponding thioamides. Hence we began screening studies by treating phenyl isothiocyanate (1a, 1 equiv) with excess of TfOH (5 equiv) and excess of

anisole (2a, 5 equiv) at ambient conditions. The reaction proceeded well to furnish the corresponding thioamide (3aa) in





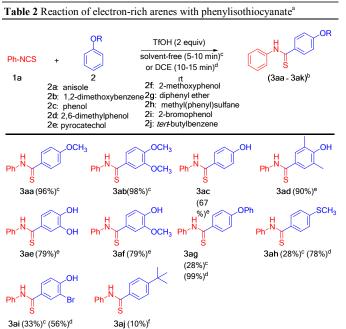
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near quantitative yield in 10 min (96%, entry 1, Table 1). Interestingly, the product was isolated in good purity by filtration after quenching the reaction mixture with water (5 mL). Further screening study was continued to find the suitability of other mineral acids. Although, the similar reaction with H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was promising, the reaction required large amount of acid, excess of anisole and longer reaction time (entries 2-5, Table 1). The reaction with Con. HCl was not fruitful in forming the product **3aa** (entry 6, Table 1). Nevertheless, the reactions using HClO<sub>4</sub> afforded the thioamide in 80% yield (entries 7 and 8). Similarly, the reaction of 1a with 2a using organic acids such as CH<sub>3</sub>COOH, TFA, MeSO3H, or PTSA, formed the corresponding thioamide in lower yields (entries 9-13, Table 1). With the lead that the TfOH serves better than other acids, further optimization studies were conducted to find the optimal reaction conditions using TfOH (entries 14-21). Although, most of the reactions proceeded well under the solvent-free conditions, in few cases the yields obtained in the solvent-free reactions were low. Therefore, solvent screening studies revealed that DCE is the most suitable solvent for the reaction whereas solvents such as CH<sub>3</sub>CN, THF, DMF, and

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DMSO, or acetone are not suitable solvents as the reactions in these solvents did not afford the expected product (entries 22-30, Table 1). These studies revealed that the reaction of phenylisothiocyanate (1a, 1 equiv) and anisole (2a, 1.5 equiv) in TfOH (2 equiv) at ambient temperature can lead to the corresponding thioamide (3aa) in 5 min (entry 19, Table 1).

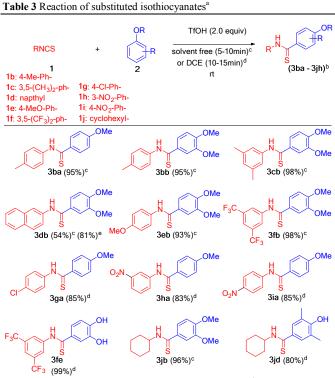
The scope of this reaction was explored and the results are presented in the following section. A variety of electron rich arenes (2a-2i) were reacted with phenyl isocvante (1a) under the optimal reaction conditions. As can be seen in Table 2, anisole (2a) and 1,2-dimethoxybenzene (2b) underwent a facile reaction with phenylisothiocyanate (1a) in a solvent-free conditions furnishing the corresponding thioamides 3aa and 3ab in 96 and 98% yield, respectively. However, the reaction of 1a with phenol (2c) 2,6-dimethylphenol (2d), pyrocatechol (2e), and 2-methoxyphenol (2f) required DCE as the solvent to afford the the corresponding thioamides 3ac, 3ad, 3ae, and 3af in good yields (67, 90, 79 and 79% respectively). Although the solvent-free reactions of 1a with diphenyl ether (2g), and methyl(phenyl)sulfane (2h), resulted in the formation of their thioamides 3ag, and 3ah in lower yields (28 and 28%, respectively). However, the same reactions in the solvent DCE resulted in the formation of thioamides 3ag, and 3ah in 99, and 78%, yields, respectively. The bromosubstituted substrate such as 2-bromophenol (2i) was less reactive under the optimal recation conditions and afforded the corresponding thioamide 3ai in moderate yield (56%). As expected, the reaction of phenylisothiocyanate (1a) with tert-butylbenzene (2j) resulted in the formation of the corresponding thioamide (3aj) in low yield (10%).



<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: **1a** (1 mmol), **2** (arenes, 1.5 mmol). <sup>b</sup> Isolated yields. <sup>c</sup> Solvent free reaction (5-10 min). <sup>d</sup> Solvent free reaction (1h). <sup>e</sup> DCE (0.5 ml, 10-15 min). <sup>f</sup> tert-Butyl benzene (1mL, 60° C, 6h). rt = room temperature.

