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The epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) is genetically altered in nearly 60% of glioblastoma (GBM) tumors; however, tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs) against EGFR have failed to show efficacy for patients with these lethal brain tumors. This failure has been attributed to the inability of clinically tested EGFR TKIs (e.g. erlotinib, gefitinib, lapatinib, afatinib) to effectively penetrate the blood-brain barrier (BBB) and achieve adequate pharmacological levels to inhibit the oncogenic forms of EGFR that drive GBM to induce a tumor response. Hence, there is a highly unmet medical need for effective therapeutics for GBM. In these studies, we detail the identification, development, and evaluation of brain-penetrant, small molecule inhibitors of EGFR to a clinical compound. This dissertation begins with a structure-activity relationship (SAR) to develop JCN037 as an early pre-clinical lead molecule. JCN037 was developed from a 4-anilinoquinazoline scaffold by ring fusion of the 6,7-dialkoxy groups to

reduce the number of rotatable bonds and polar surface area, and by introduction of an ortho-fluorine and meta-bromine on the aniline ring for improved potency and BBB penetration. Relative to the conventional EGFR TKIs erlotinib and lapatinib, JCN037 displayed potent activity against EGFR amplified/mutant patient-derived cell cultures, significant BBB penetration (2:1 brain-to-plasma ratio), and superior efficacy in an EGFR-driven orthotopic glioblastoma xenograft model. However, JCN037 was limited by a poor *in vivo* half life and a quick metabolism. Further SAR analysis lead to the development of JCN068, an EGFR TKI that potently inhibits oncogenic forms of EGFR with improved BBB penetration (>3:1 brain-to-plasma ratio). Compared to clinically tested EGFR TKIs, JCN068 demonstrates improved potency activity against EGFR amplified/mutant patient-derived cell cultures, significantly higher BBB, ideal clinical candidate *in vivo* pharmacology, and superior efficacy in multiple EGFR-driven orthotopic glioblastoma xenograft models. Additionally, rapid changes in tumor <sup>18</sup>F-fluorodeoxyglucose (<sup>18</sup>F-FDG) uptake using non-invasive positron emission tomography (PET) was utilized as an effective predictive biomarker of response to JCN068 therapy *in vivo*. JCN068 is currently advancing in IND-enabling studies as a new potential therapeutic for EGFR-driven GBM.

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**CHAPTER 1: Development of JCN037, a Potent Brain-Penetrant EGFR Tyrosine Kinase  
Inhibitor Against Malignant Brain Tumors**

## INTRODUCTION

Malignant gliomas, including the universally lethal glioblastoma (GBM), are the most common and the deadliest primary brain tumors. The epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) is mutated and/or amplified in ~60% of GBM tumors.<sup>1</sup> Of these tumors with genetically-altered EGFR, approximately 50% consist of amplified wild-type EGFR (wtEGFR) with no mutations, while the remaining tumors in this cohort have an amplification with an activating extracellular domain mutation. The most prominent activating mutation is a deletion of exons 2–7 in EGFR [EGFRvIII].<sup>1</sup> Both amplified wtEGFR and EGFRvIII play important roles in tumor growth, proliferation, and survival.<sup>2</sup> Moreover, in EGFRvIII expressing tumors, wtEGFR is diffusely expressed and cooperates with EGFRvIII to promote tumorigenesis.<sup>2,3</sup> Given the importance of both mutant and wtEGFR as drivers of malignant glioma, numerous clinical trials using 1<sup>st</sup> generation EGFR tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs) (i.e., erlotinib, lapatinib, and gefitinib) have been evaluated in GBM patients. However, all studies using these EGFR TKIs failed to improve the outcomes of patients with GBM.<sup>4,5</sup>

Significant evidence suggests that all the 1<sup>st</sup> generation EGFR TKIs do not cross the blood-brain barrier (BBB) in concentrations sufficient to achieve therapeutic consequences in GBM tumors.<sup>4-6</sup> Although next-generation EGFR inhibitors, such as afatinib, dacomitinib, and neratinib, are still under clinical investigation for GBM, early data suggest minimal clinical activity for those EGFR TKIs in which patient outcomes are available.<sup>7,8</sup> The limited efficacy observed in GBM patients with these next-generation EGFR inhibitors may also be due to their inadequate brain exposure.<sup>9,10</sup> While the EGFR TKI osimertinib – developed for EGFR-mutated lung cancer – has reported high brain penetration,<sup>9</sup> it has yet to be thoroughly evaluated either preclinically or clinically for GBM. Moreover, osimertinib does not effectively inhibit wtEGFR,<sup>11</sup> which is



presumably required to effectively target EGFR-driven GBMs.<sup>2</sup> Thus, obtaining pharmacological levels of EGFR TKIs within GBM tumors, while also having potent activity against both wtEGFR and EGFRvIII, remains a major obstacle for their effective treatment.

A potential contributor to the low brain exposures of currently used clinical EGFR TKIs (and for the FDA-approved kinase inhibitors lacking brain-penetration) is that they do not conform to the physicochemical properties that are associated with BBB penetration (Table 1).<sup>12</sup> Specifically, for clinically available EGFR TKIs, the molecular weight (MW), the number of hydrogen bond donors (HBD) and acceptors (HBA), the polar surface area (TPSA), and the number of rotatable bonds (NRB) fall outside the desired ranges recommended by Ghose et al.<sup>13</sup> and Wager et al.<sup>14</sup> (Table 1). Finally, these physicochemical properties have also been shown to influence the ability of the P-glycoprotein (P-gp) – a prominent drug efflux transporter found in brain capillary endothelial cells – to recognize drugs that include currently clinically used EGFR TKIs, and thus limit drug exposure in the brain.<sup>15</sup>

## RESULTS

To address this problem of low brain penetration of EGFR TKIs, we modified the 4-anilinoquinazoline scaffold of 1<sup>st</sup> generation EGFR TKIs with the goal of obtaining an EGFR TKI with the desired physicochemical properties for BBB penetration, while having activity against both wtEGFR and EGFRvIII. We report the synthesis and characterization of **5** (JCN037), a non-covalent EGFR TKI that demonstrated both nanomolar potency against both mutant EGFRvIII and wtEGFR in cellular assays and greater than 2:1 brain to plasma levels. Moreover, **5** was effective at inhibiting the growth of EGFR-driven primary GBM cells, both in cell culture and in

orthotopic xenografts. Importantly, the outcomes of *in vivo* treatment of xenografted malignant glioma with **5** were superior to that of both erlotinib and lapatinib.

Like other type I EGFR TKIs (e.g., gefitinib), erlotinib can potentially target both the active conformation of wtEGFR and has the capacity to bind, although with less affinity, to mutant EGFRvIII.<sup>6</sup> Conversely, type II EGFR TKIs (e.g., lapatinib, neratinib) – which favor the inactive form of EGFR - can have high affinity for EGFRvIII, yet are extremely ineffective at targeting activated wtEGFR.<sup>6</sup> Our goal was to have a compound that could potentially inhibit both wtEGFR and EGFRvIII; for this reason we selected erlotinib as our starting point to initiate our structure activity relationship (SAR) studies.

Erlotinib penetrates the brain at a very low level of 7%.<sup>16</sup> Physicochemical features of erlotinib that could make it a poor brain-penetrating drug include a large NRB (10), several HBA (7), and a high TPSA (75 Å) and many of these liabilities derive from the flexible alkyl ether tails. We hypothesized that improving these physicochemical properties linked to brain penetration might be achievable by modifying positions that may not be essential for binding to the EGFR kinase domain.

From the extensive SAR work performed on the 4-anilinoquinazoline pharmacophore, as well as from the wealth of available structural information on the EGFR kinase domain, the essential binding interactions of this TKI scaffold are well known.<sup>11,17,18</sup> An overview of the type I binding mode of erlotinib and, for comparison, the non-hydrolyzable ATP-analogue AMP-PNP are depicted in Figure S1.

Based on these considerations, we hypothesized that closing the flexible alkoxy chains at C6 and C7 to form a 1,4-dioxane ring fused onto the quinazoline scaffold – a modification that has been investigated previously as a means to increase the solubility of these compounds<sup>19</sup> – may

increase BBB penetrance without affecting binding of the molecule to EGFR. This modification yielded **1**, which contains a reduced NRB (10 to 2), HBA (7 to 5), and TPSA (75 Å to 56 Å) relative to erlotinib (Table 2). Importantly, the more optimal physicochemical properties of **1** were associated with, perhaps unpredictably, a nearly ten times increase in BBB penetration relative to erlotinib. Following a single oral dose of **1** (10 mg/kg) in healthy CD-1 mice, the brain/plasma ratio was 0.71; in contrast, and in line with previous reports,<sup>16</sup> the brain/plasma ratio of erlotinib was 0.085 (Table 2).

To determine how the fusion of the dioxane ring impacts activity against wild-type and EGFRvIII, **1** was tested in enzymatic and cellular biochemical assays (Table 2). Despite our prediction that this modification would not affect activity, **1** was significantly less potent than erlotinib against both wild-type and mutant EGFRvIII. The reduced potency of **1** relative to erlotinib was also reflected in a lower activity against two EGFRvIII mutant patient derived GBM cells, HK301 and GBM39; the half maximal growth inhibitory concentration (GI<sub>50</sub>) for **1** was 10-fold worse than erlotinib against these GBM cell lines. Thus, the surprisingly remarkable brain penetration achieved by fusing the alkyl ether tails of erlotinib came at an unexpected loss of inhibitor potency.

To improve upon potency, we considered modifications of the aniline ring through the introduction of a second substituent. As the binding pocket of the aniline ring—the apolar hole—only permits small, lipophilic substituents, we considered the strategic placement of a halide next to the alkyne. For several known EGFR TKIs, halogenated aniline rings are common with, in particular, fluorine or chlorine substituents. Moreover, a 2'-fluorine with a -3'-substituent on the aniline ring has been shown to increase activity against EGFR.<sup>20,21</sup> As such, we hypothesized that the addition of a 2'-fluorine substituent to **1** would improve its affinity for EGFR. Indeed, cell-free

enzymatic activity assays and cellular wtEGFR and EGFRvIII phosphorylation studies revealed an increased potency from **1** against EGFR kinase activity for **2** (Table 2). Additional *in vitro* profiling of cellular growth and proliferation showed a marked improvement in the GI<sub>50</sub> of **2** on HK301 and GBM39 patient-derived GBM lines, suggesting the *ortho*-fluorine improved the protein-ligand interaction with EGFR.

Fluorine substituents are known to affect biological activity and absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion (ADME) properties of a drug by modulating lipophilicity while preserving hydrogen bonds and total polar surface area.<sup>22</sup> Specifically, an *ortho*-fluorine on an aniline ring has been observed in various reports to mitigate the strength of an adjacent HBD and can potentially improve brain penetration and membrane permeability by reducing the strength of hydrogen bond interactions.<sup>21,22</sup> To determine the influence of an *ortho*-fluorine on the aniline ring on brain penetration, we profiled **2** *in vivo* in healthy CD-1 mice (Table 2). Although the exposure and maximum concentration of **2** was considerably improved relative to **1**, the increase in BBB permeability was modest, with a change in brain/plasma AUC<sub>0-7h</sub> from 0.65 (**1**) to 0.85 (**2**).

Closure of the alkoxy chains and adding a fluorine to the 2'-position on the aniline ring led to a compound that was more brain penetrant and potent than **1**, yet still less active than clinically available EGFR inhibitors (such as erlotinib). Constrained by the environment of the apolar hole as explained before, we focused our efforts on the SAR analysis of halogen as well as similar bioisosteric substituents on the aniline ring. In particular, we carried out a fluorine scan (**S1-S8** in Table S1) on the aniline ring to identify the optimal substitution pattern for EGFR inhibition (while retaining the 2'-fluorine).<sup>23</sup> We observed that the 2', 3'-difluoro substitution pattern (**S3**) was the most potent in cellular wtEGFR and EGFRvIII phosphorylation studies of these compounds and, consistent with these biochemical assays, was the most potent of the multi-fluoro substituted

compounds at inhibiting both HK301 and GBM39 patient-derived GBM lines. Collectively, these results suggest a 2', 3'-disubstitution pattern on the aniline ring is the most active of fluoro-substituted derivatives against both wtEGFR and EGFRvIII biochemically and in cellular proliferation assays. One potential rationale is the favorable dipolar and lipophilic character created on the aniline by this substitution pattern, which fits well with the possible lipophilic and electrostatic environment of the apolar hole (Figure S2).

Next, we proceeded to test additional isostere substituents to improve potency against EGFR (Table 3). We focused on substituents that were not expected to interfere with the properties that we had previously optimized to obtain significant brain penetrance, including NRB, TPSA, and HBA. To mimic the 3'-ethynyl substituent of **2**, a related isostere consisting of a 3'-cyano group was also synthesized (**3**). However, efficacy of TKI activity was reduced by the introduction of the 3'-cyano group, suggesting that the anisotropic electron-density distribution of the apolar ethynyl group with a partially positive charged region (hydrogen atom) is more favorable at this position than partially negatively charged region of the more polar cyano group (the lone electron pair on the nitrogen). Therefore, we decided to test all additional halide substituents at this 3'-position on the aniline ring, as they should provide a better isosteric replacement for the ethynyl group.<sup>24</sup>

Surprisingly, the affinity towards EGFR increased with the size of the 3'-halogen substituent on the aniline ring up to a maximum with a 3'-bromine (**S3, 4, 5, 6**) (cell-free IC<sub>50</sub> of 18.9 nM, 3.91 nM, 2.49 nM, and 10.4 nM, respectively) (Table S2). This result may imply unspecific lipophilic interactions and a possible size limitation of the 3' position on the aniline ring.<sup>22</sup> In biochemical cellular phosphorylation and cell proliferation assays, the same trend in potency was also observed with the most potent among them being **5**. Together, exploration of 3'-

substituents on the aniline ring revealed a bias towards a 2'-fluorine and 3'-halide as the most potent inhibitors of EGFR, with the Cl or Br substitution in the 3'-position having the most activity.

To further test the importance of the 2'-fluorine, derivatives of **3–5** lacking the 2'-fluorine were evaluated (Table 3). Although **8** was similar in potency as **3** against EGFR, it was inferior to the 3'-halide substituted compounds (**S3**, **4**, **5**, **6**). Moreover, compounds **9** and **10**,<sup>25</sup> had reduced efficacy against EGFR compared to their 2'-fluorinated counterparts. The significance of the 2'-fluorine in protein-ligand binding was further accentuated by the substitution with a polar 2'-hydroxy group for the fluorine (**11**), which greatly reduced EGFR affinity. These results suggest a limitation of size and polarity of the 2' substituent which is in line with previous studies.<sup>17</sup>

We next investigated trisubstituted anilines as they can be potent inhibitors of EGFR.<sup>26</sup> Retaining the 2'-fluorine and 3'-bromine on the aniline ring, we examined the effect of an additional halide in either the 4'- or 5'-position (**12–17**). In particular, the tri-substituted aniline ring of **15** resulted in a potent EGFR inhibitor in both biochemical and cell-based proliferation assays (Table 4). Since an *ortho*-fluorine was identified as important to improve potency, we also asked if a 6'- instead of a 2'-fluorine, or two *ortho*-fluorines would influence potency against EGFR (**18** and **19**). Although anti-proliferative effects against patient-derived GBM lines were on par with those of **5**, the ability to inhibit EGFR in cell-free and cell-based assays was reduced, suggesting potential off-target effects of **18** and **19**.

To further differentiate our lead EGFR inhibitors, we next examined their selectivity as well as BBB penetrance. First, to examine potential off-target activity, compounds were screened against endogenous cells of the brain, normal human astrocytes (NHA); which, in contrast to EGFR-altered GBM cells, lack a dependency on EGFR for growth (Figure S3). As predicted, compounds **15** and **18**, as well as **19** had a low NHA/GBM GI<sub>50</sub> ratio supporting their potential for

off-target effects (Table S3). Conversely, **1**, **2**, **S3**, **4–6**, displayed high potency against primary GBM cells relative to NHAs (Table S3). Next, we sought to ascertain the brain penetrance of those compounds with a high NHA/GBM GI<sub>50</sub> ratio. Pharmacokinetic analysis of brain/plasma ratios in healthy CD-1 mice revealed an improved brain penetrance with a 3'-halide over a 3'-alkyne substituent, with the most penetrant unexpectedly containing a bromine substitution (Table 5). Brain penetration of the most potent compounds, **4** and **5**, achieved brain/plasma ratios of 1.064 and 2.118 and K<sub>p,uu</sub> of 1.04 and 1.30, respectively (Figure S4).

Given the relatively high BBB penetration of our dioxane-containing EGFR TKIs, we explored the potential molecular rationale for this observation. Reducing the MW, HBD, HBA, TPSA, and NRB can increase brain penetration through circumventing recognition by the P-gp or breast cancer resistance protein (BCRP) drug efflux pumps on brain capillary endothelial cells.<sup>15,27</sup> We hypothesized that the fused dioxane ring of our EGFR TKIs may limit substrate identification by P-gp or BCRP. Evaluation of compounds **1**, **2**, **S3**, **4–6** by transwell culture with MDCK-MDR1 cells revealed that our compounds are highly permeable ( $>10 \cdot 10^{-6}$  cm/s), with a low efflux ratio, indicating that these new EGFR TKIs are not strong substrates of P-gp or BCRP. (Table 5, Table S4). Together, these data suggest that replacement of the alkoxy tails by the fused dioxane ring reduces P-gp and BCRP substrate identification—potentially by the disruption of a recognized pattern of HBA. This reduced substrate affinity may contribute to the enhanced BBB penetration observed with our EGFR TKIs. Based on the high potency against both wtEGFR and EGFRvIII in cell-based biochemical assays, the strong anti-proliferative effects against multiple EGFR-driven patient-derived lines, the low activity against the NHA cell line, and the high brain penetrance, **5** was chosen as the lead candidate for additional *in vitro* and *in vivo* evaluations.

To determine the specificity of **5**, kinome profiling was performed at 1  $\mu$ M across 485 wild-type and mutant kinases (ThermoFisher). **5** strongly (>90%) inhibited EGFR and most EGFR kinase domain mutants with few off-target kinases (Figure S5). Only 14 kinases were inhibited by greater than 50%; of which, eight were EGFR and EGFR mutant kinases. Moreover, IC<sub>50</sub> values of all wild-type kinases with greater than 50% inhibition at 1  $\mu$ M of **5** revealed nearly 400x selectivity for EGFR (0.6 nM) relative to the next closest kinase (RIPK3: 226 nM) (Figure S5).

To further evaluate **5**, we biochemically profiled it against both erlotinib and lapatinib in two EGFR-altered patient-derived gliomaspheres: GBM39 (EGFRvIII mutant) and GS025 (amplified EGFR). In GBM39, all three TKIs potently inhibited EGFRvIII activation as well as the RAS-MAPK (via p-ERK) and PI3K-AKT-mTOR (via pS6) signaling pathways downstream of EGFR in a dose-dependent manner (Figure 1A). Modulation of these pathways with the various EGFR TKIs occurred to a similar degree, albeit lapatinib and **5** demonstrated slightly more signaling inhibition in the 100–333 nM concentrations relative to erlotinib. Consistent with these signaling results, we observed all three TKIs inhibited growth of EGFRvIII mutant GBM39 cells, with lapatinib and **5** showing more robust growth inhibition than erlotinib at 100–300 nM (Figure 1D). For GS025, we observed that erlotinib and **5** had nearly identical effects on wtEGFR signaling and, consequently, growth inhibition (Figure 1B and D). Conversely, we observed a notable loss in biochemical and functional efficacy for lapatinib in GS025 compared to the other two TKIs (Figure 1B and D). These data are consistent with lapatinib having lower activity against active wtEGFR.<sup>6</sup> Together, these results indicate that **5** can potently inhibit the signaling and growth of EGFRvIII mutant and EGFR amplified primary GBM cells at levels on par with or better than that of both erlotinib and lapatinib.



We next carried out a similar evaluation in an orthotopic GBM xenograft model. To do this comparison in the most clinically relevant manner, we first established the clinically relevant dose of erlotinib and lapatinib in which the plasma exposures in mice matches that of human plasma levels at the standard clinical dose.<sup>29,30</sup> Erlotinib and lapatinib administered at 10 mg/kg and 80 mg/kg in non-tumor bearing mice reached plasma exposures of 51,689 nM·hr and 44,807 nM·hr over 24 hours, respectively; which, mirrors the 24-hour human clinical plasma exposures for both drugs.<sup>31,32</sup> However, due to the low bioavailability of **5** of approximately 4.7% (Figure S4), we dosed at 300 mg/kg BID to achieve plasma exposures of **5** similar to that of the clinically relevant doses of both erlotinib and lapatinib in non-tumor bearing mice (Figure 2A).

With the relevant doses established, we next implanted EGFRvIII mutant GBM39 into the brains of NOD-SCID Gamma mice. Once tumors reached exponential growth, as determined by secreted *gaussia* luciferase,<sup>33</sup> tumors were analyzed by immunoblotting for activation of EGFRvIII and its downstream signaling effectors. In comparison to vehicle treated tumors, erlotinib and lapatinib treatment showed no significant difference in EGFRvIII activation (Figure 2B). Similarly, erlotinib and lapatinib did not significantly inhibit signaling pathways downstream of EGFR, including RAS-MAPK (via p-ERK) or PI3K-AKT-mTOR (via pAKT and pS6) signaling (Figure 2B and C). These observations are in agreement with clinical data suggesting that erlotinib and lapatinib do not reach sufficient levels in glioblastoma tumors to consistently inhibit EGFR signaling.<sup>4,6,34</sup> Conversely, tumors from **5**-treated mice showed a significant decrease in EGFRvIII activity that was associated with reduced RAS-MAPK and PI3K-AKT-mTOR signaling (Figure 2B and C). These data support the hypothesis that the heightened BBB penetration of **5** would result in a greater capacity to inhibit EGFR signaling in an orthotopic GBM xenograft model.

Next, to compare the anti-tumor efficacy of **5** against erlotinib and lapatinib, a second cohort of orthotopic GBM39 tumor-bearing mice was established with the same doses and schedules as the above pharmacodynamic studies with the various EGFR TKIs. We observed no significant differences in tumor growth nor survival with erlotinib or lapatinib treatment (Figure 2D and E). In contrast, a notable reduction in tumor proliferation was identified in **5**-treated mice (Figure 2F), with no significant loss in body weight (Figure S6). Moreover, **5** treatment provided a significant survival benefit, whereby median survival increased by 47% from 37.5 days to 55 days with **5** treatment (Figure 2G). Taken together, these data show that, in contrast to clinically relevant doses of erlotinib and lapatinib, **5** robustly inhibits EGFR signaling and tumor growth, and prolongs the survival of mice bearing EGFR mutant, orthotopic GBM xenografts.

To gain greater insight into the low bioavailability and potential metabolic liabilities of **5**, we investigated its *in vitro* clearance using liver microsomes. We observed a rapid hydroxylation of the fused 1,4-dioxane ring, suggesting first pass metabolism contributed to low oral bioavailability (Figure S7). Our hypothesis was confirmed by the co-administration of the cytochrome p450 inhibitor, 1-aminobenzotriazole; which resulted in a 3-fold increase in exposure of **5** (Figure S8). To explore this issue, we made modifications at the metabolic labile site of the fused 1,4-dioxane ring moiety by perdeuteration, as well as adding vicinal methyl groups on the 1,4-dioxane ring (Figure S9). Perdeuteration was unable to alter the bioavailability in mice compared to **5**. Conversely, the addition of vicinal methyl groups on the 1,4-dioxane ring significantly improved plasma exposures and bioavailability in mice suggesting a potential location for future modifications on this scaffold.

Recent evidence suggests that Type I EGFR TKIs inhibitors – which favor the active confirmation of EGFR – have less affinity for mutant EGFRvIII relative to Type II EGFR TKIs,

which prefer the inactive form of the receptor.<sup>6</sup> Given that compound **5** can potently inhibit both wtEGFR and EGFRvIII, we performed a molecular docking study to elucidate on a molecular level how this dual specificity of **5** is achieved. The docking results of **5**, displayed in Figure 3 (and Figure S10), suggest the typical type I TKI binding mode occurs as is also observed for e.g. erlotinib (cf. Figure S1), through hydrogen bond interactions with hinge residues and gatekeeper residues mediated through crystallographic water molecule(s). According to our docking results, no clear difference in the binding to the active and inactive EGFR conformations can be discerned, except for a slightly closer fit of the dioxane and aniline part of **5** into the binding pocket of the inactive conformation. The gain in efficacy and selectivity upon introduction of the 2'-fluorine might be attributed to several orthogonal multipolar interactions of this fluorine to nearby apolar residues including a hypothesized C-F $\cdots$ C=O contact with Ala719/743 (active/inactive).<sup>23</sup> Collectively, although the conformation selectivity for EGFR TKIs is an intriguing effect that is not yet fully understood,<sup>35</sup> we observed **5** may have the ability to bind both the active and inactive conformations of EGFR, which may contribute to its potency for both wtEGFR and EGFRvIII, respectively.

The synthesis of the analogues **1–19** is summarized in Scheme 1. The quinazoline core was made according to the Niementowski quinazoline synthesis from methyl 3,4-dimethoxyanthranilate (**20**). The dimethoxy groups of quinazolinone **21** were replaced with pivaloyl groups to obtain **22**. Chlorination with POCl<sub>3</sub>, followed by deprotection gave intermediate **23**, which was alkylated with 1-bromo-2-chloroethane to obtain the 1,4-dioxane-fused 4-chloroquinazoline **24**.

Preparation of the final analogues was accomplished by S<sub>N</sub>Ar of **24** with the respective anilines (see also Scheme S1), or by transition-metal catalyzed transformations of **4** or **5**. To

prepare sufficient material of our lead compound **5** for all *in vivo* testing, we devised the shorter route of Scheme S2, which comprises five steps and is based on a Dimroth cyclization.

## DISCUSSION

In summary, herein we have described the synthesis of a novel, brain-penetrant EGFR TKI with high activity against EGFR altered primary GBM cells both in culture and in orthotopic xenografts. Compound **5** was developed by first modifying erlotinib via ring fusion of the 6,7-alkoxy groups. Similar dioxane-containing anilinoquinazoline compounds have been described before for the purpose of improved solubility;<sup>25,37</sup> yet, here we determined that this modification also leads to unforeseen BBB penetration, potentially as a result of the more optimal physicochemical properties and impaired P-gp and BCRP substrate identification. Moreover, **5** contains both a 2'-fluorine and 3'-bromine on the aniline ring; these substitutions further improved brain penetration, while providing nearly equipotent activity against both oncogenic activated wtEGFR and mutant EGFRvIII. While the EGFR TKIs developed specifically for EGFR-mutated lung cancer, osimertinib and AZD3759, both have reported high brain penetration (Table S5),<sup>9,19</sup> osimertinib lacks the ability to effectively inhibit wtEGFR that is prevalent across GBM<sup>3</sup> (Figure S11), and AZD3759 has reduced activity against EGFRvIII relative to **5** (Figure S12). These differences may explain the improved potency of **5** against EGFR altered primary GBM cells compared to either osimertinib or AZD3759 (Figures S11, S12).

In contrast to the observation that some EGFR TKIs may promote paradoxical induction of cell growth,<sup>38</sup> compound **5** – nor any other EGFR TKI tested – did not (Figure S13). Rather, despite the low bioavailability of **5** (4.7%), it significantly suppressed *in vivo* tumor growth via oral administration. As we have shown (Figure S7), the main liability of compound **5** is fast clearance through first-pass metabolism. Therefore, future work will be aimed at identifying drug

candidates with improved bioavailability and other ADME properties to obtain an optimal clinical EGFR TKI for GBM tumors with EGFR alterations.

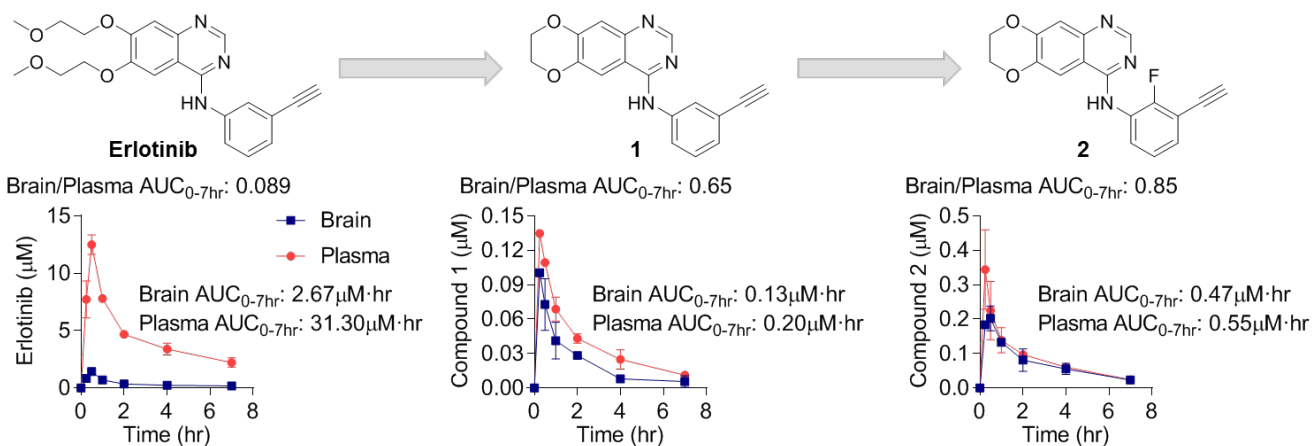
## FIGURES AND TABLES

**Chapter 1 – Table 1.** Comparison of physicochemical properties for CNS drugs, FDA-approved kinase inhibitors, and EGFR kinase inhibitors.

Physicochemical property	CNS drugs (preferred range, <i>n</i> = 317) <sup>a</sup>	CNS drugs (median, <i>n</i> = 119) <sup>b</sup>	FDA-approved protein kinase inhibitors (median, <i>n</i> = 49) <sup>c</sup>	Clinical EGFR kinase inhibitors (median, <i>n</i> = 25) <sup>c,d</sup>
<b>MW</b>	250–355	305	486	491
<b>clogP</b>	2.1–4.4	2.8	4.2	4.5
<b>clogD<sub>7,4</sub></b>	1.2–3.1	1.7	3.3	3.9
<b>HBD</b>	0–1	1	2	2
<b>HBA</b>	2–3	N/A	7	7
<b>TPSA (Å<sup>2</sup>)</b>	25–60	45	94	89
<b>NRB</b>	1–4	N/A	6	8
<b>Most basic center (p<i>K<sub>a</sub></i>)</b>	7.9–10.7	8.4	7.1	7.7

<sup>a</sup>Preferred ranges for physicochemical properties from <sup>13</sup>. <sup>b</sup>Median values from <sup>14</sup>. <sup>c</sup>For at least 7 out of 49 FDA-approved kinase inhibitors, brain-penetration data has been reported. <sup>d</sup>EGFR kinase inhibitors approved by any agency or in clinical development (non-comprehensive). N/A, no data provided.

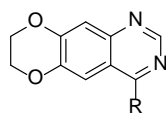
**Chapter 1 – Table 2.** Compared to erlotinib, a fused dioxane ring improves brain penetration, but reduces potency; while the addition of an *ortho*-fluorine on the aniline ring improves potency while retaining BBB penetration.



Compound	MW	clogP	HBA	TPSA (Å)	NRB	EGFR IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	p-wtEGFR IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	p-EGFRvIII IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	HK301 GI <sub>50</sub> (nM)	GBM39 GI <sub>50</sub> (nM)
<b>Erlotinib</b>	393	2.39	7	75	10	2.17 ±0.58	3.90 ±0.24	12.5 ±1.1	700.2 ±76.8	2788 ±179
<b>1</b>	303	2.98	5	56	2	48.7 ±7.8	59.8 ±1.6	188.4 ±26.9	8824 ±1109	20536 ±1212
<b>2</b>	321	3.71	5	56	2	19.7 ±3.7	20.5 ±0.1	32.2 ±1.2	791.1 ±108.1	2946 ±353

All EGFR inhibition data are represented as mean ± SEM from *n*=2 or more independent replicates. All growth inhibition data are represented as mean ± SEM from *n*=3 or more independent replicates.

