Supplementary Information for:

DYRK1A inhibition and cognitive rescue in a Down syndrome mouse model are induced by new fluoro-DANDY derivatives

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1. Synthesis of the fluoro-DANDY inhibitors

1.1 General Remarks.

Melting points were measured in capillary tubes on a Büchi B-540 apparatus and are uncorrected. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin Elmer Spectrum BX FT-IR spectrometer. Proton (¹H) and carbon (¹³C) NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker spectrometers: Avance 300 MHz (QNP - ¹³C, ³¹P, ¹⁹F - probe or Dual ¹³C probe) and Avance 500 MHz (BB0 - ATM probe or BBI - ATM probe). Carbon NMR (¹³C) spectra were recorded at 125 or 75 MHz using a broadband decoupled mode with the multiplicities obtained using a DEPT sequence. NMR experiments were carried out in deuterochloroform (CDCl₃), for which chemical shifts (δ) are reported in parts per million (ppm) with reference to CDCl₃ (¹H: 7.26; ¹³C: 77.16) and deuteromethanol (CD₃OD), for which chemical shifts (δ) are reported in parts per million (ppm) with reference to CD₃OD (¹H: 3.34; ¹³C: 49.86). The following abbreviations are used for the proton spectra multiplicities: s: singlet, brs: broad singlet, d: doublet, t: triplet, q: quartet, m: multiplet, br: broad. Coupling constants (J) are reported in Hertz (Hz). Mass spectra were obtained either with an LCT (Micromass) instrument using electrospray ionization (ES) or from a Time of Flight analyzer (ESI-MS) for the high resolution mass spectra (HRMS). Thin-layer chromatography was performed on silica gel 60 F254 on aluminum plates (Merck) and visualized under a UVP Mineralight UVLS-28 lamp (254 nm) and with 4-anisaldehyde and phosphomolybdic acid stains in ethanol. Flash chromatography was conducted on Merck silica gel 60 (40-63 µm) at medium pressure (300 mbar). All reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers unless otherwise stated.

1.2 General Procedure for the Preparation of the 3-Aryl-7-azaindole Derivatives 2a-2d and 3,5-Diaryl-7-azaindoles 3a-3e.

To solution of 5-bromo-3-iodo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1*H*-pyrrolo[2,3-*b*]pyridine (**1**, 1 equiv)³² or of 5-bromo-3-aryl-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1*H*-pyrrolo[2,3-*b*]pyridine (**2a-2d**, 1 equiv) in a degassed mixture of toluene and ethanol (3:1, 0.03 M) were added the appropriately substituted phenylboronic acid (1 equiv), K_2CO_3 (2M solution in water, 3 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (1.5 mol%). The reaction mixture was heated at 110 °C for 5 h under argon then cooled to room temperature and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was partitioned between water and CH₂Cl₂ and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2x). The organic extracts were combined, dried over MgSO₄ and the solvents were removed under vacuum. The residue was purified as described below to give the following compounds:

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-bromo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (2a).



Prepared as described above using **1** (200 mg, 0.43 mmol) and 4-fluorophenylboronic acid (60 mg, 0.43 mmol) and purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (6:4 heptane/CH₂Cl₂). White solid (120 mg, 65%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.16-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.65 (m, 5H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.21-8.24 (m, 2H), 8.50 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 115.6, 116.1(d, *J* = 20.0 Hz, 2C), 118.8, 123.0, 123.8, 127.9 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 129.0 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2C), 129.1, 130.9, 134.4, 137.9, 145.7, 145.8, 160.8 (d, *J* = 248.1 Hz, 1C). IR (cm⁻¹) *v* 3146, 3077, 2922, 1379, 1165. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₃FN₂O₂S⁷⁹Br [M + H]⁺ 430.9865, found 430.9845; *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₃FN₂O₂S⁸¹Br [M + H]⁺ 432.9845, found 432.9831.

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-bromo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (2b).