Further scope of this reaction was explored by treating a variety of isothocyanates with anisole or phenol derivatives and results are presented in Table 3. A variety of aromatic isothiocyanates containing electron-donating or electron-withdrawing groups

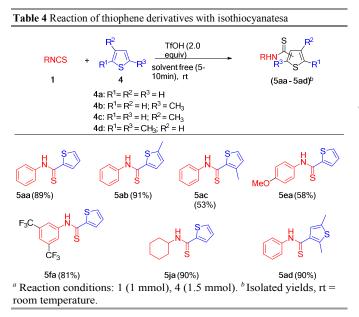
on phenyl ring underwent a facile reaction with electron rich arenes to furnish their corresponding thioamides in excellent vields. Hence, a solvent-free reaction of 1-isothiocyanato-4methylbenzene (1b) with anisole (2a) proceeded well to furnish the corresponding thioamide 3ba in 95% yield. Similarly, a variety of aromatic isothiocyanates such as 1-isothiocyanato-4methylbenzene (1b), 1-isothiocyanato-3,5-dimethylbenzene (1c),2-isothiocyanatonaphthalene (1d),1-isothiocyanato-4methoxybenzene and 1-isothiocyanato-3,5-(1e),bis(trifluoromethyl)benzene (1f) reacted well with 1,2dimethoxybenzene (2b) under a solvent-free condition to afford the corresponding thioamides 3bb, 3cb, 3db, 3eb, and 3fb in good to excellent yields (95, 98, 81, 93, and 98% yields, respectively). The reaction of anisole (2a) with isothiocyanates 1-chloro-4-isothiocyanatobenzene such as (1g), 1isothiocyanato-3-nitrobenzene (1h), and 1-isothiocyanato-4nitrobenzene (1i) in DCE furnished their corresponding thioamides 3ga, 3ha, and 3ia in 85, 83 and 85% yields, respectively. The reaction of pyrocatechol (2e) with1isothiocyanato-3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)benzene (1f) in DCE resulted in the formation of the thioamide 3fe in near quantitative yield (99% yield). The reaction of aliphatic isothiocyanate such as cyclohexyl isothiocyanate (1j) was found to proceed well with 1,2-dimethoxyanisole (20b) and 2.6-dimethylphenol (2h) to give the corresponding thioamides **3jb** and **3jd** in excellent yields (96% and 80%, respectively). These successful reaction of pyrocatexchol (1g) and dimethylphenol (2h) with isocyanates indicate that the reaction of phenols is facile and OH group survives the reaction conditions.



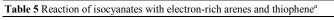
<sup>*a*</sup> Reaction conditions: **1a** (1 mmol), **2** (arenes, 1.5 mmol). <sup>*b*</sup> Isolated yields. <sup>*c*</sup> Solvent-free reaction (5-10 min). <sup>*d*</sup> DCE (0.5 ml, 10-15 min). <sup>*e*</sup> Solvent-free reaction (30 min). rt = room temperature.

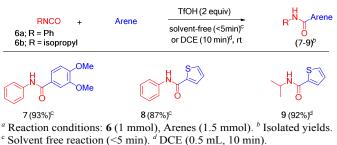
The successful reaction of a variety of isothiocyanates with electron rich arenes such as anisole and phenol derivatives led

us to explore the reaction of isothiocyanates with unactivated heteroaromatic compounds such as thiophene and its derivatives. As can be seen in Table 4, the reaction of isothiocyanates with thiophene and its derivatives is highly regioselective and a new -C=S bond is formed exclusively at C-2 carbon of thiophene. The reaction of phenylisothiocyanate (1a) with thiophene (4a), 2-methylthiophene (4b), and 3methylthiophene (4c), under a solvent-free condition, resulted in the formation of the corresponding thiocyantaes 5aa, 5ab, and 5ac in good to moderate yields (89, 91, and 53%, respectively). The reaction of isothiocyanates 1-isothiocyanato-4-methoxybenzene (1e), and 1-isothiocvanato-3.5bis(trifluoromethyl)benzene (1f) with thiophene (4a) furnished their corresponding thioamides 5ea (58%) and 5fa (81%). Under the optimal reaction conditions, aliphatic isothiocyanate such as cyclohexylisothiocyanate (1j) underwent a facile reaction with thiophene (4a) and furnished its thioamide 5ad in excellent yield (90%). The reaction of 2,5-dimethylthiophene (4d) with phenylisothicyanate (1a) was also proceeded successfully and afforded the corresponding thioamide 5ad in good yield (90%).

