## Supporting Information

for

# The Eschenmoser coupling reaction under continuousflow conditions 

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## General procedures, analytical and spectral data



## Materials and methods

${ }^{1} \mathrm{H} /{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR (300/75 or 200/50 MHz; DMSO, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) spectra were recorded, with commercial deuterated solvents, on a multinuclear spectrometer Bruker Avance 300 MHz or 200 MHz . Data analysis was performed by using MestReNova v5.3.2-4936 software. Data are reported as follows: Chemical shifts in ppm (multiplicity [singlet (s), doublet (d), double doublet (dd) triplet ( t ), quartet ( q ), AB quartet ( ABq ), broad (br), and multiplet (m)], coupling constant $[\mathrm{Hz}]$, integration). High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Bruker Daltonics MicroTOF Focus spectrometer using Naand Li-formate solutions for internal calibration. IR spectra were recorded on a Jasco FTIR 6300 spectrophotometer. A Jasco 2000 HPLC equipped with a DAD-detector was coupled to the Bruker Daltonics MicroTOF focus mass spectrometer to investigate the reactions by LC-MS analysis. Merck Chromolith $100 \times 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ PR18 column was used with water $+0.1 \%$ TFA (A)/acetonitrile $+0.1 \%$ TFA (B) eluents at $750 \mu \mathrm{~L} / \mathrm{min}$. Gradient method: $1 \mathrm{~min} 15 \% \mathrm{~B} ; 2 \mathrm{~min} 35 \% \mathrm{~B} ; 2.5 \mathrm{~min} 35 \% \mathrm{~B} ; 4 \mathrm{~min} 95 \%$ B. All reaction solvents were dried overnight with $4 \AA$ molecular sieves before use. All commercially available building blocks and reagents were used as received without any further purification.

## Representative procedure

## 1.) S-Alkylation in batch:

2-Mercapto-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (2a) (1136 mg, $8 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) was dissolved in 50 mL anhydrous 1,4-dioxane. Triethylamine ( $2288 \mu \mathrm{~L}$, 16.4 mmol , 2.1 equiv) was added dropwise under magnetic stirring. 2-Bromoacetophenone (1a, 1592 $\mathrm{mg}, 8 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) was dissolved in 30 mL anhydrous 1,4 -dioxane and added to the first solution. The mixture was placed in an ultrasonic bath for about 1 h at about $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After cooling to ambient temperature, the precipitates were carefully filtered.

## 2.) Sulfide contraction in flow

Triisopropylphosphite (TIP, $1868 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 8.2 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.2$ equiv) was added immediately before the reaction solution was passed through the flow reactor. The
reaction mixture was fed at a rate of $500 \mu \mathrm{~L} / \mathrm{min}$ through the capillary reactor at $220^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The capillary was prefilled at high temperature with pure 1,4-dioxane to prevent boiling and precipitation during the ramp-up process. A system pressure of at least 100 bar was adjusted by the backpressure regulator.

For workup, 50 mL of the reaction solution was collected at the capillary outlet and 50 mL water as well as 0.5 mL 1 N HCl were added. After vigorous shaking, the solution was kept cold for about 30 min to obtain precipitates, which were filtered and washed with acetone. After drying under vacuum, 880 mg ( $3.8 \mathrm{mmol}, 48 \%$ ) 2-(2-hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4aa) was obtained as off-white solid. The LC-MS and HR-MS analysis of the obtained precipitates showned only a single pure compound. However, in the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR analyses a duplicate set of signals was found indicating a mixture of two isomers. Recrystallization from hot methanol and DCM helped in enriching one isomer over the other.

## Summarized analytical data:

## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4aa)

Isolated yield $48 \%$; off-white Solid; $v_{\text {max }}$ (neat) $1653,1619,1525,1353$, $1217 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 2.15,2.23$ (s, 3H), 5.56, 5.65 (s, 1 H , exch. with $\left.\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right), 5.73,5.81\left(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, exch. with $\left.\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right), 7.49(\mathrm{~m}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 7.99(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 11.48,11.67\left(\mathrm{br}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, exch. with $\left.\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right), 13.67(\mathrm{br}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ) ; ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta$ 18.5, 19.3, 66.3, 77.4,
 $79.2,101.5,103.5,126.1,126.3,128.1,128.4,128.8,130.8,133.6,138.5,139.5,153.0$, 154.4, 155.5, 159.8, 160.8, 182.8, 185.6; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}: 229.09715$; found $[\mathrm{MH}]^{+} 229.09716$.

## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-5,6-dimethylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ab)

Isolated yield $55 \%$; yellow solid; $v_{\max }$ (neat) $1620,1448,1310 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , DMSO): $\delta 1.84$ (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 5.75 (s. 1H), 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.76 ( $\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ), 11.39, 11.88 (br, 1H, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ), 13.95, 14.59 (br, 1H, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 9.9,16.5,17.8,66.3$, 76.6, 78.7, 110.5, 126.0, 128.4, 130.6, 138.4, 147.7, 154.2; HRMS (EI,
 Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}$: 243.11280; found [MH] ${ }^{+}$243.11294.

## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)quinazolin-4-ol (4ac)

Isolated yield $78 \%$; yellow solid; $v_{\max }$ (neat) $1675,1633,1539,1473,1295,1142 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$;
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR (300 MHz, DMSO): $\delta 5.79,5.91$ (s, 1H) 7.29-8.00 (m, $9 \mathrm{H}), 11.86,12.00\left(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, exch. with $\left.\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right), 14.15,14.62(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 66.3,77.8,79.8$, 116.3, 117.1, 118.3, 126.1, 126.4, 128.5, 130.9, 135.3, 138.4,
 140.3, 153.1, 153.6, 160.0, 182.5; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}: 265.09715$; found [MH] ${ }^{+}$265.09713.

5-Ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(2-hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-1,4dihydropyrimidine (4ae)

Isolated yield $82 \%$; creamy solid; $v_{\text {max }}$ (neat) $2931,1685,1628$, 1574, 1531, $1473 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $200 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 1.18$ (t, $3 \mathrm{H}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}), 2.45,2.38(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.76,3.73(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 4.08(\mathrm{~m}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 5.24(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.29,5.41(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.42(\mathrm{br}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ), 6.76-7.65 (m, 9H, ArH), 12.83, 11.39 (br, 1H, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $50 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 14.2,19.5,52.8,55.3,60.3$,
 78.7, 103.5, 114.2, 127.7, 128.3, 131.5, 135.9, 139.3, 143.3, 154.7, 159.4, 165.5, 185.5; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4}$ $[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}: 393.1809$; found $[\mathrm{MH}]^{+} 393.1810$.

## 5-Ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-phenyl-2-(2-hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-1,4dihydropyrimidine (4af)

Isolated yield $69 \%$; dark yellow viscous liquid; $v_{\max }$ (neat) 2927, 1629, 1583, 1529, $1478 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 200 MHz , $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 1.18,1.21(\mathrm{t}, 3 \mathrm{H}, J=6.2$ and 6.0 Hz$), 2.48,2.40(\mathrm{~s}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 4.09(\mathrm{q}, 2 \mathrm{H}, J=6.0 \mathrm{~Hz}), 5.33,5.29\left(1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, exch. with $\left.\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)$,
 5.36, $5.49(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.31-7.80(\mathrm{~m}, 10 \mathrm{H}), 12.94,11.48\left(\mathrm{br}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, exch. with $\left.\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $50 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 14.2,19.5,53.4,59.9,78.3,102.9,110.9,126.4,128.2,128.9,130.8$, 140.1, 154.5, 165.4; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}$: 363.1703; found $[\mathrm{MH}]^{+} 363.1703$.

## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-5,5-diphenyl-1,5-dihydroimidazol-4-one (4ag)

Isolated yield $92 \%$; white solid; $v_{\text {max }}$ (neat) $1728,1634,1517$, 1479, 1430, 1337, $1295 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, ~ D M S O$ ): $\delta 5.71,5.76(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}) 7.39-7.87(\mathrm{~m}, 15 \mathrm{H}), 10.57,10.01$ (br, 1 H , exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ), 11.78 (br, 1 H , exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$
 NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 23.5,66.3,68.4,70.2,75.6$,
$75.9,126.5,126.6,126.8,128.2,128.3,128.4,128.5,128.7,131.0,139.3,139.4,157.3$,
158.0, 173.8, 186.7; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}$: 355.14410; found [MH] 355.14390 .