**Chapter 1 – Table 3.** Comparison of the 2'- and 3'-position of 4-anilinoquinazolines.



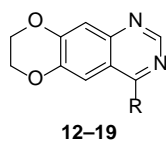
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Compound	R	EGFR IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	p-wtEGFR IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	p-EGFRvIII IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	HK301 GI <sub>50</sub> (nM)	GBM39 GI <sub>50</sub> (nM)
<b>3</b>		22.0 ±3.9	28.2 ±3.8	54.8 ±4.8	3262 ±538	7266 ±925
<b>4</b>		3.91 ±0.80	4.70 ±0.32	6.21 ±0.01	780.5 ±148.3	2594 ±299
<b>5</b>		2.49 ±0.65	3.95 ±0.24	4.48 ±0.22	329.3 ±31.0	1116 ±114.9
<b>6</b>		10.4 ±2.0	13.1 ±0.8	44.8 ±1.3	2042 ±341	4521 ±574
<b>7</b>		41.4 ±8.6	55.0 ±2.2	75.4 ±7.5	3614 ±385	7820 ±1087
<b>8</b>		24.0 ±4.8	45.3 ±3.7	83.5 ±3.7	3940 ±77	10939 ±1079
<b>9</b>		6.41 ±0.95	8.80 ±0.82	22.0 ±1.8	1167 ±203	2968 ±14
<b>10</b>		13.6 ±3.3	15.5 ±0.7	43.1 ±1.1	2055 ±173	6073 ±189
<b>11</b>		505.1 ±102.2	729.1 ±172.9	2312.0 ±260.4	17697 ±482	51536 ±3980
<b>Erlotinib</b>		2.17 ±0.58	3.90 ±0.24	12.5 ±1.1	700.2 ±76.8	2788 ±179

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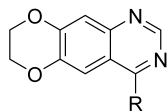
**Chapter 1 – Table 4.** Modifications of the 4', 5', and 6'-positions of 3'-bromo-2'-fluoro-substituted 4-anilinoquinazolines.



Compound	R	EGFR IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	p-wtEGFR IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	p-EGFRvIII IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	HK301 GI <sub>50</sub> (nM)	GBM39 GI <sub>50</sub> (nM)
<b>12</b>		15.6 ±2.3	21.9 ±1.7	57.8 ±6.6	1383 ±165	10300 ±1138
<b>13</b>		16.2 ±2.5	25.3 ±1.2	30.8 ±3.9	2778 ±184	5277 ±523
<b>14</b>		21.0 ±3.5	32.6 ±4.9	36.1 ±5.8	5723 ±314	7697 ±1346
<b>15</b>		6.16 ±1.14	6.80 ±0.50	16.2 ±2.4	1132 ±64	1727 ±244
<b>16</b>		782.8 ±164.1	2186.0 ±152.0	3846.0 ±259.5	1853 ±239	12741 ±342
<b>17</b>		25.0 ±3.2	36.7 ±0.1	40.1 ±7.4	3681 ±738	4226 ±371
<b>18</b>		7.63 ±1.62	11.1 ±0.5	10.8 ±0.2	290.1 ±32.7	966.4 ±163.4
<b>19</b>		10.0 ±2.29	15.8 ±0.7	27.6 ±2.7	418.7 ±62.7	1356 ±196.3
<b>5</b>		2.49 ±0.65	3.95 ±0.24	4.48 ±0.22	329.3 ±31.0	1116 ±114.9
<b>Erlotinib</b>		2.17 ±0.58	3.90 ±0.24	12.5 ±1.1	700.2 ±76.8	2788 ±179

All EGFR inhibition data are represented as mean ± SEM from *n*=2 or more independent replicates. All growth inhibition data are represented as mean ± SEM from *n*=3 or more independent replicates.

**Chapter 1 – Table 5.** Brain penetration and in vivo parameters of select compounds.<sup>a</sup>

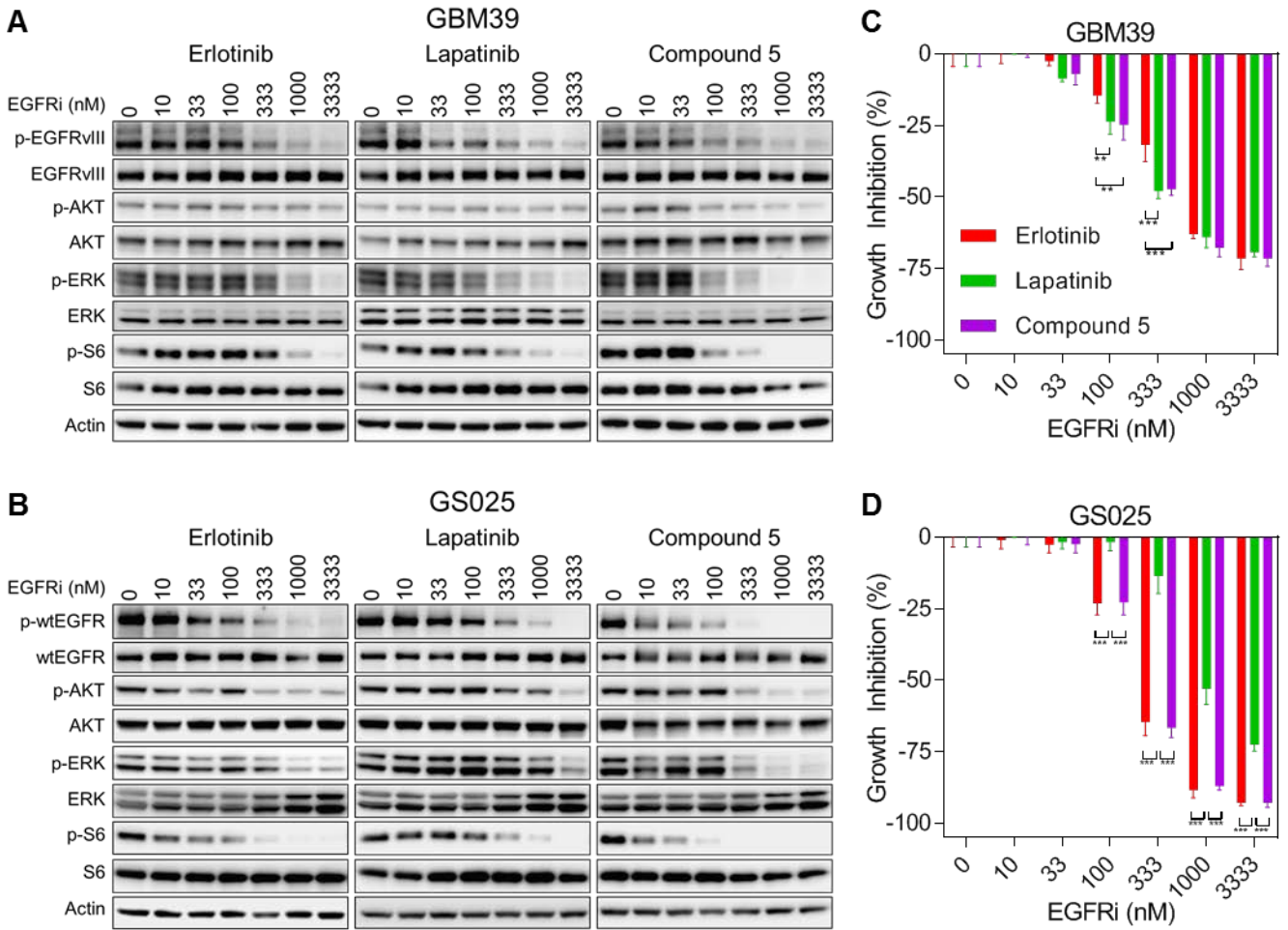


Compound	R	Brain AUC <sub>0-7h</sub> ( $\mu\text{M}\cdot\text{hr}$ )	Plasma AUC <sub>0-7h</sub> ( $\mu\text{M}\cdot\text{hr}$ )	Brain/Plasma Ratio <sup>b</sup>	$K_{p,uu,brain}$ <sup>c</sup>	$P_{app}$ <sup>d</sup> ( $10^{-6}$ cm/s)	Efflux Ratio <sup>e</sup>
1		0.128	0.199	0.648	0.491	16.9	0.601
2		0.466	0.553	0.843	0.575	21.5	0.387
S3		0.344	0.324	1.062	1.04	20.0	0.238
4		0.403	0.378	1.064	1.04	28.5	0.611
5		0.470	0.221	2.118	1.30	15.0	0.577
6		1.676	0.752	1.676	1.03	14.4	0.484
<b>Erlotinib</b>		2.670	31.3	0.085	0.051	34 <sup>28</sup>	4.63 <sup>9</sup>

<sup>a</sup>All brain and plasma AUC<sub>0-7h</sub> determined after oral administration of 10 mg/kg in male CD-1 mice. <sup>b</sup>Brain/Plasma ratios determined over 0–7 h.

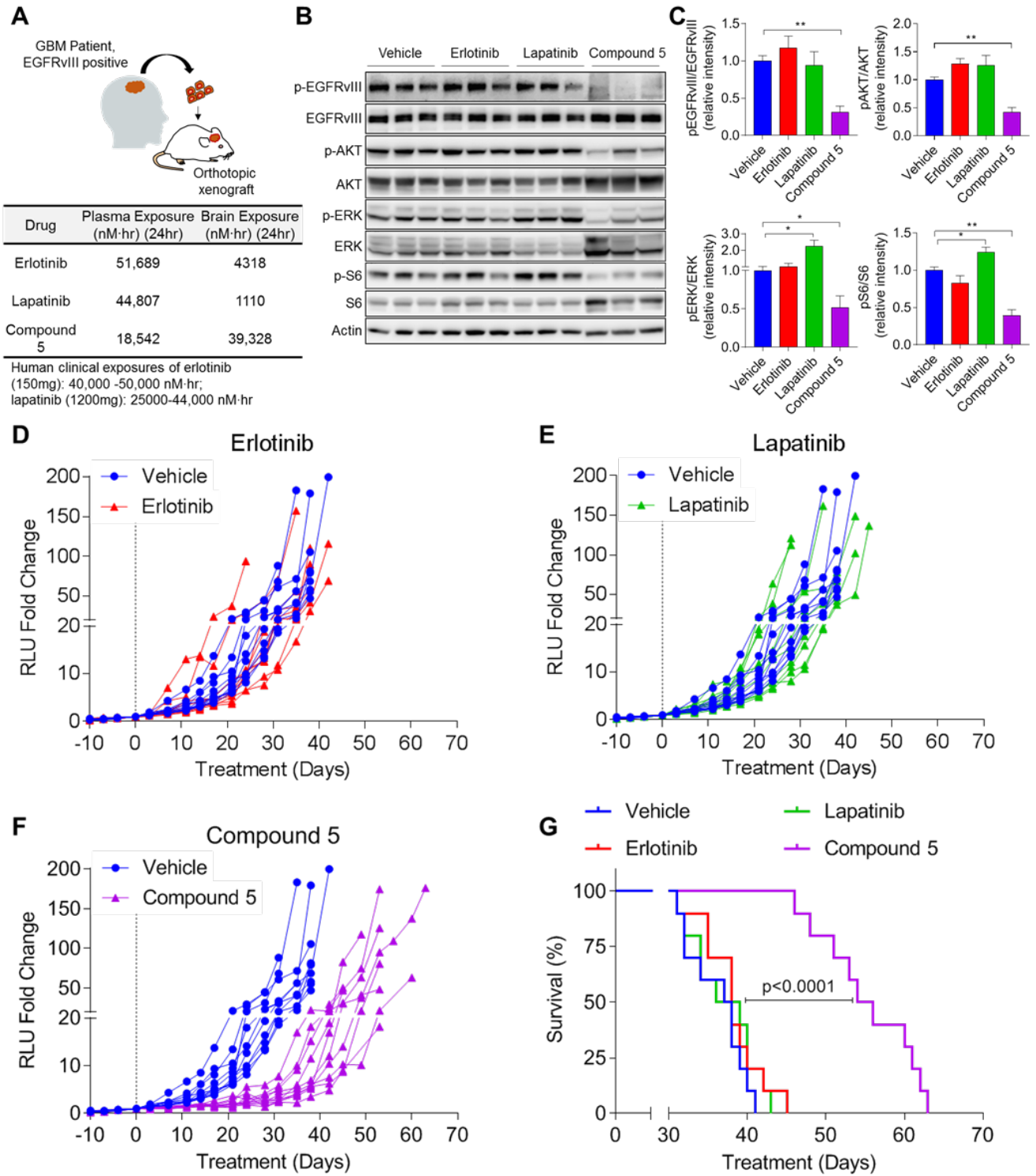
<sup>c</sup>Ratio of the unbound concentration in the brain to that of plasma. <sup>d</sup>Permeability determined using MDCK-MDR1 cells. <sup>e</sup>Ratio of  $P_{app}$  B-A /  $P_{app}$  A-B.

## Chapter 1 – Figure 1



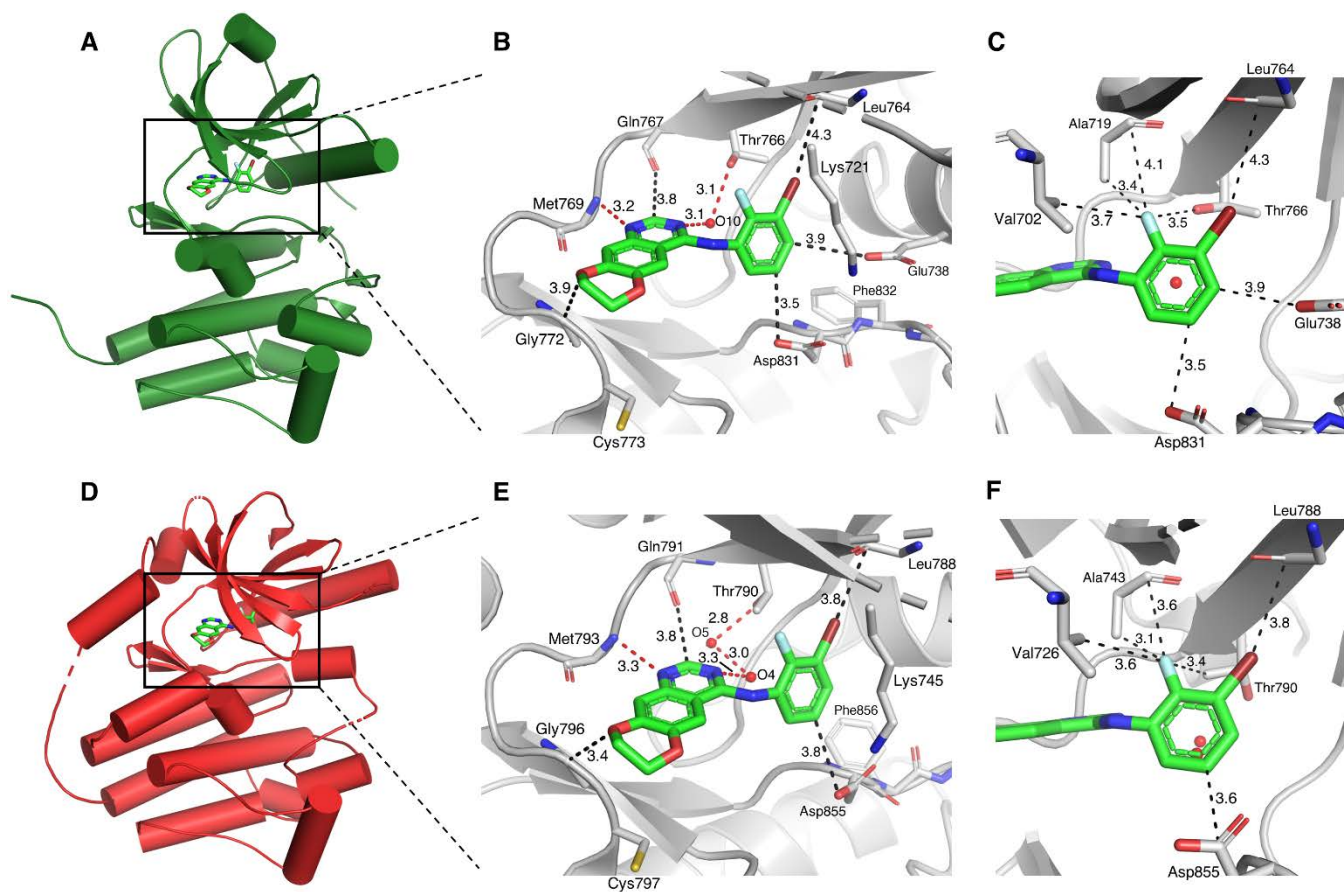
**Figure 1.** Biochemical and functional activity of **5**, lapatinib, and erlotinib on EGFRvIII mutant and EGFR amplified patient-derived GBM cells. Immunoblot of EGFR signaling components in (A) EGFRvIII mutant patient-derived GBM39 cells and (B) amplified EGFR patient-derived GS025 cells. Growth inhibition of (C) GBM39 and (D) GS025 cells relative to vehicle. All growth inhibition data are represented as mean  $\pm$  SEM from  $n=3$  independent replicates. \*  $p<0.05$ , \*\*  $p<0.01$ , \*\*\* $p<0.001$ .

## Chapter 1 – Figure 2



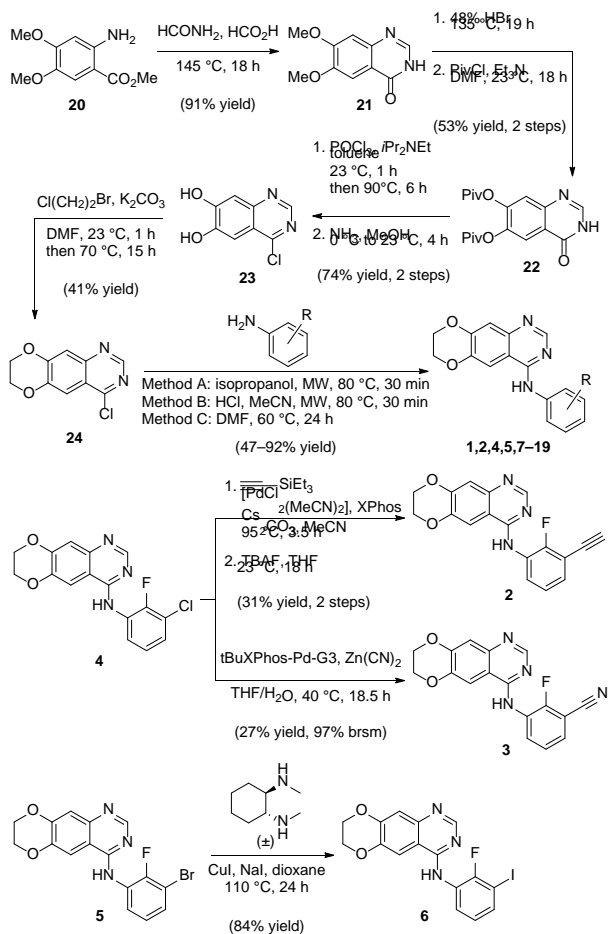
**Figure 2.** *In vivo* pharmacodynamics and efficacy of erlotinib, lapatinib, and **5** against EGFRvIII mutant patient-derived orthotopic GBM39 xenografts. (A) Plasma and brain exposures of erlotinib (10 mg/kg), lapatinib (80 mg/kg) and **5** (300 mg/kg) in mice. Below are the published human 24-hour plasma exposures of erlotinib and lapatinib at clinical doses. (B) Immunoblot of EGFR signaling components of orthotopic GBM39 xenografts following 3 days of oral administration of the indicated drugs or vehicle. (C) Quantification of immunoblot in (B). All quantified immunoblot data are represented as mean  $\pm$  SEM of  $n=3$  independent replicates. \*  $p<0.05$ , \*\*  $p<0.01$ , \*\*\* $p<0.001$ . Intracranial GBM39 growth of daily (D) erlotinib, (E) lapatinib, or (F) twice daily treatment of **5**. (G) Survival of mice from (D)–(F).

Chapter 1 – Figure 3



**Figure 3.** Predicted binding mode of **5** to active and inactive wtEGFR kinase domain. **5** was docked with AutoDock Vina to active EGFR (PDB 1M17)<sup>18</sup> as shown in (A), (B), and (C), and to inactive EGFR (PDB 1XKK),<sup>36</sup> as shown in (D), (E), and (F). Color code: C<sub>enzyme</sub> gray, O red, N blue, C<sub>ligand</sub> green, F light blue, Br dark red.

## Chapter 1 – Scheme 1



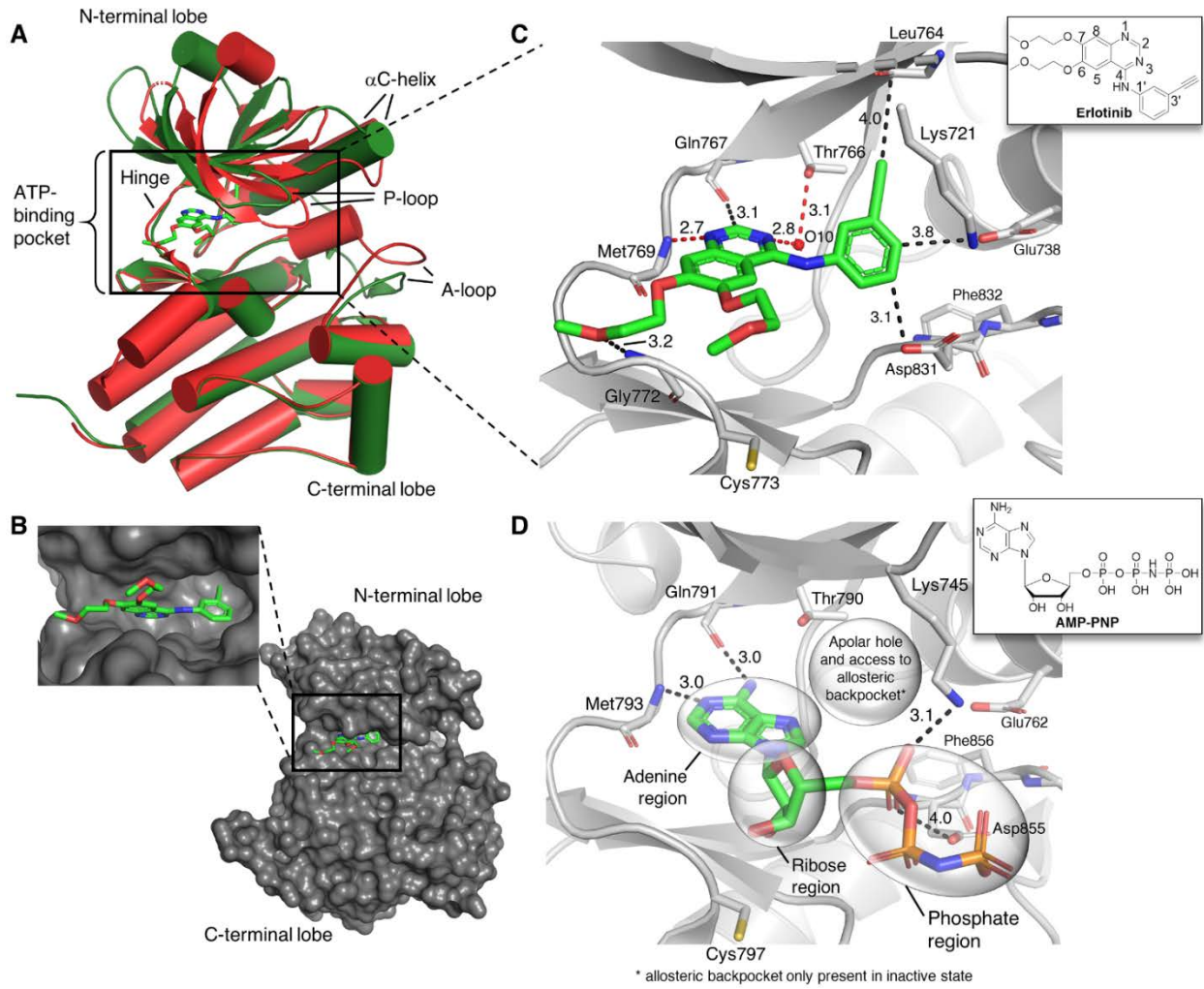
**Scheme 1.** Synthesis of 7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-g]quinazolin-4-amines **1–19**.

## SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES AND TABLES

As an illustration of the characteristic protein interactions of the type I scaffold, Figure S1 shows the binding mode of erlotinib to the ATP-binding pocket of EGFR and, for comparison, the binding mode of its natural substrate ATP.<sup>18,35,39</sup> The “classical” binding interactions comprise two hydrogen bonds formed between N1 and N3 of the quinazoline with hinge residue Met769 and “gatekeeper” residue Thr766 (mediated through a water molecule (O10)) (Figure S1C), which mimic those of the adenine ring of ATP<sup>39</sup> (Figure S1D), and the filling of the apolar hole at the back of the binding site by the aniline ring with the 3'-alkyne substituent pointing into the hydrophobic “chimney” (as termed by Bridges<sup>40</sup>) at the end of the apolar hole. The substituents at C6 and C7 of the quinazoline protrude from the binding cleft into the solvent channel (Figure S1B), making minimal interactions with the protein environment, but are important for pharmacological properties.<sup>11,17</sup> These positions (C6 and C7) are known to be tolerant of substitution as opposed to C2, C5, and C8, and substituents are preferably attached via electron donating groups to the quinazoline.<sup>17,41</sup> The compounds of Table S1, **S1–S8**, were prepared according to all other anilinoquinazoline compounds as outlined in Scheme 1.

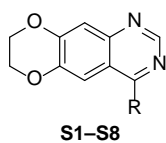


# Chapter 1 – Figure S1



**Figure S1.** Structure of the EGFR kinase domain and binding mode at the ATP-binding pocket. (A) Active (green, PDB 1M17)<sup>18</sup> and inactive (red, PDB 4HJO)<sup>35</sup> EGFR kinase domains superimposed on their C-terminal lobes. The ATP-binding site is occupied by erlotinib (sticks). The main structural elements are labelled, but more detailed descriptions can be found in the relevant biophysical publications. (B) Surface representation of the active EGFR kinase domain in complex with erlotinib (PDB 1M17). The expanded view shows erlotinib in the narrow binding cleft with the apolar hole at the back filled by the aniline ring. (C) Binding mode of erlotinib at the ATP-binding pocket (PDB 1M17). “Classical” hydrogen bonds are indicated as dashed, red lines, and additional close contact interactions are shown as dashed, black lines. (D) Binding mode of the non-hydrolyzable ATP-analogue AMP-PNP at the ATP-binding pocket (PDB 3VJO).<sup>39</sup> The apolar hole is not occupied by ATP. The P-loops have been removed for clarity in (C) and (D). Color code: C<sub>enzyme</sub> gray, O red, N blue, P orange, C<sub>ligand</sub> green. Distances are in Å.

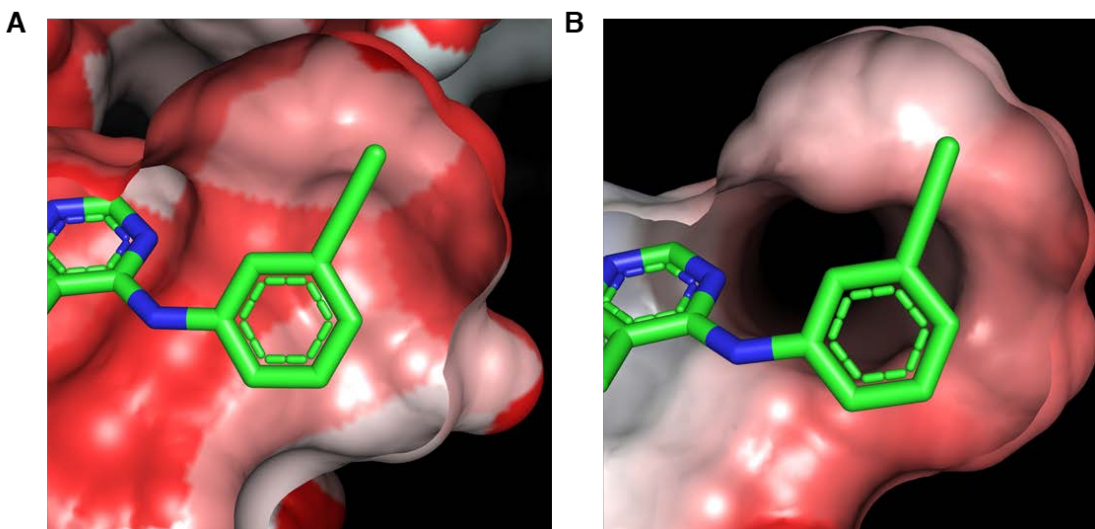
**Chapter 1 – Table S1. SAR of placing fluorine(s) on the aniline ring of the 4-anilinoquinazolines.**



Compound	R	EGFR IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	p-wtEGFR IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	p-EGFRvIII IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	HK301 GI <sub>50</sub> (nM)	GBM39 GI <sub>50</sub> (nM)
<b>S1</b>		57.3 ±22.6	64.1 ±4.8	169.4 ±10.4	4040 ±553	9998 ±1529
<b>S2</b>		107.3 ±18.6	86.5 ±4.0	379.0 ±54.3	3238 ±124	10221 ±1320
<b>S3</b>		18.9 ±3.6	28.9 ±1.4	109.6 ±4.4	1688 ±188	5572 ±371
<b>S4</b>		363.0 ±49.7	435.1 ±50.9	851.9 ±68.4	10659 ±1487	27706 ±5589
<b>S5</b>		115.0 ±15.9	92.7 ±0.8	304.4 ±17.0	6124 ±1041	16525 ±1817
<b>S6</b>		50.0 ±10.5	40.0 ±3.9	211.1 ±54.4	5807 ±675	11837 ±2197
<b>S7</b>		427.9 ±41.1	362.4 ±106.5	1319.6 ±136.4	24395 ±1333	33970 ±5345
<b>S8</b>		1243.0 ±142.0	4785.5 ±385.7	10935 ±641.4	>100000	>100000

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## Chapter 1 – Figure S2



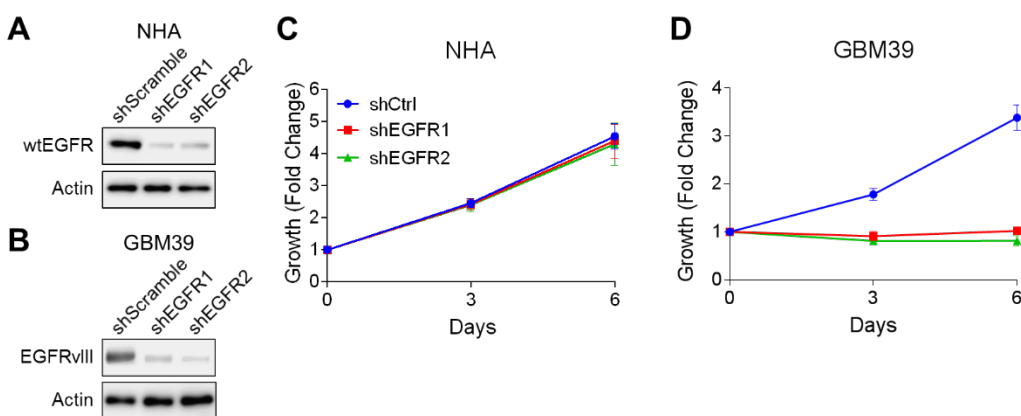
**Figure S2.** Surface representations of the apolar hole of the wtEGFR kinase domain (PDB 1M17) with bound erlotinib. A) Lipophilic surface according to the Eisenberg hydrophobicity scale, generated with the PyMOL color\_h script; color code: red = lipophilic, white = hydrophilic surface area. B) Electrostatic surface, generated with the PyMOL APBS plugin; color code: red = increasing negative potential, blue = increasing positive surface potential.

**Chapter 1 – Table S2.** Calculated physicochemical properties of compound **5** and related 3'-halide substituted compounds.

Compound	clogD at pH 7.4 <sup>a</sup>	IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)
<b>S3</b>	3.26	18.9
<b>4</b>	3.72	3.91
<b>5</b>	3.88	2.49
<b>6</b>	4.04	10.4

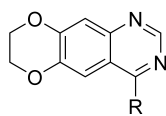
<sup>a</sup> Calculated with Chemicalize, ChemAxon.

**Chapter 1 – Figure S3**



**Figure S3.** NHAs are not dependent on EGFR for growth. (A) Immunoblot of EGFR and actin in NHA cells transduced with shRNA against a scramble control and EGFR. (B) Same as (A) but with EGFRvIII and actin in GBM39. (C) Proliferation of NHA cells from (A).