Prepared as described above using **1** (300 mg, 0.65 mmol) and 3,4-difluorophenylboronic acid (50 mg, 0.32 mmol) and purified by trituration in CH₃OH/CH₂Cl₂. White solid (175 mg, 60%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.51-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.87 (s, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.22-8.26 (m, 2H), 8.52 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 115.8, 116.3 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1C), 117.8, 118.1 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1C), 122.6, 123.5 (m, 1C), 124.2, 128.2, 128.9 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1C), 129.2, 130.7, 134.5, 137.7, 145.6, 146.1, 148.3 (dd, *J* = 249.7, 12.6 Hz, 1C), 149.0 (dd, *J* = 249.7, 12.6 Hz, 1C). IR (cm⁻¹) ν 3140, 3069, 1369, 1168. HRMS (ES+) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₂F₂N₂O₂S⁷⁹Br [M + H]⁺ 448.9771, found 448.9782; *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₂F₂N₂O₂S⁸¹Br [M + H]⁺ 450.9750 found, 450.9767.

3-(3-Fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-5-bromo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (2c).



Prepared as described above using 1 (604 mg, 1.31 mmol) and 3-fluoro-4methoxyphenylboronic acid (111 mg, 0.65 mmol) and purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (CH₂Cl₂). White solid (297 mg, 50%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.96 (s, 3H), 7.04-7.10 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.60-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.83 (s, 1H), 8.17 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 8.20-8.23 (m, 2H), 8.50 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.4, 114.0 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1C), 115.0 (d, J = 19.2 Hz, 1C), 115.6, 118.5 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1C), 123.0, 123.3 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1C), 123.6, 124.8 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 129.2, 130.9, 134.4, 137.8, 145.7 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1C), 145.9, 147.4, 150.9 (d, J = 247.6 Hz, 1C). IR (cm⁻¹) v 3121, 3037, 2886, 1378, 1161. HRMS (ES+) m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₅FN₂O₃S⁷⁹Br [M + H]⁺ 460.9971, found 460.9975; m/z calcd for C₂₀H₁₅FN₂O₃S⁸¹Br [M + H]⁺ 462.9950, found 462.9966.

3-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-bromo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (2d).



Prepared as described above using **1** (115 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3,4-dimethoxyphenylboronic acid (45 mg, 0.25 mmol) and purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (95:5 CH₂Cl₂/heptane). White solid (85 mg, 72%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 6.97 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 8.18 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.20-8.24 (m, 2H), 8.49 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.0, 56.1, 110.7, 111.7, 115.5, 119.8, 120.0, 123.3, 124.5, 128.1, 129.1, 131.1, 134.3, 138.0, 145.7, 149.1, 149.6. IR (cm⁻¹) ν 3127, 3000, 2928, 2853, 1384, 1148. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₁₈N₂O₄S⁷⁹Br [M + H]⁺ 473.0171, found 473.0150; *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₁₈N₂O₄S⁸¹Br [M + H]⁺ 475.0150, found 475.0135.

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-

b]pyridine (3a).



Prepared as described above using **2a** (150 mg, 0.35 mmol) and 3,4-dimethoxyphenylboronic acid (64 mg, 0.35 mmol) and purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (CH₂Cl₂). White solid (159 mg, 92%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.17-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.64 (m, 5H), 7.87 (s, 1H), 8.12 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.27-8.30 (m, 2H), 8.67 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.0, 56.1, 110.8, 111.7, 116.0 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz, 2C), 119.6, 120.0, 121.5, 123.1, 126.6, 128.1, 128.6 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1C), 129.1, 129.1 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2C), 131.2, 133.1, 134.1, 138.3, 144.4, 146.5, 149.1, 149.4, 160.8 (d, *J* = 248.1 Hz, 1C). IR (cm⁻¹) ν 3131, 3059, 2935, 1381, 1154. HRMS (ES+) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₇H₂₂FN₂O₄S [M + H]⁺ 489.1284, found 489.1290.

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-

b]pyridine (3b).



Prepared as described above using **2a** (108 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3,4-dimethoxyphenylboronic acid (45 mg, 0.25 mmol) and purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (8:2 CH₂Cl₂/heptane). White solid (92 mg, 75%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 6.58-6.61 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.50-7.63 (m, 5H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d, *J* =

1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 8.60 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 55.5, 55.6, 99.0, 104.9, 115.9 (d, J = 21.4 Hz, 2C), 119.6, 120.1, 121.0, 122.5, 128.1, 129.0 (m, 2C), 130.0, 131.4, 134.0, 138.4, 146.2, 146.4, 157.5, 160.9 (d, J = 230.5 Hz, 1C). IR (cm⁻¹) v 3140, 3060, 2921, 1371, 1155. HRMS (ES+) m/z calcd for C₂₇H₂₂FN₂O₄S [M + H]⁺ 489.1284, found 489.1288.

