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## Abstract:

A series of twenty two novel 1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-7-(4-substitutedpiperazin-1-yl)-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid analogues have been synthesized, characterized (<sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR and LCMS) and evaluated for their inhibitory activity on the proliferation of human caucasian acute lymphoblastic leukemia cells (CCRF-CEM), breast adenocarcinoma cells (MDA-MB-468) and human colon carcinoma cells (HCT-116). Among all the synthesized ciprofloxacin analogues **3t** at 50 μM showed comparable potency to doxorubicin (10 μmol) in all three cell lines and **3j** inhibited proliferation of MDA-MB-468 up to 35% selectively over other two cell lines. Cancer is a leading cause of death worldwide. It is a group of diseases characterized by uncontrolled growth. Cancer is the second cause of death in the US.<sup>1</sup>

Ciprofloxacin (CP) is one of the broad-spectrum fluoroquinolone (FQ) antibiotics with low side effects.<sup>2</sup> CP exhibited antiproliferative and apoptotic activities in several cancer cell lines such as hormone resistant prostate cancer (HRPC) cell line (PC-3)<sup>3</sup>, transitional cell carcinoma cell lines (MBT-2 and T24)<sup>4</sup>, colon carcinoma cell lines (CC-531, SW-403 and HT-29)<sup>5</sup>, human lymphoid cell lines (Jurkat)<sup>6</sup>, non-small-cell lung cancer cell line (NCI-H460 and A549)<sup>7,8</sup>, ovarian cancer cell line (CHO AA8)<sup>9</sup>, murine glioma cell line (GL26)<sup>10</sup>, bladder cell line (HTB9). CP was also found to exhibit cell cycle arrest at the S/G<sub>2</sub>-M checkpoints.<sup>11</sup>

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Along with CP, other FQ derivatives like ofloxacin, levofloxacin, enoxacin and fleroxacin were shown to inhibit the growth of transitional cell and bladder carcinoma cell lines.<sup>2</sup> CP enhanced the antiproliferative effect of 5-fluorouracil<sup>12</sup>, used for treatment of colon cancer.<sup>13</sup> FQs inhibit the activity of mammalian DNA topoisomerases I, II and DNA polymerase enzymes involved in supercoiling, transcription, replication and chromosomal separation of prokaryotic DNA.<sup>5,14</sup>

Many reports indicate, antitumor efficacy of FQs can be augmented by increasing the lipophilicity of compounds.<sup>2,15,16</sup> Introducing substituents at C-7 position of camptothecin improved the lipophilicity and this led to the discovery of gimatecan, which is currently in phase II clinical trials.<sup>17</sup> In bis-quinolinium compounds, lipophilicity of the substituent enhanced their antiproliferative activity against HT-29 colon cancer cell line.<sup>18</sup> Structure of FQ derivatives as anticancer agents is depicted in figure 1.<sup>19-21</sup>

CP showed antiproliferative and apoptotic activities on prostate cancer cell lines (PC3) but not on non-tumorigenic prostate epithelial cells (MLC8891).<sup>22</sup> CP can impede the acute and chronic prostate inflammation which is responsible for prostate cancer development.<sup>23</sup> Fruitful anticancer results of lipophilic derivatives of CP have attracted us to investigate new lipophilic derivatives of CP as antitumor agents. Hence, we impelled our research work and synthesized new FQ derivatives as antitumor agents. In the current study, we synthesized 7-(substituted piperazin-1-yl) derivatives of CP. Firstly, 7-(4-(2-chloroacetyl)piperazin-1-yl)-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (**2**) was synthesized by coupling CP with chloroacetyl chloride as reported earlier<sup>2</sup> and then various substituted piperazines were reacted with **2** to enhance the lipophilicity (Scheme 1).

Acylation of **CP, 1** with chloroacetyl chloride in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> yielded compound **2** in 70% after purification.<sup>2</sup> The series of 1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-7-(4-substituted piperazin-1-yl)-1,4-dihydro quinoline-3-carboxylic acid derivatives of **CP** were prepared by coupling commercially available substituted piperazines with **2** in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (DMF) to obtain the final compounds **3a-v** in yields ranging from 55- 95%.<sup>24</sup> (Scheme 1, Table 1)

The synthesized compounds were evaluated for their inhibitory activity on the proliferation of three cancer cell lines viz human caucasian acute lymphoblastic leukemia cells (CCRF-CEM), breast adenocarcinoma cells (MDA-MB-468) and human colon carcinoma cells (HCT-116). Doxorubicin (Dox) and DMSO were used as positive and negative controls, respectively. The

results for the antiproliferative activity of the synthesized ciprofloxacin analogues **3a-v** at 50  $\mu$ M after 72 h incubation are shown in Figure 2. Most of the synthesized CP analogues were not as effective as positive control in inhibiting the proliferation of these cell lines after 72 h incubation. Among all the CP analogues, **3j** inhibited proliferation of MDA-MB-468 up to 35% and compounds **3s** and **3t** with fluoro substituent inhibited proliferation of all three cancer cell lines in the range of 35-60%. **3t** at 50  $\mu$ M showed comparable potency to doxorubicin (10  $\mu$ mol) in all three cell lines.