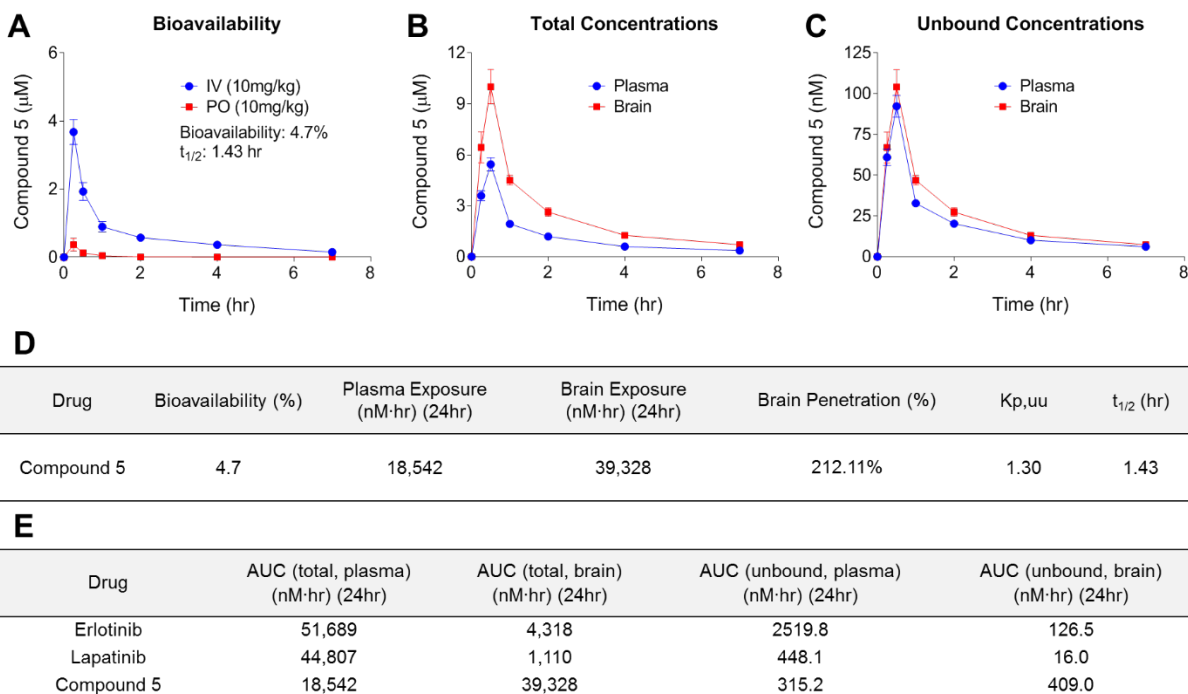
**Chapter 1 – Table S3.** GI<sub>50</sub> of NHAs and primary GBM lines of potent compounds.



Compound	R	HK301 GI <sub>50</sub> <sup>a</sup> (nM)	GBM39 GI <sub>50</sub> <sup>b</sup> (nM)	NHA GI <sub>50</sub> <sup>c</sup> (nM)	Ratio of NHA/HK301 GI <sub>50</sub>	Ratio of NHA/GBM39 GI <sub>50</sub>
<b>Erlotinib</b>		700.2 ±76.8	2788 ±179	43312 ±3837	62.1	15.6
<b>Lapatinib</b>		1290 ±144	2101 ±370	16186 ±2321	12.5	7.7
<b>1</b>		8824 ±1109	20536 ±1212	>100000	11.3	4.9
<b>2</b>		791.1 ±108.1	2946 ±353	6647 ±597	7.7	2.1
<b>S3</b>		1688 ±188	5572 ±371	23905 ±2063	14.6	4.4
<b>4</b>		780.5 ±148.3	2594 ±299	7616 ±328	9.8	2.9
<b>5</b>		329.3 ±31.0	1116 ±114.9	8168 ±346	24.7	7.3
<b>6</b>		2042 ±341	4521 ±574	9336 ±609	4.6	2.1
<b>15</b>		3681 ±738	4226 ±371	670 ±185	0.6	0.4
<b>18</b>		290.1 ±32.7	966.4 ±163.4	1430 ±259	4.9	1.5
<b>19</b>		418.7 ±62.7	1356 ±196.3	1167 ±175	2.8	0.9

<sup>a</sup>3 day growth inhibition in patient-derived GBM line, HK301. <sup>b</sup>3 day growth inhibition in patient-derived GBM line, GBM39. <sup>c</sup>3 day growth inhibition in NHA. All growth inhibition data are represented as mean ± SEM from *n*=3 or more independent replicates.

## Chapter 1 – Figure S4

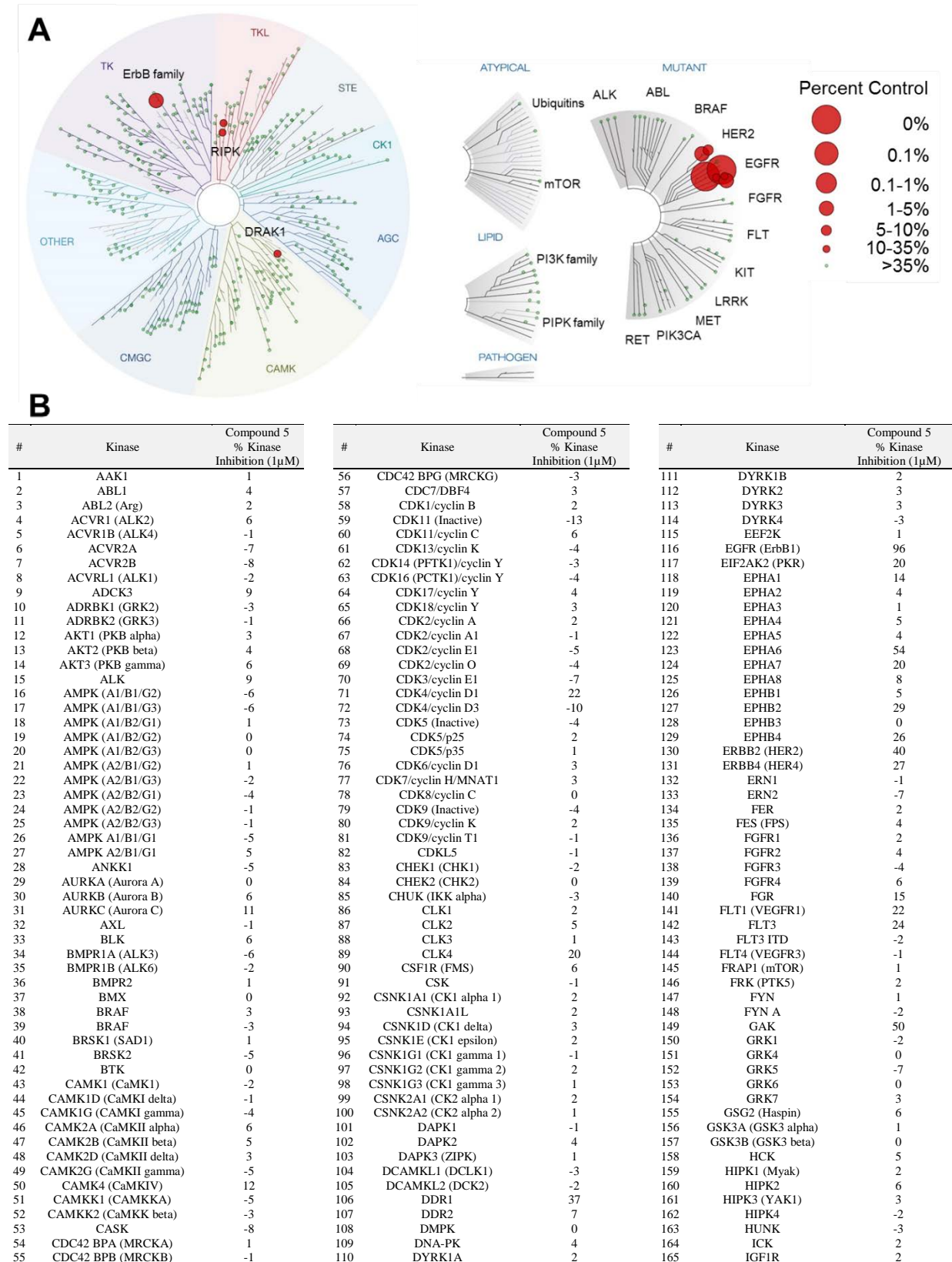


**Figure S4.** Pharmacokinetics of compound **5**. (A) Oral bioavailability of compound **5**. (B) Total plasma and brain concentrations of compound **5** in healthy CD-1 mice. (C) Unbound plasma and brain concentrations of compound **5** in healthy CD-1 mice. (D) Pharmacokinetics parameters of compound **5**. (E) Exposures of erlotinib (10mg/kg), lapatinib (80mg/kg), and compound **5** (300mg/kg) in plasma and brain for total and unbound.

## Chapter 1 - Table S4. Permeability of **5** in MDCK-BCRP transwell cells.

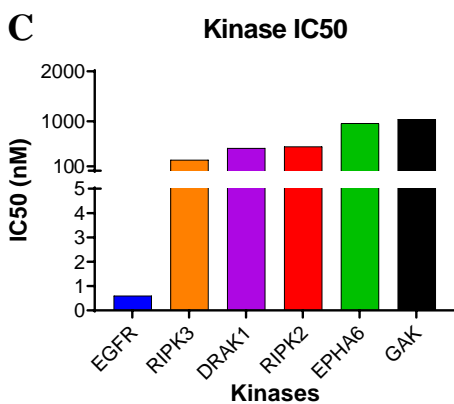
Compound	Concentration (µM)	P <sub>app</sub> (10 <sup>-6</sup> cm/s)	Efflux Ratio <sup>c</sup>
<b>5</b>	10	18.59	0.303

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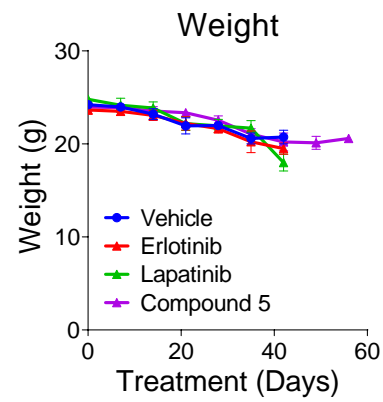


#	Kinase	Compound 5 % Kinase Inhibition (1µM)	#	Kinase	Compound 5 % Kinase Inhibition (1µM)	#	Kinase	Compound 5 % Kinase Inhibition (1µM)
166	IKBKB (IKK beta)	2	253	NEK1	-1	336	RPS6KA1 (RSK1)	3
167	IKBKE (IKK epsilon)	1	254	NEK2	2	337	RPS6KA2 (RSK3)	1
168	INSR	-7	255	NEK4	0	338	RPS6KA3 (RSK2)	1
169	INSRR (IRR)	4	256	NEK6	1	339	RPS6KA4 (MSK2)	-2
170	IRAK1	-4	257	NEK8	-6	340	RPS6KA5 (MSK1)	-3
171	IRAK3	11	258	NEK9	-2	341	RPS6KA6 (RSK4)	-2
172	IRAK4	-1	259	NIM1K	2	342	RPS6KB1 (p70S6K)	6
173	ITK	10	260	NLK	0	343	RPS6KB2 (p70S6Kb)	3
174	JAK1	-2	261	NTRK1 (TRKA)	14	344	SBK1	12
175	JAK2	0	262	NTRK2 (TRKB)	7	345	SGK (SGK1)	2
176	JAK2 JH1 JH2	-4	263	NTRK3 (TRKC)	11	346	SGK2	3
177	JAK3	1	264	NUAK1 (ARK5)	-7	347	SGKL (SGK3)	4
178	KDR (VEGFR2)	9	265	NUAK2	-9	348	SIK1	0
179	KIT	3	266	PAK1	-2	349	SIK3	2
180	KSR2	1	267	PAK2 (PAK65)	2	350	SLK	4
181	LATS2	-7	268	PAK3	-3	351	SNF1LK2	5
182	LCK	9	269	PAK4	0	352	SPHK1	-3
183	LIMK1	0	270	PAK6	8	353	SPHK2	-8
184	LIMK2	-2	271	PAK7 (KIAA1264)	3	354	SRC	6
185	LRRK2	-3	272	PASK	-1	355	SRC N1	4
186	LRRK2 FL	-4	273	PDGFRA (PDGFR alpha)	0	356	SRMS (Srm)	6
187	LTK (TYK1)	1	274	PDGFRB (PDGFR beta)	-2	357	SRPK1	-2
188	LYN A	29	275	PDK1	3	358	SRPK2	3
189	LYN B	45	276	PDK1 Direct	-2	359	STK16 (PKL12)	-2
190	MAP2K1 (MEK1)	3	277	PEAK1	7	360	STK17A (DRAK1)	65
191	MAP2K1 (MEK1)	3	278	PHKG1	8	361	STK17B (DRAK2)	12
192	MAP2K2 (MEK2)	7	279	PHKG2	3	362	STK22B (TSSK2)	3
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194	MAP2K4 (MEK4)	-2	281	PI4K2B (PI4K2 beta)	2	364	STK23 (MSSK1)	-2
195	MAP2K5 (MEK5)	0	282	PI4KA (PI4K alpha)	1	365	STK24 (MST3)	2
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208	MAP4K1 (HPK1)	3	295	PIM2	2	378	TAOK3 (JIK)	-3
209	MAP4K2 (GCK)	3	296	PIM3	-1	379	TBK1	0
210	MAP4K3 (GLK)	-5	297	PIP4K2A	-18	380	TEC	-3
211	MAP4K4 (HGK)	9	298	PIP5K1A	-2	381	TEK (Tie2)	-8
212	MAP4K5 (KHS1)	7	299	PIP5K1B	-6	382	TESK1	3
213	MAPK1 (ERK2)	2	300	PIP5K1C	-1	383	TESK2	-3
214	MAPK10 (JNK3)	6	301	PKMYT1	2	384	TGFBR1 (ALK5)	-3
215	MAPK10 (JNK3)	5	302	PKN1 (PRK1)	1	385	TGFBR2	28
216	MAPK11 (p38 beta)	5	303	PKN2 (PRK2)	2	386	TLK1	-11
217	MAPK12 (p38 gamma)	3	304	PLK1	0	387	TLK2	-6
218	MAPK13 (p38 delta)	1	305	PLK2	2	388	TNIK	6
219	MAPK14 (p38 alpha)	6	306	PLK3	-7	389	TNK1	4
220	MAPK14 (p38 alpha) Direct	5	307	PLK4	-3	390	TNK2 (ACK)	0
221	MAPK15 (ERK7)	0	308	PRKACA (PKA)	-1	391	TTK	-4
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233	MARK3	3	320	PRKCQ (PKC theta)	14	403	YES1	10
234	MARK4	-2	321	PRKCZ (PKC zeta)	8	404	ZAK	-2
235	MASTL	-1	322	PRKD1 (PKC mu)	5	405	ZAP70	1
236	MATK (HYL)	1	323	PRKD2 (PKD2)	0	406	EGFR (ErbB1) C797S	88
237	MELK	2	324	PRKG1	0	407	EGFR (ErbB1) d746-750	100
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239	MET (cMet)	1	326	PRKX	9	409	EGFR (ErbB1) G719C	88
240	MINK1	9	327	PTK2 (FAK)	0	410	EGFR (ErbB1) G719S	89
241	MKNK1 (MNK1)	-4	328	PTK2B (FAK2)	3	411	EGFR (ErbB1) L858R	93
242	MKNK2 (MNK2)	10	329	PTK6 (Brk)	9	412	EGFR (ErbB1) L861Q	96
243	MLCK (MLCK2)	1	330	RET	8	413	EGFR (ErbB1) T790M	11
244	MLK4	-1	331	RIPK2	67	414	EGFR (ErbB1) T790M C797S L858R	8
245	MST1R (RON)	-4	332	RIPK3	75	415	EGFR (ErbB1) T790M L858R	8
246	MST4	2	333	ROCK1	1			
247	MUSK	-10	334	ROCK2	0			
248	MYLK (MLCK)	-1	335	ROSI	7			
249	MYLK2 (skMLCK)	-2						
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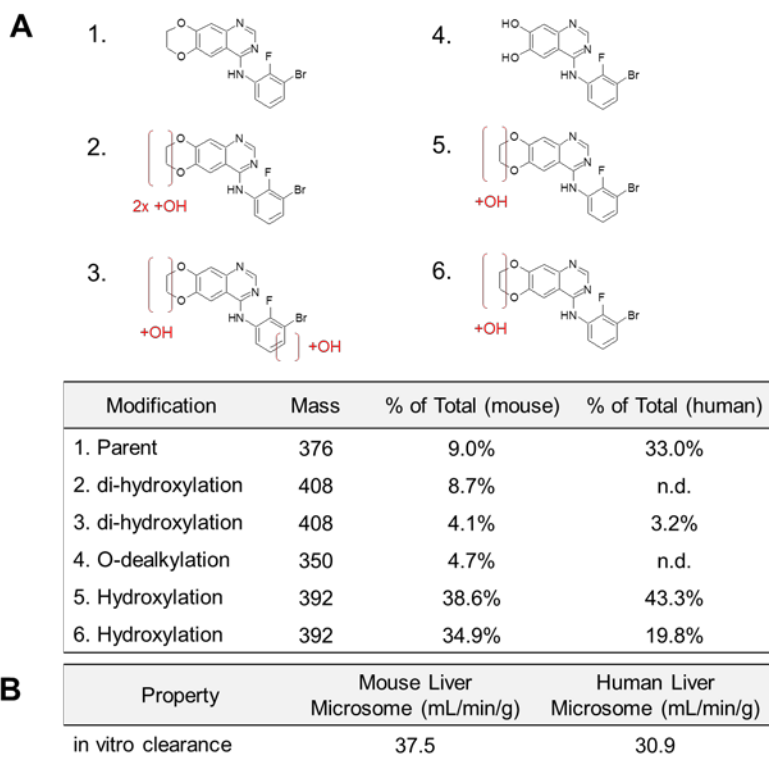
**Figure S5.** Kinome profiling of compound **5**. (A) TREEspot™ kinome profile of wild-type kinases (left) and mutant kinases (right) of compound **5**. The size of the circle refers to the percent of control of kinase activity remaining at a drug concentration of 1μM. Image generated using TREEspot™ Software Tool and reprinted with permission from KINOMEscan®, a division of DiscoverX Corporation, © DISCOVERX CORPORATION 2010. (B) Tabular list of kinases tested and their percent kinase inhibition (Thermofisher). (C) IC<sub>50</sub> determinations of the top wild-type kinase hits from the primary screen.

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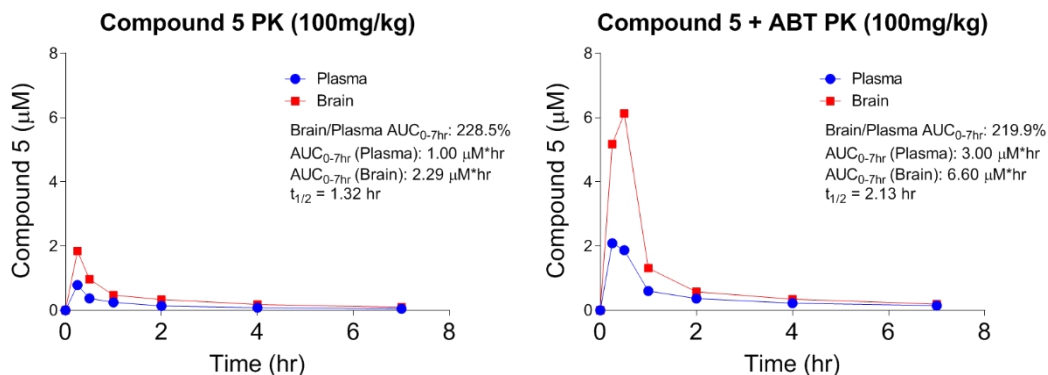
**Figure S6.** Mouse weights in orthotopic GBM39 xenograft mice treated with indicated EGFR inhibitors from survival study in Figure 2.

## Chapter 1 – Figure S7



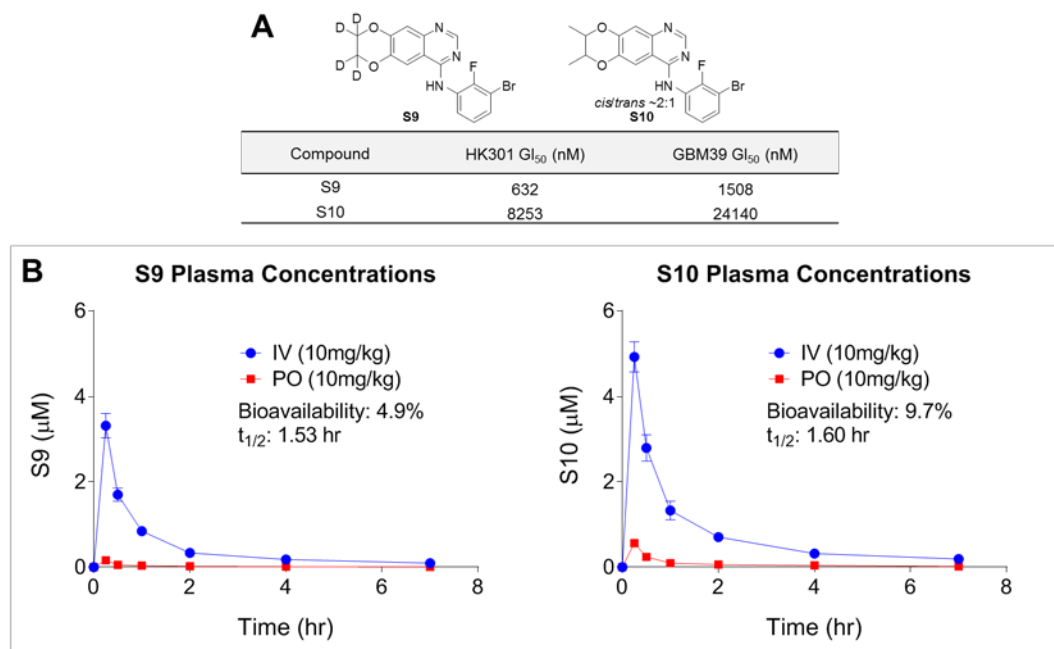
**Figure S7.** Metabolism of compound **5** in mouse and human liver microsomes. (A) Compound **5** was incubated for 30 minutes with liver microsomes and profiled by LC-MS to determine metabolites. n.d., not detected. (B) in vitro clearance from mouse and human liver microsomes.

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**Figure S8.** Oral pharmacokinetics of plasma and brain tissue from healthy CD-1 mice of compound **5** alone (A) and compound **5** combined with 1-aminobenzotriazole (ABT) (B).

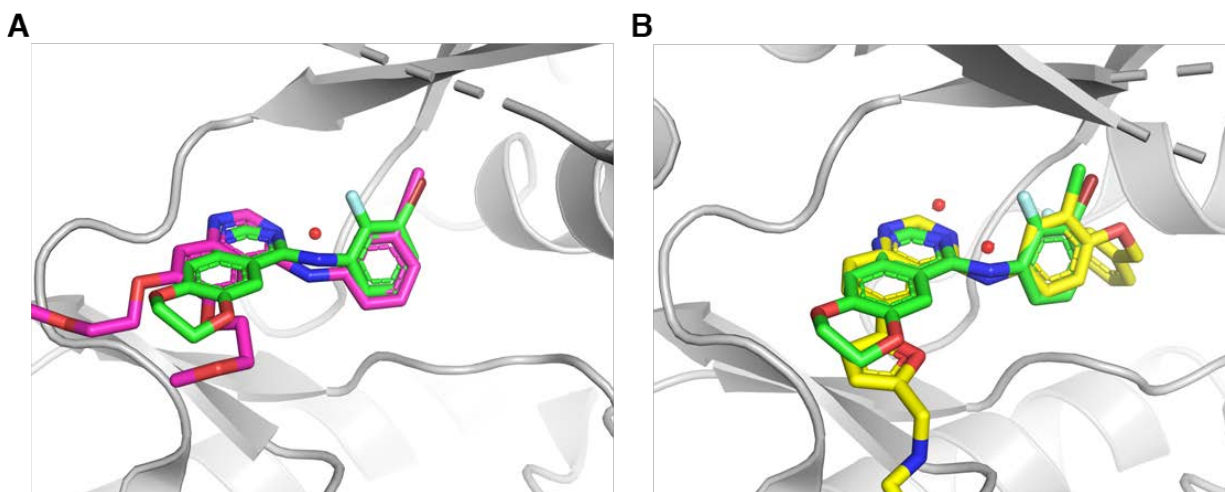
## Chapter 1 – Figure S9



**Figure S9.** Analogues with modified fused 1,4-dioxane ring for mitigating metabolic labile sites.

(A) Structures and *in vitro* potency of **S9** and **S10**. (B) Bioavailability of **S9** and **S10**.

## Chapter 1 – Figure S10

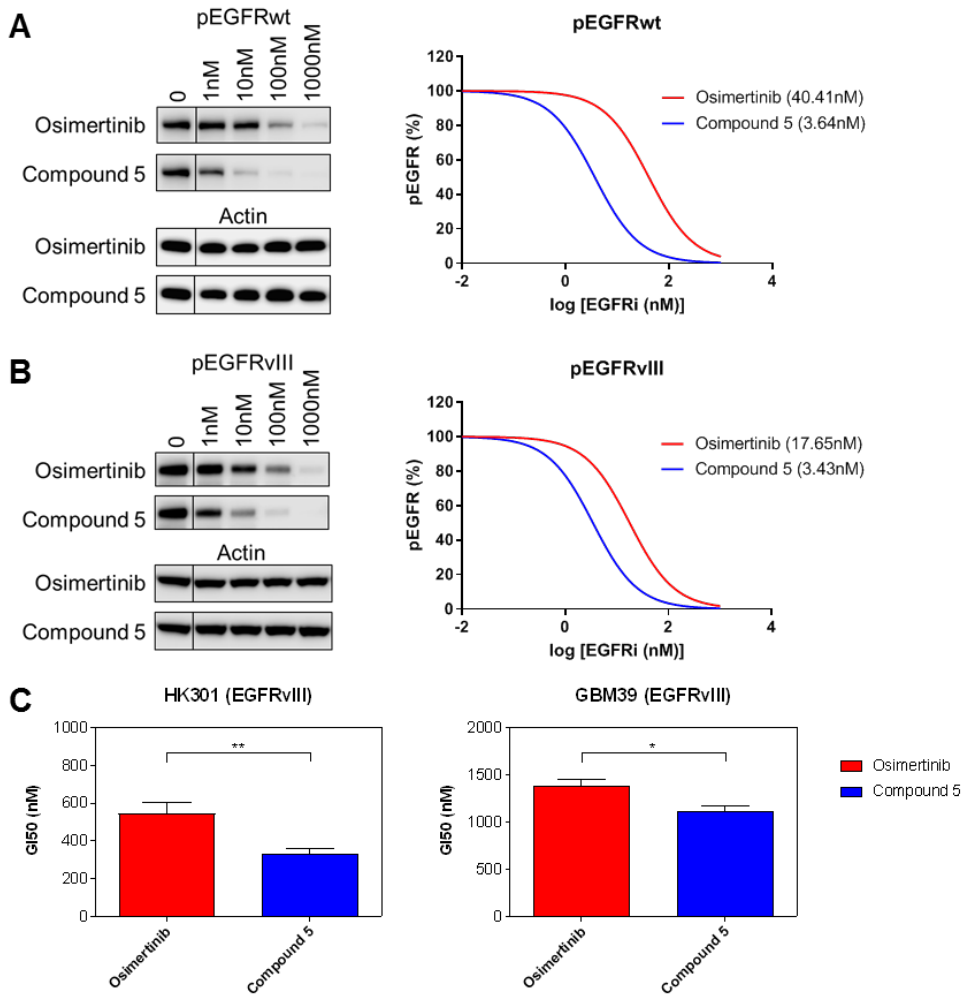


**Figure S10.** Overlays of compound **5** docked into the active site of wtEGFR together with the original ligand of the crystal structure: (A) erlotinib (PDB 1M17), (B) lapatinib (PDB 1XKK).<sup>36</sup> For both docking results, the quinazoline ring system is slightly tilted, and the aniline ring is slightly displaced compared to the ligand in the crystal structure. However, the observed close contact interactions with the protein are in line with the binding mode of the type I TKI scaffold. The P-loops have been removed for clarity. Color code: C<sub>enzyme</sub> gray, C<sub>5</sub> green, C<sub>erlotinib</sub> purple, C<sub>lapatinib</sub> yellow, O red, N blue, F light blue, Cl green, Br dark red.

**Chapter 1 – Table S5.** Efflux ratios and K<sub>puu</sub> of AZD3759, osimertinib, and compound **5**.

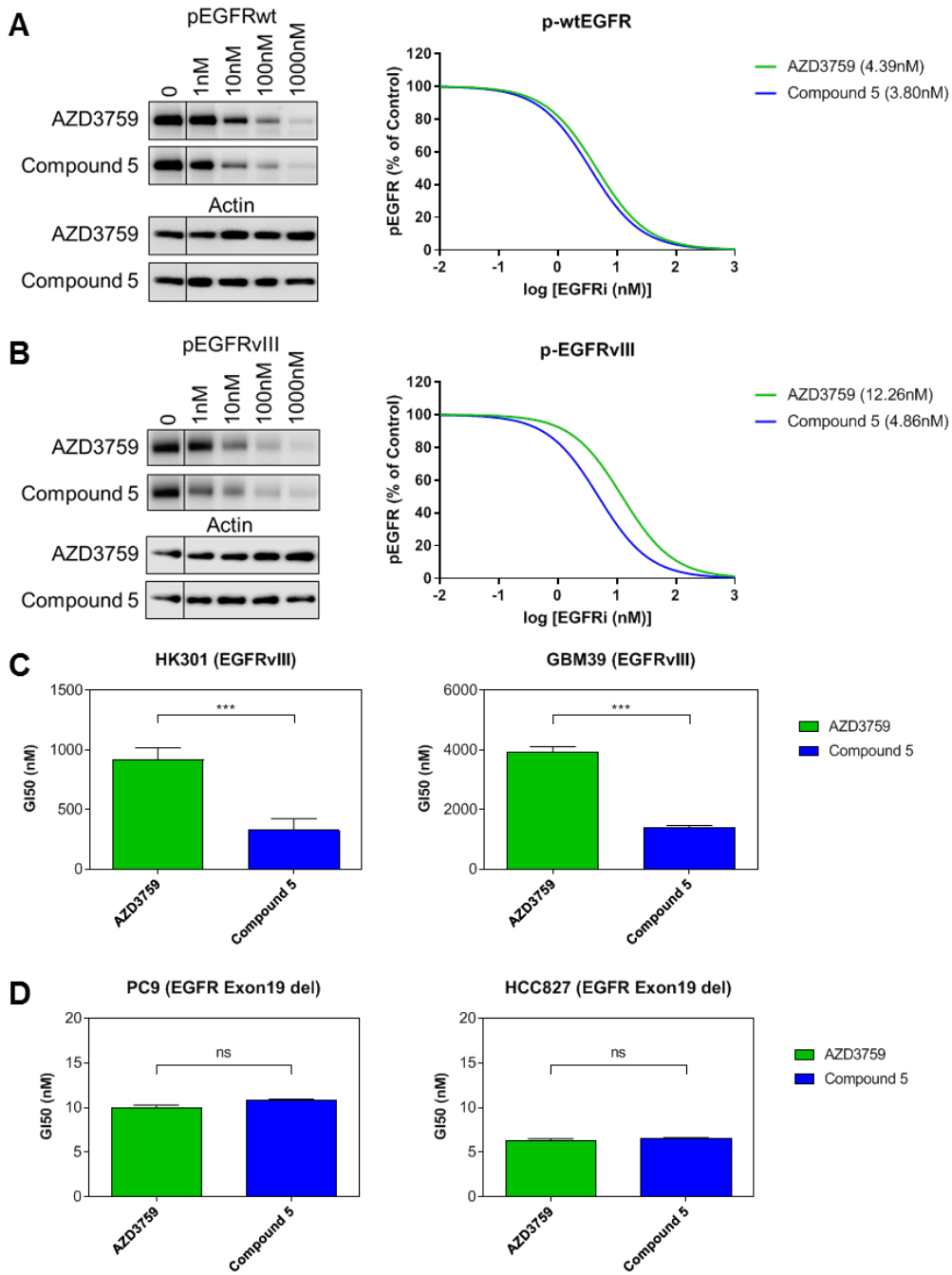
Compound	Concentration (μM)	Efflux Ratio (P-gp)	Efflux Ratio (BCRP)	K <sub>p,uu,brain</sub> (Mouse)
AZD3759	1	0.41 <sup>21</sup>	0.64 <sup>21</sup>	1.30 <sup>21</sup>
AZD9291	1	13.4 <sup>9</sup>	5.4 <sup>9</sup>	0.39 <sup>9</sup>
Compound <b>5</b>	10	0.58	0.30	1.30

## Chapter 1 – Figure S11



**Figure S11.** Potency comparisons of osimertinib and compound **5**. Compound **5** is more potent at inhibiting (A) EGF-stimulated wtEGFR and (B) EGFRvIII than osimertinib (C) Osimertinib and compound **5** GI<sub>50</sub> show compound **5** more potently inhibits growth of EGFRvIII mutant HK301 and GBM39 patient-derived lines. \* p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001.