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3b]pyridine (**3**c).



Prepared as described above using **2b** (100 mg, 0.22 mmol) and 3,4-dimethoxyphenylboronic acid (40 mg, 0.22 mmol) and purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (CH₂Cl₂). White solid (97 mg, 87%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.60-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 8.10 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.27-8.30 (m, 2H), 8.68 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.0, 56.1, 110.8, 111.8, 116.3 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1C), 118.0 (d, *J* = 17.0 Hz, 1C), 118.6 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1C), 120.0, 121.1, 123.5, 123.5-123.7 (m), 126.4, 128.2, 129.1, 129.6-129.7 (m), 131.0, 133.2, 134.2, 138.2, 144.6, 146.5, 148.2 (dd, *J* = 249.7, 12.6 Hz, 1C), 149.0 (dd, *J* = 249.2, 12.6 Hz, 1C), 149.2, 149.5. IR (cm⁻¹) ν 3167, 3030, 2936, 1381, 1170. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₂₇H₂₁F₂N₂O₄S [M + H]⁺ 507.1190, found 507.1198.

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-

b]pyridine (3d).



Prepared as described above using **2b** (200 mg, 0.44 mmol) and 2,4-dimethoxyphenylboronic acid (80 mg, 0.44 mmol) and purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (8:2 CH₂Cl₂/heptane). White solid (37 mg, 35%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 6.59-6.62 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.36 (m, 1H), 7.38-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.27-8.30 (m, 2H), 8.61 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 55.48, 55.54, 99.0, 104.9, 116.2 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1C), 117.8 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1C), 118.6 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1C), 119.9, 120.6, 123.0, 123.4-123.6 (m), 128.1, 129.0 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1C), 129.1, 129.8 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1C), 130.2, 131.4, 134.1, 138.3, 146.1, 146.6, 148.1 (dd, *J* = 249.2, 12.1 Hz, 1C), 148.9 (dd, *J* = 249.2, 12.6 Hz, 1C), 157.5, 161.0. IR (cm⁻¹) v 3134, 3060, 2930, 1373, 1160. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₂₇H₂₁F₂N₂O₄S [M + H]⁺ 507.1190, found 507.1179.

3-(3-Fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-5-(4-benzyloxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-

pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (3e).



Prepared as described above using **2c** (167 mg, 0.36 mmol) and 4-benzyloxyphenylboronic acid (82 mg, 0.36 mmol) and purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (CH₂Cl₂). White solid (108 mg, 53%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.96 (s, 3H), 5.13 (s, 2H), 7.05-7.11 (m,

3H), 7.32-7.55 (m, 11H), 7.58-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 8.14 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.26-8.29 (m, 2H), 8.67 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.3, 70.1, 113.9 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1C), 115.1 (d, J = 19.2 Hz, 1C), 115.4, 115.9 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1C), 119.3, 121.4, 122.8, 123.3 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 1C), 125.5 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1C), 126.5, 127.4, 128.0, 128.5, 128.6, 129.1, 130.9, 132.7, 134.1, 136.7, 138.2, 144.2, 146.5, 147.2 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1C), 150.9 (d, J = 247.0 Hz, 1C), 158.7. IR (cm⁻¹) v 3033, 2932, 1381, 1232, 1175. HRMS (ES+) m/z calcd for C₃₃H₂₆FN₂O₄S [M + H]⁺ 565.1597, found 565.1594.

3-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-(3,4-dibenzyloxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-

pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (3f).



To solution of **2d** (63 mg, 0.13 mmol), 3,4-dibenzyloxyphenylboronic acid pinacol ester³⁴ (67 mg, 0.16 mmol) and PPh₃ (2 mg, 6 mol%) in degassed dioxane (5 mL) were added potassium acetate (0.4 mL of a 2 M aqueous solution, 0.78 mmol) and Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (3 mg, 3 mol%). The reaction mixture was heated at 100 °C for 12 h under argon then cooled to room temperature and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was partitioned between water and CH₂Cl₂ and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2x). The organic extracts were combined, dried over MgSO₄ and the solvents were removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (9:1 CH₂Cl₂/heptane) affording compound **3f** as a yellow solid (54 mg, 61%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.95 (s, 3H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 5.22 (s, 4H), 6.98-7.03 (m, 1H), 7.06-7.09 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.39 (m, 7H), 7.45-7.55 (m, 7H), 7.58-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.25-8.28 (m, 2H), 8.59 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.0, 56.1, 71.2, 71.5, 110.7, 111.6, 114.6, 115.3, 120.0, 120.5, 120.6, 121.8,