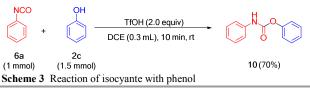


After successful synthesis of thioamides, we turned our attention towards the similar reactions of isocyantes to explore the possibility of synthesizing amides (Table 5). Although, amides are easily accessible via a nucleophilic substitution reaction between acyl halides with amines, the present strategy provides an alternative method using Friedel-Crafts type reaction of isocyanate as the amide source to form the corresponding amide. Interestingly, literature survey revealed that there are only a few reports known for the reaction of isocyanates with arenes to obtain amides by employing metal catalysts.<sup>25</sup> As the present strategy provides an opportunity of rapid reaction between isocyante and electron rich arenes and thiophene, to form amides, following experiments have been performed. As can be seen in Table 5 the phenyl isocvanate (6a) reacted rapidly (<5min) with 1,2-dimethoxybenzene (2a), and thiophene (4a) under solvent-free conditions at room temperature to form 7, and 8 in excellent yields (93, and 87%, respectively). However, the similar reaction of aliphatic isocyanate such as isopropylisocyanate with thiophene in DCE





As isothiocyanates in a reaction with phenol under optimal conditions furnished their corresponding thioamides (Tables 2 and 3), we performed a similar reaction of phenylisocyanate (**6a**) with phenol (**2c**) under the optimal reaction conditions. Contrary to our expectation, this reaction furnished the corresponding carbamate **10** in 70% yield (Scheme 3)



The application of this methodology of synthesizing thioamide has been exemplified in performing a reaction at preparative scale (Scheme 4). Hence, the reaction of phenylisothiocyanate (**1a**, 1g, 7.41 mmol) and anisole (**2a**, 1.04g, 9.63 mmol, 1.3 equiv) was performed in solvent-free conditions. As can be seen, the reaction of **1a** and **2a** under solvent-free conditions at room temperature formed the corresponding thioamide **3aa** in excellent yield (96%, 10 min). A comparison of the reaction of anisole and phenylisothiocyanate in TfOH and H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> has been shown in Schme 3. As can be seen, the reaction using H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> required excess of anisole (**2a**, 5 equiv) and extended reaction time (12 h) to furnish the corresponding thioamide in 81% yield.



### Conclusions

In summary, we have explored a metal-free Friedel-Crafts type reaction of isothiocyantaes and isocyantes with aromatic systems to obtain the corresponding thioamides as well as amides. The salient feature of these reactions are the reactions are carried out in the absence of solvents and the work-up procedure is very simple, and the reaction furnishes almost analytically pure products, which are isolated by simple filtration and does not need further purification. As thioamides are important building blocks for the synthesis of pharmaceutically important compounds and are useful biologically active compounds, this approach would be

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attractive and useful. A preparative scale synthesis has been shown to work equally well.

### **Experimental section**

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General experimental procedure for synthesis of thioamides (3aa, 3ab, 3ad, 3ae, 3ag, 3aj, 3ba-3jh - 18 example): To a well-stirred, ice cold mixture of isothiocyanate (1 mmol) and arene (1.5 mmol) was added TfOH (2 mmol, 0.18 mL) drop wise during 1 min. The ice bath was then removed and the reaction mixture was stirred for 5-10 min at room temperature (the reaction mixture was stirred for 10-15 min while 0.5 mL of DCE was used as solvent). The reaction was quenched by adding water (3-5 ml) drop wise. The yellow solid precipitated out was filtered through a sintered funnel, washed with hexane (15 mL) and dried to afford pure yellow solid of expected thioamide.

**Note 1:** If the reaction mixture could not be stirred efficiently or when one of the reactants was a solid (isothiocyanate or arene), then DCE (0.3-0.5 mL for 1mmol of isothiocyanate) was used as solvent to ensure proper stirring during the course of the reaction. For the synthesis of compounds such as **3ac**, **3ad**, **3ae**, **3ha**, **3ia**, **3fg and 3jh** the DCE (0.5 mL) was used as solvent.

Note 2: When DCE was used as solvent, the reaction mixture was stirred for 10-15 minutes; the reaction mixture was quenched by adding water (3-5 ml) drop wise and followed by addition of 20 mL excess of water. The crude compound was extracted into DCM (10 mL x 3) and the combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ . The solvent was evaporated, the yellow solid formed was filtered through a sintered funnel, washed with hexane (15 mL) and dried to afford pure yellow solid of expected thioamide.

**Note 3:** When the product was not well-precipitated after quenching with water, then 20 mL excess of water was added into the reaction mixture, the crude compound was extracted into DCM (10 mL x 3) and the combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ . The solvent was evaporated and the yellow solid formed was filtered through sintered funnel, washed with hexane (15 mL) and dried.

Note 4: The compounds such as 3ac, 3af, 3ai, 5aa, 5ab, 5ac, 5da, 5fa, 5ja, 5ad, 8 and 9 were obtained after purifying the crude compound by silica gel column chromatography.