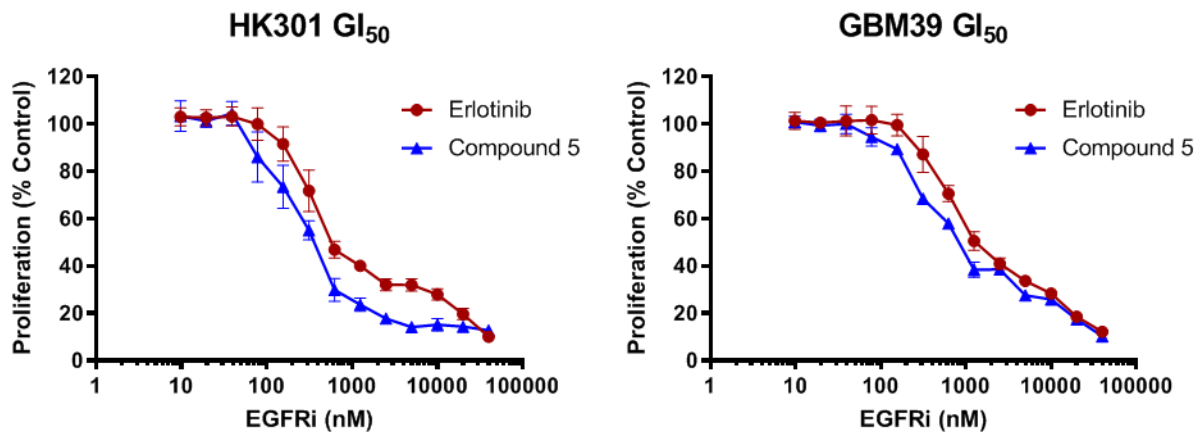
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**Figure S12.** Potency comparisons of AZD3759 and compound **5**. Compound **5** is equally potent at inhibiting EGF-stimulated wtEGFR (A) but is more potent at inhibiting EGFRvIII (B) compared with AZD3759. (C) AZD3759 and compound **5** GI<sub>50</sub> show compound **5** more potently inhibits growth of EGFRvIII mutant HK301 and GBM39 patient-derived cell lines. (D) AZD3759 and compound **5** equally inhibit growth of Exon 19 EGFR-mutant PC9 and HCC827 lung cancer lines.  
\* p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001.

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**Figure S13.** GI<sub>50</sub>s of erlotinib and Compound 5 against patient-derived EGFRvIII mutant GBM cell lines indicate no paradoxical increase in growth was observed at any concentration of the tested EGFR TKI.

**Chapter 1 – Table S6.** Crystal data, data collection, and structure refinement for 4 (CCDC-1913486).

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Crystal data	
Empirical formula	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>11</sub> ClFN <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub>
Formula weight ( <i>M<sub>r</sub></i> )	331.73
Crystal system, space group	Orthorhombic, <i>Pna</i> 2 <sub>1</sub>
Temperature	100(2) K
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 12.4287 (19) Å <i>b</i> = 16.933 (3) Å <i>c</i> = 6.578 (1) Å
Volume	1384.3 (4) Å <sup>3</sup>
<i>Z</i>	4
Radiation type	CuKα radiation, λ = 1.54178 Å
Crystal size (mm)	0.20 × 0.10 × 0.04 mm <sup>3</sup>
Density (calculated)	1.592 mg mm <sup>-3</sup>
Absorption coefficient μ	2.690 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	680
Data collection	
Diffractometer	Bruker APEX-II CCD
Theta range for data collection	4.4 to 69.9°
Index ranges	-15 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 14, -20 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 20, -7 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 7
Reflections collected	8518
Independent reflections	2385 ( <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.041)
Absorption correction	multi-scan
Max. and min. transmission	0.75 and 0.63
Refinement	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	2385 / 1 / 211
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.100
Final <i>R</i> indices [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0254, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.0619
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0263, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.0625
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.19 and -0.24 eÅ <sup>-3</sup>

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## Chapter 1 – Figure S14

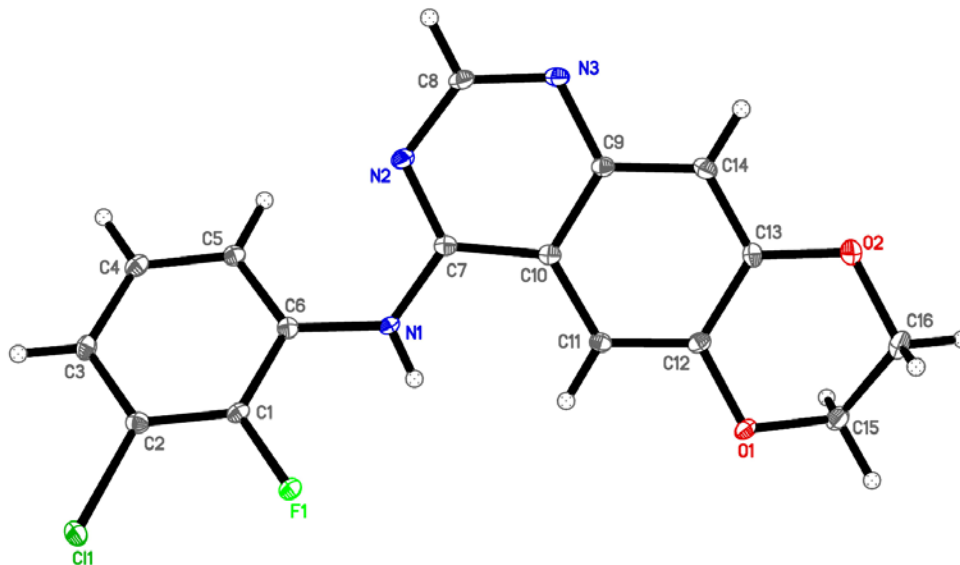
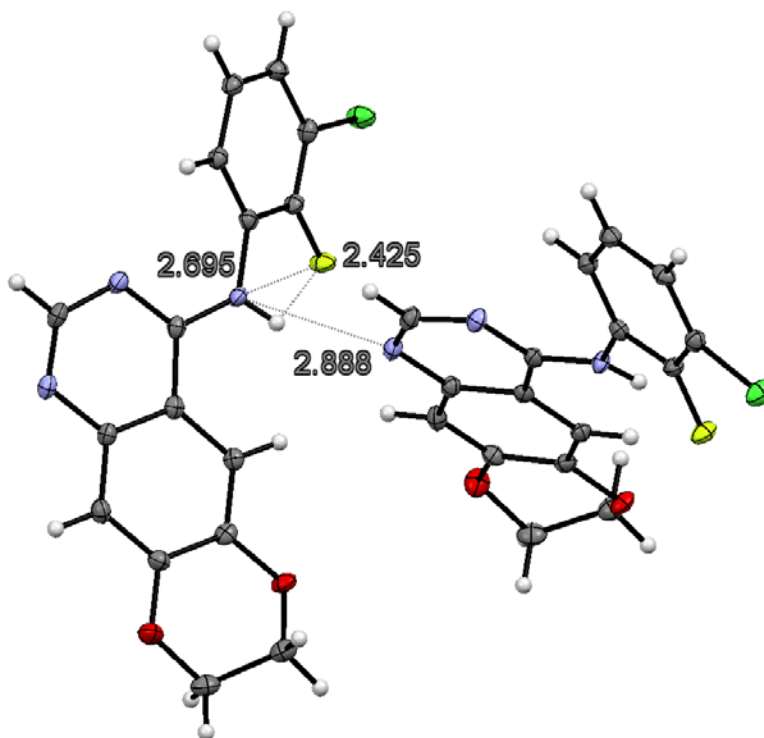


Figure S14. ORTEP representation of 4, arbitrary numbering. Atomic displacement parameters at 100 K are drawn at 50% probability level. Color code: grey = C, white = H, blue = N, red = O, pale green = F, dark green = Cl. Selected bond lengths (Å), and torsional angles (°): F1–C1 1.355(2), C11–C2 1.733(2), N1–C6 1.415(3), N1–C7 1.358(3), O1–C12 1.376(3), O2–C13 1.363(3), N2–C7–N1–C6 1.0(3), C5–C6–N1–C7 30.3(3).

Chapter 1 – Figure S15



**Figure S15.** Distances of inter- and intramolecular hydrogen bonding interactions involving the N-H proton in the crystal packing of **4**. Distances (in Å) are shown as dashed grey lines.

**Chapter 1 – Table S7.** Crystal data, data collection, and structure refinement for 5 (CCDC-1913485).

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Crystal data	
Empirical formula	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>11</sub> BrFN <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub>
Formula weight ( <i>M<sub>r</sub></i> )	376.19
Crystal system, space group	Orthorhombic, <i>Pna</i> 2 <sub>1</sub>
Temperature	100(2) K
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 12.4531 (10) Å <i>b</i> = 17.0793 (13) Å <i>c</i> = 6.6267 (5) Å
Volume	1409.43 (19) Å <sup>3</sup>
<i>Z</i>	4
Radiation type	MoK $\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda$ = 0.71073 Å
Crystal size (mm)	0.30 × 0.25 × 0.10 mm <sup>3</sup>
Density (calculated)	1.773 mg mm <sup>-3</sup>
Absorption coefficient $\mu$	2.942 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	752
Data collection	
Diffractionmeter	Bruker APEX-II CCD
Theta range for data collection	2.0 to 31.0°
Index ranges	-17 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 17, -24 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 23, -9 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 9
Reflections collected	17842
Independent reflections	4154
Absorption correction	multi-scan
Max. and min. transmission	0.74 and 0.57
Refinement	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	4154 / 1 / 211
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.034
Final <i>R</i> indices [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0217, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.0530
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0239, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.0537
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.41 and -0.42 eÅ <sup>-3</sup>

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## Chapter 1 – Figure S16

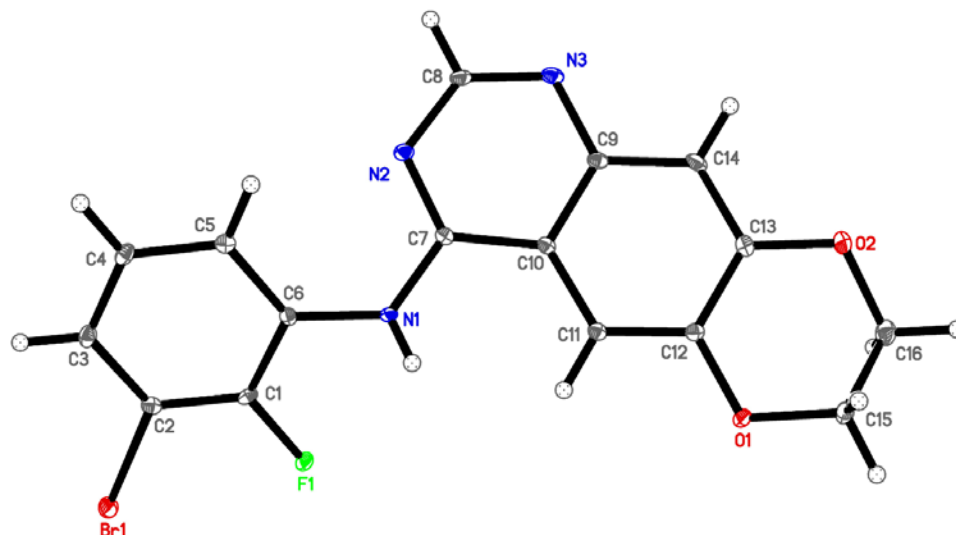
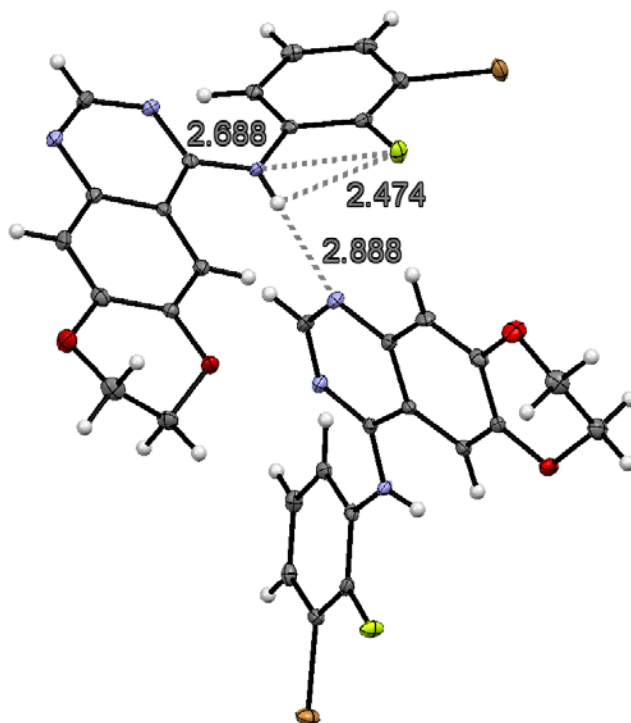


Figure S16. ORTEP representation of 5, arbitrary numbering. Atomic displacement parameters at 100 K are drawn at 50% probability level. Color code: grey = C, white = H, blue = N, red = O, pale green = F, dark green = Cl. Selected bond lengths (Å), and torsional angles (°): F1–C1 1.351(2), Br1–C2 1.883(2), N1–C6 1.409(3), N1–C7 1.362(3), O1–C12 1.371(2), O2–C13 1.371(3), N2–C7–N1–C6  $-0.7(3)$ , C5–C6–N1–C7  $-30.9(3)$ .

Chapter 1 – Figure S17



**Figure S17.** Distances of inter- and intramolecular hydrogen bonding interactions involving the N-H proton in the crystal packing of **5**. Distances (in Å) are shown as dashed grey lines.

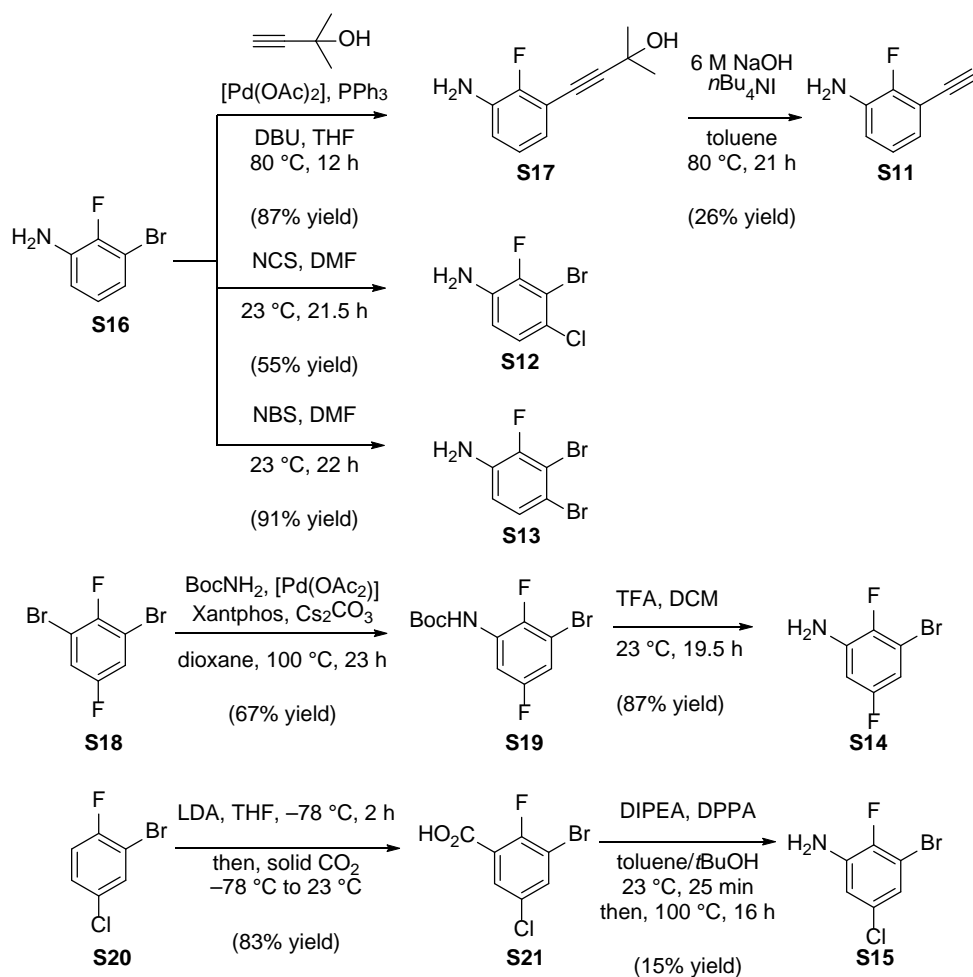


## SYNTHESIS SCHEMES

### Chapter 1 – Scheme S1

Synthesis of halogenated anilines:

Scheme S1 shows the preparation of the halogenated anilines **S11–S15**, which were used in the reaction with the chloroquinazoline **24** for the synthesis of the final compounds **2**, and **13–16**. 2-Amino-6-bromophenol was prepared as described in <sup>42</sup>.

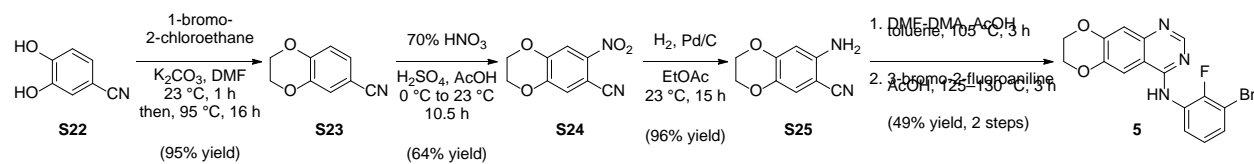


Scheme S1. Synthesis of the halogenated anilines **S11–S15**.

## Chapter 1 – Scheme S2

### Short route to compound 5:

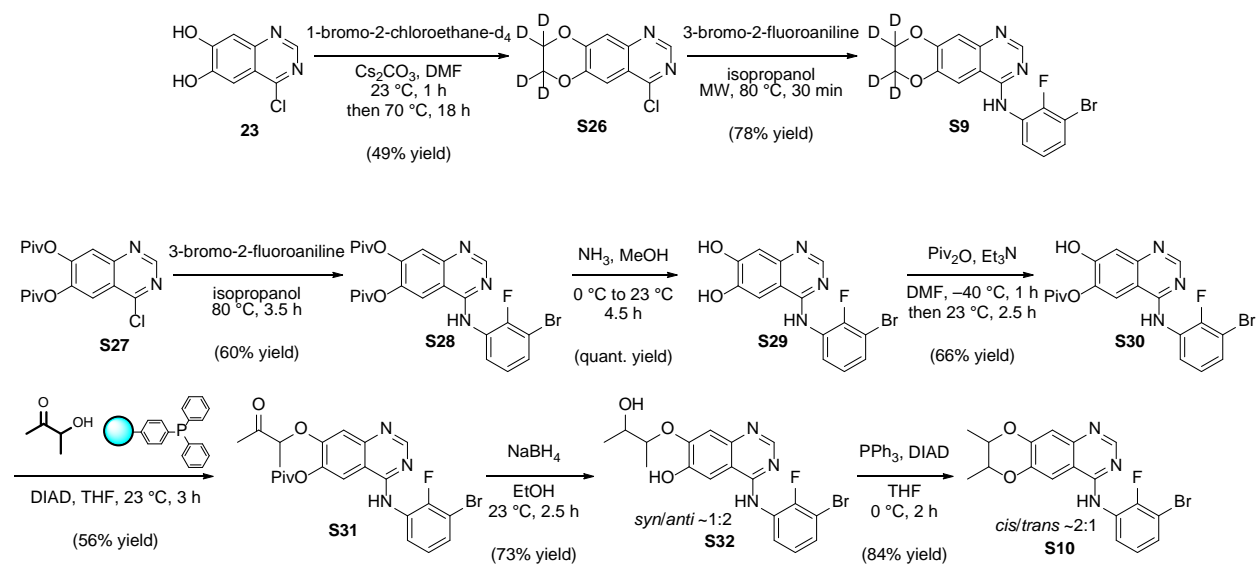
Alkylation of 3,4-dihydroxybenzonitrile (**S22**) with 1-bromo-2-chloroethane gave benzodioxanecarbonitrile **S23** in good yield and sufficient purity to directly continue with its nitration to **S24**, which was purified by recrystallization. Hydrogenation of **S24** afforded the anthranilonitrile **S25**, which was subjected to the usual conditions for the quinazoline synthesis by the Dimroth rearrangement to obtain **5**.



**Scheme S2.** Short synthetic route to compound **5**.

## Chapter 1 – Scheme S3

### Synthesis of perdeuterated (**S9**) and vic-dimethyl (**S10**) substituted analogues of compound **5**:



**Scheme S3.** Synthesis of analogues **S9** and **S10** with a modified fused-1,4-dioxane ring for improved metabolic stability.

## **EXPERIMENTAL METHODS**

**Cell culture conditions.** Patient-derived GBM cells were cultured in serum-free gliomasphere conditions consisting of DMEM/F12 (Thermofisher), B27 (Thermofisher), Penicillin-Streptomycin (100U/mL penicillin, 100mg/mL streptomycin, Thermofisher), and Glutamax (Thermofisher) supplemented with Heparin (5 $\mu$ g/mL, Sigma), Human EGF (50ng/mL, Thermofisher), and Human FGF- $\beta$  (20ng/mL, Thermofisher). U87 cells were cultured in DMEM (Thermofisher), FBS (10%, Gemini Bio-Products), Penicillin-Streptomycin, and Glutamax. Cells were dissociated to single cell suspensions with TrypLE (Thermofisher) and resuspended in its respective media. Cell lines were regularly tested for mycoplasma infection using Myco Alert™ Mycoplasma Detection Kit according to the manufacturer's protocol (Lonza).

**Reagents and antibodies.** The following chemical inhibitors were dissolved in DMSO for all in vitro studies: Erlotinib (Chemietek), Lapatinib (MedChemExpress). The following antibodies for immunoblotting were obtained from the listed sources: p-EGFR Y1086 (Thermofisher, 36-9700), t-EGFR (Millipore, 06-847), p-AKT T308 (Cell Signaling, 13038), p-AKT S473 (Cell Signaling, 4060), t-AKT (Cell Signaling, 4685), p-ERK T202/Y204 (Cell Signaling, 4370), t-ERK (Cell Signaling, 4695), p-S6 S235/236 (Cell Signaling, 4858), t-S6 (Cell Signaling, 2217),  $\beta$ -Actin (Cell Signaling, 3700).

**Cell-free kinase assays.** Cell-free EGFR kinase assays were performed using the EGFR Kinase Enzyme System (Promega, V9261). Briefly, 25 ng of recombinant EGFR kinase domain was incubated at RT with 10  $\mu$ M ATP, 1  $\mu$ g/ $\mu$ L poly (4:1 Glu, Tyr) peptide substrate, and an EGFR inhibitor in a 384-well plate for 40 min. Equal volume of ADP-Glo™ Reagent was then added and

incubated for 40 min followed by the addition of the Kinase Detection Reagent and a final 30 min incubation. Luminescence (integration time 1 sec) was recorded on a CLARIOstar microplate reader (BMG Labtech). A 10-point titration curve of each EGFR inhibitor was performed in duplicate.

**Cell based IC<sub>50</sub>.** U87-wtEGFR and U87-EGFRvIII cells were acclimated overnight in standard cell culture conditions. Cells were washed with PBS and cultured overnight in serum-free DMEM (Thermofisher), Penicillin-Streptomycin, and Glutamax. U87-wtEGFR cells were stimulated with Heparin (5µg/mL, Sigma), Human EGF (50ng/mL, Thermofisher) for 1 hr followed by EGFR TKI treatment for 1 hr before being collected. U87-EGFRvIII cells were treated with EGFR TKI for 1 hr before being collected.

**Immunoblotting.** Cells were collected and lysed in RIPA buffer (Boston BioProducts) containing Halt™ Protease and Phosphatase Inhibitor (Thermofisher). Lysates were centrifuged at 14,000g for 15min at 4°C. Protein samples were then boiled in NuPAGE LDS Sample Buffer (Thermofisher) and NuPAGE Sample Reducing Agent (Thermofisher), separated using SDS-PAGE on 12% Bis-Tris gels (Thermofisher), and transferred to nitrocellulose membrane (GE Healthcare). Immunoblotting was performed per antibody's manufacturer's specifications. Membranes were developed using the SuperSignal™ system (Thermofisher) and imaged using the Odyssey Fc Imaging System (LI-COR). Signal quantification was performed using the Image Studio™ software (LI-COR).

**Growth inhibition assays.** Growth inhibition assays were performed by incubating 1500 cells per well in 384-well plates for 72 hours with EGFR inhibitor. A 14-point titration curve of each EGFR inhibitor was performed in quadruplicate. All growth inhibition assays were independently repeated at least 3 times. Cell Titer Glo Luminescent Cell Viability Assay (Promega) was used to measure growth inhibition from control of each EGFR inhibitor. Luminescence (integration time 1 sec) was recorded on a CLARIOstar microplate reader (BMG Labtech).

**Proliferation assays.** Cells were plated at 50,000 cells/mL with EGFR inhibitors and were dissociated to single cell suspensions every 3 days. Cells were replated and EGFR inhibitors were refreshed. At day 9, cell numbers were recorded and compared to vehicle treated cells. Proliferation assays were independently repeated 3 times.

**Permeability assays.** Permeability assays were performed by Charles River using a confluent monolayer of Madin Darby Canine Kidney (MDCK) epithelial cells stably transfected with the human *MDR1* gene (gene encoding P-gp). For the apical to basolateral (A→B) permeability, the EGFR inhibitors in the presence or absence of 50  $\mu$ M verapamil (a P-gp inhibitor) was added to the apical side and permeation was measured from the basolateral side after a 2 hr incubation; the converse was applied for the basolateral to apical (B→A) permeability. The EGFR inhibitors in the supernatant of the apical and basolateral sides were analyzed by LC-MS/MS to determine permeability and efflux ratios.

**Pharmacokinetic studies.** Male CD-1 mice were treated by oral gavage with 10 mg/kg of EGFR inhibitor. Mice were euthanized and whole blood and brain tissue were collected at 0, 0.25, 0.5, 1,

2, 4, and 7 hrs post treatment (n=2 mice per time point). Whole blood from mice was centrifuged to isolate plasma. EGFR inhibitors were isolated by liquid-liquid extraction from plasma: 50  $\mu$ L plasma was added to 150  $\mu$ L acetonitrile and 5 pmol gefitinib internal standard. Mouse brain tissue was washed with 2 mL cold PBS and homogenized using a tissue homogenizer in 2 mL cold water. EGFR inhibitors were then isolated and reconstituted in a similar manner by liquid-liquid extraction: 100  $\mu$ L brain homogenate was added to 5 pmol gefitinib internal standard and 300  $\mu$ L acetonitrile. After vortex mixing, the samples were centrifuged. The supernatant was removed and evaporated by a rotary evaporator and reconstituted in 100  $\mu$ L 50:50:0.1 water:acetonitrile:formic acid.

**EGFR inhibitor detection.** Chromatographic separations were performed on a 100 x 2.1 mm Phenomenex Kinetex C18 column (Kinetex) using the 1290 Infinity LC system (Agilent). The mobile phase was composed of solvent A: 0.1% formic acid in Milli-Q water, and B: 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile. Analytes were eluted with a gradient of 5% B (0-4 min), 5-99% B (4-32 min), 99% B (32-36 min), and then returned to 5% B for 12 min to re-equilibrate between injections. Injections of 20  $\mu$ L into the chromatographic system were used with a solvent flow rate of 0.10 mL/min. Mass spectrometry was performed on the 6460 triple quadrupole LC/MS system (Agilent). Ionization was achieved by using electrospray in the positive mode and data acquisition was made in multiple reactions monitoring (MRM) mode. Analyte signal was normalized to the internal standard and concentrations were determined by extrapolating on to the calibration curve (10, 100, 1000, 4000 nM). EGFR inhibitor brain concentrations were adjusted by 1.4% of the mouse brain weight for the residual blood in the brain vasculature as described previously.<sup>43</sup>

**Genetic manipulation.** Lentiviruses used for genetic manipulation were produced by transfecting 293-FT cells (ATCC) using lipofectamine 2000 (Thermofisher). Viruses were collected following 48 hr after transfection. Lentiviral vector backbones for the overexpression of wtEGFR and EGFRvIII in U87 cells contained a CMV promoter. U87-wEGFR and U87-EGFRvIII cells were generated by transfection with these overexpression vectors. Short hairpin RNAs (shRNAs) against EGFR were purchased from Sigma (shEGFR1: TRCN0000295969, shEGFR2: TRCN0000010329). For in vivo tumors, GBM gliomaspheres were infected with a lentiviral vector containing Gaussia luciferase (Gluc) reporter gene.

**Intracranial Gaussia luciferase measurements.** To measure the levels of Gluc, 6  $\mu$ L of blood was collected from the tail vein of the mice and immediately mixed with 50mM EDTA to prevent coagulation. Gluc activity was obtained by measuring chemiluminescence following injection of 100  $\mu$ L of 100uM coelenterazine (Nanolight) in a 96 well plate as described previously.<sup>44</sup>

**Ex vivo immunoblot studies.** GBM39 cells were injected ( $3 \times 10^5$  cells per injection) into the right basal ganglia of the brain (2mm lateral and 1mm anterior to bregma) of NSG mice (Radiation Oncology, UCLA). When the tumors were engrafted and began an exponential growth phase by gaussia luciferase measurement as described above, mice were randomized into treatments arms and were treated with either vehicle (5% DMSO, 10% Transcutol, 30% PEG400), erlotinib (10 mg/kg), lapatinib (80 mg/kg), or **13** (300 mg/kg, BID) for 3 consecutive days. Mice were then euthanized, and tumors were isolated by macro dissection with GFP fluorescence. Tumors were lysed by sonication in RIPA buffer (Boston BioProducts) containing Halt™ Protease and



Phosphatase Inhibitor (Thermofisher). The immunoblotting protocol above was then performed on lysates.

**Intracranial mouse treatment studies.** GBM39 cells were intracranially injected as described above NSG mice. When the tumors were engrafted and began an exponential growth phase by gaussia luciferase measurement as described above, mice were randomized into treatments arms and initiated treatment by oral gavage with either vehicle, erlotinib (10 mg/kg), lapatinib (80 mg/kg), or **13** (300 mg/kg, BID). Mice were treated for 5 days followed by 2 days of no treatment each week until endpoints were reached. Mice were euthanized when moribund or reached a 25% loss in body weight. All studies were in accordance with UCLA Animal Research Committee protocol guidelines.

**Statistical Analyses.** Unless otherwise specified, student's t-tests were performed for statistical analyses and p-values <0.05 were considered significant. All statistical analyses were calculated using GraphPad Prism.

**Molecular Docking of Compound 5 into the EGFR Kinase Domain.** The active and inactive wtEGFR protein structures used for the docking studies were retrieved from the RCSB Protein Data Bank (rcsb.org)<sup>45</sup> (PDB IDs: 1M17<sup>18</sup> (active) and 1XKK<sup>36</sup> (inactive)). The receptor protein structures were prepared as follows: 1) all crystallographic water molecules were removed, except for one water molecule making a direct hydrogen bonding interaction with N3 of the quinazoline; 2) hydrogen atoms were manually added to this water molecule with Schrödinger Maestro 2018-1; 3) in case of the protein structure derived from 1M17, Cys751 and Asp831 were manually

corrected with PyMOL 2.0.7 due to crystallographic disordering; 4) addition of polar hydrogen atoms, merging of non-polar hydrogen atoms and charges, and assignment of aromatic carbons were then carried out with AutoDockTools 4.2 (The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla, California, USA).<sup>46</sup> The ligand coordinates were generated as follows: 1) for control docking experiments, the coordinates of erlotinib or lapatinib were retrieved from the protein crystal structure (PDB IDs 1M17 and 1XKK); 2) the coordinates of compound **5** were generated using a conformational search starting with the geometry of the X-ray crystal structure of **5**, performed with Schrödinger Maestro 2014-2 using MacroModel with the OPLS\_2005 force field in water; these conformers were docked separately, and the results manually inspected; 3) all ligands were prepared for docking with AutoDockTools, which assigned Gasteiger charges and torsional angles to the ligand conformers. Docking was performed by AutoDock Vina 1.1.2 (The Scripps Research Institute)<sup>47</sup> with exhaustiveness set to 16; docking results were manually inspected, and the binding poses with the most favorable binding affinity and meaningful geometry were visualized with PyMOL.

**Chemistry.** *General.* Unless otherwise noted, all chemicals, reagents, and solvents were purchased from commercial sources when available and were used as received. When necessary, reagents and solvents were purified and dried by standard methods. Air- and moisture-sensitive reactions were carried out under an inert atmosphere of argon in oven-dried glassware. Microwave-irradiated reactions were carried out in a single mode reactor CEM Discover microwave synthesizer or with a Biotage Initiator+ system. Room temperature (RT) reactions were carried out at ambient temperature (approximately 23 °C). All reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) on precoated Merck 60 F<sub>254</sub> silica gel plates with spots visualized by UV light ( $\lambda$  = 254, 365 nm), or colored by using a KMnO<sub>4</sub> solution. Flash column chromatography was carried out on SiO<sub>2</sub> 60 (particle size 0.040–0.063 mm, 230–400 mesh). Preparative thin-layer chromatography (PTLC) was carried out with Merck 60 F<sub>254</sub> silica gel plates (20 x 20 cm, 210–270  $\mu$ m) or Analtech Silica Gel GF TLC plates (20 x 20 cm, 1000  $\mu$ m). Concentration under reduced pressure (in vacuo) was performed by rotary evaporation typically at 25–35 °C. Purified compounds were further dried under high vacuum (HV) or in a desiccator. Yields correspond to purified compounds unless otherwise indicated, and were generally not further optimized. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>1</sup>H NMR) spectra were recorded on Bruker spectrometers (operating at 300, 400, or 500 MHz). Carbon NMR (<sup>13</sup>C NMR) spectra were recorded on Bruker spectrometers (either at 400 or 500 MHz). NMR chemical shifts ( $\delta$  ppm) were referenced to the residual solvent signals. <sup>1</sup>H NMR data are reported as follows: chemical shift in ppm; multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet/complex pattern, dd = doublet of doublets, dt = doublet of triplets, td = triplet of doublets, ddd = doublet of doublet of doublets, tdd = triplet of doublet of doublets, br = broad signal); coupling constants (*J*) in Hz, integration. Data for <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra are reported in terms of chemical shift, and if applicable coupling constants.

