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Supporting Information

# Distinct Chemical Determinants are Essential for Achieving Ligands for Superior Optical Detection of Specific Amyloid- $\beta$ Deposits in Alzheimer's Disease

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Figure S1. Chemical structure of TVB based ligands with different terminal heterocyclic moieties.



**Figure S2.** Overview tile fluorescence images of brain tissue sections from a case of diAD associated with the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained with the ligands bTVBT, HS-205, HS-208, HS-212, HS-253, HS-258, HS-259, HS-332 or HS-336, as well as the antibodies 6E10 or mab158. The fluorescence from the respective ligand is shown in magenta, whereas antibody staining is shown in green. Scale bar represents 2 mm.



**Figure S3.** Images of a tissue sections co-stained with bTVBT2 (magenta, left panel) or HS-259 (magenta, right panel) and the antibody mab158. A $\beta$  deposits are indicated by white arrows, whereas tau aggregates are indicated by white arrow heads Scale bar represents 20  $\mu$ m.



Figure S4. Staining of human brain tissue sections (frontal cortex) from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation with HS-208 or HS-258. A) Chemical structure of HS-208. B) Overview tile image of a brain tissue section from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained with HS-208. C) Images of protein deposits stained with HS-208. D) Images of a tissue section co-stained with HS-208 (magenta) and the A $\beta$  antibody 6E10 (green). E) Chemical structure of HS-258. F) Overview tile image of a brain tissue section from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained with HS-208. H) Images of a tissue section co-stained with HS-258. G) Images of different protein deposits stained with HS-258. H) Images of a tissue section co-stained with HS-258. G) Images of different protein deposits stained with HS-258. H) Images of a tissue section co-stained with HS-258. G) Images of different protein deposits stained with HS-258. H) Images of a tissue section co-stained with HS-258. G) Images of different protein deposits stained with HS-258. H) Images of a tissue section co-stained with HS-258 (magenta) and the A $\beta$  antibody 6E10 (green). In C, D, G and H, A $\beta$ -deposits are indicated by white arrows, whereas tau aggregates are indicated by white arrow heads. Scale bars represent 1 mm (B and F) and 20  $\mu$ m (C, D, G and H).



Figure S5. Staining of human brain tissue sections (frontal cortex) from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation with HS-205 or HS-212. A) Chemical structure of HS-205. B) Overview tile image of a brain tissue section from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained with HS-205. C) Images of protein deposits stained with HS-205. D) Images of a tissue section co-stained with HS-205 (magenta) and the A $\beta$  antibody 6E10 (green). E) Chemical structure of HS-212. F) Overview tile image of a brain tissue section from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained with HS-205. D) Images of a tissue section co-stained with HS-205 (magenta) and the A $\beta$  antibody 6E10 (green). E) Chemical structure of HS-212. F) Overview tile image of a brain tissue section from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained with HS-212. G) Images of different protein deposits stained with HS-212. H) Images of a tissue section co-stained with HS-212. G) Images of a tissue section co-stained with HS-212 (magenta) and the A $\beta$  antibody 6E10 (green). In C, D, G and H, A $\beta$ -deposits are indicated by white arrows, whereas tau aggregates are indicated by white arrow heads. Scale bars represent 1 mm (B and F) and 20  $\mu$ m (C, D, G and H).



Figure S6. Staining of human brain tissue sections (frontal cortex) from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic APP *E693G* mutation with HS-253. A) Chemical structure of HS-253. B) Overview tile image of a brain tissue section from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained with HS-253. C) Images of protein deposits stained with HS-253. D) Images of a tissue section co-stained by HS-253 (magenta) and the A $\beta$  antibody 6E10 (green). In C and D, A $\beta$ -deposits are indicated by white arrows, whereas tau aggregates are indicated by white arrow heads. Scale bars represent 1 mm (B and F) and 20  $\mu$ m (C, D, G and H).



Figure S7. Spectral assignment of A $\beta$  and tau deposits in a brain tissue section from an individual with diAD associated with the Artic APP E693G mutation stained with TVB based ligands. The emission spectrum (left) of the respective ligand when bound to A $\beta$  deposits (green) or tau aggregates (red) and spectral image (right) of protein aggregates when stained with the respective ligand. A $\beta$  aggregates are indicated by green arrows, whereas tau aggregates are highlighted by red arrows. Granular auto-fluorescent lipofuscin is indicated with blue arrow heads. Scale bar represents 20 µm.