### Gram-scale synthesis of 4-methoxy-Nphenylbenzothioamide (3aa)

**Procedure 1.** To a well-stirred, ice cold mixture of isothiocyanate (1g, 7.41 mmol) and anisole (1.04g, 9.63 mmol, 1.30 equiv) was added TfOH (14.82 mmol, 2 equiv, 1.30 mL) drop wise during 3 min. The ice bath was then removed and the reaction mixture was stirred for 10 min. The reaction mixture was quenched by adding ice-cold water (50 mL) slowly over a period of 1-2 min. The yellow solid precipitated was filtered through a sintered funnel, washed with hexane (50 mL) and dried to afford pure yellow solid of 4-methoxy-N-phenylbenzothioamide (**3aa**) in 96% yield (1.73g).

**Procedure 2.** To a well-stirred, ice cold mixture of isothiocyanate (1g, 7.41 mmol) and anisole (4.0g, 37.05 mmol, 5.0 equiv) was added  $H_2SO_4$  (74.1 mmol, 10 equiv, 3.95 mL)

drop wise during 5 min. The ice bath was then removed and the reaction mixture was stirred for 12h. The reaction mixture was quenched by adding ice-cold water (50 mL) slowly over the period of 1-2 min. The yellow solid precipitated was filtered through a sintered funnel, washed with hexane (20-30 mL) and dried to afford pure yellow solid of 4-methoxy-N-phenylbenzothioamide **(3aa)** in 81% yield (1.46g).

General experimental procedure for synthesis of amide (7, 8 and 9): To a well-stirred, ice cold mixture of isocyanate (1 mmol) and arene (1.5 mmol) was added TfOH (2 mmol, 0.18 mL) drop wise during 1 min. The ice bath was then removed and the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min (the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 mL of DCE as solvent). Then the reaction mixture was quenched by adding water (3-5 mL) drop wise. The white solid precipitated out was filtered through sintered funnel, washed with warm water (15-20 mL) followed by hexane (15-20 mL) and dried to afford white solid.

**Note 5:** The compound **7** was not further purified after filtration. The compounds **8** and **9** were obtained as a white solid by filtration and further purified by silicagel column chromatography (eluent 10-30% ethylacetate/hexane).

Note 6: For the reaction between isopropyl isocyanate (6b) and thiophene (5a) the DCE 0.3 mL was used as solvent.

**Experimental procedure for synthesising carbomate** (10). To a well-stirred, ice cold solution of phenyl isocyanate (6a, 1 mmol) and phenol (2c, 1.5 mmol) in DCE (0.3 mL) was added TfOH (2 mmol, 0.18 mL) drop wise during 1 min. The ice bath was then removed and the reaction mixture was stirred for 10 minutes. The reaction mixture was quenched by adding water (3-5 mL) drop wise followed by the addition of 30 mL of water and the crude compound was extracted into DCM (10 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The crude compound was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: 10% EtOAC/Hexane) to afford the product 10 in 70% yield.

**4-Methoxy-N-phenylbenzothioamide** (3aa).<sup>22b</sup> Yellow solid; Yield - 92% (224 mg); mp: 156-158 °C (lit.<sup>20b</sup> 153-154 °C);  $R_f$  (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3154, 1601, 1507, 1346, 1248. <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.54 (brs, 1H), 7.91 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.77(d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (s, 2H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.01 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 196.4, 161.6, 140.2, 134.6, 129.5, 128.4, 126.0, 124.5, 113.1, 55.5. **ESI-HRMS** (*m*/*z*): Calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NOS (M + Na): 266.0616, found (M + Na): 266.0615.

**3,4-Dimethoxy-N-phenylbenzothioamide (3ab).** Yellow solid; Yield - 98% (267 mg); mp: 168-170 °C (lit<sup>26</sup> 159 °C);  $R_f$  (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3159, 1596, 1510, 1329, 1269,1145. <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.49 (brs, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (s, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 196.4, 151.4, 147.7, 140.2, 134.4, 128.4, 126.1, 124.7, 120.8, 111.4, 110.6, 55.7, 55.5. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na): 296.0721, found (M + Na): 296.0724.

**4-Hydroxy-N-phenylbenzothioamide** (3ac).<sup>22b</sup> Yellow solid; Yield - 67% (77 mg); mp: 161-163 °C (lit<sup>21b</sup>. 164-165

°C);  $R_f$  (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3310, 3226, 1599, 1504, 1361, 1192, 1165. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.42 (brs, 1H), 10.11 (brs, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 196.7, 160.4, 140.3, 133.1, 129.8, 128.4, 126.0, 124.6, 114.5. **ESI-HRMS** (*m/z*): Calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NOS (M + Na): 252.0459, found (M + Na): 252.0454.

**4-Hydroxy-3,5-dimethyl-N-phenylbenzothioamide (3ad).** Yellow solid; Yield - 90% (231 mg); mp: 184-186 °C;  $R_f$  (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.25; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3378, 3180, 1595, 1520, 1495, 1484, 1313, 1170. <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 11.37 (brs, 1H), 8.92 (brs, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (s, 2H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 197.0, 156.4, 140.4, 133.1, 128.3, 128.2, 125.9, 124.5, 123.3, 16.7. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NOS (M + Na): 280.0772, found (M + Na): 280.0775.