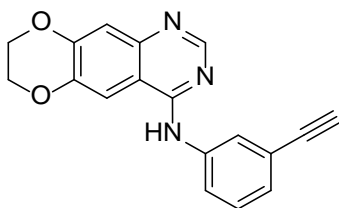
High resolution mass (HRMS) spectra were recorded on a Thermo Fisher Scientific Exactive Plus with IonSense ID-CUBE DART source mass spectrometer, or on a Waters LCT Premier mass spectrometer with ACQUITY UPLC with autosampler. All final compounds were purified to >95% purity as determined by HPLC (11 min). HPLC (11 min) methods used the following: Agilent 1260 Infinity LC system, Agilent Polaris C18-A 4.6 x 150 mm, 5  $\mu$ m at 40 °C with a 0.8 mL/min flow rate; solvent A of 0.1% (v/v) formic acid in water, solvent B of 0.1% (v/v) in acetonitrile; 0.0–2.0 min, 5% B; 2.1–10.0 min, 5–95% B; 10.1–11 min, 95% B. Compounds were named according to the IUPAC nomenclature and numbering system following suggestions of ACD/ChemSketch from Advanced Chemistry Development, Inc.

**General Procedures (GP).** *GP-1: Nucleophilic Aromatic Substitution of 4-Chloroquinazoline with Anilines (Method A).* A mixture of the 4-chloroquinazoline **24** (1 equiv) in isopropanol (0.1–0.3 M) was treated with the aniline (1 equiv), and the mixture was heated at 80 °C under microwave irradiation for 15–20 min. The mixture was cooled to RT, treated with additional equiv of the aniline, and again subjected to microwave irradiation (80 °C, 15–20 min). (Alternatively, **24** (1 equiv) was treated with aniline (2 equiv) and heated in the microwave for 30 min under otherwise identical conditions). The mixture was either concentrated under reduced pressure, or the precipitated 4-anilinoquinazoline hydrochloride salt was isolated by filtration (washings with cold isopropanol). The residue was suspended in sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3x). The combined organic extracts were washed with water, brine, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated. Purification by flash chromatography (elution with a gradient of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc or hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the desired products typically as white to off-white, or pale-yellow solids.

*GP-2: Nucleophilic Aromatic Substitution of 4-Chloroquinazoline with Anilines (Method B).* A mixture of the 4-chloroquinazoline **24** (1 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.1–0.3 M) was treated with the aniline (2 equiv) and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (1 equiv). The mixture was heated at 80 °C under microwave irradiation for 30 min. The mixture was either concentrated under reduced pressure, or the precipitated 4-anilinoquinazoline hydrochloride salt was isolated by filtration (washings with Et<sub>2</sub>O). The residue was suspended in sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3x). The combined organic extracts were washed with water, brine, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated. Purification by flash chromatography (elution with a gradient of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc or hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the desired products typically as white to off-white, or pale-yellow solids.

*GP-3: Nucleophilic Aromatic Substitution of 4-Chloroquinazoline with Anilines (Method C).* A mixture of the 4-chloroquinazoline **24** (1 equiv) in anhydrous DMF (0.1 – 0.2 M) was treated with the aniline (2–3.5 equiv), and the mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. The mixture was cooled to RT, and diluted with water (30 mL) and EtOAc (30 mL). The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 30 mL). The combined organic layers were washed successively with water and brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated. Purification by flash chromatography (elution with a gradient of hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the desired products.

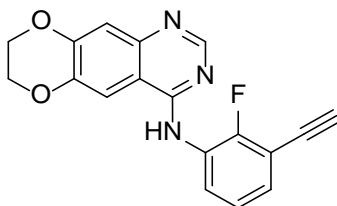
***N*-(3-Ethynylphenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (1)**



Following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **1** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol) and 3-ethynylaniline (36  $\mu$ L, 0.32 mmol) in isopropanol (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{EtOAc}$  1:0  $\rightarrow$  10:4) gave **1** (39 mg, 82%) as an off-white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  9.49 (s, 1H), 8.47 (s, 1H), 8.11 – 8.06 (m, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.95 – 7.90 (m, 1H), 7.38 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 4.45 – 4.36 (m, 4H), 4.19 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  156.39, 152.86, 149.13, 146.06, 143.65, 139.81, 128.87, 126.29, 124.46, 122.26, 121.70, 112.59, 109.99, 108.38, 83.57, 80.52, 64.50, 64.17. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2^+$ , 304.1081; found, 304.1078.

#### ***N*-(3-Ethynyl-2-fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (2)**



Preparation from the chloroquinazoline **24**: following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **2** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol) and 3-ethynyl-2-fluoroaniline (**S11**) (42 mg, 0.31 mmol) in isopropanol (1.5 mL). After the reaction, the precipitated hydrochloride salt of **2** was converted into the free base by extraction of a sat. aq.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  solution to obtain pure **2** (34 mg, 67%) as an off-white solid.

Preparation from the quinazoline **4**: a 1 dram vial was charged with **4** (75 mg, 0.23 mmol), XPhos (19.7 mg, 0.041 mmol),  $\text{Cs}_2\text{CO}_3$  (195 mg, 0.60 mmol),  $[\text{PdCl}_2 \cdot (\text{MeCN})_2]$  (3.6 mg, 0.014 mmol). The vial was evacuated and backfilled with argon (repeated at least twice). Dry acetonitrile (1 mL) was added, and the orange suspension was stirred at RT for 25 min, then ethynyltriethylsilane (150  $\mu$ L, 0.84 mmol) was injected. The tube was sealed, and the reaction mixture stirred at 95  $^\circ\text{C}$  in a

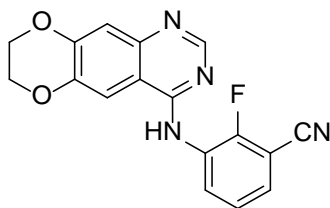
preheated oil bath for 3.5 h. The suspension was allowed to reach 23 °C, diluted with EtOAc, filtered through a plug of SiO<sub>2</sub> (washings with EtOAc), and evaporated. Purification by flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc 8:2 → 4:6) afforded the triethylsilyl-protected compound **2** (48 mg, 49%) as a yellow foamy solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.681 (td, *J* = 8.1, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.678 (s, 1H), 7.382 (s, 1H), 7.376 (br, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.21 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 4.44 – 4.38 (m, 4H), 1.07 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9H), 0.71 (q, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.95, 153.81 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 248.0 Hz), 153.44, 149.62, 146.66, 144.47, 127.68, 127.60, 124.15 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 4.5 Hz), 122.79, 114.49, 111.77 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 14.6 Hz), 110.61, 105.97, 98.65, 98.49 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 64.70, 64.51, 7.63, 4.50. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>27</sub>FN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Si<sup>+</sup>, 436.1851; found, 436.1831.

A mixture of triethylsilyl-protected compound **2** (40 mg, 0.09 mmol) in wet THF (0.9 mL) was treated dropwise with a 1 M solution of TBAF in THF (450 μL, 0.45 mmol), and the mixture was stirred at RT for 18 h. Water (10 mL) was added, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 15 mL). The combined organics were washed with brine (20 mL), dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated. Purification by flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc 7:3 → 3:7), followed by a second flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0 → 6:4) afforded **2** (19 mg, 64%) as an off-white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.69 (td, *J* = 8.0, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.67 (s, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.36 (br, 1H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 7.21 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 6.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (td, *J* = 7.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 4.44 – 4.37 (m, 4H), 3.34 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.94, 154.04 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 248.6 Hz), 153.39, 149.65, 146.69, 144.47, 127.81, 127.67 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 9.2 Hz), 124.29 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 4.7 Hz), 123.48, 114.48, 110.58, 110.50 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 14.3 Hz), 105.99, 82.95 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 3.6 Hz), 76.70 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 1.7 Hz), 64.69, 64.50. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>13</sub>FN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 322.0986; found, 322.0981.

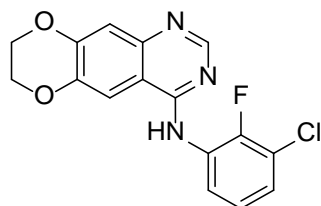
### 3-[(7,8-Dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-g]quinazolin-4-yl)amino]-2-fluorobenzonitrile (**3**)



A 1 dram vial was charged with **4** (75 mg, 0.23 mmol), *t*BuXPhos-Pd-G3 (9 mg, 0.01 mmol), and Zn(CN)<sub>2</sub> (18 mg, 0.15 mmol). The vial was evacuated and backfilled with Ar (3x). THF (190 μL) and degassed water (940 μL) were added. The vial was sealed, and vigorously stirred at 40 °C for 18.5 h. Sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL) was added, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 13 mL). The combined organics were washed with water (13 mL), brine (13 mL), dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0 → 1:1) gave **3** (20 mg, 27%) as a yellow solid together with recovered **4** (46 mg, 61%) as a white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.06 – 8.98 (m, 1H), 8.69 (s, 1H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.39 (br, 1H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 4.45 – 4.37 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.63, 153.63 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 254.6 Hz), 153.04, 149.94, 146.80, 144.76, 128.60 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 7.8 Hz), 127.48, 126.58, 125.31 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 4.5 Hz), 114.56, 113.80, 110.45, 105.83, 101.30 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 13.9 Hz), 64.70, 64.51. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>12</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 323.0939; found, 323.0927.

### *N*-(3-Chloro-2-fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (**4**)



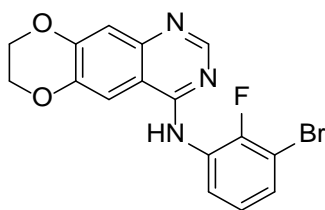
Following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **4** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (401 mg, 1.80 mmol) and 3-chloro-2-fluoroaniline (396 μL, 3.60 mmol) in isopropanol (3.6 mL). After



the reaction, the precipitated hydrochloride salt of **4** was converted into the free base by extraction of a sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution to obtain pure **4** (507 mg, 85%) as a pale-yellow solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.69 (s, 1H), 8.60 (td, *J* = 7.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.34 (br, 1H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 7.20 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 4.45 – 4.38 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.90, 153.37, 149.71, 149.33 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 244.2 Hz), 146.75, 144.53, 128.75 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 9.3 Hz), 124.71 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 5.1 Hz), 124.48, 121.07, 120.86 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 16.1 Hz), 114.54, 110.59, 105.95, 64.70, 64.52. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M – H]<sup>–</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClFN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>–</sup>, 330.0451; found, 330.0457.

#### ***N*-(3-Bromo-2-fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (5)**



Preparation from the chloroquinazoline **24**: following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **5** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (100 mg, 0.45 mmol) and 3-bromo-2-fluoroaniline (100 μL, 0.89 mmol) in isopropanol (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 10:0 → 10:3) gave **5** (150 mg, 89%) as a pale-yellow solid.

Preparation from the anthranilonitrile **S25**: a mixture of anthranilonitrile **S25** (2.388 g, 13.6 mmol) in toluene (35 mL) was treated with AcOH (35 μL, 0.61 mmol) and DMF-DMA (3.24 mL, 24.4 mmol), and stirred at 105 °C for 3 h. The mixture was cooled to 23 °C and evaporated to afford the corresponding *N,N*-dimethyl formamidine derivative (3.292 g, quant.) as a yellow, amorphous solid, which was used in the next step without any further purification.

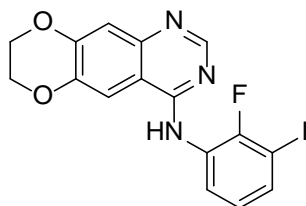
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.50 (s, 1H), 7.02 (s, 1H), 6.43 (s, 1H), 4.29 – 4.26 (m, 2H), 4.23 – 4.20 (m, 2H), 3.05 (s, 3H), 3.03 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 153.69, 150.53, 148.11,

139.03, 121.05, 118.72, 108.10, 99.17, 64.91, 64.12, 40.39, 34.69. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[M + H]^+$  calcd for  $C_{12}H_{14}N_3O_2^+$ , 232.1081; found, 232.1087.

A mixture of the crude *N,N*-dimethyl formamidine derivative (3.265 g, 14.1 mmol) in AcOH (36.4 mL) was treated with 3-bromo-2-fluoroaniline (1.98 mL, 17.6 mmol) and stirred at 125–130 °C for 3 h. The mixture was cooled to 23 °C, and poured into ice-water (70 mL). The pH was adjusted to ~9 with 30% aq.  $NH_4OH$  (46 mL), and EtOAc (18 mL) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 45 min, and filtered. The yellow residue was suspended in MeOH (70 mL), treated dropwise with conc. HCl (3.5 mL), and stirred vigorously until a precipitate formed, which was collected by filtration (washings with cold MeOH, 3 x 4 mL), and dried under HV to obtain the hydrochloride salt of **5** (3159 mg, 54%). The residue was suspended in sat. aq.  $NaHCO_3$  (500 mL), and extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3 x 200 mL). The combined organics were washed with water (150 mL), brine (150 mL), dried ( $Na_2SO_4$ ), filtered, and evaporated to give **5** (2.622 g, 49%) as a yellow solid.

$^1H$  NMR (500 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.68 (s, 1H), 8.65 (ddd,  $J = 8.3, 7.4, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.35 (br, 1H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 7.29 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.11 (td,  $J = 8.2, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.44 – 4.38 (m, 4H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (126 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  155.89, 153.37, 150.15 (d,  $J_{CF} = 242.2$  Hz), 149.70, 146.75, 144.53, 128.65 (d,  $J_{CF} = 10.5$  Hz), 127.24, 125.31 (d,  $J_{CF} = 4.7$  Hz), 121.79, 114.53, 110.59, 108.59 (d,  $J_{CF} = 19.4$  Hz), 105.93, 64.70, 64.51. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[M - H]^-$  calcd for  $C_{16}H_{10}BrFN_3O_2^-$ , 373.9946; found, 373.9946.

***N*-(2-Fluoro-3-iodophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (6)**

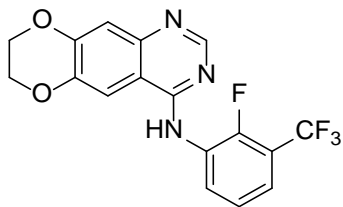


A 1 dram vial was charged with **5** (50 mg, 0.13 mmol), CuI (3.8 mg, 0.02 mmol), and NaI (42 mg, 0.28 mmol), and evacuated and backfilled with Ar (3x). Dioxane (0.9 mL) and ( $\pm$ )-*trans*-*N,N*-dimethylcyclohexane-1,2-diamine (6.3  $\mu$ L, 0.04 mmol) were added. The vial was sealed and heated at 110 °C for 24 h. After cooling to 23 °C, sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (3 mL) was added, and the mixture transferred into water (15 mL). The mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 x 13 mL), and the combined organics were dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated. Purification by flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0  $\rightarrow$  3:1) gave **6** (47 mg, 84%) as an off-white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.71 – 8.64 (m, 1H), 8.68 (s, 1H), 7.46 (ddd,  $J$  = 8.0, 5.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.34 (br, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 6.99 (td,  $J$  = 8.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.45 – 4.38 (m, 4H).  
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  155.88, 153.39, 152.51 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 240.3 Hz), 149.69, 146.73, 144.53, 132.95, 127.86 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 11.5 Hz), 126.14 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 4.3 Hz), 122.82, 114.53, 110.60, 105.93, 80.32 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 23.9 Hz), 64.70, 64.51. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>12</sub>FIN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 423.9953; found, 423.9958.

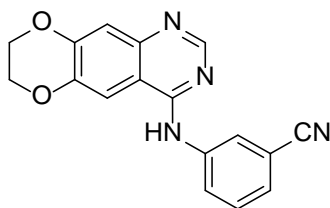
***N*-[2-Fluoro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine**

(7)



Following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **7** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (37 mg, 0.17 mmol) and 2-fluoro-3-(trifluoromethyl)aniline (42  $\mu$ L, 0.33 mmol) in isopropanol (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{EtOAc}$  1:0  $\rightarrow$  10:3) gave **7** (35 mg, 58%) as an off-white solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  9.00 – 8.92 (m, 1H), 8.70 (s, 1H), 7.42 (br, 1H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 4.46 – 4.38 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  155.77, 153.24, 150.27 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 252.0$  Hz), 149.81, 146.80, 144.66, 128.62 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 8.5$  Hz), 126.34, 124.44, 124.40, 122.66 (q,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 272.4$  Hz), 120.41 (q,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 4.6$  Hz), 114.58, 110.55, 105.86, 64.70, 64.51. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} - \text{H}]^-$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_4\text{N}_3\text{O}_2^-$ , 364.0715; found, 364.0712.

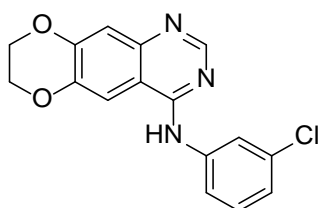
**3-[(7,8-Dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-yl)amino]benzonitrile (8)**



Following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **8** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol) and 3-aminobenzonitrile (42 mg, 0.35 mmol) in isopropanol (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{EtOAc}$  1:0  $\rightarrow$  6:4) gave **8** (43 mg, 89%) as a white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  9.68 (s, 1H), 8.52 (s, 1H), 8.46 (t,  $J = 1.9$  Hz, 1H), 8.18 (ddd,  $J = 8.2, 2.3, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.58 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.53 (dt,  $J = 7.6, 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 4.45 – 4.38 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  156.24, 152.69, 149.31, 146.15, 143.80, 140.52, 129.87, 126.35, 125.96, 124.15, 118.93, 112.66, 111.23, 109.96, 108.30, 64.52, 64.19. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2^+$ , 305.1033; found, 305.1018.

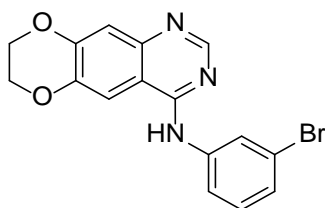
***N*-(3-Chlorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (9)**



Following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **9** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (40 mg, 0.18 mmol) and 3-chloroaniline (38  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.36 mmol) in isopropanol (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{EtOAc}$  8:2  $\rightarrow$  1:1) gave **9** (51 mg, 91%) as a white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  9.54 (s, 1H), 8.50 (s, 1H), 8.13 (t,  $J = 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.85 (ddd,  $J = 8.2, 2.1, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.13 (ddd,  $J = 8.0, 2.1, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 4.45 – 4.37 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  156.29, 152.76, 149.19, 146.09, 143.71, 141.15, 132.70, 130.03, 122.62, 120.86, 119.82, 112.62, 110.00, 108.34, 64.50, 64.17. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_2^+$ , 314.0691; found, 314.0688.

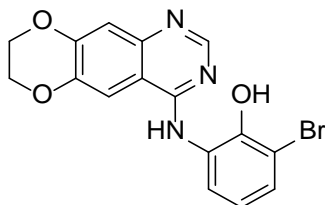
***N*-(3-Bromophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (10)**



Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **10** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), 3-bromoaniline (34  $\mu$ L, 0.32 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (39  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{EtOAc}$  9:1  $\rightarrow$  6:4) gave **10** (54 mg, 96%) as a white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  9.53 (s, 1H), 8.49 (s, 1H), 8.25 (t,  $J = 2.0$  Hz, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.92 (ddd,  $J = 8.1, 2.1, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.26 (ddd,  $J = 7.9, 2.0, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 4.45 – 4.37 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  156.27, 152.77, 149.19, 146.09, 143.71, 141.29, 130.35, 125.52, 123.68, 121.18, 120.22, 112.62, 110.00, 108.34, 64.50, 64.17. HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrN}_3\text{O}_2^+$ , 358.0186; found, 358.0182.

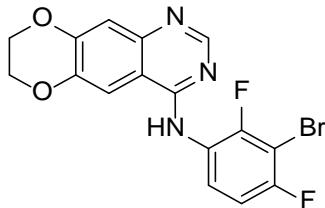
### 2-Bromo-6-[(7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-g]quinazolin-4-yl)amino]phenol (**11**)



Following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **11** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (150 mg, 0.67 mmol) and 2-amino-6-bromophenol (254 mg, 1.35 mmol) in isopropanol (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{EtOAc}$  9:1  $\rightarrow$  6:4) afforded **11** (241 mg, 96%) as a rose-colored solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  10.60 (br, 1H), 9.50 (br, 1H), 8.35 (s, 1H), 8.04 (s, 1H), 7.45 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.34 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 6.83 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.44 – 4.37 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  157.19, 152.05, 149.33, 148.65, 145.62, 143.55, 130.14, 128.35, 126.32, 120.29, 112.54, 112.12, 109.82, 109.18, 64.55, 64.14. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrN}_3\text{O}_3^+$ , 374.0135; found, 374.0142.

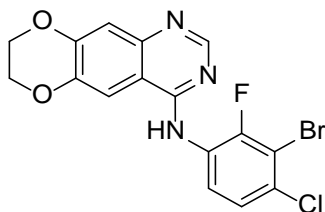
***N*-(3-Bromo-2,4-difluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (12)**



Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **12** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), 3-bromo-2,4-difluoroaniline (65 mg, 0.31 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (39  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0  $\rightarrow$  7:3) gave **12** (54 mg, 87%) as an off-white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.64 (s, 1H), 8.51 (td,  $J$  = 9.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 7.23 (br, 1H), 7.04 (ddd,  $J$  = 9.2, 7.8, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.45 – 4.37 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  156.10, 155.80 (dd,  $J_{CF}$  = 246.6, 3.5 Hz), 153.28, 151.25 (dd,  $J_{CF}$  = 245.1, 4.0 Hz), 149.74, 146.56, 144.53, 124.39 (dd,  $J_{CF}$  = 10.8, 3.4 Hz), 122.72 (dd,  $J_{CF}$  = 8.3, 1.8 Hz), 114.42, 111.49 (dd,  $J_{CF}$  = 22.5, 3.9 Hz), 110.34, 105.98, 97.86 (dd,  $J_{CF}$  = 25.7, 22.9 Hz), 64.69, 64.50. HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>BrF<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 393.9997; found, 394.0013.

***N*-(3-Bromo-4-chloro-2-fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (13)**

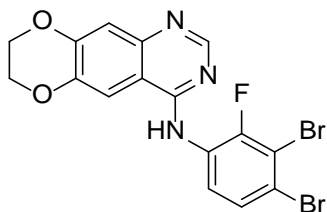


Following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **13** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol) and 3-bromo-4-chloro-2-fluoroaniline (**S12**) (70 mg, 0.31 mmol) in isopropanol (1.5 mL). After the reaction, the precipitated hydrochloride salt of **13** was converted into the free

base by extraction of a sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution to obtain pure **13** (35 mg, 54%) as a fluffy pale-yellow solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 9.70 (s, 1H), 8.35 (s, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 4.47 – 4.35 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 157.03, 154.14 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 249.5 Hz), 153.01, 149.36, 146.08, 143.74, 130.75, 127.77 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 2.9 Hz), 126.80 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 13.4 Hz), 125.37 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 3.8 Hz), 112.50, 110.15 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 22.5 Hz), 109.66, 108.39, 64.51, 64.14. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>BrClFN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 409.9702; found, 409.9697.

#### ***N*-(3,4-Dibromo-2-fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (14)**

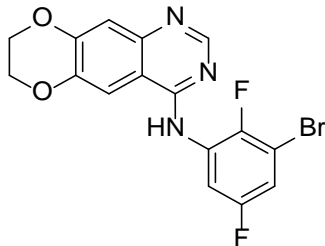


Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **14** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (40 mg, 0.18 mmol), 3,4-dibromo-2-fluoroaniline (**S13**) (96 mg, 0.36 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (45 μL, 0.18 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0 → 7:3) gave **14** (67 mg, 82%) as a white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 9.65 (s, 1H), 8.34 (s, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 4.45 – 4.35 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 156.95, 153.98 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 249.1 Hz), 152.99, 149.35, 146.09, 143.74, 128.50 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 128.14, 127.21 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 13.7 Hz), 120.96, 112.51, 112.33, 109.68, 108.36, 64.51, 64.14. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>FN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 453.9197; found, 453.9191.



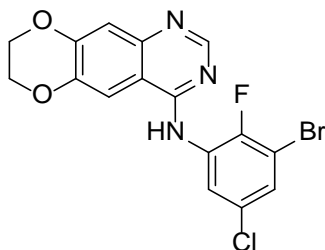
***N*-(3-Bromo-2,5-difluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (15)**



Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **15** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), 3-bromo-2,5-difluoroaniline (**S14**) (54 mg, 0.26 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (39  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{EtOAc}$  1:0  $\rightarrow$  7:3) gave **15** (57 mg, 92%) as an off-white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  9.65 (s, 1H), 8.40 (s, 1H), 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.63 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 4.45 – 4.37 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  157.29 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 243.5$  Hz), 156.84, 152.93, 149.97 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 242.9$  Hz), 149.43, 146.16, 143.81, 128.83 (m), 116.30 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 26.7$  Hz), 113.99 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 25.7$  Hz), 112.53, 109.73, 108.76 (dd,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 22.5, 12.5$  Hz), 108.33, 64.52, 64.15. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{BrF}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_2^+$ , 393.9997; found, 393.9988.

***N*-(3-Bromo-5-chloro-2-fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (16)**

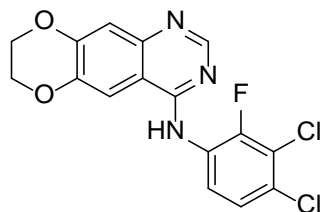


Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **16** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), 3-bromo-5-chloro-2-fluoroaniline (**S15**) (71 mg, 0.32 mmol), and a 4 M

solution of HCl in dioxane (39  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography (hexanes/ CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> 1:9  $\rightarrow$  CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0  $\rightarrow$  7:3) gave **16** (36 mg, 56%) as a white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.88 (dd,  $J$  = 6.6, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 8.73 (s, 1H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.37 (br, 1H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 4.44 – 4.39 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  155.45, 153.13, 149.88, 148.60 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 241.7 Hz), 146.76, 144.72, 130.30 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 4.4 Hz), 129.26 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 10.8 Hz), 126.08, 121.21, 114.60, 110.49, 108.68 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 20.9 Hz), 105.71, 64.70, 64.52. HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>BrClFN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 409.9702; found, 409.9713.

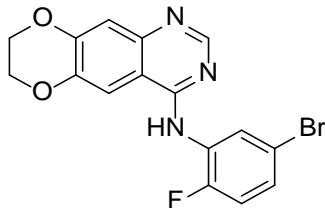
#### ***N*-(3,4-Dichloro-2-fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (17)**



Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **17** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), 3,4-dichloro-2-fluoroaniline (57 mg, 0.32 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (39  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0  $\rightarrow$  3:1) gave **17** (46 mg, 80%) as a white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.67 (s, 1H), 8.59 (t,  $J$  = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.38 (br, 1H), 7.33 (dd,  $J$  = 9.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (s, 1H), 4.45 – 4.38 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  155.84, 153.08, 149.98 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 246.3 Hz), 149.88, 146.42, 144.67, 127.55, 127.19 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 10.0 Hz), 125.30 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 4.1 Hz), 121.05, 120.47 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 18.2 Hz), 114.36, 110.43, 105.97, 64.71, 64.51. HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>FN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 366.0207; found, 366.0207.

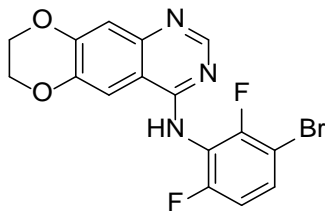
***N*-(5-Bromo-2-fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (18)**



Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **18** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), 5-bromo-2-fluoroaniline (60 mg, 0.32 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (40  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0  $\rightarrow$  7:3) gave **18** (42 mg, 71%) as a white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.99 (dd,  $J = 7.3, 2.5$  Hz, 1H), 8.72 (s, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.36 (br, 1H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.16 (ddd,  $J = 8.7, 4.6, 2.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd,  $J = 10.9, 8.7$  Hz, 1H), 4.44 – 4.36 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  155.59, 153.35, 152.16 (d,  $J_{CF} = 243.1$  Hz), 149.69, 146.67, 144.52, 128.75 (d,  $J_{CF} = 10.5$  Hz), 126.16 (d,  $J_{CF} = 7.6$  Hz), 125.06, 117.19 (d,  $J_{CF} = 3.4$  Hz), 116.20 (d,  $J_{CF} = 20.9$  Hz), 114.52, 110.48, 105.85, 64.68, 64.50. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>12</sub>BrFN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 376.0091; found, 376.0077.

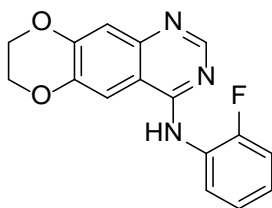
***N*-(3-Bromo-2,6-difluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (19)**



Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **19** was prepared from chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), 3-bromo-2,6-difluoroaniline (65 mg, 0.31 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (39  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0  $\rightarrow$  6:4) gave **19** (29 mg, 47%) as a white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  9.60 (s, 1H), 8.32 (s, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.74 (td,  $J = 8.1, 5.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t,  $J = 9.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 4.44 – 4.38 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  157.78 (dd,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 248.8, 3.3$  Hz), 157.37, 155.01 (dd,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 247.9, 4.9$  Hz), 153.08, 149.47, 146.04, 143.86, 130.76 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 9.3$  Hz), 117.30 (t,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 17.5$  Hz), 113.30 (dd,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 21.8, 3.0$  Hz), 112.56, 109.45, 108.28, 103.55 (dd,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 20.4, 3.6$  Hz), 64.52, 64.14. HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  [ $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{BrF}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_2^+$ , 393.9997; found, 394.0008.

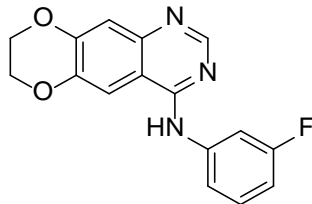
***N*-(2-Fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (S1)**



Following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **S1** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (51 mg, 0.23 mmol) and 2-fluoroaniline (40  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.48 mmol) in isopropanol (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{EtOAc}$  10:1  $\rightarrow$  10:4) gave **S1** (56 mg, 82%) as a white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.68 (s, 1H), 8.64 (td,  $J = 8.2, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.36 (br, 1H), 7.31 (s, 1H), 7.22 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.17 (ddd,  $J = 11.2, 8.3, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.10 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 4.44 – 4.37 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.08, 153.60, 153.50 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 242.7$  Hz), 149.52, 146.65, 144.34, 127.31 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 9.5$  Hz), 124.66 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 3.7$  Hz), 123.97 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 7.8$  Hz), 122.89, 115.06 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 19.3$  Hz), 114.46, 110.62, 106.10, 64.69, 64.51. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$  [ $\text{M} - \text{H}$ ] $^-$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_2^-$ , 296.0841; found, 296.0841.

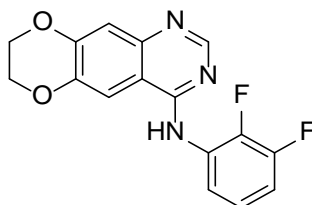
***N*-(3-Fluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (S2)**



Following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **S2** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (40 mg, 0.18 mmol) and 3-fluoroaniline (35  $\mu$ L, 0.36 mmol) in isopropanol (1.5 mL). After the reaction, the precipitated hydrochloride salt of **S2** was converted into the free base by extraction of a sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution to obtain pure **S2** (30 mg, 56%) as an off-white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  9.56 (s, 1H), 8.50 (s, 1H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.97 (dt,  $J$  = 12.1, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (ddd,  $J$  = 8.3, 2.0, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (td,  $J$  = 8.2, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 6.90 (tdd,  $J$  = 8.4, 2.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 4.45 – 4.36 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  161.98 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 240.4 Hz), 156.31, 152.77, 149.17, 146.09, 143.70, 141.44 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 11.4 Hz), 129.89 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 9.5 Hz), 117.11 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 2.4 Hz), 112.62, 110.02, 109.36 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 21.1 Hz), 108.35, 108.16 (d,  $J_{CF}$  = 26.2 Hz), 64.51, 64.18. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>13</sub>FN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 298.0986; found, 298.0988.