In summary, twenty two novel CP analogues were synthesized emphasizing on lipophilicity over two steps and evaluated for their anticancer activity on human caucasian acute lymphoblastic leukemia cells (CCRF-CEM), breast adenocarcinoma cells (MDA-MB-468) and human colon carcinoma cells (HCT-116). Among the synthesized ciprofloxacin analogues, **3t** (fluoro substituent) at 50  $\mu$ M showed comparable potency to doxorubicin (10  $\mu$ mol) in all three cell lines, while **3j** (without fluoro substituent) inhibited proliferation of MDA-MB-468 up to 35% selectively over other two cell lines. These results reveal the importance of fluoro substituent and further modification on the chemical structure of CP derivatives could lead to the synthesis of a promising candidate to develop anti-cancer agent.

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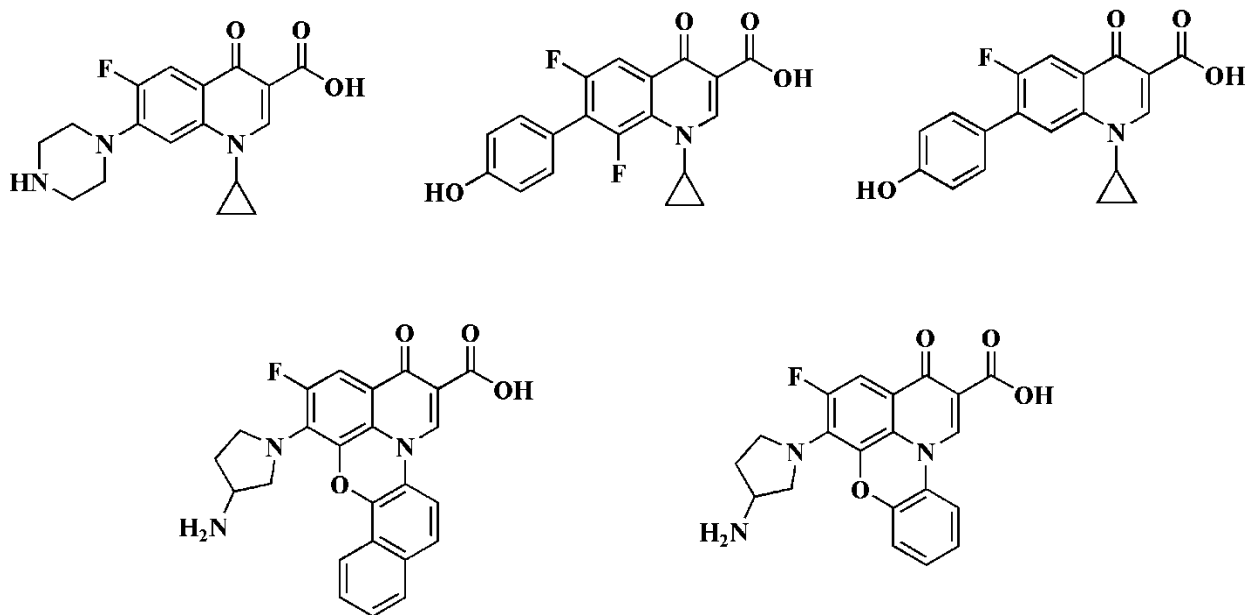
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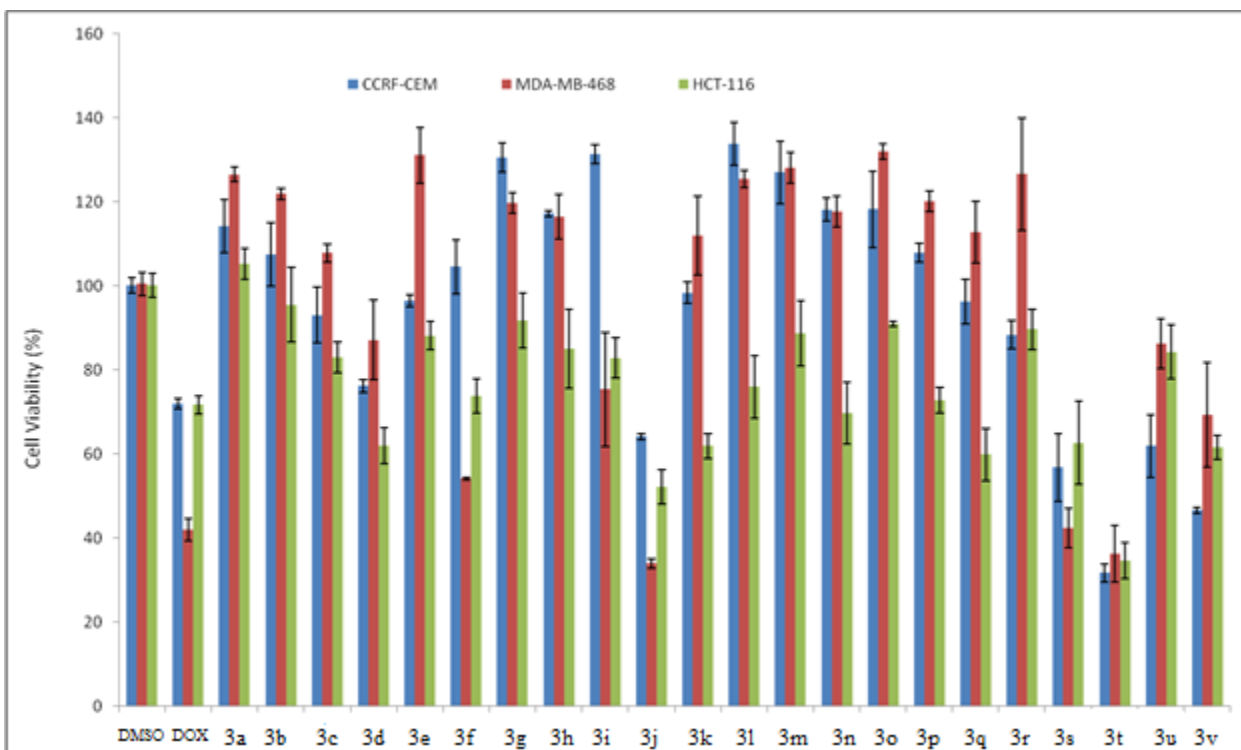
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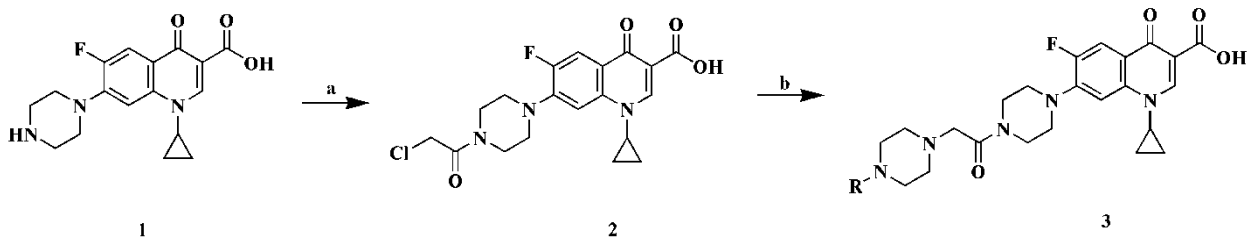
**Figure 1.** Structures of some fluoroquinolone anticancer agents.



**Figure 2:** Antiproliferative activity of compound 3a-v

**Scheme 1:** Synthesis of ciprofloxacin derivatives (3a-v)

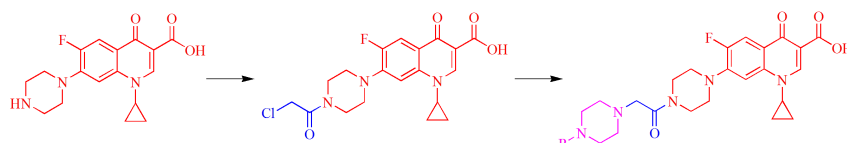




Reagents and conditions: (a)  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ ,  $\text{ClCH}_2\text{COCl}$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ,  $0^\circ\text{C}$ -RT; (b)  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ , KI, substituted piperazines,  $150^\circ\text{C}$ .