**3,4-Dihydroxy-N-phenylbenzothioamide (3ae).** Yellow solid; Yield - 79% (97 mg); mp: 161-163 °C;  $R_f$  (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3243, 1599, 1503, 1268, 1145, 1021. <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.36 (brs, 1H), 9.45 (brs, 2H), 7.73 (s, 2H), 7.42-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.24 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 196.9, 148.9, 144.5, 140.4, 133.6, 128.4, 125.9, 124.5, 119.2, ,116.1, 114.5. **ESI-HRMS** (*m*/*z*): Calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na): 268.0408, found (M + Na): 268.0408.

**4-Hydroxy-3-methoxy-N-phenylbenzothioamide** (3af). Yellow solid; Yield - 78% (202 mg); mp:158-160 °C;  $R_f$  (30% EtOAc/hexane ) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3175, 1591, 1505, 1274, 1173.<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.40 (brs, 1H), 9.74 (brs, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.46-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.25 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 196.6, 149.9, 146.7, 140.3, 133.1, 128.4, 126.1, 124.8, 121.4, 114.5, 112.1, 55.7. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na): 282.0565, found (M + Na): 282.0565.

**4-Phenoxy-N-phenylbenzothioamide** (**3ag**).<sup>22b</sup> Yellow solid; Yield - 99% (302 mg); mp: 131-132 °C (lit<sup>22b</sup> 127-129 °C)  $R_f$  (10% EtOAc/hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3337, 1591, 1500, 1490, 1347, 1264. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 11.67 (brs, 1H), 7.91 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.47-7.41 (m, 4H), 7.28-7.20(m, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H) 7.04 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 196.3, 159.4, 155.7, 140.1, 137.2, 130.3, 129.7, 128.5, 126.2, 124.35, 124.31, 119.5, 117.1. **ESI-HRMS** (*m*/*z*): Calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NOS (M + Na): 328.0772, found (M + Na): 328.0770.

**4-(Methylthio)-N-phenylbenzothioamide (3ah).** Yellow solid; Yield - 78% (202 mg); mp: 162-163 °C;  $R_f$  (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3152, 1587, 1521, 1338, 1249. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.67 (brs, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.28 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (s, 3H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 196.5, 142.4, 140.1, 138.4, 128.5, 128.1, 126.2, 124.6, 124.4, 14.3. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NS<sub>2</sub> (M + Na): 282.0387, found (M + Na): 282.0388.

**3-Bromo-4-hydroxy-N-phenylbenzothioamide** (3ai). Yellow solid; Yield - 56% (172 mg); mp: 174-176 °C.  $R_f$  (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3345, 3115, 1594, 1532, 1497, 1405. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.56 (brs, 1H), 11.00 (brs, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (t, J = 7.20 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 194.9, 156.9, 140.1, 134.3, 132.3, 129.0, 128.5, 126.2, 124.5, 115.3, 108.6. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>10</sub>BrNOS (M + Na): 329.9564, found (M + Na): 329.9564.

**4-(***tert***-Butyl)-N-phenylbenzothioamide (3aj).**<sup>22b</sup> Yellow solid; Yield - 16% (43 mg); mp: 131-132 °C (lit<sup>22b</sup> 136-137 °C);  $R_f$  (5% EtOAc/hexane) 0.5; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1618, 1586, 1340, 1261, 1207. <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 11.67 (brs, 1H), 7.85 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, J = 7.14 Hz, 1H), 1.32 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 197.4, 153.6, 140.1, 128.4, 127.3, 126.1, 124.8, 123.9, 34.6, 30.9. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NS (M + Na): 292.1136, found (M + Na): 292.1136.

**4-Methoxy-N-(p-tolyl)benzothioamide** (3ba). Yellow solid; Yield - 95% (244 mg); mp: 174-176 °C (lit.<sup>27</sup> 172 °C);  $R_f$  (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3164, 1600, 1510, 1244. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 11.47 (brs, 1H), 7.9 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 196.1, 161.6, 137.7, 135.3, 134.6, 129.4, 128.8, 124.4, 113.1, 55.4, 20.7. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NOS (M + Na): 280.0772, found (M + Na): 280.0768.

**3,4-Dimethoxy-N-(p-tolyl)benzothioamide (3bb).** Yellow solid; Yield -95% (273 mg); mp: 163-165 °C;  $R_f$  (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3197, 1596, 1512, 1269, 1145. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.43 (brs, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (s, 2H), 7.23 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 6H), 2.32 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 196.1, 151.3, 147.7, 137.7, 135.4, 134.4, 128.8, 124.6, 120.8, 111.4, 110.5, 55.7, 55.5, 20.7. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na): 310.0878, found (M + Na): 310.0876.