***N*-(2,3-Difluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (S3)**

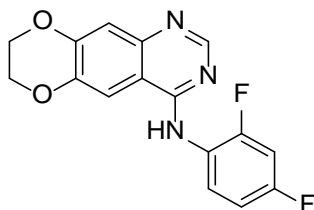


Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **S3** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), 2,3-difluoroaniline (32  $\mu$ L, 0.32 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (39  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). After the reaction, the precipitated hydrochloride salt

of **S3** was converted into the free base by extraction of a sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution to obtain pure **S3** (41 mg, 83%) as a white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 9.64 (s, 1H), 8.34 (s, 1H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.36 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 4.44 – 4.37 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 157.13, 153.12, 150.33 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 244.5, 11.7 Hz), 149.28, 146.06, 145.07 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 248.6, 13.5 Hz), 143.69, 128.60 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 9.1 Hz), 124.01 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 8.3, 4.6 Hz), 123.27 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 2.9 Hz), 114.14 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 17.1 Hz), 112.49, 109.66, 108.40, 64.51, 64.14. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 316.0892; found 316.0878.

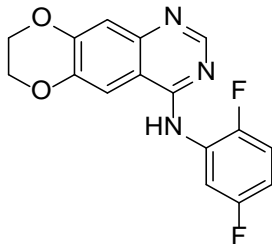
#### ***N*-(2,4-Difluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (**S4**)**



Following general procedure **GP-3**, compound **S4** was prepared from chloroquinazoline **24** (88 mg, 0.40 mmol) and 2,4-difluoroaniline (140 μL, 1.38 mmol) in DMF (2.2 mL). Flash chromatography afforded **S4** (36 mg, 29%) as a white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 9.46 (s, 1H), 8.29 (s, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.53 (td, *J* = 8.8, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 9.1, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 7.14 (tdd, *J* = 8.5, 2.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.44 – 4.35 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 159.90 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 244.4, 11.5 Hz), 157.56, 157.07 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 249.6, 12.9 Hz), 153.21, 149.14, 145.93, 143.57, 129.64 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 9.8, 3.1 Hz), 123.02 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 12.6, 3.7 Hz), 112.46, 111.24 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 22.0, 3.6 Hz), 109.56, 108.36, 104.47 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 26.5, 24.7 Hz), 64.49, 64.12. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 316.0892; found, 316.0890.

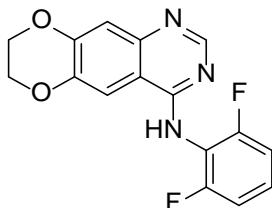
***N*-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (S5)**



Following general procedure **GP-3**, compound **S5** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (44 mg, 0.20 mmol) and 2,5-difluoroaniline (67  $\mu$ L, 0.66 mmol) in DMF (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography afforded **S5** (16 mg, 26%) as a white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  9.52 (s, 1H), 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.52 (ddd,  $J = 9.5, 5.9, 3.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.35 (td,  $J = 9.5, 5.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.13 (ddd,  $J = 11.6, 8.1, 3.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.45 – 4.35 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  157.62 (dd,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 239.3, 1.6$  Hz), 157.06, 153.04, 152.82 (dd,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 243.5, 2.3$  Hz), 149.27, 146.08, 143.68, 127.78 (td,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 11.4, 2.3$  Hz), 116.77 (dd,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 22.9, 9.7$  Hz), 114.47 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 25.9$  Hz), 112.79 (dd,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 24.2, 8.1$  Hz), 112.49, 109.72, 108.38, 64.50, 64.13. HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_2^+$ , 316.0892; found, 316.0893.

***N*-(2,6-Difluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (S6)**

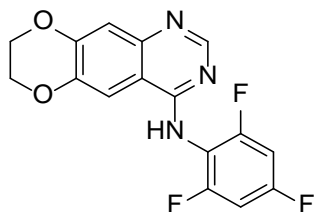


Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **S6** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), 2,6-difluoroaniline (34  $\mu$ L, 0.32 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (39  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). After the reaction, the precipitated hydrochloride salt

of **S6** was converted into the free base by extraction of a sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution to obtain crude **S6**, which was purified by PTLC (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 4:6) to obtain pure **S6** (31 mg, 63%) as a white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.59 (s, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 7.29 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.06 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 6.69 (br, 1H), 4.44 – 4.34 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 158.23 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 250.0, 4.8 Hz), 157.14, 153.86, 149.66, 146.71, 144.29, 127.37 (t, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 9.7 Hz), 115.44 (t, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 16.1 Hz), 114.20, 112.02 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 19.2, 4.4 Hz), 110.45, 106.79, 64.70, 64.48. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M – H]<sup>–</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>10</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>–</sup>, 314.0747; found 314.0733.

#### ***N*-(2,4,6-Trifluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (**S7**)**

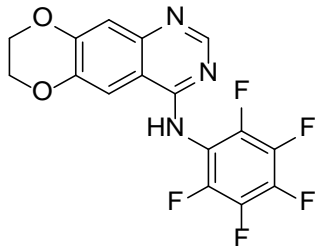


Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **S7** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), 2,4,6-trifluoroaniline (46 mg, 0.32 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (39 μL, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). After the reaction, the precipitated hydrochloride salt of **S7** was converted into the free base by extraction of a sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution to obtain pure **S7** (52 mg, 99%) as a white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 6.85 – 6.78 (m, 2H), 6.56 (br, 1H), 4.43 – 4.36 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 160.85 (dt, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 249.3, 14.6 Hz), 158.67 (ddd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 251.2, 15.1, 7.0 Hz), 157.25, 153.77, 149.73, 146.70, 144.35, 114.24, 111.95 (td, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 16.5, 5.0 Hz), 110.23, 106.66, 100.96 (td, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 26.0, 2.9 Hz), 64.70, 64.48. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 334.0798; found 334.0789.



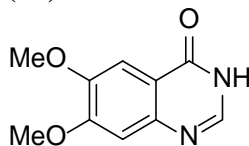
***N*-(Pentafluorophenyl)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (**S8**)**



Following general procedure **GP-2**, compound **S8** was prepared from the chloroquinazoline **24** (35 mg, 0.16 mmol), pentafluoroaniline (58 mg, 0.32 mmol), and a 4 M solution of HCl in dioxane (39  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL). Flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0  $\rightarrow$  7:3) followed by PTLC (hexanes/EtOAc 4:6) gave **S8** (36 mg, 62%) as a white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.57 (s, 1H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 6.64 (br, 1H), 4.45 – 4.37 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  156.57, 153.40, 150.05, 146.89, 144.67, 114.34, 110.22, 106.52, 64.71, 64.50, carbons of perfluorophenyl ring not observed. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>9</sub>F<sub>5</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 370.0609; found, 370.0592.

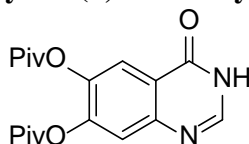
**6,7-Dimethoxyquinazolin-4(3*H*)-one (**21**)<sup>48</sup>**



A mixture of methyl 2-amino-4,5-dimethoxybenzoate (**21**) (100.45 g, 475.6 mmol), formamide (793 mL), and formic acid (22.6 mL, 599.2 mmol) was stirred at 145 °C for 18 h. The mixture was cooled to 5 °C, water (800 mL) was added, and the suspension was stirred at 0–5 °C for 30 min. The precipitate was filtered off (washings with water), and recrystallized from EtOH (600 mL), and dried in a desiccator to afford the title compound **21** (89.44 g, 91%) as an off-white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  12.07 (s, 1H), 7.98 (d,  $J = 3.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.13 (s, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  160.03, 154.43, 148.53, 144.84, 143.82, 115.58, 108.00, 104.91, 55.91, 55.68. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3^+$ , 207.0764; found, 207.0755.

#### 4-Oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazoline-6,7-diyl bis(2,2-dimethylpropanoate) (**22**)<sup>49,50</sup>



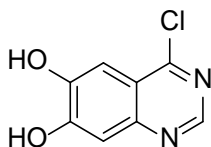
A mixture of quinazolinone **21** (89.39 g, 433.5 mmol) in 48% hydrobromic acid (1250 mL) was stirred at 135 °C for 18.5 h. The mixture was cooled to 10 °C, and filtered off. The residue was suspended in water (800 mL), and stirred at 10 °C for 30 min. The pH was adjusted to ~7 with sat. aq.  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  (70 mL), and the precipitate was filtered off (washings with water (80 mL)), and dried in a desiccator to afford 6,7-dihydroxyquinazolin-4(3H)-one (81.36 g, quant.) as an off-white solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.82 (br, 1H), 10.15 (s, 1H), 9.77 (s, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 6.94 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  160.02, 152.38, 145.93, 143.65, 142.78, 115.06, 111.22, 109.10. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}_3^+$ , 179.0451; found, 179.0444.

A mixture of 6,7-dihydroxyquinazolin-4(3H)-one (41.62 g, 233.6 mmol) in DMF (467 mL) was treated with  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  (98 mL, 700.9 mmol), cooled to 0 °C, and treated dropwise with pivaloyl chloride (86.3 mL, 700.9 mmol) over 45 min at 0–10 °C. The cooling bath was removed, and the mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 18 h. The mixture was treated dropwise with MeOH (20 mL) at 0 °C, stirred at 23 °C for 15 min, and concentrated. The residue was taken up in EtOAc (1250 mL), washed with water (1 x 100 mL, 4 x 20 mL), and concentrated. The residue was triturated with

water (100 mL), and filtered to give a red solid, which was washed several times with water (2 x 50 mL), and MeCN (2 x 40 mL), and dried in a desiccator to afford the title compound **22** (43.18 g, 53%) as an off-white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  12.39 (br, 1H), 8.14 (s, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.59 (s, 1H), 1.31 (s, 18H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  175.34, 174.91, 159.75, 147.33, 147.25, 146.20, 141.06, 121.52, 120.81, 120.02, 38.76, 38.70, 26.75, 26.72. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} - \text{H}]^-$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5^-$ , 345.1456; found, 345.1454.

#### 4-Chloroquinazoline-6,7-diol (**23**)<sup>50,51</sup>



A stirred suspension of quinazolinone **22** (79.28 g, 228.9 mmol) in toluene (320 mL) was cooled to 10 °C, treated with DIPEA (120 mL, 689.0 mmol), and subsequently with POCl<sub>3</sub> (57 mL, 620.9 mmol) over 40 min. Stirring was continued at 23 °C for 1 h, and then at 90 °C for 6 h. The mixture was cooled to 23 °C, and concentrated. The residue was treated carefully with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (700 mL) at 0 °C, and let stand for 1 h. The mixture was diluted with water (400 mL), and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 x 500 mL). The combined organics were washed with half-sat. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (400 mL), brine (400 mL), dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated to obtain crude 4-chloroquinazoline-6,7-diyl bis(2,2-dimethylpropanoate) (**S27**) (65.28 g, 78%) as a viscous brown oil, which was used without any further purification in the next step.

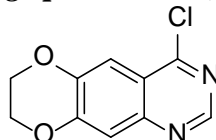
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  9.02 (s, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.40 (s, 9H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  175.74, 175.31, 161.70, 154.16, 149.74, 149.62, 144.22, 122.33,

122.28, 119.11, 39.64, 39.57, 27.38, 27.31. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[M + H]^+$  calcd for  $C_{18}H_{22}ClN_2O_4^+$ , 365.1263; found, 365.1251.

A stirred slurry of 4-chloroquinazoline-6,7-diyl bis(2,2-dimethylpropanoate) (**S27**) (23.39 g, 64.1 mmol) was treated dropwise at 0 °C with a 7 M solution of  $NH_3$  in MeOH (229 mL, 1.603 mol). The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 15 min, and then at 23 °C for 4 h, and evaporated. The residue was triturated with MeCN (150 mL), filtered, and washed several times with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (4 x 100 mL),  $Et_2O$  (2 x 100 mL), and dried in a desiccator to yield the title compound **23** (11.92 g, 95%) as a yellow solid.

$^1H$  NMR (500 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  8.35 (s, 1H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 6.59 (s, 1H), signals of phenolic protons missing (due to peak broadening).  $^{13}C$  NMR (126 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  165.28, 154.36, 153.44, 150.45, 150.08, 114.74, 105.08, 99.75. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[M - H]^-$  calcd for  $C_8H_4ClN_2O_2^-$ , 194.9967; found, 194.9968.

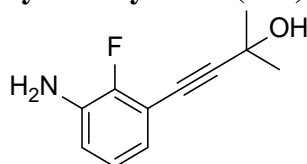
#### 4-Chloro-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-g]quinazoline (**24**)<sup>25,37</sup>



A solution of diol **23** (3.528 g, 17.9 mmol) in DMF (123 mL) was treated with  $K_2CO_3$  (5586 mg, 40.4 mmol), stirred for 5–10 min, and treated dropwise with 1-bromo-2-chloroethane (5.4 mL, 64.6 mmol). The mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 1 h, and then at 70 °C for 15 h. The mixture was cooled to 23 °C, and evaporated.  $CH_2Cl_2$  (400 mL) was added, and the organic phase was washed with water (2 x 60 mL), brine (60 mL), dried ( $MgSO_4$ ), filtered, and concentrated. Flash chromatography (hexanes/ $CH_2Cl_2$  1:10  $\rightarrow$   $CH_2Cl_2$ / $EtOAc$  1:0  $\rightarrow$  85:15) afforded the chloroquinazoline **24** (1.631 g, 41%) as a fluffy white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.84 (s, 1H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 4.46 – 4.39 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  160.19, 152.52, 151.55, 147.93, 146.07, 120.10, 113.73, 110.84, 64.75, 64.38. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_2^+$ , 223.0269; found, 223.0264.

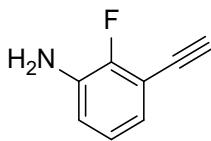
#### 4-(3-Amino-2-fluorophenyl)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (**S17**)



A vial was charged with  $[\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2]$  (18 mg, 0.08 mmol) and  $\text{PPh}_3$  (42 mg, 0.16 mmol), and evacuated and backfilled with Ar (3x). THF (8 mL), DBU (1.18 mL, 7.89 mmol), 2-methyl-3-butyne-2-ol (316  $\mu\text{L}$ , 3.26 mmol), and 3-bromo-2-fluoroaniline (**S16**) (546 mg, 2.87 mmol) were added, and the mixture was stirred at 80  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 12 h. The mixture was cooled to 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ , diluted with EtOAc (10 mL), and filtered through a plug of Celite (washings with EtOAc), and evaporated. Flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc 9:1  $\rightarrow$  65:35) gave the title compound **S17** (482 mg, 87%) as a yellow oil, which solidified upon standing to give an off-white solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  6.85 (td,  $J = 7.8, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.77 (ddd,  $J = 7.7, 6.1, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.73 (td,  $J = 8.1, 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.74 (br, 2H), 2.13 (s, 1H), 1.63 (s, 6H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  151.74 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 244.0$  Hz), 134.67 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 12.5$  Hz), 124.08 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 4.5$  Hz), 122.58, 117.20 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 3.9$  Hz), 111.20 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 13.5$  Hz), 98.65 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 3.7$  Hz), 75.97 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 1.9$  Hz), 65.85, 31.55. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} - \text{H}]^-$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{11}\text{FNO}^-$ , 192.0830; found, 192.0826.

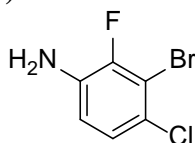
### 3-Ethynyl-2-fluoroaniline (S11)



A mixture of aniline **S17** (360 mg, 1.86 mmol) and *n*Bu<sub>4</sub>NI (69 mg, 0.19 mmol) in toluene (9.3 mL) was treated with 6 M NaOH (9.3 mL, 55.9 mmol), and stirred at 80 °C for 21 h. The mixture was cooled to 5 °C, treated with 1 M HCl (80 mL) and Et<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The organic layer was separated, and washed with water, brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated. Flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc 40:1 → 8:2) gave the title compound **S11** (66 mg, 26%) as a yellow oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.90 – 6.82 (m, 2H), 6.77 (ddd, *J* = 8.5, 7.6, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (br, 2H), 3.27 (d, *J* = 0.7 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 152.27 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 244.8 Hz), 134.74 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 12.3 Hz), 124.19 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 4.3 Hz), 122.98, 117.69 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 4.1 Hz), 110.51 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 13.4 Hz), 82.00 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 77.46 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 2.1 Hz). HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>6</sub>FN<sup>+</sup>, 135.0479; found, 135.0470.

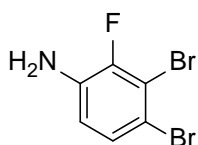
### 3-Bromo-4-chloro-2-fluoroaniline (S12)<sup>52</sup>



A mixture of 3-bromo-2-fluoroaniline (**S16**) (266 μL, 2.37 mmol) in DMF (2.4 mL) was treated with NCS (333 mg, 2.49 mmol), and stirred at 23 °C for 21.5 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (100 mL), and washed with brine (4 x 5 mL), dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated. Flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc 40:1 → 85:15) afforded the title compound **S12** (294 mg, 55%) as orange-red crystals which were grinded into a light-brown solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.04 (dd,  $J = 8.7, 1.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.67 (t,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.81 (br, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  148.84 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 240.9$  Hz), 134.17 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 14.2$  Hz), 125.26 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 3.7$  Hz), 123.60, 115.76 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 4.3$  Hz), 110.61 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 20.5$  Hz). HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M}]^{*+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{BrClFN}^{*+}$ , 222.9194; found, 222.9188.

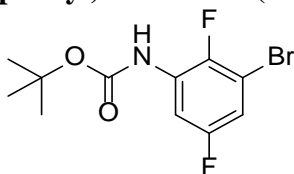
### 3,4-Dibromo-2-fluoroaniline (**S13**)



A mixture of 3-bromo-2-fluoroaniline (**S16**) (266  $\mu\text{L}$ , 2.37 mmol) in DMF (2.4 mL) was treated with NBS (445 mg, 2.50 mmol), and stirred at 23  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 22 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (100 mL), and washed with brine (4 x 5 mL), dried ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ), filtered, and concentrated. Flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc 40:1  $\rightarrow$  8:2) afforded the title compound **S13** (581 mg, 91%) as a light-brown solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.18 (dd,  $J = 8.6, 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.62 (t,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 1H), 3.83 (br, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  148.80 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 241.6$  Hz), 134.72 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 14.2$  Hz), 128.39 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 3.8$  Hz), 116.36 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 4.3$  Hz), 112.74 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 20.3$  Hz), 112.40. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M}]^{*+}$  calcd for  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Br}_2\text{FN}^{*+}$ , 266.8689; found, 266.8686.

### *tert*-Butyl *N*-(3-bromo-2,5-difluorophenyl)carbamate (**S19**)

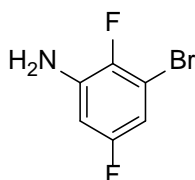


A 1 dram vial was charged with 1,3-dibromo-2,5-difluorobenzene (**S18**) (150 mg, 0.55 mmol), *tert*-butyl carbamate (66 mg, 0.56 mmol),  $[\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2]$  (12.4 mg, 0.06 mmol), Xantphos (64 mg,

0.11 mmol), and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (270 mg, 0.83 mmol). The vial was evacuated and backfilled with Ar (3x), and dioxane (2.5 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 5 min, and then at 100 °C for 23 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to 23 °C, diluted with EtOAc, filtered through a plug of Celite (washings with EtOAc), and evaporated. Flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc 40:1 → 15:1) provided the title compound **S19** (113 mg, 67%) as a clear, colorless oil, which turned into a white solid upon standing.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.93 (ddd, *J* = 9.8, 5.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (ddd, *J* = 7.4, 5.2, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (br, 1H), 1.53 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 158.55 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 244.7, 3.1 Hz), 151.86, 145.33 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 237.7, 3.6 Hz), 128.91 (t, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 12.7 Hz), 112.68 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 27.2 Hz), 108.15 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 21.4, 12.2 Hz), 106.37 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 30.2 Hz), 82.15, 28.34. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M – H]<sup>–</sup> calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>11</sub>BrF<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>–</sup>, 305.9947; found, 305.9949.

### 3-Bromo-2,5-difluoroaniline (**S14**)<sup>53</sup>



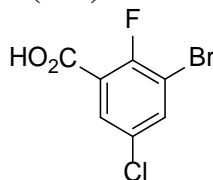
A mixture of compound **S19** (106 mg, 0.34 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CF<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H 2:1 (3.45 mL) was stirred at 23 °C for 19.5 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated, diluted with half-sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL), and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 x 20 mL). The combined organics were washed with water (20 mL), brine (20 mL), dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated to give the title compound **S14** (62 mg, 87%) as a yellow oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.61 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 4.8, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 6.6, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (br, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 158.82 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 243.7, 3.0 Hz), 145.01 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 234.6, 3.3 Hz), 136.42 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 15.5, 12.2 Hz), 108.88 (dd, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 20.7, 12.8 Hz), 108.39



(d,  $J_{CF} = 27.0$  Hz), 102.63 (dd,  $J_{CF} = 27.0, 3.0$  Hz). HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[M + H]^+$  calcd for  $C_6H_5BrF_2N^+$ , 207.9568; found, 207.9563.

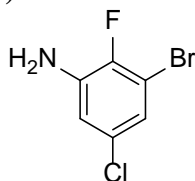
**3-Bromo-5-chloro-2-fluorobenzoic acid (S21)**<sup>52</sup>



A mixture of 1.6 M *n*-butyllithium (*n*BuLi) in hexanes (15.4 mL, 24.64 mmol) in THF (32 mL) was treated consecutively with (*i*Pr)<sub>2</sub>NH (3.45 mL, 24.63 mmol) and 2-bromo-4-chloro-1-fluorobenzene (**S20**) (4.962 g, 23.69 mmol) at  $-78$  °C. After 2 h at that temperature, the mixture was poured via cannula onto an excess of freshly crushed pieces of solid CO<sub>2</sub> under an Ar atmosphere. The suspension was allowed to warm to 23 °C while stirring. All volatiles were removed in vacuo, water (200 mL) was added, and the mixture was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 x 70 mL). The aqueous layer was acidified with 6 M HCl (10 mL), and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 x 100 mL). The combined organics were washed with brine (100 mL), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated to afford the title compound **S21** (4.953 g, 83%) as a white solid, contaminated with about 10% of the regioisomer.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  13.88 (br, 1H), 8.13 (dd,  $J = 5.4, 2.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dd,  $J = 5.7, 2.7$  Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  163.05 (d,  $J_{CF} = 3.6$  Hz), 156.16 (d,  $J_{CF} = 256.9$  Hz), 136.48, 130.55, 128.89 (d,  $J_{CF} = 4.4$  Hz), 122.08 (d,  $J_{CF} = 13.1$  Hz), 111.17 (d,  $J_{CF} = 23.5$  Hz). HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[M - H]^-$  calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>2</sub>BrClFO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>, 250.8916; found, 250.8918.

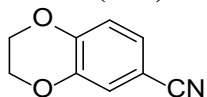
### 3-Bromo-5-chloro-2-fluoroaniline (**S15**)<sup>25</sup>



A mixture of benzoic acid **S21** (2.500 g, 9.86 mmol) in toluene/*t*BuOH 1:1 (50 mL) was treated with diisopropylethylamine (2.1 mL, 12.08 mmol), and with diphenylphosphoryl azide (2.6 mL, 12.08 mmol) at 10 °C. The mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 25 min, and then at 100 °C for 16 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to 23 °C, and evaporated. The residue was dissolved in EtOAc (350 mL), and washed with sat. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (100 mL), water (100 mL), brine (100 mL), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated. Purification by flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc 50:1 → 7:3) gave a mixture of compounds which was again purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> 1:0 → 7:3) to directly afford the deprotected aniline **S15** (328 mg, 15%) as a hard, white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.87 (dd, *J* = 5.3, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (br, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 147.07 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 238.8 Hz), 136.40 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 14.9 Hz), 129.89 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 4.2 Hz), 121.27, 115.52 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 3.3 Hz), 109.43 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 20.0 Hz). HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>BrClFN<sup>+</sup>, 222.9194; found, 222.9196.

### 2,3-Dihydro-1,4-benzodioxine-6-carbonitrile (**S23**)

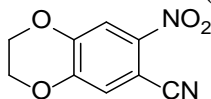


A mixture of 3,4-dihydroxybenzonitrile (**S22**) (3.708 g, 27.4 mmol) in DMF (55 mL) was treated with K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (9.481 g, 68.6 mmol), stirred for 10 min at 23 °C, and treated dropwise with 1-bromo-2-chloroethane (4.57 mL, 54.9 mmol). The mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 1 h, and then at 95 °C for 16 h. The mixture was cooled to 23 °C, diluted with water (200 mL), and extracted with EtOAc

(3 x 125 mL). The combined organics were washed with half-sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (100 mL), water (100 mL), brine (100 mL), dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated to give the title compound **S23** (4.178 g, 95%) as a light-brown solid, which was used in the next step without any further purification.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.16 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.91 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 4.34 – 4.26 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 147.84, 143.92, 126.07, 121.39, 119.02, 118.38, 104.64, 64.72, 64.25. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>8</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 162.0550; found, 162.0542.

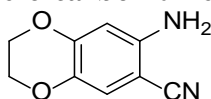
#### 7-Nitro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxine-6-carbonitrile (**S24**)



A mixture of carbonitrile **S23** (3.719 g, 23.1 mmol) in AcOH (22.9 mL) was treated at 10 °C with H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (6.4 mL, 120 mmol), cooled to 0 °C, and treated dropwise with 70% HNO<sub>3</sub> (8.2 mL, 120 mmol). The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min, and then at 23 °C for 10.5 h. The mixture was poured into ice-water (300 mL), and filtered. The residue was washed with water (3 x 30 mL), and dried in a desiccator for 1 h to obtain crude **S24** as a pale-yellow solid. Recrystallization from EtOH gave pure **S24** (3.058 g, 64%) as an off-white powder.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.86 (s, 1H), 7.33 (s, 1H), 4.41 (s, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 148.41, 146.89, 142.67, 123.87, 115.73, 115.16, 101.22, 64.77, 64.72. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, 207.0400; found, 207.0399.

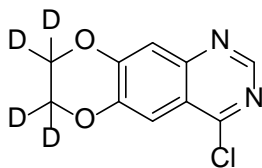
#### 7-Amino-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxine-6-carbonitrile (**S25**)



A mixture of carbonitrile **S24** (3.011 mg, 14.6 mmol) in EtOAc (146 mL) under argon was treated with 5% Pd/C (782 mg, 0.37 mmol), and the mixture was stirred under 1 atm (balloon) of hydrogen at 23 °C for 15 h. The mixture was filtered through a plug of Celite (washings with EtOAc), and evaporated to afford the anthranilonitrile **S25** (2.461 mg, 96%) as a yellow solid, which was used in the next step without any further purification.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  6.91 (s, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 4.26 – 4.21 (m, 2H), 4.15 – 4.10 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  148.89, 147.37, 134.69, 119.11, 118.03, 102.58, 86.55, 64.82, 63.57. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$ , 176.0580; found, 176.0578.

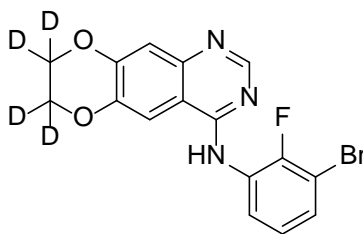
#### 4-Chloro(7,7,8,8- $^2\text{H}_4$ )-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-g]quinazoline (**S26**)



A solution of compound **23** (193 mg, 0.98 mmol) in dry DMF (4.8 mL) was treated with  $\text{Cs}_2\text{CO}_3$  (788 mg, 2.42 mmol), stirred for 5 min, and treated dropwise with 1-bromo-2-chloro( $^2\text{H}_4$ )ethane (270  $\mu\text{L}$ , 3.16 mmol). The mixture was stirred at RT for 1 h, and then at 70 °C for 18 h. After cooling to RT, all volatiles were removed in vacuo. The residue was dissolved in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (40 mL), washed with water (2 x 13 mL), brine (13 mL), dried ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ), filtered, and evaporated. Purification by flash chromatography ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{EtOAc}$  1:0  $\rightarrow$  10:1.5) afforded the title compound **S26** (109 mg, 49%) as a white fluffy solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.84 (s, 1H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  160.19, 152.52, 151.54, 147.93, 146.06, 120.10, 113.72, 110.83. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_4\text{D}_4\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_2^+$ , 227.0520; found, 227.0516.

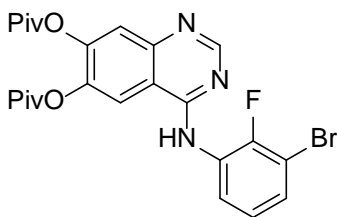
***N*-(3-Bromo-2-fluorophenyl)(7,7,8,8-<sup>2</sup>H<sub>4</sub>)-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (S9)**



Following general procedure **GP-1**, compound **S9** was prepared from chloroquinazoline **S26** (29 mg, 0.128 mmol) and 3-bromo-2-fluoroaniline (30  $\mu$ L, 0.267 mmol) in *i*PrOH (1.26 mL). Flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/EtOAc 1:0  $\rightarrow$  1:1) gave **S9** (38 mg, 78%) as an off-white solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  9.61 (s, 1H), 8.33 (s, 1H), 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.59 (ddd, *J* = 7.9, 6.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 7.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (td, *J* = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  157.19, 153.37 (d, *J* = 247.2 Hz), 153.10, 149.27, 146.03, 143.67, 130.12, 128.03 (d, *J* = 13.0 Hz), 127.74, 125.44 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz), 112.47, 109.63, 108.55 (d, *J* = 19.9 Hz), 108.35. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>8</sub>D<sub>4</sub>BrFN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 380.0342; found, 380.0327.

**4-(3-Bromo-2-fluoroanilino)quinazoline-6,7-diyl bis(2,2-dimethylpropanoate) (S28)**

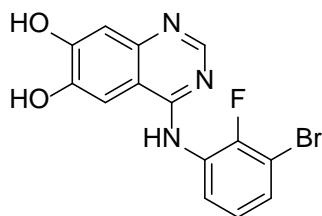


A mixture of 4-chloroquinazoline-6,7-diyl bis(2,2-dimethylpropanoate) (**S27**) (41.08 g, 113 mmol) in *i*PrOH (450 mL) was treated with 3-bromo-2-fluoroaniline (17.05 mL, 152 mmol) and stirred at 80  $^{\circ}$ C for 3.5 h. The mixture was cooled to 23  $^{\circ}$ C and evaporated. The residue was several

times resuspended in hexanes (50 mL) and concentrated, and then dried under HV. The residue was recrystallized from EtOH to give a yellow solid, which was suspended in sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (1 L), and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 x 550 mL). The combined organics were washed with water (400 mL), brine (400 mL), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated to afford the title compound **S28** (35.057 g, 60%) as a yellow friable foam.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.76 (s, 1H), 8.46 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.56 (br, 1H), 7.32 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 6.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (td, *J* = 8.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.39 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 176.13, 175.55, 156.71, 154.96, 150.69 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 243.7 Hz), 148.75, 147.83, 142.45, 128.27, 127.86 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 10.8 Hz), 125.29 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 4.7 Hz), 122.70, 122.51, 114.43, 113.21, 108.84 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 19.4 Hz), 39.54, 39.51, 27.40, 27.32. HRMS (DART): *m/z* [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>26</sub>BrFN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, 518.1085; found, 518.1072.

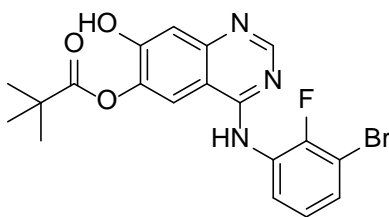
#### 4-(3-Bromo-2-fluoroanilino)quinazoline-6,7-diol (**S29**)



A stirred slurry of **S28** (34.988 g, 67.5 mmol) was treated at 0 °C with 7 M solution of NH<sub>3</sub> in MeOH (241 mL, 1.69 mol). The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 15 min, and then at 23 °C for 4.5 h. The mixture was evaporated, and the residue suspended in water (400 mL), stirred overnight, and filtered. The residue was washed with water (500 mL), acetonitrile (100 mL), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4 x 150 mL), Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 x 150 mL), and dried in a desiccator to afford the title compound **S29** (23.68 g, quant.) as a pale-yellow powder.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  9.38 (br, 1H), 8.26 (s, 1H), 7.61 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.18 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.05 (s, 1H), signals of phenolic protons missing (due to peak broadening).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  156.43, 156.12, 153.06 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 246.7$  Hz), 151.34, 148.39, 146.80, 129.23, 129.01, 127.12, 125.23 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 4.3$  Hz), 108.47, 108.32, 107.09, 103.04. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{BrFN}_3\text{O}_2^+$ , 349.9935; found, 349.9923.