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## Supplementary Data

### **Synthesis of novel ciprofloxacin analogues and evaluation of their anti-proliferative effect on human cancer cell lines**

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## 1. General:

All reagents were purchased from commercial available sources and used without further purification. CP was purchased from Sigma Aldrich (>98%). All reactions were monitored by analytical Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC) performed on E-Merck 0.25 mm pre coated silica gel glass plates (60 F254) using mixture of dichloromethane and methanol. Visualization of the spots on TLC plates was achieved either by exposure to UV light or by dipping the plates in ninhydrin solution and heating the plates at 120<sup>0</sup>C. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (Acme, 100-200mesh). Solvents were dried according to conventional methods and purified by distillation prior to use. Solvents for chromatography (dichloromethane and methanol) were distilled prior to use. Evaporations were carried out under reduced pressure on Buchi rotary evaporator below 40-45<sup>0</sup>C. Melting points were obtained using Stuart SMP30 system and are uncorrected. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded in KBr pellets on Shimadzu IR Prestige-21 FT-IR spectrophotometer (cm<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on Avance 300 (300.132 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H, 100.61 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C), in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>. Chemical shifts have been expressed in parts per million ( $\delta$ ) relative to tetramethylsilane ( $\delta = 0.0$ ) as an internal standard and coupling constants ( $J$ ) in Hertz. Low-resolution mass spectra (ESI-MS) were recorded on Shimadzu.

## 2. Cell Culture and Cell Proliferation Assay:

*Cell Culture:* Human caucasian acute lymphoblastic leukaemic cells (CCRF-CEM), breast adenocarcinoma (MDA-MB-468) and human colon carcinoma cells (HCT-116) were obtained from American type culture collection. Cells were grown on 75 cm<sup>2</sup> cell culture flasks with EMEM (Eagle's minimum essential medium), supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum, and 1% penicillin/streptomycin solution (10,000 units of penicillin and 10 mg of streptomycin in 0.9% NaCl) in a humidified atmosphere of 5% CO<sub>2</sub>, 95% air at 37 °C.

*Cell Proliferation Assay:* Cell proliferation assay was carried out using CellTiter 96 aqueous one solution cell proliferation assay kit (Promega, USA). Briefly, upon reaching about 75-80% confluency, 5000 cells/well were plated in 96-well microplate in 100 EL media. After seeding for 72 h, the cells were treated with 50  $\mu$ M compound in triplicate. Doxorubicin (10  $\mu$ M) was used as the positive control. At the end of the sample exposure period (72 h), 20  $\mu$ L CellTiter 96 aqueous solution was added. The plate was returned to the incubator for 1 h in a humidified

atmosphere at 37 °C. The absorbance of the formazan product was measured at 490 nm using microplate reader. The blank control was recorded by measuring the absorbance at 490 nm with wells containing medium mixed with CellTiter 96 aqueous solution but no cells. Results were expressed as the percentage of the control (without compound set at 100%).

### 3. Physical and spectral data for **3b-v**

#### 7-[4-(2-{4-(4-chlorophenyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (**3b**)

m.p. 249-250°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.67 (m, 4H), 2.98 (m, 4H), 3.26 (m, 4H), 3.32 (m, 2H), 3.67 (m, 4H), 3.79 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 6.52 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.1 (d, 2H, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 7.52 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.82 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 153.21 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 147.84, 147.23, 145.12 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 138.95, 132.57, 125.51, 119.91 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 116.38, 111.97 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 53.89, 51.12, 50.46, 49.12, 45.84, 35.82, 8.43. ESI-MS (m/z): calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>31</sub>ClFN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 567.20, found 568.29 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

#### 7-[4-(2-{4-acetylpiperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (**3c**)

m.p. 230-231°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.52 (m, 4H), 2.86 (m, 4H), 3.21 (m, 4H), 3.31 (m, 2H), 3.76 (m, 4H), 3.82 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 7.52 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.82 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 168.39, 167.56, 153.21 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 147.23, 145.12 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 138.95, 119.91 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 111.97 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 62.45, 52.83, 51.15, 48.86, 35.81, 25.14, 8.17. ESI-MS (m/z): calcd. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>30</sub>FN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 499.22, found 500.42[M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

#### 7-[4-(2-{4-benzylpiperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (**3d**)

m.p. 104-106°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.72 (m, 4H), 2.93 (m, 4H), 3.15 (s, 2H), 3.32 (m, 4H), 3.46 (m, 2H), 3.62 (m, 4H), 3.71 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 7.3 (m, 5H), 7.52 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 177.02 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 168.33, 153.6 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 146.21, 145.49 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 139.01, 127.12, 126.75, 126.13, 120.15 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 112.51 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 108.16, 105.08 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 61.41, 54.31, 51.17, 51.48, 49.11, 45.07, 35.12, 8.65. ESI-MS (m/z): calcd. for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>34</sub>FN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 547.26, found 548.62 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