*N*-(3,5-Dimethylphenyl)-3,4-dimethoxybenzothioamide (3cb). Yellow solid; Yield - 98% (295 mg); mp: 156-157 °C;  $R_f$ (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.5; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3195, 1595, 1513, 1274, 1173, 1145. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.40 (brs, 1H), 7.54-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.34 (s, 2H), 7.02 (d, J =8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 6H), 2.29 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 196.3, 151.3, 147.7, 140.1, 137.5, 134.5, 127.6, 122.4, 120.9,111.3, 110.6, 55.7, 55.5, 20.9. Calculated for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na): 324.1034, found (M + Na): 324.1033.

**3,4-Dimethoxy-N-(naphthalen-2-yl)benzothioamide** (**3db).** Yellow solid; Yield - 81% (262 mg); mp: 151-153 °C;  $R_f$  (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.4; **IR** KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3243, 1599, 1503, 1347, 1268, 1145. <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.70 (brs, 1H), 8.01- 7.96 (m, 2H), 7.82 - 7.77 (m, 3H), 7.55 (brs, 4H), 7.10 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 6H) ; <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 198.5, 151.7, 147.8, 136.9, 133.8, 132.9, 129.2, 128.2, 127.6, 126.4, 126.3, 125.4, 123.2, 121.2, 111.5, 110.6, 55.8, 55.6. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na): 346.0878, found (M + Na): 346.0876.

### 3,4-Dimethoxy-N-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzothioamide

(3eb).<sup>28</sup> Yellow solid; Yield - 93% (282 mg); mp: 164-165 °C (lit.<sup>29</sup> 154-155 °C); R<sub>f</sub> (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.25; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3163, 1514, 1270, 1146. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.40 (brs, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (s, 2H), 7.03 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 6H), 3.78 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 195.8, 157.2, 151.3, 147.7, 134.3, 133.2, 126.2, 120.8, 113.5, 111.3, 110.5, 55.7, 55.5, 55.3. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S (M + Na): 326.0827, found (M + Na): 326.0823.

### N-(3,5-bis(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3,4-

**dimethoxybenzothioamide (3fb).** Yellow solid; Yield - 98% (400 mg); mp: 159-161 °C.  $R_f$  (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3289, 1512, 1377, 1279, 1263, 1164, 1130. <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.89 (brs, 1H), 8.63 (s, 2H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.61-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.08 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.853 (s, 3H) 3.847 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 197.9, 152.0, 147.8, 141.9, 134.1, 130.3 (q, J = 32.8 Hz), 124.5, 123.6 (q, J = 278.9 Hz), 121.3, 119.0, 111.4, 110.7, 55.8, 55.6; **ESI-HRMS** (*m*/*z*): Calculated for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>13</sub> F<sub>6</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S (M + H): 410.0649, found (M + H): 410.0659.

*N*-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4-methoxybenzothioamide (3ga). Yellow solid; Yield - 79% (220 mg); mp: 186-187 °C; *R*<sub>f</sub> (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3149, 2973, 1601, 1504, 1488, 1305, 1246, 1175, 837. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 11.47 (brs, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 196.76, 161.79, 139.12, 134.43, 129.84, 129.57, 128.39, 126.12, 113.23, 55.52; **ESI-HRMS** (*m*/*z*): Calculated for  $C_{14}H_{12}$ CINOS (M + H): 278.0406, found (M + Na): 278.0404.

4-Methoxy-N-(3-nitrophenyl)benzothioamide (3ha). Yellow solid; Yield - 83% (119 mg); mp: 152-154 °C;  $R_f$  (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3345, 1602, 1521, 1345, 1259. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 11.60 (brs, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 197.5, 162.0, 147.5, 141.2, 134.3, 130.5, 129.8, 129.7, 120.5, 118.6, 113.3, 55.6. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (M + Na): 311.0466, found (M + Na): 311.0467.

**4-Methoxy-N-(4-nitrophenyl)benzothioamide** (3ia). Yellow solid; Yield - 85% (122 mg); mp: 191-193 °C;  $R_f$  (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3134, 1596, 1506, 1340, 1305, 1252, 1171. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d\_6):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.19 (brs, 1H), 8.29 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.18 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d\_6):  $\delta$  (ppm) 197.9, 162.1, 146.1, 143.9, 134.7, 129.8, 124.2, 123.9, 113.3, 55.6. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (M + Na): 311.0466, found (M + Na): 311.0464.