122.6, 125.2, 126.8, 127.2, 127.3, 127.8, 127.9, 128.0, 128.5, 129.1, 131.8, 132.7, 134.1, 136.9, 137.0, 138.3, 144.2, 146.6, 148.9, 149.0, 149.2, 149.5. IR (cm⁻¹) v 3063, 3031, 2927, 2854, 1380, 1174. HRMS (ES+) m/z calcd for C₄₁H₃₅N₂O₆S [M + H]⁺ 683.2216, found 683.2224.

1.3 General Procedure for the Preparation of the *N*-Deprotected 3,5-Diaryl-7azaindoles 4a-4f.

To a solution of the 3,5-diaryl-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1*H*-pyrrolo[2,3-*b*]pyridine (**3a-3f**, 1 equiv) in methanol (0.4 M) was added an aqueous solution of NaOH (2N, 0.5 equiv). The reaction mixture was heated at 80 °C for 2 h, then cooled to room temperature and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was partitioned between water and CH_2Cl_2 and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2x). The organic extracts were combined, dried over MgSO₄ and the solvents were removed under vacuum. The residue was purified as described below to give the following compounds:

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4a).



Prepared as described above from **3a** (159 mg, 0.32 mmol) and purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (99:1 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH). Pale yellow solid (84 mg, 75%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.96 (s, 3H), 4.00 (s, 3H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.21 (m, 4H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.61-7.65 (m, 2H), 8.31 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.59 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 11.0 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.0, 56.1, 110.9, 111.7, 115.7 (d, J = 21.4 Hz, 2C), 115.8, 118.7, 119.9, 123.0, 126.5, 128.6 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2C), 130.3, 130.8 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 1C), 132.3, 141.9, 148.1, 148.7, 149.4, 160.0 (d, J = 245.4 Hz, 1C). IR (cm⁻¹) ν 3130, 3033, 2904, 1247. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₁₈FN₂O₂ [M + H]⁺ 349.1352, found 349.1357. UPLC *R*₁ = 4.07 min; area 100%.

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4b).



Prepared as described above from **3b** (61 mg, 0.12 mmol) and purified by preparative chromatography on silica gel (9:1 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH). Pale yellow solid (37 mg, 88%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 6.62-6.64 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.18 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.59-7.64 (m, 2H), 8.31 (s, 1H), 8.53 (s, 1H), 11.32 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 55.5, 55.6, 99.1, 104.8, 115.6 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz, 2C), 118.5, 121.1, 122.6, 127.0, 128.5, (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2C), 129.3, 131.0 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1C), 131.5, 143.5, 147.4, 157.6, 159.9 (d, *J* = 244.8 Hz, 1C), 160.6. IR (cm⁻¹) *v* 3118, 3011, 2837, 1208. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₁₈FN₂O₂ [M + H]⁺ 349.1352, found 349.1356.

UPLC $R_t = 4.34$ min; area 100%.

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4c).



Prepared as described above from **3c** (70 mg, 0.14 mmol) and purified by preparative chromatography on silica gel (96:4 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH). Pale yellow solid (37 mg, 72%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.96 (s, 3H), 3.99 (s, 3H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.42-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 8.32 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.59 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 11.19 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.0, 56.1, 110.9, 111.8, 114.9, 115.7 (d, J = 17.6 Hz, 1C), 117.7 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1C), 118.4, 119.9, 122.9-123.0 (m), 123.4, 126.4, 130.6, 131.8-131.9 (m), 132.1, 142.2, 147.4 (dd, J = 247.6, 12.6 Hz, 1C), 148.1, 148.8, 148.9 (dd, J = 247.6,

1C), 149.4. IR (cm⁻¹) v 3128, 3027, 2965, 1268. HRMS (ES+) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₁₇F₂N₂O₂ [M + H]⁺ 367.1258, found 367.1266.

UPLC $R_t = 4.24$ min; area 100%.

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4d).