**Figure S8. Optical characteristics of TVB based ligands.** The absorption- (blue) and emission (red) spectrum from the respective ligand ( $30 \mu$ M) in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) pH 7.4.



**Figure S9.** Overview tile fluorescence images of brain tissue sections from a case of diAD associated with the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained with the ligands HS-350, HS-351, HS-352, HS-353, HS-354, HS-355, HS-356 or HS-357. The fluorescence from the ligand is shown in magenta. Scale bar represents 2 mm.



**Figure S10. Staining of human brain tissue sections (frontal cortex) from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic** *APP E693G* mutation with HS-351, HS-353 or HS-355. **A)** Chemical structure of HS-351 and overview tile image of a brain tissue section from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained by HS-351. **B)** Images of protein deposits stained with HS-351. **C)** Spectral image and the emission spectrum from HS-351 when bound to tau aggregates (red). **D)** Chemical structure of HS-353 and overview tile image of a brain tissue section from an individual with diAD caused by the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained by HS-353. **E)** Images of protein deposits stained with HS-353. **F)** Spectral image and the emission spectrum from HS-353. **F)** Spectral image and the emission spectrum from HS-353. **F)** Spectral image and the emission spectrum from HS-353. **F)** Spectral image and the emission spectrum from HS-355. **H)** Images of protein deposits (green) or tau aggregates (red). **G)** Chemical structure of HS-355 and overview tile image of protein deposits (green) or tau aggregates (red). **G)** Chemical structure of HS-353 when bound to Aβ deposits (green) or tau aggregates (red). **G)** Chemical structure of HS-355 and overview tile image of protein deposits stained with HS-355. **I)** Images of protein deposits stained with HS-355. **I)** Images of protein deposits stained with HS-355. **I)** Spectral image and the emission spectrum from HS-355 bound to Aβ deposits (green) or tau aggregates (red). In B, C, E, F, H and I, Aβ-deposits are indicated by white arrows, whereas tau aggregates are indicated by white arrow heads and autofluorescence from granular lipofuscin is indicated by blue arrow heads. Scale bars represent 1 mm (A, D and G) and 20 μm (B, C, E, F, H and I).



**Figure S11.** Overview tile fluorescence images of brain tissue sections from a case of diAD associated with the Arctic *APP E693G* mutation stained with the ligands HS-358, HS-359 or HS-360. The fluorescence from the ligand is shown in magenta. Scale bar represents 2 mm.

Ligand	Abs <sub>max</sub> (nm)	Em <sub>max</sub> (nm)	
HS-350	422	560	
HS-351	448	575	
HS-352	437	575	
HS-353	462	581	
HS-354	438	599	
HS-355	455	583	
HS-356	465	600	
HS-357	462	594	
HS-358	465	660	
HS-359	452	631	
HS-360	465	648	

Table S1. Absorption- and emission maximum for TVB based ligands in PBS.

Case no	Pathology	Brain area	Sex	Age	APOE
1	sAD	Frontal ctx	F	82	4/4
2	APP E693E	Frontal ctx	Male	64	3/3

Table S2. List of the human brain tissue sections used in the study.

#### **Experimental details**

#### General information:

TLC was performed using 0.25 mm precoated silica-gel plates (Merck 60 F254), detection by UV-abs at 254 nm. <sup>1</sup>H (500 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (126 MHz) spectra were recorded on a Bruker NMR instrument (25 °C in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or DMSO-d6 or acetone-d6). HPLC-MS was performed on a Waters system (Column: XSELECT Phenyl-Hexyl, 5  $\mu$ m, 250 x 19 mm and Waters X-Bridge C-18 3.5  $\mu$ m, 50 x 4.6 mm for preparative and analytical experiments respectively; Mobile phase: organic phase: acetonitrile:water 90:10, with 10 mM NH<sub>4</sub>OAc; water phase: acetonitrile:water 5:95, with 10 mM NH<sub>4</sub>OAc. Flash chromatography was performed using the following silica gel: High purity grade (Merck Grade 9385), pore size 60 Å, 230-240 mesh particle size. Some synthesized starting materials of **3a-h** or **7b-d** contained trace amount of solvent or other impurities which were not needed for further purification. High resolution MS was measured using Agilent Technologies 6550 i Funnel LC-QTOF-MS.