### N-(3,5-bis(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3,4-

**dihydroxybenzothioamide (3fe).** Yellow solid; Yield-99% (189 mg);  $R_f$  (40% EtOAc/hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3307, 1608, 1515, 1381, 1277. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 11.76 (brs, 1H), 9.79 (brs, 1H), 9.37 (brs, 1H), 8.62 (s,

2H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.469 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dd,  $J_I = 8.3$  Hz,  $J_2 = 1.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 198.1, 149.6, 144.7, 142.0, 133.1, 130.2 (q, J = 32.9 Hz), 124.3, 123.17 (q, J = 271 Hz), 119.6, 118.7, 116.2, 114.6; **ESI-HRMS** (*m/z*): Calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>BrNOS (M + Na): 343.9721, found (M + Na): 343.9721.

*N*-Cyclohexyl-3,4-dimethoxybenzothioamide (3jb). Yellow solid; Yield - 96% (268 mg); mp: 162-164 °C;  $R_f$  (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.25; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3228, 3193, 2936, 2854, 1541, 1510, 1268, 1242, 1144, 1021. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 9.78 - 9.77 (m, NH, 1H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.44-4.37 (m, CHNH, 1H), 3.80 (s, 6H), 1.98-1.96 (m, 2H); 1.78-1.75 (m, 2H), 1.65-1.62 (m, 1H), 1.45-1.27 (m, 4H), 1.19-1.11 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 194.7, 151.0, 147.6, 133.8, 120.3, 111.6, 110.4, 55.7, 55.5, 55.0, 30.7, 25.1, 24.8; **ESI-HRMS** (*m/z*): Calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S (M + Na): 302.1191, found (M + Na): 302.1194.

*N*-Cyclohexyl-4-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylbenzothioamide (3jd).<sup>22b</sup> Yellow solid; Yield - 80% (210 mg); mp: 212-214 °C (lit.<sup>22b</sup> 222-224 °C); R<sub>f</sub> (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.25; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3249, 3054, 2933, 1547, 1393, 1324, 1209, 1178. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 9.63-9.62 (m, NH, 1H), 8.75 (brs, OH, 1H), 7.39 (s, 2H), 4.38 (brs, CHNH, 1H), 2.19 (s, 6H), 1.95-1.93 (m, 2H); 1.77-1.74 (m, 2H), 1.65-1.62 (m, 1H), 1.40-1.27 (m, 4H), 1.15-1.12 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 195.1, 155.8, 132.2, 127.9, 123.1, 54.8, 30.7, 25.2, 24.8, 16.6; ESI-HRMS (*m*/*z*): Calculated for  $C_{15}H_{21}NOS$  (M + Na): 286.1242, found (M + H): 286.1245.

*N*-Phenylthiophene-2-carbothioamide (5aa).<sup>22a</sup> Yellow solid; Yield - 89% (195 mg); mp: 94-97 °C (lit.<sup>22a</sup> 94-95 °C);  $R_f$  (10% EtOAc/hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3294, 1544, 1375, 1350, 1172. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 11.54 (brs, 1H), 7.88 (brs, 1H), 7.85 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 186.7, 148.2, 139.4, 134.8, 128.5, 128.2, 126.4, 125.1, 125.0. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NS<sub>2</sub> (M + H): 220.0255, found (M + Na): 220.025.

**5-Methyl-N-phenylthiophene-2-carbothioamide** (5ab). Yellow solid; Yield - 91% (212 mg); mp: 123-125 °C  $R_f$  (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.5; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1517, 1446, 1335; <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 11.39 (brs, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 186.5, 149.2, 145.7, 139.5, 128.5, 126.9, 126.2, 125.2, 125.1, 15.4. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NS<sub>2</sub> (M + Na): 256.0231, found (M + Na): 256.0238.

**4-Methyl-N-phenylthiophene-2-carbothioamide** (5ac). Yellow solid; Yield - 53% (123 mg); mp: 93-95 °C (lit.<sup>22c</sup> 70-71 °C in CCl<sub>4</sub>); *R<sub>f</sub>* (20% EtOAc / hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3189, 1506, 1206, 714, 696. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 11.48 (brs, 1H), 7.79 (s, 2H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 5 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.965 (d, *J* = 4 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 189.2, 142.4, 139.7, 135.3, 131.1, 128.9, 128.6, 126.2, 123.6, 15.4; **ESI-HRMS** (*m*/*z*): Calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NS<sub>2</sub> (M + Na): 256.0231, found (M + H): 256.0233.

## N-(4-Methoxyphenyl)thiophene-2-carbothioamide

(**5ea**).<sup>22a</sup> Yellow solid ; Yield - 58% (144 mg); mp: 123-125 °C (lit.<sup>22a</sup> 129-130.5 °C);  $R_f$  (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.5; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3244, 1511, 1362, 1247, 1238. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.45 (brs, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (t, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 186.3, 157.4, 148.1, 134.6, 132.4, 128.2, 126.6, 124.7, 113.7, 55.3; **ESI-HRMS** (*m/z*): Calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NOS<sub>2</sub> (M + Na): 272.0180, found (M + Na): 272.0179.