## 2-(1H-Benzimidazol-2-ylsulfanyl)-1-phenylethanone (3ah)

Isolated yield $<5 \%$; yellow solid; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , DMSO/CDCl ${ }_{3}$ ): $\delta 5.20(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.23-8.07(\mathrm{~m}, 9 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}_{\mathrm{CDCl}}^{3}$ ): $\delta$ 91.61, 122.7, 128.4, 128.7, 133.8,
 135.1, 191.6; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{OS}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}$: 269.07431; found [MH] ${ }^{+}$269.07461.

## 1-Phenyl-3-phenylimino-but-1-en-1-ol (4ai)

Isolated yield $58 \%$; yellow solid; $v_{\text {max }}$ (neat) $1587,1544,1519,1317$, $1193 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR (300 MHz, DMSO): $\delta 6.10(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.33-7.96$ $(\mathrm{m}, 10 \mathrm{H}), 13.17$ ( $\mathrm{s}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 75 MHz ,
 DMSO): $\delta 19.9,93.8,124.0,125.5,126.8,128.3,129.3,131.0,138.2,139.3,162.4$, 187.0; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{NO}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}: 238.12264$; found $[\mathrm{MH}]^{+} 238.12252$.

## 2-[2-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-hydroxyvinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ba)

Isolated yield $66 \%$; off-white solid; $v_{\text {max }}$ (neat) $1621,1576,1392$, 1349, 1214, 1046, $763 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, ~ D M S O$ ): $\delta 2.16$, $2.24(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 5.69,5.61(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.76,5.68(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.69(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H})$, 11.74 (br, 1H, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ), 14.28, 13.64 (s, 1 H , exch. with
 $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 18.5,19.1,67.7,77.3,78.5,101.8,103.5,124.5$, $131.5,137.8,138.5,152.4,152.8,154.6,155.4,159.6,160.7,184.0$; HRMS (EI, Liformate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{BrN}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{Na}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}: 328.98961$; found [MH] ${ }^{+}$ 328.98984.

## 2-[2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxyvinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ca)

Isolated yield $61 \%$; yellow crystalline solid; $v_{\text {max }}$ (neat) 1621 , 1579, 1351, 1215, 1044, $762 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , DMSO): $\delta 2.20(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 5.65(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.73(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.55(\mathrm{~d}$, $2 \mathrm{H}, J=9.0 \mathrm{~Hz}), 7.78(\mathrm{~d}, 2 \mathrm{H}, J=9.0 \mathrm{~Hz}), 11.79(\mathrm{br}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ), 14.26, 13.63 (s, 1 H , exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ );
 ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 18.8,99.5,128.1,128.5,135.6,152.6,154.9$; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{ClN}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}$: 263.05818 ; found [MH] ${ }^{+}$ 263.05811.

## 2-[2-Hydroxy-2-(5-methyl-3-phenylisoxazol-4-yl)vinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4da)

Isolated yield 67\%; off-white solid; $v_{\max }$ (neat) 1667, 1621, 1541, 1418, 1248, $1158 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , DMSO): $\delta 2.10,2.21(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.60(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 5.02,5.10(\mathrm{~s}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 5.59,5.64(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.45-7.63(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 11.49,11.68$
 (br, 1 H , exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ), 13.43, 13.81 (br, 1 H , exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 12.3,18.4,19.0,82.2,83.1,101.9,103.4,116.6$, 117.1, 128.4, 128.5, 128.6, 129.7, 152.0, 152.8, 154.0, 154.6, 159.5, 160.4, 160.6, 170.0, 179.0, 180.4; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{Na}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}$: 332.10056; found [MH] ${ }^{+} 332.10078$.

## 2-[(2-Benzofuran-2-yl)-2-hydroxyvinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ea)

Isolated yield $72 \%$; off-white solid; $v_{\text {max }}$ (neat) 1632,1537 , 1389, 1360, 1344, 1227, $1049 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , DMSO): $\delta 2.17,2.25(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 5.65,5.71(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.85$, $5.88(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.30-7.71(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 11.83$ (br, 1H, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ), 13.39, 14.07 (br, 1 H , exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR
 ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 18.5,19.0,78.1,79.1,102.1,103.1$,
$107.9,111.7,122.5,123.5,126.5,127.5,152.2,152.8,154.3,154.6,155.3,159.4,160.6$, 174.2, 175.5; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}: 269.09207$; found $[\mathrm{MH}]^{+} 269.09200$.

## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-(naphthalen-2-yl)vinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4fa)

Isolated yield $61 \%$; off-white solid; $\nu_{\max }$ (neat) 1653,1557 , 1428, $1295 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, ~ D M S O$ ): $\delta 2.17$, $2.26(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 5.61,5.70(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.89,5.96(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.59-$ $8.38(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H}), 11.62,11.81\left(\mathrm{br}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, exch. with $\left.\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)$, $13.75,14.52$ (br, 1 H , exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 75


MHz, DMSO): $\delta 18.5,19.3,66.3,77.8,79.4,101.6$, $103.5,123.2,123.5,127.5,132.3,134.0,135.9,136.8,152.8,152.9,154.4,155.4,159.7$, 160.8, 182.7, 185.2; HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}$: 279.11280; found $[\mathrm{MH}]^{+} 279.11291$.

## 2-(2-(1,1'-Biphenyl-4-yl)2-hydroxyvinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ga)

Isolated yield $73 \%$; yellow solid; $v_{\text {max }}$ (neat) 1653, 1567, 1421, $1303 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 2.17,2.25(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 5.60,5.68(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.78,5.86(\mathrm{~s}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 7.41-7.90(\mathrm{~m}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 11.56,11.79(\mathrm{br}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ), 13.74, 14.44 (br, 1 H , exch. with $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ );

${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{DMSO}$ ): $\delta 18.5,19.3,66.3,77.4,78.9,101.5,103.4,126.7,126.8$, 129.0, 137.4, 138.3, 139.2, 142.4, 152.7, 152.8, 154.4, 155.4, 159.7, 160.8, 182.4, 184.9;

HRMS (EI, Li-formate calibrant) calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{MH}]^{+}: 305.12845$; found [MH] ${ }^{+}$ 305.12858 .

Spectral data: ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H} /{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $300 / 75 \mathrm{MHz}$ or $200 / 50 \mathrm{MHz}$; DMSO/CDCl $\mathrm{Cl}_{3}$ ) spectra were recorded with commercial deuterated solvents on a multinuclear spectrometer Bruker Avance 300/200 MHz.

## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4aa, first crop)




## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4aa, recrystallized from methanol/DCM)



## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-5,6-dimethylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ab)




## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)quinazolin-4-ol (4ac)




5-Ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(2-hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-1,4dihydropyrimidine (4ae)



## 5-Ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-phenyl-2-(2-hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-1,4-

 dihydropyrimidine (4af)

## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-5,5-diphenyl-1,5-dihydroimidazol-4-one (4ag)




## 2-(1H-Benzimidazol-2-ylsulfanyl)-1-phenylethanone (3ah)




## 1-Phenyl-3-[( $E$ )-phenylimino]but-1-en-1-ol (4ai)




## 2-[2-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-hydroxyvinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ba)



## 2-[2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxyvinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ca)



2-[2-Hydroxy-2-(5-methyl-3-phenylisoxazol-4-yl)vinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4da)



## 2-[(2-Benzofuran-2-yl)-2-hydroxyvinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ea)




## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-(naphthalen-2-yl)vinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4fa)



## 2-(2-(1,1'-Biphenyl-4-yl)2-hydroxyvinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ga)




## High resolution mass spectra:

High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Bruker Daltonics MicroTOF Focus spectrometer with Na - and Li -formate solutions for internal calibration.

## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4aa)



## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-5,6-dimethylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ab)



## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)quinazolin-4-ol (4ac)



5-Ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(2-hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-1,4dihydropyrimidine (4ae)


## 5-Ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-phenyl-2-(2-hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-1,4-

 dihydropyrimidine (4af)

## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylvinyl)-5,5-diphenyl-1,5-dihydroimidazol-4-one (4ag)



## 2-(1H-Benzimidazol-2-ylsulfanyl)-1-phenylethanone (3ah) <br> 

## 1-Phenyl-3-[(E)-phenylimino]but-1-en-1-ol (4ai)



## 2-[2-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-hydroxyvinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ba)



## 2-[2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxyvinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ca)



## 2-[2-Hydroxy-2-(5-methyl-3-phenylisoxazol-4-yl)vinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol

 (4da)

2-[(2-Benzofuran-2-yl)-2-hydroxyvinyl]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ea)


## 2-(2-Hydroxy-2-(naphthalen-2-yl)vinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4fa)



2-(2-1,1'-Biphenyl-4-yl)2-hydroxyvinyl)-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (4ga)