#### Compound synthesis:

General procedure A: Synthesis of **3a-h**.

The mixture of **1** (2 mmol), **2a-g** (2 mmol), CuI (0.4 mmol),  $Cs_2CO_3$  (4 mmol) and DMF (10.0 mL) in a 10-20 mL microwave vial was flushed with N<sub>2</sub> gas for about 1 minute, then the vial was sealed and irradiated under microwave for 25 minutes at 170 °C. The reaction mixture was purified using silica gel column chromatography with ethyl acetate-n-heptane (EtOAc-n-heptane) or preparative HPLC with B:A to give the product **3a-h**.

General procedure B: Synthesis of HS-350 to HS-360.

The mixture of **3a-h** or **7b-d** (0.0438-0.132 mmol), **4** (1.0 equivalent) and pyridine (6.0 equivalents) in dry MeOH (1 mL) was stirred at 65 °C overnight. The reaction mixture was filtered and the solid was washed with a few drops of MeOH, acetonitrile and DCM to give **HS**-**350** to **HS-360** respectively.

#### General procedure C: Synthesis of 7a and 7c-d.

The mixture of boronic acid **5** (2.0 equivalents), **6a** or **6c-d** (0.4 mmol), PEPPSI<sup>TM</sup>-IPr (0.05 equivalent) and  $K_2CO_3$  (4.0 equivalents) in dioxan/MeOH (3:2, 5mL) was flushed with  $N_2$  gas for about 30 seconds. The vial was sealed, and the reaction mixture was heated at 70 °C for about 5 hours. The reaction mixture was carefully transferred to a round bottom flask and concentrated to give the crude product. The crude **7a** was purified using silica gel column chromatography with EtOAc-n-heptane (25:75 to 60:40) to give the product **7a** (95 mg, 96% yield). The crude **7c** or **7d** was mixed with MeOH (about 3-4 mL), filtered, and washed with water (10 mL) and a few drops of methanol to give a pure product, which was used for the condensation reaction without necessity for further purification.

Synthesis of 3a



The compound was synthesized according to the general procedure A in 34% yield (155 mg), which was purified using EtOAc-n-heptane (50:50 to 70:30). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.93 (s, 1H), 8.16 (s, 1H), 7.87 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, *J* = 7.5,

1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 126 MHz): δ 182.8, 146.4, 144.2, 142.1, 139.6, 136.1, 133.3, 125.0, 124.1, 121.2, 120.0, 110.8. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 229.0. Found: 229.5.

Synthesis of **3b** 



The compound was synthesized according to the general procedure A in 17% yield (78 mg), which was purified using EtOAc-n-heptane (30:70 to 70:30). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.85 (s, 1H), 8.54 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  182.6, 150.2, 148.2, 145.2, 137.7, 136.5, 131.0, 129.0, 118.4, 118.1, 107.7. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 229.0. Found: 229.3.

Synthesis of 3c



The compound was synthesized according to the general procedure A in 4% yield (42 mg), which was purified using EtOAc-n-heptane (50:50 to 80:20). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.89 (s, 1H), 8.98 (s, 1H), 8.47 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 0.5 Hz, 1H).<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  182.7, 149.6, 144.6, 143.3, 139.7, 138.4, 136.4, 129.0, 126.4, 119.0, 106.2, 105.8. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 229.0. Found: 229.4.

Synthesis of 3d



The compound was synthesized according to the general procedure A in 4% yield (19 mg), which was purified using EtOAc-n-heptane (50:50 to 80:20). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.86 (s, 1H), 8.45 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  183.0, 149.3, 147.1, 144.3, 136.4, 136.3, 129.7, 126.3, 122.1, 118.2, 115.2, 104.9. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 229.0. Found: 229.3.

Synthesis of 3e and 3h



Compound **3e** was synthesized according to the general procedure A in 15% yield (70 mg), which was purified using EtOAc-n-heptane (40:60 to 50:50) and further with preparative liquid chromatography using B:A (20:80 to 100:0). Compound **3h** was also achieved in 6% yield (30 mg) after the purification with preparative LC. The compounds were assigned using 2D-NMR. **3e**: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.86 (s, 1H), 8.22 (s, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 9.0, 1H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  182.8, 152.3, 138.5, 138.1, 136.9, 136.5, 128.9, 126.3, 123.2, 122.1, 114.2, 111.0. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 229.0. Found: 229.3.