*1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-7-[4-(2-{4-phenylpiperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3e)*

m.p. 212-214°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.62 (m, 4H), 2.91 (m, 4H), 3.28 (m, 4H), 3.44 (m, 2H), 3.68 (m, 4H), 3.81 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 7.23 (m, 5H), 7.52 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 177.02 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 168.33, 166.82, 153.6 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 147.53, 145.49 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 144.21, 139.01, 130.09, 128.41, 127.74, 120.15 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 112.51 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 108.16, 105.08 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 54.65, 52.42, 51.17, 49.33, 45.40, 34.86, 8.18. ESI-MS (m/z): calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>32</sub>FN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 533.24, found 534.31 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

*7-[4-(2-{4-(2-chlorophenyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3f)*

m.p. 138-139 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.56 (m, 4H), 2.82 (m, 4H), 3.18 (m, 4H), 3.37 (m, 2H), 3.72 (m, 4H), 3.76 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 7.05 (t, 1H), 7.13 (d, 1H), 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.52 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 177.02 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 168.33, 166.82, 153.6 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 147.53, 145.49 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 143.84, 139.01, 130.95, 129.13, 128.64, 124.2, 122.26, 120.15 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 112.51 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 108.16, 105.08 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 53.11, 51.75, 50.83, 48.96, 44.72, 35.42, 7.87. ESI-MS (m/z): calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>31</sub>ClFN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 567.20, found 568.35 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

*7-[4-(2-{4-(4-cyanophenyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3g)*

m.p. 278-279°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.45 (m, 4H), 2.79 (m, 4H), 3.21 (m, 4H), 3.32 (m, 2H), 3.67 (m, 4H), 3.71 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 6.65 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.3 (d, 2H, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 7.52 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.82 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 153.21 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 147.84, 147.23, 145.12 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 138.95, 131.86, 126.93, 119.91 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 117.12, 116.91, 111.97 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 53.43, 51.75, 50.22, 49.72, 45.89, 35.23, 7.13. ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>31</sub>FN<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 558.24, found 559.38 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

*1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-7-[4-(2-{4-(4-nitrophenyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3h)*

m.p. 242-244°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.54 (m, 4H), 2.83 (m, 4H), 3.23 (m, 4H), 3.38 (m, 2H), 3.69 (m, 4H), 3.79 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 6.7 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.9 (d, 2H, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 7.52 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 176.82 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 153.21 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 148.42, 146.93, 145.12 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 138.95, 132.45, 128.41, 119.91 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 117.12, 116.91, 111.97 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 53.39, 51.52, 50.79, 49.23, 35.85, 8.34. ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>31</sub>FN<sub>6</sub>O<sub>6</sub> 578.23, found 579.32 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

*1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-7-[4-(2-{4-(3-methoxyphenyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3i)*

m.p. 144-145°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.41 (m, 4H), 2.72 (m, 4H), 3.14 (m, 4H), 3.46 (m, 2H), 3.69 (m, 4H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.79 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 6.42 (d, 1H), 6.5 (s, 1H), 6.57 (d, 1H), 7.15 (t, 1H), 7.52 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 177.02 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 168.33, 166.82, 153.6 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 146.27, 145.49 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 144.56, 139.01, 131.29, 129.72, 129.13, 123.18, 120.15 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 112.51 (d,

$J_{C-F} = 24.14$  Hz), 110.3, 108.16, 105.08 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 3.7$  Hz), 53.85, 52.11, 51.73, 48.17, 46.14, 44.72, 35.42, 8.18. ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ):calcd. for  $C_{30}H_{34}FN_5O_5$  563.25, found 564.42  $[M + H]^+$ .

*7-[4-(2-(4-benzhydrylpiperazin-1-yl)acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3j)*

m.p. 199-200°C;  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- $D_6$ )  $\delta$  1.20 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 1.32 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 2.43 (m, 4H), 2.68 (m, 4H), 2.96 (s, 3H), 3.18 (m, 4H), 3.48 (m, 2H), 3.72 (m, 4H), 3.83 (tt, 1H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 4.12 (s, 1H), 7.25 (m, 10H), 7.52 (d, 1H,  $J_{H-F} = 7.5$  Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H,  $J_{H-F} = 13.2$  Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (100.61 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  177.02 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 2.2$  Hz), 168.33, 166.82, 153.6 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 249.3$  Hz), 147.53, 145.49 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 10.3$  Hz), 142.60, 139.01, 128.52, 127.86, 127.00, 120.15 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 8.1$  Hz), 112.51 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 24.14$  Hz), 108.16, 105.08 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 3.7$  Hz), 76.27, 53.35, 51.92, 50.65, 49.45, 45.48, 35.33, 8.26. ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ):calcd. for  $C_{36}H_{38}FN_5O_4$  623.29, found 624.41  $[M + H]^+$ .