Prepared as described above from **3d** (35 mg, 0.07 mmol) and purified by preparative chromatography on silica gel (9.8:0.2 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH). Pale yellow solid (21 mg, 81%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 6.63 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.73-7.81 (m, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.33 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 12.03 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 55.3, 55.6, 99.0, 105.4, 112.4, 114.7 (d, J = 17.3 Hz, 1C), 116.6, 117.7 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1C), 120.6, 122.7, 124.9, 126.5, 127.5, 131.4, 132.8-132.9 (m), 144.0, 145.9 (dd, J = 244.0, 12.6 Hz, 1C), 147.6, 148.1 (dd, J = 244.3, 12.6 Hz, 1C), 157.2, 160.1. IR (cm⁻¹) v 3108, 3006, 2869, 1257. HRMS (ES+) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₁₇F₂N₂O₂ [M + H]⁺ 367.1258, found 367.1272.

UPLC $R_t = 4.54$ min; area 100%.

3-(3-Fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-5-(4-benzyloxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4e).



Prepared as described above from **3e** (90 mg, 0.16 mmol) and purified by preparative chromatography on silica gel (9.8:0.2 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH). Pale yellow solid (45 mg, 66%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.96 (s, 3H), 5.15 (s, 2H), 7.04-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.35-7.59 (m, 10H),

8.32 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.56 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 11.15 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.4, 70.1, 114.1 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1C), 114.7 (d, J = 18.7 Hz, 1C), 115.4, 116.0 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1C), 118.7, 122.7 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1C), 122.9, 126.5, 127.4, 128.0, 128.1, 128.2, 128.5 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1C), 129.9, 131.9, 136.9, 141.5, 146.1 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1C), 147.8, 151.1 (d, J = 245.9Hz, 1C), 158.4. IR (cm⁻¹) v 3089, 2921, 1237. HRMS (ES+) m/z calcd for C₂₇H₂₂FN₂O₂ [M + H]⁺ 425.1665, found 425.1669.

UPLC $R_t = 5.09$ min; area 96%.

3-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-(3,4-dibenzyloxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4f).



Prepared as described above from **3f** (64 mg, 0.09 mmol) and purified by preparative chromatography on silica gel (9.9:0.1 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH). Pale yellow solid (39 mg, 79%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.95 (s, 3H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 5.24 (s, 2H), 5.25 (s, 2H), 6.99-7.06 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.42 (m, 7H), 7.48-7.54 (m, 5H), 8.30 (s, 1H), 8.49 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.0, 71.3, 71.5, 110.7, 111.7, 114.6, 115.4, 116.9, 119.6, 120.5, 123.0, 127.2, 127.3, 127.4, 127.6, 127.8, 127.9, 128.5, 129.8, 132.4, 137.0, 137.1, 146.7, 148.0, 148.7, 149.2, 149.3. IR (cm⁻¹) v 3120, 3033, 2930, 2835, 1251. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₃₅H₃₁N₂O₄ [M + H]⁺ 543.2284, found 543.2279.

UPLC $R_t = 5.17$ min; area 100%.

1.4 General Procedure for Preparation of the De-O-methylated 3,5-Diaryl-7-azaindole Derivatives 5a-5d, 5g. To a solution of the methoxy 3,5-diaryl-1*H*-pyrrolo[2,3-*b*]pyridine derivative (4a-4d, 5e, 1 equiv) in anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (1.2 M) was added BBr₃ (1N solution in CH_2Cl_2 , 3 equiv/OCH₃). The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature and then cooled to 0 °C before addition of excess methanol. The mixture was concentrated under vacuum and the residue was purified as described below to give the following compounds:

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5a).



Prepared as described above from **4a** (67 mg, 0.19 mmol) and purified by preparative chromatography on silica gel (9:1 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH). White solid (21 mg, 34%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 6.83 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.24-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.77-7.81 (m, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.99 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 2H), 11.90 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 113.4, 114.4, 115.5 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz, 2C), 116.1, 117.1, 118.0, 124.3, 128.0 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2C), 129.2, 130.3, 131.5 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1C), 141.6, 144.8, 145.7, 148.1, 158.9 (d, *J* = 242.1 Hz, 1C). IR (cm⁻¹) v 3246, 3044, 2926, 1217. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₄FN₂O₂ [M + H]⁺ 321.1039, found 321.1045.

UPLC $R_t = 3.25$ min; area 100%.