**3h**: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.86 (s, 1H), 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 9.0, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  182.9, 152.0, 150.5, 139.2, 136.3, 128.3, 123.8, 123.4, 121.2, 120.4, 118.0, 115.8. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 229.0. Found: 229.5.

Synthesis of **3f**:



Compound **3f** was synthesized on a 1.89 mmol scale according to the general procedure A in 12% yield (56 mg), which was purified using EtOAc-n-heptane (50:50 to 80:20) and further with preparative liquid chromatography using B:A (20:80 to 100:0). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.85 (s, 1H), 9.11 (br s, 1H), 8.40 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (br d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  182.6, 150.3, 140.8, 137.2, 136.8, 135.9, 133.7, 133.0, 128.6, 117.5, 115.7, 114.2, 9.3. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 243.1. Found: 243.4.

Synthesis of 3g:



Compound **3g** was synthesized in 15% yield (73 mg) according to the general procedure A, which was purified using EtOAc-n-heptane (50:50 to 80:20) and further with preparative liquid chromatography using B:A (20:80 to 100:0). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.83 (s, 1H), 8.42 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (br d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  182.9, 149.6, 147.3, 144.1, 136.6, 135.5, 129.6, 127.9, 125.7, 123.4, 123.1, 117.6, 114.7, 114.2, 9.8. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 243.1. Found: 243.2.

Synthesis of 7b:



To the solution of **7a** (95 mg, 0.383 mmol) in dry DCM (8 mL) was added 1.0 M BBr3 in hexane (2.3 mL, 2.30 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 3.5 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with water/acetonitrile (5mL/5mL), another 15 mL water was added, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (15 mL x 3). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to give the crude **7b**. DCM (1 mL x 2) was added to rinse the crude product, giving **7b** (35.1 mg, 42%), which was used without further purification for the next step. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (acetone-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.88 (s, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (acetone-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  183.5, 155.1, 147.9, 146.6, 142.2, 139.3, 126.0, 124.0, 119.4, 116.8, 114.1. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>9</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 221.0. Found: 221.3.



Compound **7c** was synthesized according to the general procedure C in 41% yield (39 mg). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.86 (s, 1H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  183.7, 153.4, 149.3, 147.2, 140.8, 139.5, 125.3, 123.9, 117.6, 113.2, 112.6, 55.7. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 235.0. Found: 235.4.

Synthesis of 7d:



Compound **7d** was synthesized according to the general procedure C in 85% yield (80 mg). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.67 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 6.32 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  181.7, 157.7, 150.6, 140.1, 136.2, 121.7, 119.4, 117.9, 110.0, 55.4. LCMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 235.0. Found: 235.3.

Synthesis of HS-350:



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS-350** was synthesized in 71% yield (39 mg) on 0.107 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  8.80 (s, 1H), 8.54 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 8.45 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.48 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.8, 143.7, 143.5, 143.4, 141.3, 140.9, 135.5, 134.6, 132.6, 129.6, 128.4, 128.2, 124.6, 123.5, 123.7, 121.2, 120.5, 116.6,111.2, 111.0, 44.4, 14.2. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 388.0942. Found: 388.0946.

Synthesis of **HS-351**:



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS**-**351** was synthesized in 73% yield (46.2 mg) on 0.123 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  8.55 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 8.52 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.31 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 0.5 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.47 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.8, 147.7, 147.3, 144.9, 141.6, 140.9, 136.3, 133.1, 132.1, 129.5, 128.2, 128.16, 128.1, 124.4, 119.4, 118.6, 118.4, 116.4, 110.2, 107.0, 44.3, 14.2. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 388.0942. Found: 388.0941.

Synthesis of HS-352:



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS**-**352** was synthesized in 59% yield (13.3 mg) on 0.0438 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.02 (br s, 1H), 8.52 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (br d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.48 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.8, 146.5, 143.9, 142.6, 141.5, 140.9, 138.8, 136.0, 133.7, 130.1, 129.5, 128.3, 128.1, 126.0, 124.4, 120.2, 116.5, 110.5, 106.5, 105.6, 44.4, 14.2. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 388.0942. Found: 388.0941.