*1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-7-[4-(2-(4-m-tolylpiperazin-1-yl)acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3k)*

m.p. 158-160°C;  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- $D_6$ )  $\delta$  1.18 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 2.19 (s, 3H), 2.38 (m, 4H), 2.66 (m, 4H), 3.38 (m, 4H), 3.41 (m, 2H), 3.72 (m, 4H), 3.76 (tt, 1H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 6.55 (d, 1H), 6.68 (d, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 7.04 (t, 1H), 7.52 (d, 1H,  $J_{H-F} = 7.5$  Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H,  $J_{H-F} = 13.2$  Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (100.61 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  177.02 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 2.2$  Hz), 168.33, 166.82, 153.6 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 249.3$  Hz), 146.03, 145.49 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 10.3$  Hz), 141.48, 139.01, 129.5, 127.59, 127.11, 126.58, 122.34, 120.15 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 8.1$  Hz), 112.51 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 24.14$  Hz), 108.16, 105.08 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 3.7$  Hz), 53.87, 51.12, 50.86, 49.43, 45.12, 35.39, 22.29, 8.18. ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ):calcd. for  $C_{30}H_{34}FN_5O_4$  547.26, found 548.39  $[M + H]^+$ .

*1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-7-[4-(2-(4-(1-phenylethyl)piperazin-1-yl)acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3l)*

m.p. 212-214°C;  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- $D_6$ )  $\delta$  1.18 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 1.20 (d, 3H), 1.29 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 2.39 (m, 4H), 2.52 (m, 4H), 3.06 (q, 1H), 3.31 (m, 4H), 3.38 (m, 2H), 3.64 (m, 4H), 3.78 (tt, 1H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 7.3 (m, 5H), 7.52 (d, 1H,  $J_{H-F} = 7.5$  Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H,  $J_{H-F} = 13.2$  Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (100.61 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  177.02 (d,  $J_{C-F} =$



2.2 Hz), 168.33, 166.82, 153.6 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 249.3$  Hz), 147.53, 145.49 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 10.3$  Hz), 142.60, 139.01, 128.52, 127.86, 127.00, 120.15 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 8.1$  Hz), 112.51 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 24.14$  Hz), 108.16, 105.08 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 3.7$  Hz), 72.21, 54.11, 52.19, 51.07, 48.69, 46.18, 34.04, 22.67, 8.13. ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ):calcd. for  $C_{31}H_{36}FN_5O_4$  561.28, found 562.41  $[M + H]^+$ .

*1-cyclopropyl-7-[4-(2-{4-ethylpiperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3m)*

m.p. 239-240°C;  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- $D_6$ )  $\delta$  1.08 (t, 3H), 1.18 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 2.9 (q, 2H), 2.36 (m, 4H), 2.48 (m, 4H), 3.32 (m, 4H), 3.52 (m, 2H), 3.67 (m, 4H), 3.79 (tt, 1H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 7.55 (d, 1H,  $J_{H-F} = 7.5$  Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H,  $J_{H-F} = 13.2$  Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (100.61 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  176.82 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 2.2$  Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 153.21 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 249.3$  Hz), 147.23, 145.12 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 10.3$  Hz), 138.95, 119.91 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 8.1$  Hz), 111.97 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 24.14$  Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 3.7$  Hz), 54.56, 52.23, 51.67, 49.71, 48.87, 44.76, 34.74, 14.87, 8.45. ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ):calcd. for  $C_{25}H_{32}FN_5O_4$  485.24, found 486.37  $[M + H]^+$ .

*7-[4-(2-{4-(2-cyanophenyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3n)*

m.p. 222-223°C;  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- $D_6$ )  $\delta$  1.18 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 2.62 (m, 4H), 3.14 (m, 4H), 3.34 (m, 4H), 3.66 (m, 2H), 3.77 (m, 4H), 3.82 (tt, 1H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 7.05 (t, 1H), 7.13 (d, 1H), 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.66 (d, 1H,  $J_{H-F} = 7.5$  Hz), 7.92 (d, 1H,  $J_{H-F} = 13.2$  Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (100.61 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  176.82 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 2.2$  Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 153.21 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 249.3$  Hz), 147.23, 145.12 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 10.3$  Hz), 142.43, 138.95, 128.2, 127.43, 126.32, 122.78, 119.91 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 8.1$  Hz), 111.97 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 24.14$  Hz), 108.23, 107.12, 104.89 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 3.7$  Hz), 81.42, 53.59, 51.12, 50.58, 49.33, 45.06, 35.99, 8.54. ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ):calcd. for  $C_{30}H_{31}FN_6O_4$  558.24, found 559.36  $[M + H]^+$ .