#### 4-(3-Bromo-2-fluoroanilino)-7-hydroxyquinazolin-6-yl 2,2-dimethylpropanoate (S30)

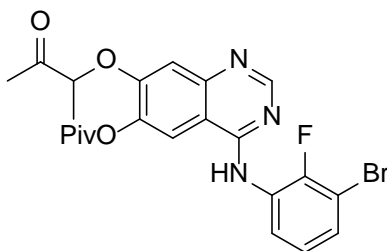


A stirred suspension of **S29** (3500 mg, 10.0 mmol) in DMF (52.6 mL) was treated with  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  (5.57 mL, 40.0 mmol), cooled to  $-40$  °C, and treated dropwise with  $\text{Piv}_2\text{O}$  (3.14 mL, 15.5 mmol). The mixture was stirred at  $-40$  °C for 1 h, after which the cooling bath was removed, and stirring was continued for 2.5 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (500 mL), washed with 10% citric acid (2 x 50 mL), dried ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ), filtered, and evaporated. Purification by flash chromatography ( $\text{DCM}/\text{EtOAc}$  1:1  $\rightarrow$  0:1) afforded a solid, which was redissolved in  $\text{EtOAc}$  (750 mL), and washed with half-sat. aq.  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  (4 x 75 mL), dried ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ), filtered, and evaporated to afford the title compound **S30** (2.844 g, 66%) as a beige-yellow solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.00 (br, 1H), 9.70 (s, 1H), 8.39 (s, 1H), 8.14 (s, 1H), 7.59 (ddd,  $J = 8.0, 6.2, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.53 (ddd,  $J = 8.3, 7.1, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.21 (td,  $J = 8.1, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 1.36 (s, 9H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  175.93, 157.68, 154.61, 154.53, 153.34 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 247.3$  Hz), 149.80, 139.65, 130.14, 127.92 (d,  $J_{\text{CF}} = 12.9$  Hz), 127.62, 125.47 (d,

$J_{CF} = 4.4$  Hz), 116.36, 111.00, 108.55 (d,  $J = 20.0$  Hz), 107.77, 38.64, 26.93. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[M + H]^+$  calcd for  $C_{19}H_{18}BrFN_3O_3^+$ , 434.0510; found, 434.0489.

**(±)-4-(3-Bromo-2-fluoroanilino)-7-[(3-oxobutan-2-yl)oxy]quinazolin-6-yl 2,2-dimethylpropanoate (S31)**

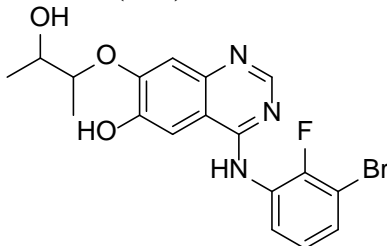


A mixture of **S30** (100 mg, 0.230 mmol) and resin-bound  $PPh_3$  (1% crosslinked with DVB, 100–200 mesh, 1.0–1.5 mmol/g) (480 mg, 0.576 mmol) was swollen in THF (3.4 mL) for 5 min, treated with acetoin (48  $\mu$ L, 0.553 mmol), cooled to 0 °C, and treated dropwise with DIAD (109  $\mu$ L, 0.553 mmol). The mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 3 h, diluted with  $CH_2Cl_2$ , filtered, and evaporated. Flash chromatography ( $CH_2Cl_2/EtOAc$  1:0  $\rightarrow$  6:4) afforded the title compound **S31** (65 mg, 56%) as a white, friable foam.

$^1H$  NMR (500 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.73 (s, 1H), 8.52 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.49 (br, 1H), 7.32 (ddd,  $J = 8.1, 6.4, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.12 (td,  $J = 8.2, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 4.82 (q,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 1H), 2.19 (s, 3H), 1.56 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 1.45 (s, 9H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (126 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  207.51, 176.68, 156.54, 154.88, 154.25, 150.51 (d,  $J = 243.3$  Hz), 149.95, 141.03, 128.10, 128.01, 125.33 (d,  $J = 4.7$  Hz), 122.35, 114.41, 109.75, 109.61, 108.78 (d,  $J = 19.5$  Hz), 79.93, 39.38, 27.43, 24.91, 17.42. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$   $[M + H]^+$  calcd for  $C_{23}H_{24}BrFN_3O_4^+$ , 504.0929; found, 504.0919.



**Diastereoisomeric mixture of ( $\pm$ )-*syn*- and ( $\pm$ )-*anti*-4-(3-Bromo-2-fluoroanilino)-7-[(3-hydroxybutan-2-yl)oxy]quinazolin-6-ol (S32)**



A mixture of **S31** (49 mg, 0.097 mmol) in EtOH (1 mL) was treated with NaBH<sub>4</sub> (21 mg, 0.554 mmol), and stirred at 23 °C for 2.5 h. Sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (1 mL) was added, and EtOH was removed in vacuo. Half-sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (14 mL) was added, and the mixture extracted with EtOAc (3 x 13 mL). The combined organics were dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and evaporated. Flash chromatography (EtOAc) afforded a diastereoisomeric mixture (*syn/anti* ~1:2) of the title compound **S32** (30 mg, 73%) as a yellow solid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>; ( $\pm$ )-*syn/anti* 1:2):  $\delta$  8.59 (s, 0.33H), 8.56 (s, 0.67H), 8.53 – 8.44 (m, 1H), 7.50 (br, 1H), 7.29 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.06 (t,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (qd,  $J$  = 6.3, 2.6 Hz, 0.33H), 4.37 (p,  $J$  = 6.2 Hz, 0.67H), 4.22 (qd,  $J$  = 6.5, 2.7 Hz, 0.33H), 4.02 (p,  $J$  = 6.3 Hz, 0.37H), 1.39 – 1.28 (m, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>; ( $\pm$ )-*syn/anti* 1:2):  $\delta$  155.83, 155.81, 152.64, 152.59, 151.92, 151.59, 150.46 (d,  $J$  = 243.2 Hz), 147.86, 147.82, 145.96, 145.81, 128.46 (d,  $J$  = 10.5 Hz), 128.42 (d,  $J$  = 10.5 Hz), 127.63, 127.59, 125.24, 125.20, 122.18, 122.13, 110.28, 109.71, 109.52, 108.72 (d,  $J$  = 19.4 Hz), 103.64, 103.49, 80.35, 79.09, 70.86, 69.38, 19.41, 18.09, 15.91, 13.00. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$  [M – H]<sup>–</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>BrFN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>–</sup>, 420.0365; found, 420.0352.

**Diastereoisomeric mixture of ( $\pm$ )-*cis*- and ( $\pm$ )-*trans*-*N*-(3-Bromo-2-fluorophenyl)-7,8-dimethyl-7,8-dihydro[1,4]dioxino[2,3-*g*]quinazolin-4-amine (( $\pm$ )-*cis/trans*-**S10**)**



A mixture of PPh<sub>3</sub> (19 mg, 0.071 mmol) and DIAD (13.5  $\mu$ L, 0.069 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was stirred at 0 °C for 15 min, and added dropwise to a mixture of **S32** (25 mg, 0.059 mmol) in THF (0.6 mL) at 0 °C during 5 min. The resulting mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 2 h, and evaporated. Purification by PTLC (hexanes/EtOAc 35:65) afforded a diastereoisomeric mixture (*cis/trans* ~2:1) of the title compound **S10** (20 mg, 84%) as a white, friable foam.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>; ( $\pm$ )-*cis/trans* 2:1):  $\delta$  8.68 (s, 1H), 8.68 – 8.63 (m, 1H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.35 (br, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.10 (td,  $J$  = 8.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.52 – 4.39 (m, 1.3H), 4.09 – 3.98 (m, 0.7H), 1.453 (d,  $J$  = 6.1 Hz, 1.1H), 1.451 (d,  $J$  = 6.1 Hz, 1.1H), 1.369 (d,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 1.9H), 1.368 (d,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 1.9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>; ( $\pm$ )-*cis/trans* 2:1):  $\delta$  155.87, 155.84, 153.19, 150.12 (d,  $J$  = 242.5 Hz), 150.09 (d,  $J$  = 242.2 Hz), 149.87, 148.89, 146.77, 144.64, 143.63, 128.73 (d,  $J$  = 10.0 Hz), 127.15, 127.12, 125.31 (d,  $J$  = 4.7 Hz), 121.71, 121.70, 114.30, 113.93, 110.54, 110.47, 108.57 (d,  $J$  = 19.4 Hz), 105.66, 105.28, 75.30, 75.05, 72.85, 72.58, 17.24, 17.20, 14.71, 14.55. HRMS (DART):  $m/z$  [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>BrFN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, 404.0404; found, 404.0393.

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**CHAPTER 2: Development and Evaluation of JCN068, a Novel Highly Brain-Penetrant EGFR  
Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitor for Glioblastoma**



## INTRODUCTION

Brain cancers are highly invasive and despite surgical and medical advances, the prognosis of most brain cancer patients remains dismal. Despite being one of the rarest cancers with less than 200,000 patients and responsible for only 1% of all cancer cases in the United States, brain cancers are among the most lethal cancers (Figure 1A-B).<sup>1</sup> Due to new and improving treatments, the majority of cancers have had a steady improvement in survival rates and mortality rates (Figure 1C-H), however, brain cancers have been left behind and remain unchanged. Within brain cancers, glioblastoma multiforme (GBM) is the most common and the most malignant form, accounting for approximately half of all brain cancers with a median survival rate of 12-15 months.<sup>2</sup> Even with standard of care consisting of surgical resection followed by radiation with concomitant temozolomide chemotherapy, 5-year survival rates in GBM remains below 10%.<sup>3</sup> With only a few approved therapies for GBM and a stagnant survival outlook there is a desperate need for new and effective therapies for GBM.

In GBM, comprehensive genetic analysis has revealed that the majority of tumors harbor an alteration in EGFR with either mutations and/or copy number gains. Approximately 60% of GBM tumors have either an amplification (~25%) and/or mutation (~35%) of EGFR.<sup>4</sup> Moreover, ~35% of GBM patients have copy number gains in EGFR via polysomy of chromosome 7 (Figure 2). Unlike non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), where EGFR alterations consist of mutations occur in the kinase domain of the receptor, EGFR alterations in GBM occur as an amplification and/or copy number gains without a mutation (i.e. WT EGFR), or extracellular domain (ECD) mutations such as the EGFR exon 2-7 deletion (EGFRvIII) and missense mutations.<sup>5</sup>

These EGFR alterations have been well documented to be an oncogenic driver of GBM growth and metabolism in multiple *in vitro* and *in vivo* patient-derived model systems.<sup>5-8</sup> As such,

with the high frequency and oncogenicity of the EGFR alterations seen in GBM, several clinical trials have been performed using numerous EGFR tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKI) (i.e. erlotinib, lapatinib, gefitinib, afatinib) that have been widely successful in treating lung cancer. However, despite significant evidence indicating that EGFR is important in GBM, none of the clinical trials using EGFR TKIs have improved patient outcomes.<sup>9-12</sup> These trials suggested several reasons for their failures but commonly proposed that these 1<sup>st</sup> generation EGFR TKIs have limited efficacy against the oncogenic forms of EGFR in GBM since they were re-purposed from NSCLC and that they do not cross the blood-brain barrier (BBB) in concentrations sufficient to achieve therapeutic outcomes in GBM tumors.

Unlike NSCLC, the activating mutations in the EGFR kinase domain which are favored by these EGFR TKI, are rarely found in GBM. Instead, WT EGFR amplification, EGFRvIII variant, and ECD missense mutations commonly occur and are known to promote tumor growth.<sup>13-15</sup> Interestingly, when EGFRvIII is co-expressed with WT EGFR, EGFRvIII can be activated by WT EGFR.<sup>7</sup> These distinct oncogenic forms of EGFR in GBM have been found to affect EGFR TKI affinity.<sup>5,16</sup> Type I EGFR TKIs used in NSCLC (i.e. erlotinib, gefitinib) preferentially target amplified WT EGFR and EGFR kinase domain mutants, but have poor activity against ECD mutant EGFR. Conversely, type II EGFR inhibitors used for breast cancer (i.e. lapatinib, neratinib) have higher affinity against ECD mutations, but lower activity against both amplified WT EGFR and kinase domain mutants. Since GBM is driven by mutations in the ECD of EGFR and an amplification of WT EGFR, there is a clinical need for novel EGFR TKIs that can robustly target the distinct forms of EGFR that drive GBM.

The BBB is a physical and biological barrier lining the capillaries in the brain that facilitates the transport of essential nutrients while protecting the brain from foreign objects such

as toxic compounds, viruses, and bacteria. Several mechanisms that selectively allow passage through the BBB include passive paracellular pathway, transcellular lipophilic pathway, receptor-mediated transcytosis, adsorptive transcytosis, and efflux transporters.<sup>17</sup> As a result, these specific regulations result in the inability of 98% of therapeutic compounds to cross the BBB, preventing effective brain delivery of therapeutics.<sup>18</sup> Several physicochemical parameters are involved in the ability of drugs to cross the BBB such as molecular weight, charge, number of hydrogen bond donors and acceptors, polar surface area, number of rotatable bonds, and interaction with efflux pumps and transporters.<sup>19-21</sup> Importantly, all of the EGFR TKIs tested clinically against GBM exhibit low brain to plasma ratios (<10%) which results in sub-optimal concentrations of the drugs in the tumor.<sup>22</sup> In patient GBM tumors, EGFR activation and downstream signaling were not significantly reduced in patients treated with erlotinib and gefitinib, suggesting tumor EGFR TKI concentrations were insufficient and responsible for their lack of therapeutic efficacy.<sup>9,23</sup> Although the EGFR TKIs osimertinib and AZD3759 – both developed for EGFR-mutated NSCLC – have reported high brain penetration, they have yet to be evaluated clinically for GBM.<sup>24,25</sup> Accordingly, there is an urgent need for an EGFR TKI that can both penetrate the brain to levels that are sufficient to inhibit EGFR-driven GBMs and target the forms of EGFR that drive GBM. As such, we have developed JCN068 by performing further modifications of the 1,4-dioxane ring of JCN037 to further improve potency against oncogenic forms of EGFR found in GBM, specificity, brain penetration, and *in vivo* pharmacology.<sup>26</sup> JCN068 is highly effective both in *in vitro* EGFR amplified/mutant patient-derived cell cultures as well as in multiple EGFR-driven orthotopic glioblastoma xenograft models.

## RESULTS

The most common oncogenic forms of EGFR found in GBM consists of amplified WT EGFR, EGFRvIII, and EGFR ECD mutants. To thoroughly evaluate JCN068 in GBM, we first profiled JCN068 in comparison with a Type 1 (i.e. erlotinib) and a Type 2. (i.e. lapatinib) in U87 cells transduced with either overexpression of WT EGFR, EGFRvIII, or a EGFR ECD mutant (A289D) (Figure 4A). As expected of a Type 1 EGFR TKI, erlotinib more efficiently inhibited WT EGFR but lapatinib had a higher affinity for EGFRvIII and the EGFR ECD mutant.<sup>5,16</sup> Surprisingly, JCN068 was on par with or better than either erlotinib or lapatinib at inhibiting all of the oncogenic forms of EGFR found in GBM with an pEGFR IC<sub>50</sub> of 1.13nM, 2.50nM, and 1.09nM in WT EGFR, EGFRvIII and EGFR A289D ECD mutant, respectively (Figure 4B-C). Additional immunoblots of other ECD mutants transduced into the U87 GBM cell culture model and the brain penetrant EGFR TKIs, osimertinib and AZD3759, were also quantified and summarized in Table 1.

Next, the EGFR TKIs erlotinib, lapatinib, JCN068, osimertinib, and AZD3759 were treated at half-log increments in a WT EGFR amplified and EGFRvIII patient-derived gliomasphere model, HK301 (Figure 5A), and an EGFR A289D ECD mutant patient-derived gliomasphere model, GS187 (Figure 5B). Relative to lapatinib, erlotinib more efficiently inhibited pWT EGFR in HK301 but fared worse against pEGFRvIII in HK301 and pEGFR A289D in GS187. JCN068 more potently inhibited pWT EGFR and pEGFRvIII in the HK301 model than either osimertinib or AZD3759. Similarly, JCN068 also outperformed both EGFR TKIs against pEGFR A289D. Downstream signaling of pERK and pS6 followed similar patterns to the pEGFR status for all of the EGFR TKIs in both patient-derived gliomasphere models.

Knowing JCN068 can potently inhibit the forms of EGFR found in GBM, we next wanted to determine its specificity. Kinome profiling was performed at 10 $\mu$ M across 485 wild-type and mutant kinases (ThermoFisher) (Figure 6A). JCN068 strongly (>80%) inhibited 12 wild-type kinases and most EGFR kinase domain mutants with few off-target kinases, resulting in a kinase selectivity score of 0.04 (Table S1).<sup>27</sup> A follow-up kinase IC<sub>50</sub> profiling was then performed on the strongly inhibited kinases and determined a purified kinase IC<sub>50</sub> of 0.454nM, 187nM, 490nM, 569nM, 613nM, 864nM, 1090nM, 1230nM, 1540nM, and 1890nM, for EGFR, HER2, LYN B, LYN A, HER4, RIPK3, GAK, EPHB2, RIPK2, and DRAK1, respectively (Figure 6B). Interestingly, the IC<sub>50</sub> for EGFR was over 400-fold better than the next closest kinase, HER2. Compared to a non-HER family kinase, EGFR was over 1000-fold more selective for EGFR than LYN B.

We then evaluated JCN068, erlotinib, lapatinib, and osimertinib against a panel of 40 patient-derived gliomaspheres and normal human astrocytes (NHA). Stratifying by copy number status of EGFR identifies EGFR amplified gliomaspheres to be the most sensitive to EGFR TKI and JCN068 to be more potent at inhibiting growth than both erlotinib and lapatinib (Figure 7A). Interestingly, a large spread of sensitivity to EGFR TKIs was observed for chromosome 7 polysomy gliomaspheres, suggesting some polysomy gliomaspheres are as sensitive to EGFR TKIs as EGFR amplified tumors. As NHAs are not dependent on EGFR for growth, they were used as a proxy for normal cell toxicity to determine the therapeutic index of each gliosphere relative to NHAs (Figure 7B).<sup>26</sup> Both JCN068 and erlotinib had large therapeutic indexes, however, osimertinib's therapeutic index across all gliomaspheres remained low due to the high toxicity observed by us and reported by others at around 2000nM.<sup>28</sup>

Having identified JCN068 as a potent, specific inhibitor of the variants of EGFR seen in GBM, we next wanted to ascertain its *in vivo* pharmacokinetics and brain penetration. Upon a single 10mg/kg oral dose in CD-1 male mice, JCN068 achieved moderate plasma concentrations with an exposure of 11977nM·hr and very high brain concentrations with an exposure of 44246nM·hr (Figure 8A-B). At the same dose, JCN068 optimally reached significantly lower plasma exposures while attaining over 16-fold higher brain exposures compared to erlotinib. This resulted in a ~370% brain to plasma ratio for JCN068, 8.54% for erlotinib, and 1.85% for lapatinib, which were in-line with reported brain to plasma ratios (Figure 8C).<sup>29,30</sup> The  $K_{p_{uu}}$ , which is ratio of the free, unbound drug concentrations of JCN068 in the brain relative to the plasma was 1.30, indicating the drug is approximately equal across the BBB.<sup>31,32</sup> These unbound drug exposures was found to be above its  $GI_{50}$  of GBM tumors for JCN068, but insufficient for both erlotinib and lapatinib and may explain their lack of efficacy (Figure 8D). The pharmacokinetics was then confirmed in Hans-Wistar rats with a further improved brain to plasma ratio in rats of 473.5% (Figure 8E). With a high brain penetration, JCN068 is hypothesized to not be a substrate for drug efflux transporters such as the P-glycoprotein (P-gp) found along the BBB.<sup>33</sup> As assessed by an *in vitro* cell permeability and P-gp substrate status by transwell culture with MDCK-MDR1 cells, JCN068 has an efflux ratio of 0.92 and is therefore not a substrate of the P-gp (Figure 8F).

Knowing JCN068 can robustly inhibit EGFR *in vitro*, we next wanted to examine how effective it is in an *in vivo* setting. Due to the strong inhibitory effect JCN068 had *in vitro*, coupled with the high degree of brain penetration, we hypothesized JCN068 would significantly inhibit EGFR signaling *in vivo* in an intracranial model. The EGFR $\nu$ III mutant GBM39 patient-derived gliomasphere model was intracranially implanted into the brains of of NOD-SCID Gamma (NSG) mice.<sup>34</sup> When tumors reached exponential growth, as determined by secreted gaussia luciferase,<sup>35</sup>

mice were administered 10 mg/kg, 25 mg/kg, or 75 mg/kg of JCN068 or vehicle by oral gavage. At a 1 hour time point, the intracranial tumors were harvested, lysed, and subjected to immunoblotting for activation of EGFRvIII and its downstream signaling effectors (Figure 9A). In comparison to vehicle treated tumors, JCN068 treatment at all doses showed a significant decrease in pEGFRvIII and pWT EGFR activity in a dose-dependent manner (Figure 9B). Downstream signaling pathways of EGFR, including RAS-MAPK (via p-ERK) or PI3K-AKT-mTOR (via pS6) signaling, was also associated with the decrease in pWT EGFR and pEGFRvIII activity. These data support the hypothesis that the high BBB penetration and potent EGFR inhibitory efficacy of JCN068 would result in an effective inhibition of EGFR signaling in an orthotopic GBM xenograft model.

With the pharmacodynamic effect of JCN068 in GBM tumors having been established, we next hypothesized that the significant decrease in EGFR and downstream EGFR signaling activity would lead to a significant tumor growth inhibition and survival benefit. The EGFRvIII mutant GBM39 patient-derived orthotopic xenograft model was intracranially implanted. After tumors reached exponential growth, mice were randomized into vehicle, 10 mg/kg JCN068, 25 mg/kg JCN068, or 75 mg/kg JCN068 treatment groups. Mice were treated daily for 5 days followed by 2 days of no treatment by oral gavage until euthanasia. At the measurement closest to median survival of the vehicle, tumor growth inhibition (TGI) was calculated using the secreted gaussian luciferase reporter (Figure 10A). A significant TGI of 94.2%, 96.6%, and 98.7% (p-value <0.05) was observed in mice treated with 10 mg/kg JCN068, 25 mg/kg JCN068, and 75 mg/kg JCN068, respectively, with no significant loss in body weight or other observable side effects (Figure S1). Moreover, JCN068 treatment provided a significant survival benefit, with the vehicle, 10 mg/kg JCN068, 25 mg/kg JCN068, and 75 mg/kg JCN068 reaching median survivals of 39 days, 63.5

days, 76 days, and 81 days, respectively (Figure 10B). This corresponded with an increase in median survival of +62.8%, +94.9%, and +107.7% compared to vehicle. To approximate the clinically relevant dose of JCN068, we identified the dose of erlotinib and lapatinib in which the plasma exposures in mice matches to that of human plasma levels at the standard clinical dose.<sup>36-38</sup> Erlotinib and lapatinib administered at 10 mg/kg and 80 mg/kg in non-tumor bearing mice reached plasma exposures of 51,689 nM·hr and 44,807 nM·hr over 24 hours, respectively; which, mirrors the 24-hour human clinical plasma exposures for both drugs.<sup>26,39,40</sup> Based on our pharmacokinetic experiments (Figure S2), we found JCN068 at 25 mg/kg to reach a 24-hour exposure of 42905 nM·hr.

Using the 25 mg/kg dose, we then evaluated JCN068 in a “preclinical trial” against a large cohort (n=20) of clinically relevant orthotopic GBM patient-derived xenograft models to assess both the breadth of response and molecular determinants of response to JCN068. JCN068 was found to be efficacious against the majority of EGFR amplified and EGFR mutated orthotopic GBM patient-derived xenograft models with also efficacy against approximately 40% of chromosome 7 polysomy orthotopic GBM patient-derived xenograft models (Figure 10C). Importantly, osimertinib has reported brain penetration and significant activity against NSCLC with EGFR kinase domain mutants that have metastasized to the brain.<sup>25,41</sup> Given these properties, and some early but inconclusive preclinical and clinical work with osimertinib in GBM, we directly compared JCN068 against osimertinib in several EGFR-altered orthotopic GBM patient-derived xenograft models.<sup>42,43</sup> We found that JCN068 was superior at prolonging the survival of all EGFR-altered orthotopic GBM patient-derived xenograft models (Figure 10C). These intriguing data may result from not only the higher brain penetration and exposure of JCN068 relative to osimertinib (JCN068  $K_{puu} = 1.30$  and osimertinib  $K_{puu} = 0.39$ )<sup>25</sup>, but also the increased



potency of JCN068 against the oncogenic forms of EGFR that are unique to GBM (Table 2, Figure 5). Collectively, these data support that JCN068 is a highly brain penetrant GBM-targeting EGFR TKI, with considerable single agent efficacy against numerous EGFR-altered orthotopic GBM patient-derived xenograft models.

Although the genetic status of EGFR in GBM is a relatively good predictor of response to JCN068, it cannot stratify tumors that are polysomy for chromosome 7. However, EGFR is a strong driver of glucose metabolism through EGFR-mediated activation of PI3K-AKT-mTOR and RAS-MAPK to increase the expression and translocation of glucose transporters and Hexokinase 2.<sup>8,34,44</sup> Given, this relationship between EGFR signaling and glucose metabolism, and that JCN068 can potently inhibit EGFR signaling *in vivo*, we hypothesized that JCN068 would efficiently inhibit glucose metabolism *in vivo*. Using <sup>18</sup>F-fluorodeoxyglucose positron emission tomography (<sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET), we performed delayed imaging<sup>45</sup> on orthotopic GBM patient-derived xenograft models that JCN068 treatment provided a survival benefit and ones that it did not (Figure 11A-B). The GBM tumors in which glucose metabolism is rapidly reduced with 3 days of JCN068 treatment lead to significant growth inhibition and a survival benefit (Figure 11A). Conversely, in GBM tumors without a change in glucose metabolism with JCN068 treatment, a therapeutic response was not observed relative to vehicle (Figure 11B). Importantly, the survival benefit response to JCN068 treatment could not be predicted by EGFR alteration status alone (p-value = 0.42) (Figure 11C). However, the <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET response was able to significantly predict the survival outcome in response to JCN068 treatment (Figure 11D). This suggests that rapid changes in <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET can serve as a non-invasive approach to predict both successful inhibition of EGFR signaling and therapeutic outcome *in vivo*.

## DISCUSSION

Here we evaluated JCN068 and found that it potently inhibits the oncogenic forms of EGFR commonly found in GBM—amplified WT EGFR, EGFRvIII, and EGFR ECD mutants—in both synthetic U87 model systems and in patient-derived model systems. Furthermore, JCN068 was also able to induce inhibition of EGFR downstream signaling in patient-derived models better or on par with other EGFR TKIs. Consequently, JCN068 could robustly inhibit growth of multiple EGFR-altered primary GBM cells better than erlotinib and lapatinib. Importantly, the high potency of JCN068 did not compromise selectivity. Firstly, relative to an EGFR-altered GBM cell, 100-fold more JCN068 was required to inhibit growth of a non EGFR-dependent normal human astrocytes (NHA). Moreover, kinome profiling of JCN068 confirmed this high selectivity, with a nearly 400-fold difference between the IC<sub>50</sub> for EGFR (0.454 nM) and with any other kinases (HER2 IC<sub>50</sub>: 180 nM) and over 1000-fold selectivity for EGFR over the nearest non-HER kinase (LYNB IC<sub>50</sub>: 490nM).

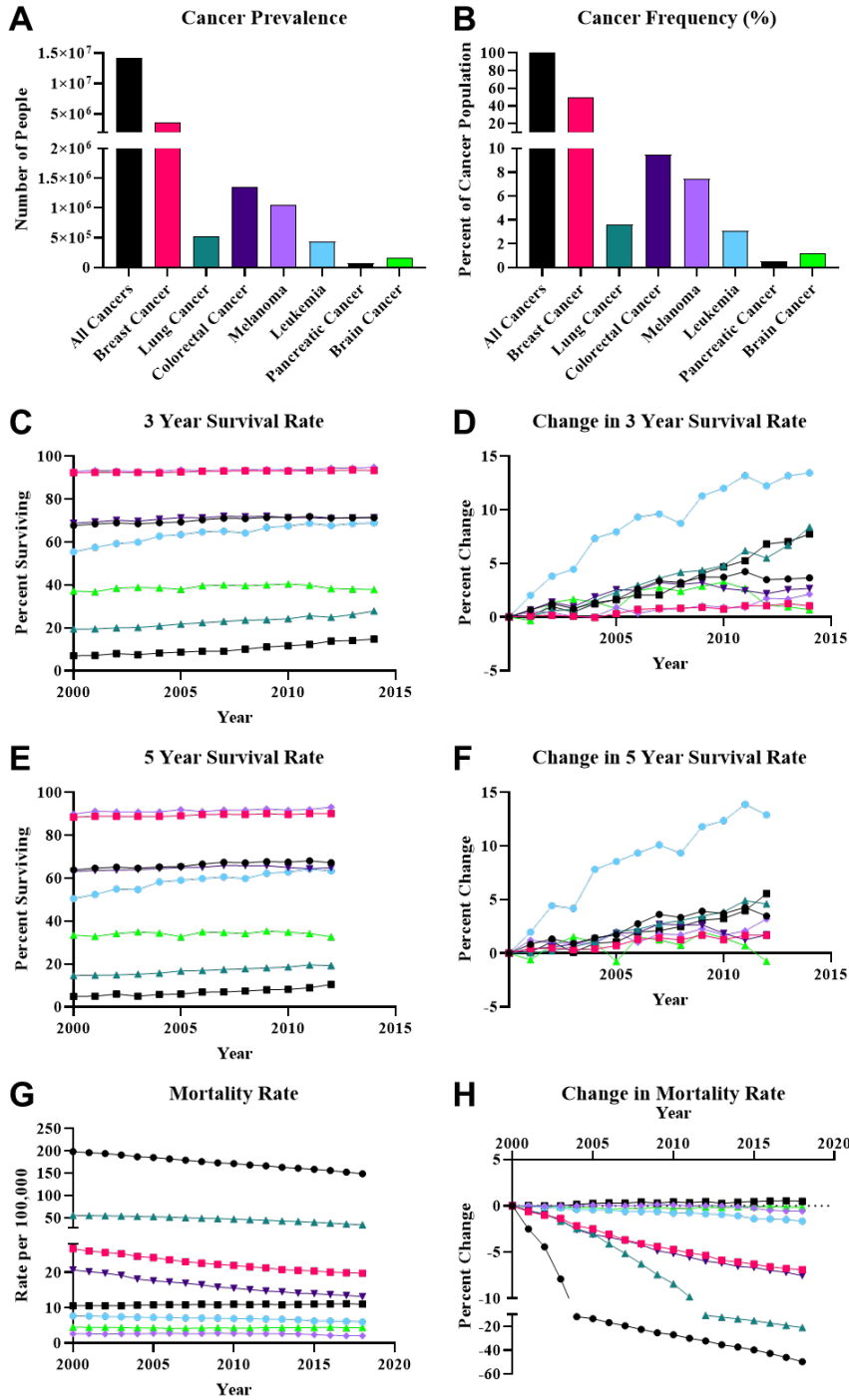
JCN068 was developed from previous work on JCN037 and further improved upon multiple properties including potency, specificity, brain penetration, efficacy, and *in vivo* pharmacokinetics.<sup>26</sup> With a brain to plasma ratio of ~400% and a K<sub>p<sub>uu</sub></sub> of 1.30, JCN068 can effectively cross the BBB and reach the tumor. Pharmacodynamic studies of EGFR activation and downstream signaling supports the hypothesis that the high BBB penetration and potent EGFR inhibitory efficacy of JCN068 would result in an effective inhibition of EGFR activation and EGFR signaling. This, in turn, led to an improvement in survival outcomes of mice orthotopically implanted with EGFR-altered patient-derived gliomaspheres. Collectively, these data support the suggestion that EGFR TKIs made specifically for GBM can improve on currently available EGFR TKIs made for other indications. In addition, given the desirable properties of JCN068 as a GBM-

targeted EGFR TKI, we have shown an acute response in  $^{18}\text{F}$ -FDG PET can be used as a rapid predictive biomarker of response to JCN068 in patient-derived orthotopic xenograft models. From these data, we found that JCN068 could significantly reduce  $^{18}\text{F}$ -FDG uptake and this rapid change in glucose metabolism with drug treatment was an effective in predicting outcome. This can be used as a non-invasive, functional biomarker of response that can be easily translated to clinical use and aid patient selection.<sup>46,47</sup>

Taken together, these compelling data indicate that JCN068 is a GBM-targeting EGFR TKI, with potent single agent efficacy against numerous EGFR-altered patient-derived orthotopic xenograft models. Our data supports that  $^{18}\text{F}$ -FDG PET may serve as a robust companion predictive biomarker of response to JCN068. Finally, JCN068 shows favorable specificity, selectivity, toxicity profile, oral bioavailability, distribution, metabolism. Consequently, JCN068 is currently in pre-IND studies with an anticipation to begin dosing patients in late 2021.