Synthesis of **HS-353**:



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS-353** was synthesized in 73% yield (18.2 mg) on 0.0482 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  8.50 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 8.49 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 8.39 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.48 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.9, 146.5, 145.8, 143.7, 142.7, 140.9, 135.9, 132.5, 130.3, 129.3, 128.0, 127.8, 127.3, 124.2, 121.8, 118.4, 116.2, 115.8, 108.5, 105.2, 44.0, 14.1. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 388.0942. Found: 388.0941.

Synthesis of HS-354:



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS-354** was synthesized in 52% yield (27 mg) on 0.0876 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  8.57 (s, 1H), 8.48 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 8.40 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.25 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 0.5 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 0.5 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.47 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.7, 149.8, 142.0, 140.9, 138.8, 137.8, 137.5, 132.1, 129.4, 129.2, 128.1, 128.0, 126.0, 124.3, 123.4, 122.4, 116.3, 114.5, 111.5, 109.6, 44.2, 14.1. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 388.0942. Found: 388.0938.



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS-355** was synthesized in 65% yield (25 mg) on 0.0745 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.23 (s, 1H), 8.49 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 8.44 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.83-7.75 (m, 3H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.49 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.7, 149.4, 149.0, 141.5, 140.9, 136.1, 135.2, 129.5, 128.3, 128.23, 128.19, 124.4, 123.2, 129.0, 122.7, 121.0, 117.1, 117.0, 116.5, 110.1, 44.4, 14.1. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 388.0942. Found: 388.0938.

Synthesis of HS-356:



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS-356** was synthesized in 68% yield (34 mg) on 0.0949 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.28 (br s, 1H), 8.51 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 8.44-8.38 (m, 2H), 8.26 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.86 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.48 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.7, 147.6, 141.7, 140.9, 140.8, 136.6, 135.2, 133.5, 132.4, 132.1, 129.4, 129.1, 128.2, 128.0, 124.4, 118.5, 116.4, 115.1, 114.3, 109.7, 44.2, 14.1, 8.9. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 402.1099. Found: 402.1099.

Synthesis of **HS-357**:



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS-357** was synthesized in 68% yield (34 mg) on 0.0949 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  8.51-8.44 (m, 2H), 8.37 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (d, *J* = 0.5 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.47 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.8, 146.9, 145.9, 143.8, 142.9, 140.9, 136.4, 132.0, 129.3, 128.6, 127.9, 127.7, 124.2, 124.16, 122.6, 118.0, 116.1, 115.0, 114.6, 107.9, 44.0, 14.1, 9.5. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 402.1099. Found: 402.1095.



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS-358** was synthesized in 63% yield (42 mg) on 0.132 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.48 (br s, 2H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 8.40 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.46 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.7, 153.1, 147.6, 146.0, 141.7, 140.9, 137.9, 136.7, 129.4, 128.1, 127.9, 124.3, 124.2, 124.1, 118.0, 116.3, 113.2, 109.6, 44.1, 14.1. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 380.0779. Found: 380.0775.

Synthesis of HS-359:



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS-359** was synthesized in 82% yield (53 mg) on 0.124 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.40 (s, 1H), 8.44 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 8.40 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.25 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 1.46 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.7, 152.3, 149.3, 147.1, 141.6, 140.9, 137.7, 137.2, 129.4, 128.2, 128.0, 125.5, 124.8, 124.3, 117.6, 116.4, 112.9, 112.7, 110.0, 55.8, 44.2, 14.1. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 394.0935. Found: 394.0934.

Synthesis of **HS-360**:



Following the general procedure B, ligand **HS-360** was synthesized in 15% yield (10 mg) on 0.124 mmol scale. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d6, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  9.68 (br s, 1H), 8.44 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 8.39 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 1.46 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d6, 126 MHz):  $\delta$  170.7, 153.0, 148.6, 148.2, 141.7, 140.9, 137.9, 136.9, 129.4, 128.1, 128.0, 124.7, 124.3, 124.1, 119.5, 116.3, 116.2, 109.9, 109.7, 55.8, 44.1, 14.1. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): m/z calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M-I)<sup>+</sup>: 394.0935. Found: 394.0933.

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **3a**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **3b**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **3c**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **3d**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **3e**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **3f**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **3g**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **3h**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **7b**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **7c**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of **7d**:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of ligand HS-350:





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<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of ligand HS-352:





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# <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of ligand HS-356:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of ligand HS-357:





<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of ligand HS-358:



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<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of ligand HS-359:

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<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of ligand HS-360:

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