*1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-7-[4-(2-{4-(pyridine-2-yl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3o)*

m.p. 204-205°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.57 (m, 4H), 3.23 (m, 4H), 3.31 (m, 4H), 3.56 (m, 2H), 3.61 (m, 4H), 3.77 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 7.16 (t, 1H), 7.21 (d, 1H), 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.66 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.92 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.82 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 154.34, 153.21 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 150.78, 148.43, 147.23, 146.07, 145.12 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 138.95, 121.56, 119.91 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 111.97 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 53.78, 53.12, 50.96, 48.76, 45.78, 37.23, 8.45. ESI-MS (*m/z*):calcd. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>31</sub>FN<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 534.24, found 535.36 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

*1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-7-[4-(2-{4-(pyrimidine-2-yl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3p)*

m.p. 189-190°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.46 (m, 4H), 2.58 (m, 4H), 3.05 (m, 4H), 3.34 (m, 2H), 3.67 (m, 4H), 3.77 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 7.01 (t, 1H), 7.55 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.31 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.6 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.82 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 160.67, 154.89, 153.21 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 147.23, 145.12 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 138.95, 122.45, 119.91 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 111.97 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 54.12, 52.23, 51.08, 49.67, 44.97, 36.24, 8.14. ESI-MS (*m/z*):calcd. for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>30</sub>FN<sub>7</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 535.23, found 536.39 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

*1-cyclopropyl-7-[4-(2-{4-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3q)*

m.p. 189-190°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.35 (m, 4H), 2.42 (m, 4H), 3.25 (m, 4H), 3.38 (m, 2H), 3.71 (m, 4H), 3.73 (s, 6H), 3.79 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 6.25 (s, 1H), 6.56 (d, 1H), 6.63 (d, 1H), 7.55 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.82 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 153.21 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 147.23, 145.12 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 143.24, 140.67, 138.08, 138.95, 121.78, 116.02, 119.91 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 117.32, 111.97 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 61.45, 60.95, 59.34, 53.35, 51.92, 50.65, 49.45, 35.33, 8.26. ESI-MS (*m/z*):calcd. for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>36</sub>FN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>6</sub> 593.26, found 594.39 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

*1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-7-[4-(2-{4-(3-hydroxyphenyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3r)*

m.p. 220-222°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.18 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.32 (m, 4H), 2.43 (m, 4H), 3.34 (m, 4H), 3.46 (m, 2H), 3.67 (m, 4H), 3.81 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 5.23 (s, 1H), 6.39 (d, 1H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 6.52 (d, 1H), 7.05 (t, 1H), 7.52 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.63 (s, 1H), 15.18 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.82 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 153.21 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 147.23, 146.58, 145.12 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 142.03, 138.95, 134.61, 119.91 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 111.97 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 107.28, 107.12, 106.07, 104.89 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 101.72, 54.15, 50.91, 51.27, 49.81, 44.73, 35.99, 8.12. ESI-MS (*m/z*):calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>32</sub>FN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 549.24, found 550.45 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

*1-cyclopropyl-7-[4-(2-{4-(3,4-difluorophenyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3s)*

m.p. 198-200°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.24 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.37 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.32 (m, 4H), 2.56 (m, 4H), 3.35 (m, 4H), 3.39 (m, 2H), 3.79 (m, 4H), 3.85 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 6.98 (dd, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.1 Hz), 7.15 (dt, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz, 6.8 Hz), 7.25 (dd, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 12.11 Hz, 7.01 Hz), 7.63 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 7.5 Hz), 7.97 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>H-F</sub> = 13.2 Hz), 8.71 (s, 1H), 15.22 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.61 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.82 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.2 Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 162.58 (dd, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 252.67 Hz, 22.68 Hz), 153.21 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 249.3 Hz), 151.52 (dd, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 247.28 Hz, 21.39 Hz), 147.23, 145.12 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 10.3 Hz), 141.49 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 2.8 Hz), 138.95, 125.23 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.07 Hz), 119.91 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 8.1 Hz), 111.97 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.14 Hz), 110.87 (dd, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 23.81 Hz, 3.7 Hz), 109.42 (dd, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 20.65 Hz, 2.95 Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 55.32, 51.49, 51.11, 49.72, 45.29, 35.37, 8.42. ESI-MS (*m/z*):calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>30</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 569.22, found 570.49 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