Large scale preparation of **5***a*. Prepared as described above from **4***a* (760 mg, 2.18 mmol) and purified by precipitation in CH₂Cl₂ and washing with CH₂Cl₂ then MeOH. White solid (590 mg, 84%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.24-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.76-7.81 (m, 2H), 7.93 (s, 1H), 8.60 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.86 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H).

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5b).



Prepared as described above from **4b** (52 mg, 0.15 mmol) and purified by preparative chromatography on silica gel (93:7 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH). White solid (24 mg, 50%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 6.42-6.45 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.56-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.66-7.70 (m, 2H), 8.33 (s, 1H), 8.38 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 104.1, 108.5, 116.3, 116.4 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz, 2C), 119.3, 119.5, 124.2, 129.0, 129.5, (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2C), 129.8, 132.5, 132.8 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1C), 144.8, 148.3, 156.5, 159.2, 161.2 (d, *J* = 242.6 Hz, 1C). IR (cm⁻¹) *v* 3303, 2586, 1220. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₄FN₂O₂ [M + H]⁺ 321.1039, found 321.1024. UPLC *R*_t = 3.07 min; area 100%.

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5c).



Prepared as described above from 4c (27 mg, 0.07 mmol) and purified by trituration with MeOH/CH₂Cl₂. Yellow solid (24 mg, 100%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 7.45-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.64-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.83-7.90 (m, 1H), 8.05 (s, 1H), 8.48-8.54 (m, 2H), 12.38 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 113.7, 115.1, 115.6 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1C), 116.6, 118.3 (d, *J* = 16.7 Hz, 1C), 118.8, 119.1 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1C), 123.6, 126.5-126.7 (m), 127.6-127.7 (m), 129.6, 130.1, 132.5, 139.3-139.7 (m), 145.7, 146.2, 146.7 (dd, *J* = 244.5, 12.6 Hz, 1C), 147.0, 148.6 (dd, *J*

= 244.5, 12.6 Hz, 1C). IR (cm⁻¹) v 3117, 2924, 1269. HRMS (ES+) m/z calcd for $C_{19}H_{13}F_2N_2O_2 [M + H]^+$ 339.0945, found 339.0932.

UPLC $R_t = 3.43$ min; area 100%.

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5d).



Prepared as described above from **4d** (10 mg, 0.03 mmol) and purified by trituration with MeOH/CH₂Cl₂. Yellow solid (9 mg, 100%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 6.45-6.49 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.37-7.43 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.59-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 8.63 (d, *J* = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 8.94 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 104.0, 109.1, 115.0, 117.3 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1C), 117.8, 119.0 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1C), 124.8, 125.0-125.2 (m, 1C), 128.3, 130.0, 131.2, 132.3, 134.7, 138.2, 139.0, 149.3 (dd, *J* = 247.6, 12.6 Hz, 1C), 150.2 (dd, *J* = 247.0, 12.6 Hz, 1C), 156.8, 160.8. IR (cm⁻¹) ν 3095, 2922, 2851, 1267. HRMS (ES+) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₃F₂N₂O₂ [M + H]⁺ 339.0945, found 339.0933.

UPLC $R_t = 3.27$ min; area 100%.

3-(3-Fluoro-4-hydroxyphenyl)-5-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5g).



Prepared as described above from **5e** (12 mg, 0.03 mmol) and purified by trituration with MeOH/CH₂Cl₂. Yellow solid (10 mg, 100%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 6.93-6.96 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H). 7.34-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.39 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.79 (s, 1H), 8.56 (s, 1H), 8.74 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 115.9 (d, *J* = 19.2 Hz, 1C), 117.2, 119.4 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1C), 124.7 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1C), 126.2

(d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1C), 126.8, 129.0, 129.7, 133.3, 135.2, 142.1, 145.5 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1C), 151.6 (d, J = 241.0 Hz, 1C), 153.5, 153.8, 154.1, 159.2. IR (cm⁻¹) v 3173, 2922, 1259. HRMS (ES+) m/z calcd for C₁₉H₁₄FN₂O₂ [M + H]⁺ 321.1039, found 321.1045.

UPLC $R_t = 2.68$ min; area 95%.

3-(3-Fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-5-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5e).