### N-(3,5-bis(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)thiophene-2-

**carbothioamide (5fa).** Yellow solid; Yield - 81% (287 mg); mp: 104-106 °C;  $R_f$  (10% EtOAc/hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3327, 1560, 1378, 1277, 1173, 1128. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 11.86 (brs, 1H), 8.55 (s, 2H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.27 (t, J = 4.44 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSOd<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 187.9, 147.7, 141.2, 135.9, 130.3(q, J = 33.0 Hz), 128.5, 126.0, 125.0, 123.1 (q, J = 271.0 Hz), 119.3, 119.1; **ESI-**HRMS (*m*/*z*): Calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>7</sub>F<sub>6</sub>NS<sub>2</sub> (M + H): 356.0002, found (M + H): 356.0005.

*N*-Cyclohexylthiophene-2-carbothioamide (5ja). yellow solid ; Yield - 70% (158 mg); mp:122-124 °C;  $R_f$  (10% EtOAc/hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3272, 2921, 2852, 1537, 1531, 983. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 9.84-9.82 (m, NH, 1H), 7.74-7.71 (m, 2H), 4.37-4.34 (m, CHNH, 1H), 1.95-1.92 (m, 2H); 1.78-1.75 (m, 2H), 1.65-1.62 (m, 1H), 1.44-1.24 (m, 4H), 1.19-1.12 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 185.0, 147.3, 133.7, 127.9, 124.1, 54.9, 30.8, 24.8; **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>15</sub> NS<sub>2</sub> (M + Na): 248.0544, found (M + H): 248.0570.

### 2,5-Dimethyl-N-phenylthiophene-3-carbothioamide

(**5ad**).<sup>22a</sup> Yellow solid; Yield - 90% (222 mg); mp: 93-95 °C (lit.<sup>22a</sup> 93-93.5 °C); *R<sub>f</sub>* (10% EtOAc/hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3222, 1539, 1490, 1387, 1351. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), 11.53 (brs, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.25 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (s, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 192.1, 141.3, 139.6, 134.7, 134.5, 128.5, 127.1, 126.1, 123.6, 14.6, 14.1; **ESI-HRMS** (*m*/*z*): Calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NS<sub>2</sub> (M + Na): 270.0387, found (M + Na): 270.0386.

**3,4-Dimethoxy-N-phenylbenzamide** (7).<sup>30</sup> White solid; Yield -93% (239 mg); mp: 164-166 °C (lit.<sup>31</sup> 160-162 °C);  $R_f$ (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3318, 1646, 1512, 1320, 1271; <sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm), 10.07 (brs, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.37-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.10-7.07 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 164.9, 151.6, 148.3, 139.3, 128.6, 127.0, 123.5, 121.0, 120.5, 111.0, 110.9, 55.7, 55.6; **ESI-HRMS** (*m*/*z*): Calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M + Na): 280.0950, found (M + H): 280.0951.

*N*-Phenylthiophene-2-carboxamide (8).<sup>30</sup> White solid; Yield - 86% (174 mg); mp: 140-141 °C (lit.<sup>30</sup> 136-138 °C);  $R_f$  (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3307, 1632, 1616, 1596, 1538, 1445, 1322. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm), **10.22 (brs, 1H)**, 8.02 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (t, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (t, J = 7.28 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d<sub>6</sub>): δ (ppm) 159.90, 140.07, 138.71, 131.88, 129.11, 128.70, 128.08, 123.78, 120.41. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>9</sub> NOS (M + Na): 226.0303, found (M + H): 226.0291.

**N-Isopropylthiophene-2-carboxamide (9).** White solid; Yield - 92% (155 mg); mp: 139-142° C (lit.<sup>32</sup> 138-140 °C);  $R_f$  (30% EtOAc/hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3288, 2971, 1614, 1539. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d\_6):  $\delta$  (ppm), 8.20 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.69 (m, 1H), 7.12-7.10 (m, 1H), 4.08-3.99 (m, 1H), 1.15 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d\_6):  $\delta$  (ppm) 160.2, 140.5, 130.4, 127.74, 127.72, 41.0, 22.3; **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NOS (M + Na): 192.0459, found (M + Na): 192.0456.

**4-Hydroxy-***N***-phenylbenzamide (10).**<sup>33</sup> White solid; Yield - 70% (153 mg); mp: 125-127 °C (lit<sup>34</sup>. 126-127 °C);  $R_f$  (10% EtOAc/hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3044, 1718, 1598, 1534, 1491, 1318, 1224, 1202. <sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.45 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (brs, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 151.6, 150.5, 137.3, 129.4, 129.1, 125.7, 123.9, 121.6, 118.7. **ESI-HRMS** (m/z): Calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (M + Na): 236.0687, found (M + Na): 236.0688.

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