*7-[4-(2-{4-(bis(4-fluorophenyl)methyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3t)*

m.p. 195-196°C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>) δ 1.19 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.32 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.39 (m, 4H), 2.56 (m, 4H), 3.25 (m, 4H), 3.35 (m, 2H), 3.74 (m, 4H), 3.86 (tt, 1H, *J* = 7.2

Hz,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 4.2 (s, 1H), 7.13-7.21 (dd, 4H,  $J_{\text{H-F}} = 8.5$  Hz), 7.42-7.5 (dd, 4H,  $J_{\text{H-F}} = 5.8$  Hz,  $J_{\text{H-F}} = 7.5$  Hz) 7.59-7.61 (d, 1H,  $J_{\text{H-F}} = 7.5$  Hz), 7.94-7.99 (d, 1H,  $J_{\text{H-F}} = 13.2$  Hz), 8.71 (s, 1H), 15.22 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100.61 MHz, DMSO- $\text{D}_6$ )  $\delta$  176.97 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 2.2$  Hz), 168.23, 166.76, 161.83 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 246.49$  Hz), 153.57 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 251.52$  Hz), 147.50, 145.45 (d,  $J = 10.3$  Hz), 139.01, 138.07 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 2.9$  Hz), 129.21 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 7.3$  Hz), 120.08 (d, d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 8.1$  Hz), 115.43 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 21.27$  Hz), 112.46 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 23.48$  Hz), 108.11, 105.05 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.7$  Hz), 74.43, 53.31, 51.70, 50.61, 49.39, 45.45, 35.32, 8.25. ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ):calcd. for  $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{36}\text{F}_3\text{N}_5\text{O}_4$  659.27, found 660.62  $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ .

*1-cyclopropyl-7-[4-(2-{4-(2-(dimethylamino)ethyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-6-fluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3u)*

m.p. 138-140°C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- $\text{D}_6$ )  $\delta$  1.24 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 1.37 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 2.42 (m, 4H), 2.59 (m, 4H), 2.70 (t, 4H), 2.83 (s, 6H), 3.35 (m, 4H), 3.39 (m, 2H), 3.76 (m, 4H), 3.89 (tt, 1H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 7.63 (d, 1H,  $J_{\text{H-F}} = 7.5$  Hz), 7.97 (d, 1H,  $J_{\text{H-F}} = 13.2$  Hz), 8.71 (s, 1H), 15.22 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100.61 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  176.82 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 2.2$  Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 153.21 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 249.3$  Hz), 147.23, 145.12 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.3$  Hz), 138.95, 119.91 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 8.1$  Hz), 111.97 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.14$  Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.7$  Hz), 60.95, 53.53, 51.67, 50.22, 49.20, 48.63, 47.97, 41.11, 35.12, 8.09. ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ):calcd. for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{37}\text{FN}_6\text{O}_4$  528.29, found 530.41  $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ .

*1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-4-oxo-7-[4-(2-{4-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)piperazin-1-yl}acetyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (3v)*

m.p. 190-192°C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- $\text{D}_6$ )  $\delta$  1.24 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 1.37 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 2.42 (m, 4H), 2.59 (m, 4H), 3.35 (m, 4H), 3.39 (m, 2H), 3.76 (m, 4H), 3.89 (tt, 1H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 7.14 (d, 1H, 7.78 Hz), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.30 (d, 1H, 8.3 Hz), 7.48 (t, 1H, 8.03 Hz), 7.63 (d, 1H,  $J_{\text{H-F}} = 7.5$  Hz), 7.97 (d, 1H,  $J_{\text{H-F}} = 13.2$  Hz), 8.71 (s, 1H), 15.22 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100.61 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  176.82 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 2.2$  Hz), 167.56, 166.43, 153.21 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 249.3$  Hz), 148.38 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 249.3$  Hz), 147.23, 145.12 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.3$  Hz), 138.95, 132.94, 126.39, 124.62, 119.91 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 8.1$  Hz), 119.19, 116.47, 112.72, 111.97 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.14$  Hz), 107.12, 104.89 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.7$  Hz), 54.11, 50.89, 50.16, 49.92, 45.14, 35.49, 8.08. ESI-MS ( $m/z$ ):calcd. for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{31}\text{F}_4\text{N}_5\text{O}_4$  601.23, found 602.56  $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$