To a solution of **4e** (26 mg, 0.06 mmol) in degassed MeOH (1 mL) were added 10% palladium on charcoal (10 mg) and ammonium formate (19 mg, 0.30 mmol). The reaction mixture was heated for 15 h at 35 °C under argon, then cooled and filtered through Celite. The filter pad was washed with MeOH and CH₂Cl₂, the filtrates were combined and concentrated under vacuum to afford compound **5e** as a white solid (20 mg, 100%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 3.87 (s, 3H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 4H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 8.29 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.47 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 9.69 (s, 1H), 11.93 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 56.1, 113.2 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1C), 113.7 (d, *J* = 18.7 Hz, 1C), 114.4 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1C), 115.9, 117.1, 122.4 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1C), 124.3, 124.5, 128.2, 128.3 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1C), 129.0, 129.6, 141.7, 145.1 (d, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1C), 148.1, 150.3 (d, *J* = 243.2 Hz, 1C), 157.0 IR (cm⁻¹) v 3371, 3015, 2931, 1266. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₂₀H₁₆FN₂O₂ [M + H]⁺ 335.1196, found 335.1191.

UPLC $R_t = 3.42$ min; area 95%.

3-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5f).



To a solution of **4f** (15 mg, 0.03 mmol) in degassed MeOH (1 mL) were added 10% palladium on charcoal (10 mg) and ammonium formate (15 mg, 0.24 mmol). The reaction mixture was heated for 3 h at 35 °C under argon, then cooled and filtered through Celite. The filter pad was washed with EtOH and CH₂Cl₂, the filtrates were combined and concentrated under vacuum to afford compound **5f** as a white solid (11 mg, 100%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.02-7.04 (m, 1H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.21-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 8.28 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.38 (s, 1H), 8.50 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 56.6, 112.2, 113.6, 115.3, 117.0, 117.2, 119.7, 120.1, 120.6, 124.3, 127.1, 129.6, 131.3, 132.5, 142.3, 146.1, 146.8, 148.9, 149.1, 150.8. IR (cm⁻¹) v 3420, 3005, 2922, 2851, 1251. HRMS (ES+) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₁₉N₂O₄ [M + H]⁺ 363.1345, found 363.1337.

UPLC $R_t = 2.74$ min; area 100%.

2. NMR Spectra of 2a-2d, 3a-3e, 4a-4f and 5a-5g

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-bromo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (2a).







3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-bromo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (2b).





3-(3-Fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-5-bromo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (2c).





3-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-bromo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (2d).



3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[*2,3-b*]*pyridine* (*3a*).





3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (**3b**).



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* ppm

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3b]pyridine (**3c**).



3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3b]pyridine (**3d**).







3-(3-Fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-5-(4-benzyloxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (**3e**).

* ppm

150 140 130 120



3-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-(3,4-dibenzyloxyphenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (**3f**).

70

* ppm

160

170

150 140 130 120

110



3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4a).



3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4b).

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4c).

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4d).

3-(3-Fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-5-(4-benzyloxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4e).

3-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-(3,4-dibenzyloxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (4f).

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5a), in DMSO-d6

 $3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5a), in CD_3OD$

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5b).

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5c).

3-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-(2,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5d).

3-(3-Fluoro-4-hydroxyphenyl)-5-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5g).

3-(3-Fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-5-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5e).

3-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (5f).

3. Supplementary Figures

Figure SI1: MS/MS spectrum of compound **5a** - parent ion $[M+H]^+$ at m/z 321.0 at collision energy 30.

Figure SI2: Extracted Ion Chromatograms for fragment ion at m/z 275.0 in plasma (A) and brain (B) samples 1- Ts65Dn treated 2- at the LOQ 3- Ts65Dn vehicle.

4. Supplementary Table

Table SI1: Optimized SRM transitions for compound **5a** and IS. As acetonitrile adducts were detected, the sixth transition corresponds to this adduct with the following parent ion: m/z 344.0 m/z 362.1

Internal standard - Rt = 7.68 min		Compound 5a - $Rt = 7.81 min$			
Parent ion m/z 303.0		Parent ion m/z 321.0			
Fragment ions	Optimized collision	Fragment	Optimized collision	Ion Ratio	
(m/z)	energies (V)	ions (m/z)	energies (V)		
192.9	33	210.9	34	0.07	
231.9	34	250.0	35	0.22	
247.1	25	265.0	30	0.17	
257.1	28	275.0	31	0.41	
285.0	27	303.0	27	0.11	
303.0*	15	321.0**	12	0.03	