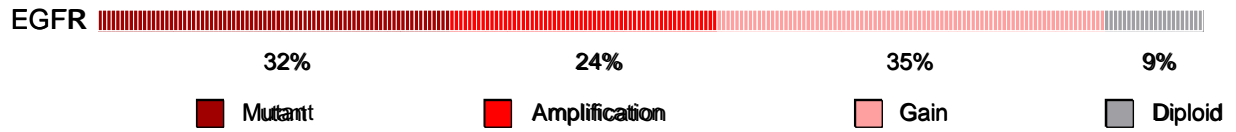
# FIGURES AND TABLES

## Chapter 2 – Figure 1.



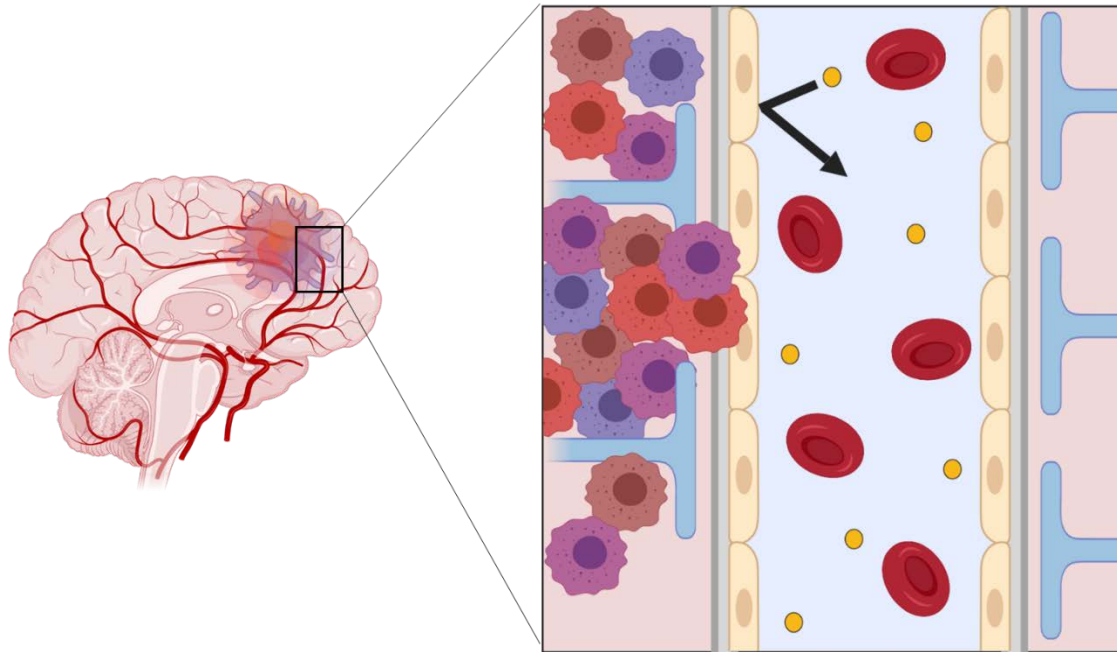
**Figure 1.** Cancer statistics of all combined cancers and selected common cancers. Data generated from the SEER\*Explorer.<sup>1</sup> (A) Cancer prevalence of the number of patients with each respective cancer type in the United States as of 2018 data. (B) Cancer frequency as a percent of all patients alive with cancer as of 2018. (C) 3-year survival rate of the same set of cancers. (D) Change in the 3-year survival rate since 2000. (E) Same as (C) but for 5-year survival rate. (F) Same as (D) but for 5 year survival rate. (G) Mortality rate of each cancer, per 100,000 people in the United States. (H) Change in the mortality rates since 2000.

## Chapter 2 – Figure 2



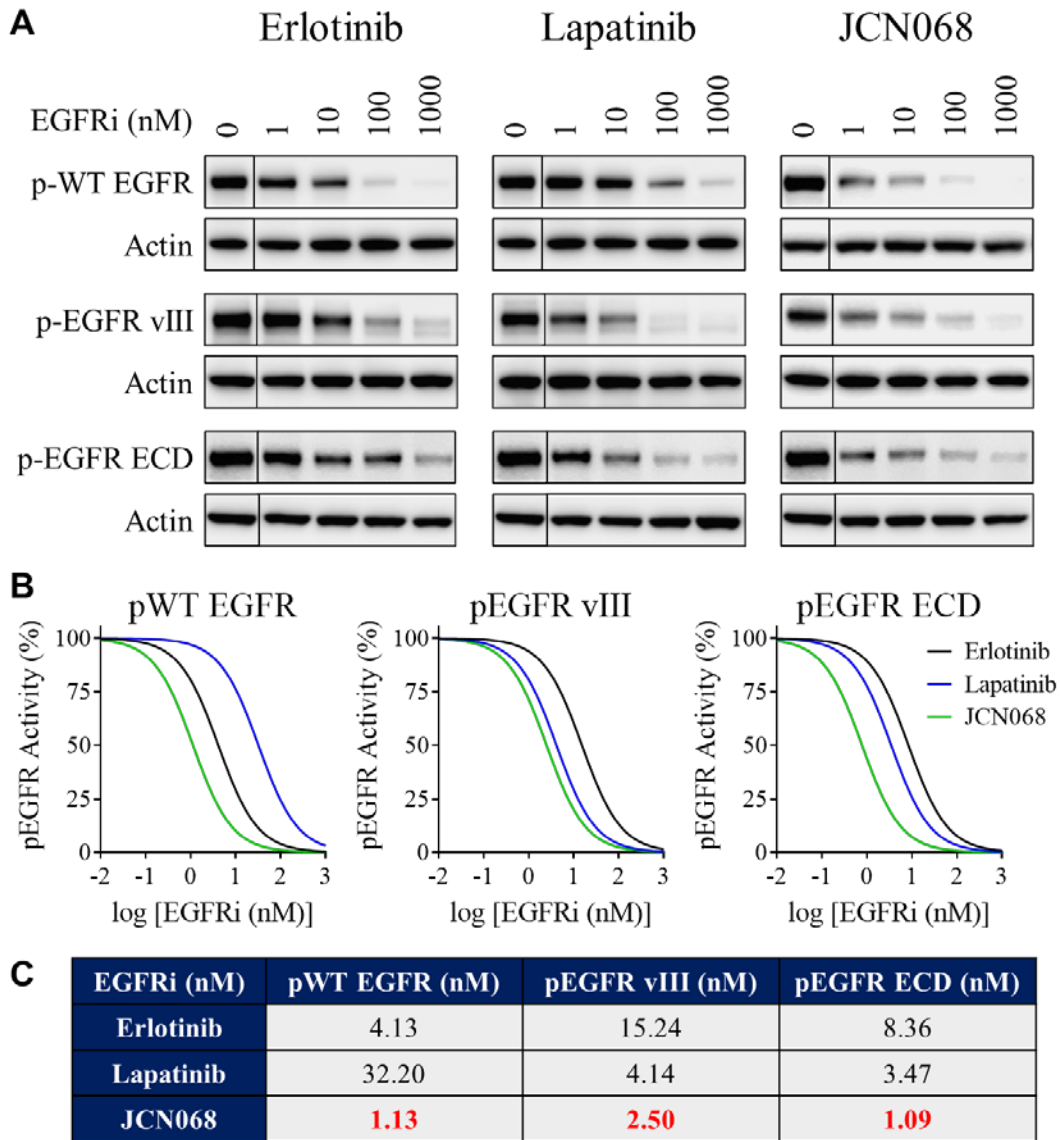
**Figure 2.** EGFR alteration rate in GBM based on the TCGA data set.<sup>4</sup> 32% of all GBM tumors have a mutation in EGFR with the majority being EGFRvIII. Alterations are not mutually exclusive, as almost all of the mutant tumors are also amplified or have copy number gains.

**Chapter 2 – Figure 3.**



**Figure 3.** Schematic of the blood brain barrier. Small molecules cannot easily penetrate the blood brain barrier and tumors reside safely on the other side where drug concentrations may not reach therapeutic levels necessary to inhibit tumor growth.

**Chapter 2 – Figure 4.**



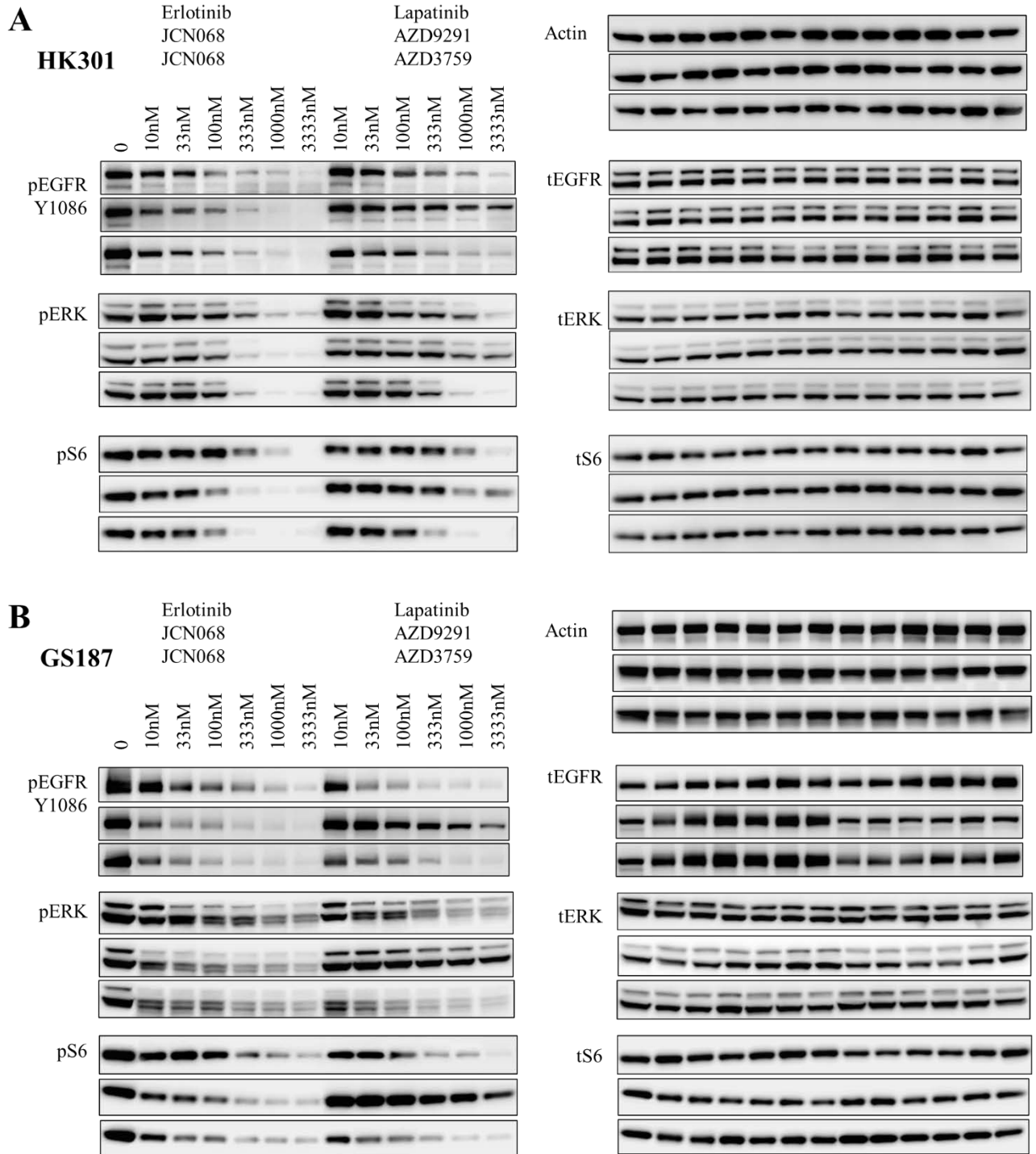
**Figure 4.** Immunoblots of erlotinib, lapatinib, and JCN068 against U87 GBM lines transduced with EGFR alterations commonly found in GBM. (A) Immunoblots of WT EGFR, EGFRvIII, and EGFR ECD mutant A289D with escalating concentrations of EGFR TKIs erlotinib, lapatinib, and JCN068. (B) Quantification of immunoblots in (A). (C) Tabulated values of the IC<sub>50</sub> of each EGFR TKI against each EGFR alteration.



**Chapter 2 – Table 1.** EGFR TKI IC<sub>50</sub> of variants of EGFR transduced in the U87 GBM cell line calculated from the quantification of immunoblots.

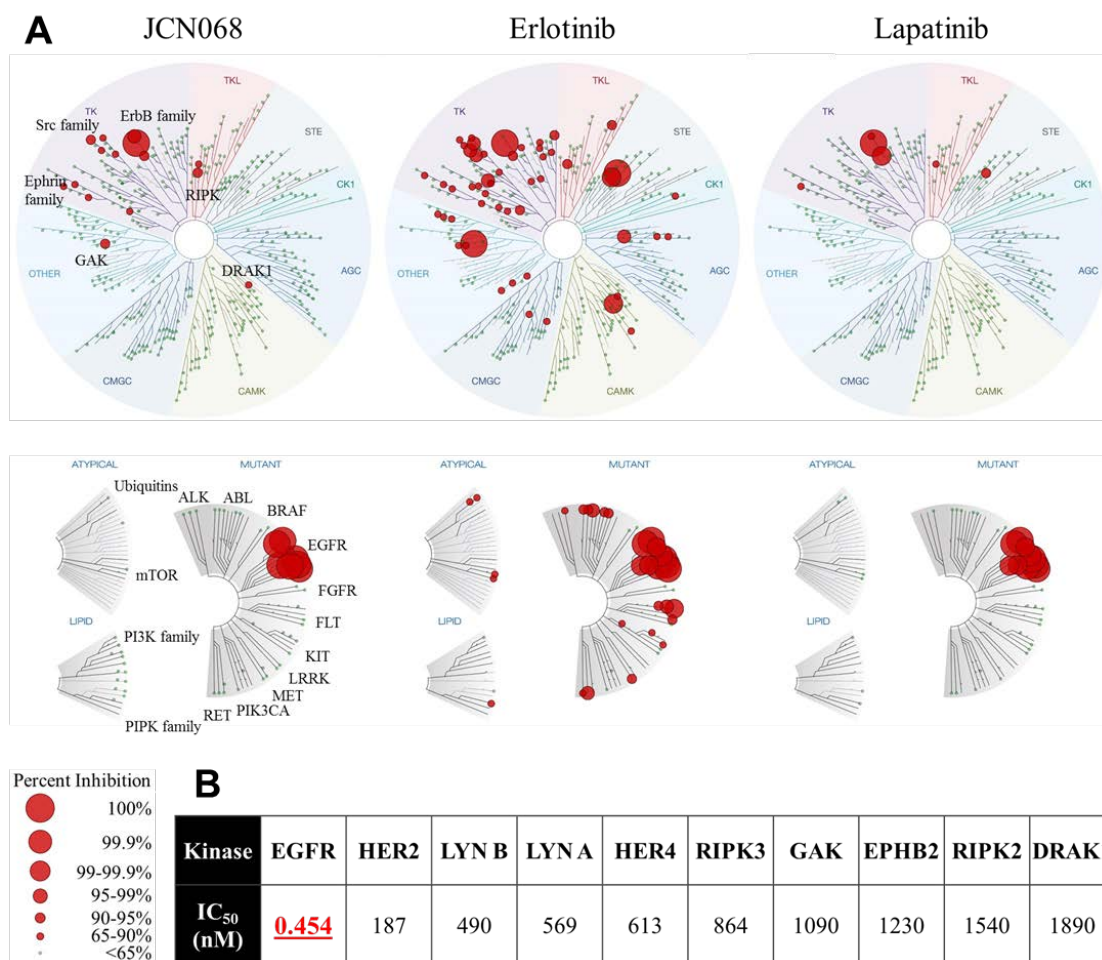
<b>EGFR IC<sub>50</sub> (nM)</b>	<b>Erlotinib</b>	<b>Lapatinib</b>	<b>AZD9291</b>	<b>AZD3759</b>	<b>JCN068</b>
WT	4.1	32.2	40.4	4.5	1.1
vIII	15.2	4.1	17.7	12.2	2.5
A263P	22.2	2.4	124.4	3.0	1.0
A289D	8.4	3.5	150.6	2.6	1.1
A289V	10.6	7.8	98.0	2.9	1.0
G598V	7.6	1.4	115.1	14.9	1.0

Chapter 2 – Figure 5



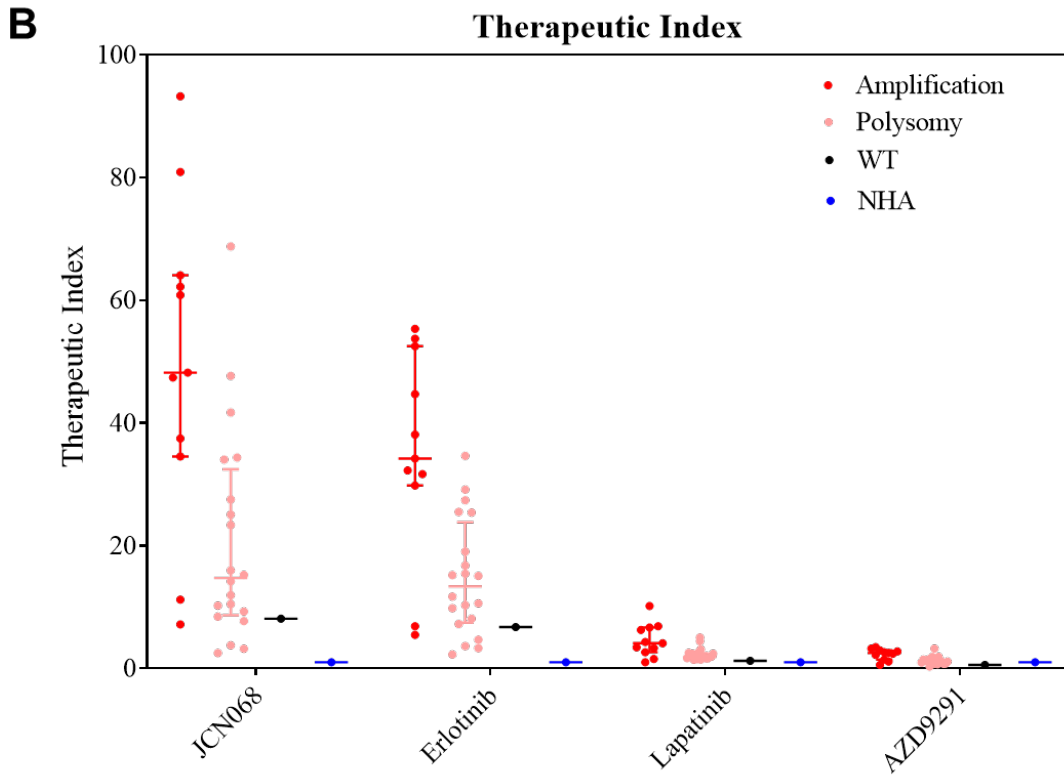
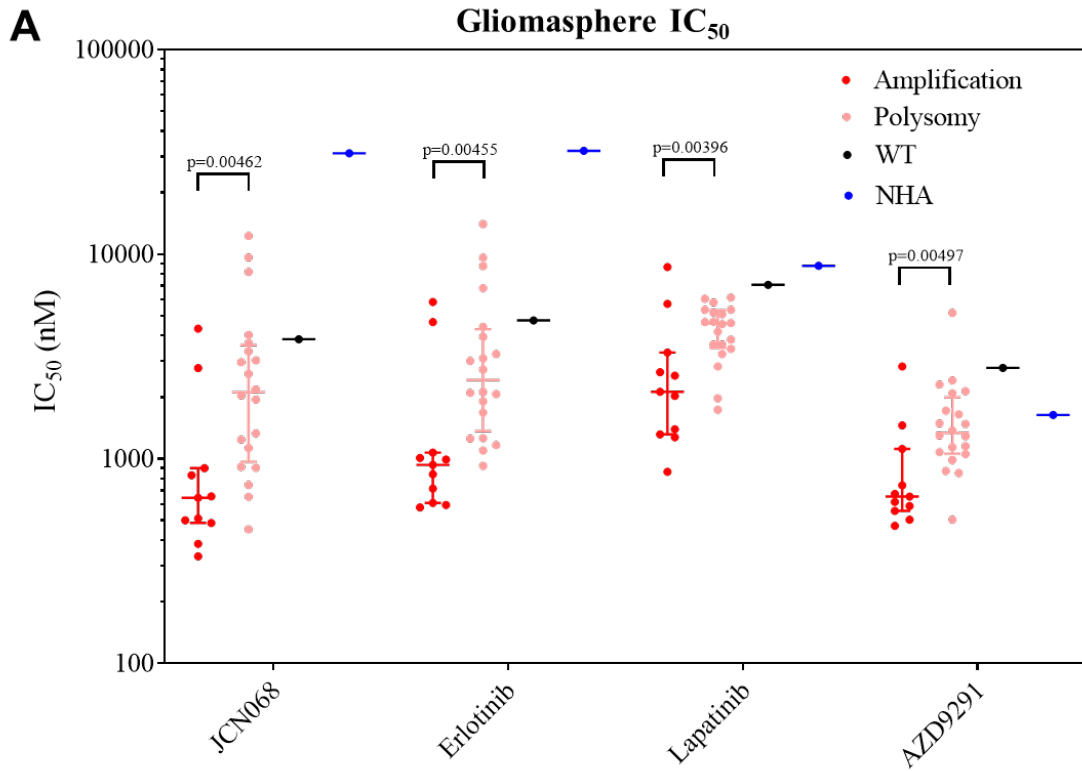
**Figure 5.** Immunoblots of 1<sup>st</sup> generation and next generation EGFR TKI and JCN068 against patient-derived GBM gliomaspheres. (A) Immunoblots of erlotinib, lapatinib, JCN068, osimertinib (AZD9291), and AZD3759 in HK301 gliomaspheres that express both amplified WT EGFR and EGFRvIII. EGFR, ERK, and S6 activity are probed. (B) Same as (A), but in the GS187 gliosphere that expresses EGFR ECD A289D.

## Chapter 2 – Figure 6



**Figure 6.** Kinome profiling of JCN068 compared to erlotinib and lapatinib. (A) TREEspot™ kinome profile of wild-type kinases (above) and mutant kinases (below) of JCN068, erlotinib, and lapatinib. The size of the circle refers to the percent of control of kinase activity remaining at a drug concentration of 10μM. Image generated using TREEspot™ Software Tool and reprinted with permission from KINOMEScan®, a division of DiscoverRx Corporation, © DISCOVERX CORPORATION 2010. (B) IC<sub>50</sub> determinations of the top wild-type kinase hits from the primary screen.

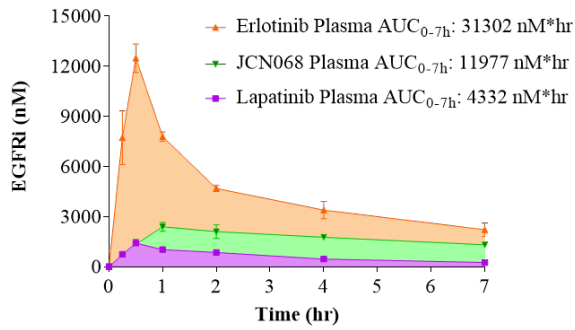
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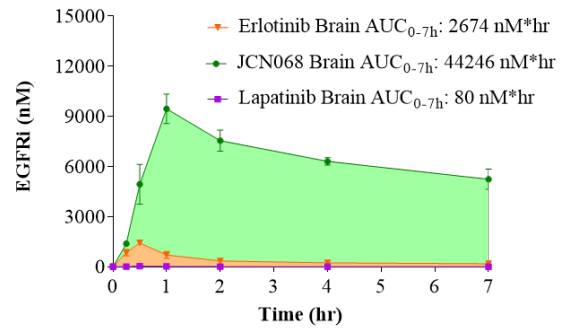
**Figure 7.** Patient-derived gliomasphere sensitivity to EGFR TKIs. (A)  $IC_{50}$  values of a panel of 40 gliomasphere models against JCN068, erlotinib, lapatinib, and osimertinib. Each point represents the average of 3 independent replicates of 1 model from the indicated copy number status. (B) Therapeutic index was calculated by dividing the NHA  $IC_{50}$  value by the GBM  $IC_{50}$  value to obtain the fold-change range of safe, efficacious concentrations.

## Chapter 2- Figure 8

**A** Plasma Concentrations (10mg/kg)



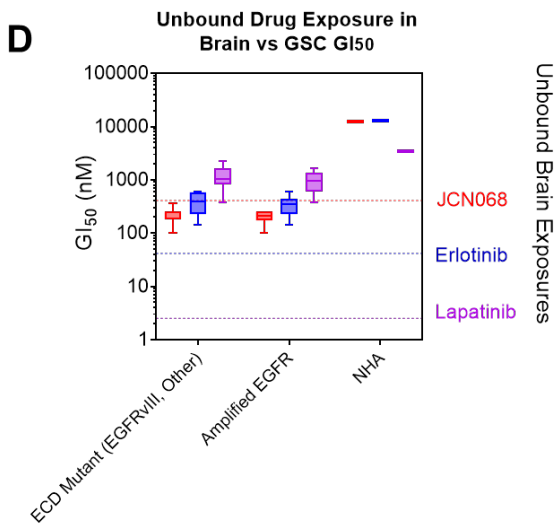
**B** Brain Concentrations (10mg/kg)



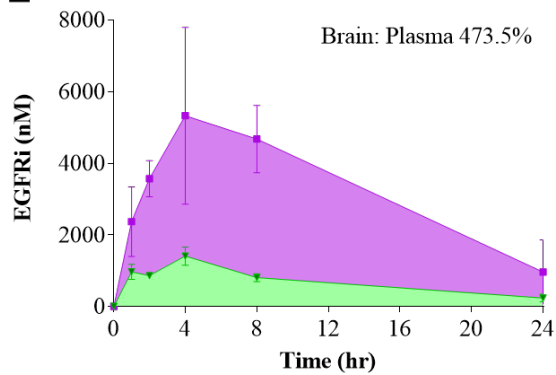
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Drug	Brain:Plasma	K <sub>puu</sub>
Erlotinib	8.54%	0.05
Lapatinib	1.85%	0.01
JCN068	<b>369.4%</b>	<b>1.30</b>

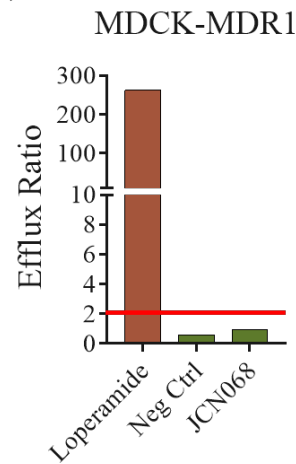
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**E** Rat Pharmacokinetics (5mg/kg)



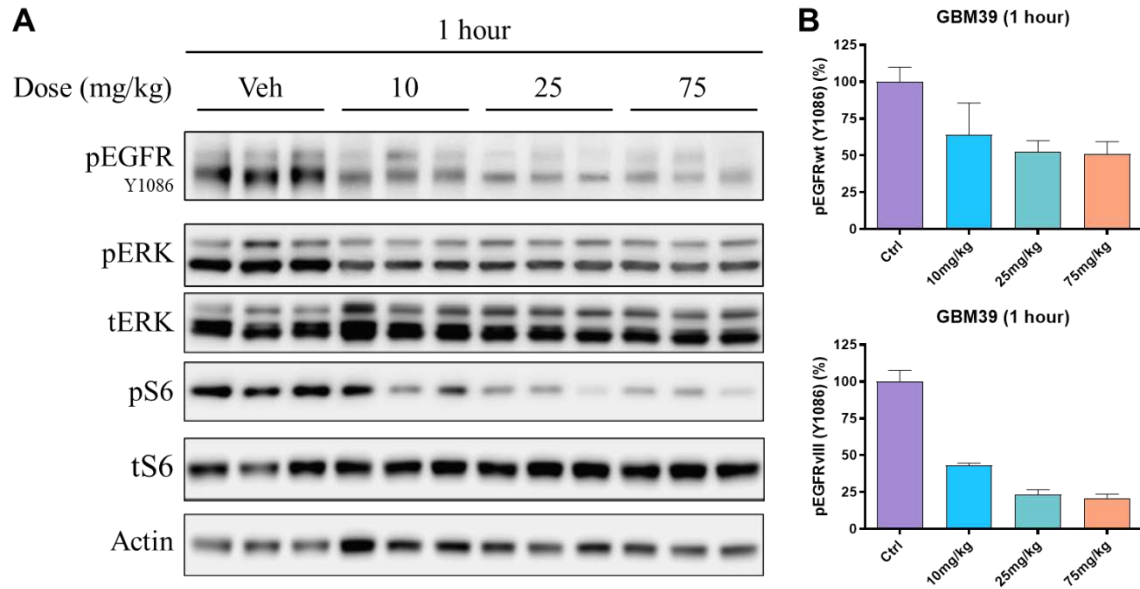
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**Figure 8.** Pharmacokinetics of JCN068. (A) Plasma and (B) brain concentrations of a 10 mg/kg oral dose of erlotinib, lapatinib, or JCN068 in CD-1 male mice. 7-hour exposure levels in each tissue type are noted. (C) Brain to plasma ratios of the EGFR TKIs evaluated and their corresponding  $K_{p_{uu}}$  values. (D) Comparison of the unbound, free drug exposure of the EGFR TKIs in the brain from the pharmacokinetics data with the  $GI_{50}$  cell data. JCN068 free drug exposure in the brain is above the  $GI_{50}$  concentration while erlotinib and lapatinib free drug exposure in the brain are far below the  $GI_{50}$  concentration. (E) Rat pharmacokinetics data performed independently by Charles River. (F) MDCK-MDR1 efflux ratio of JCN068.

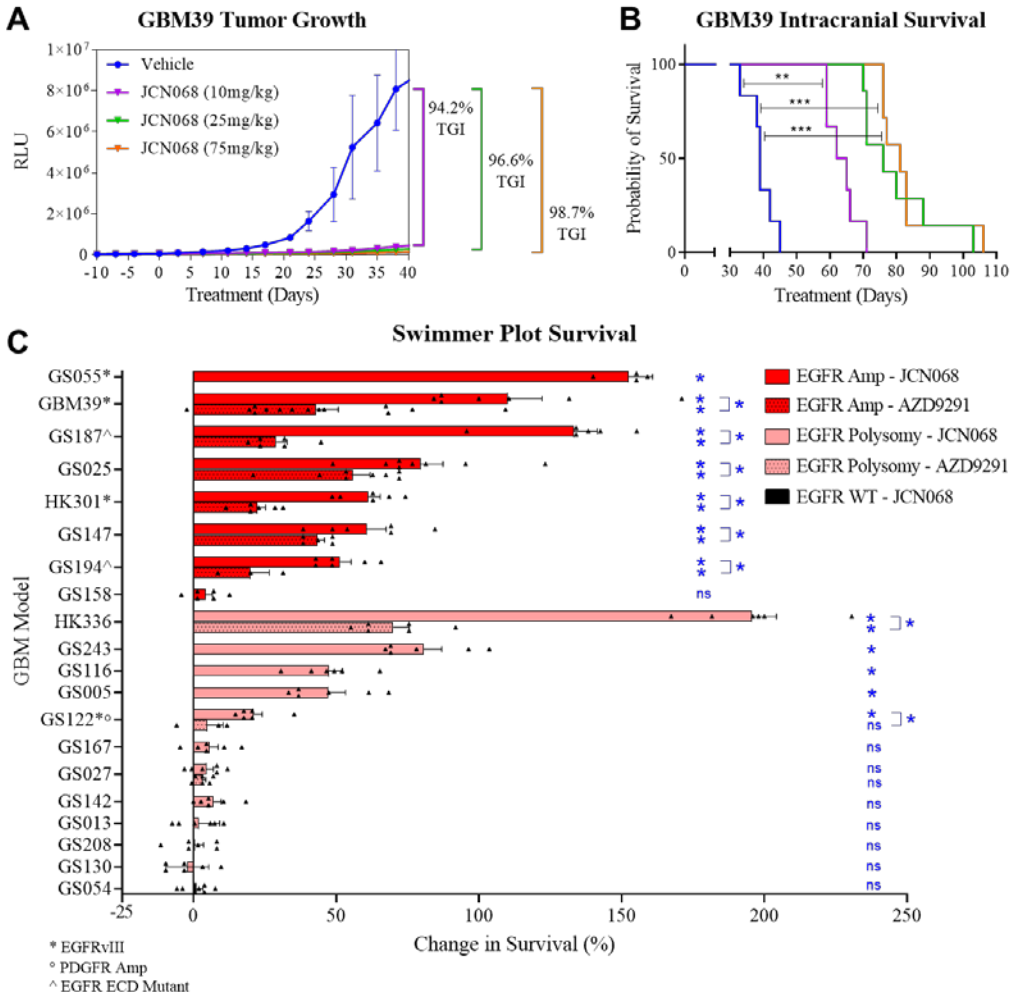


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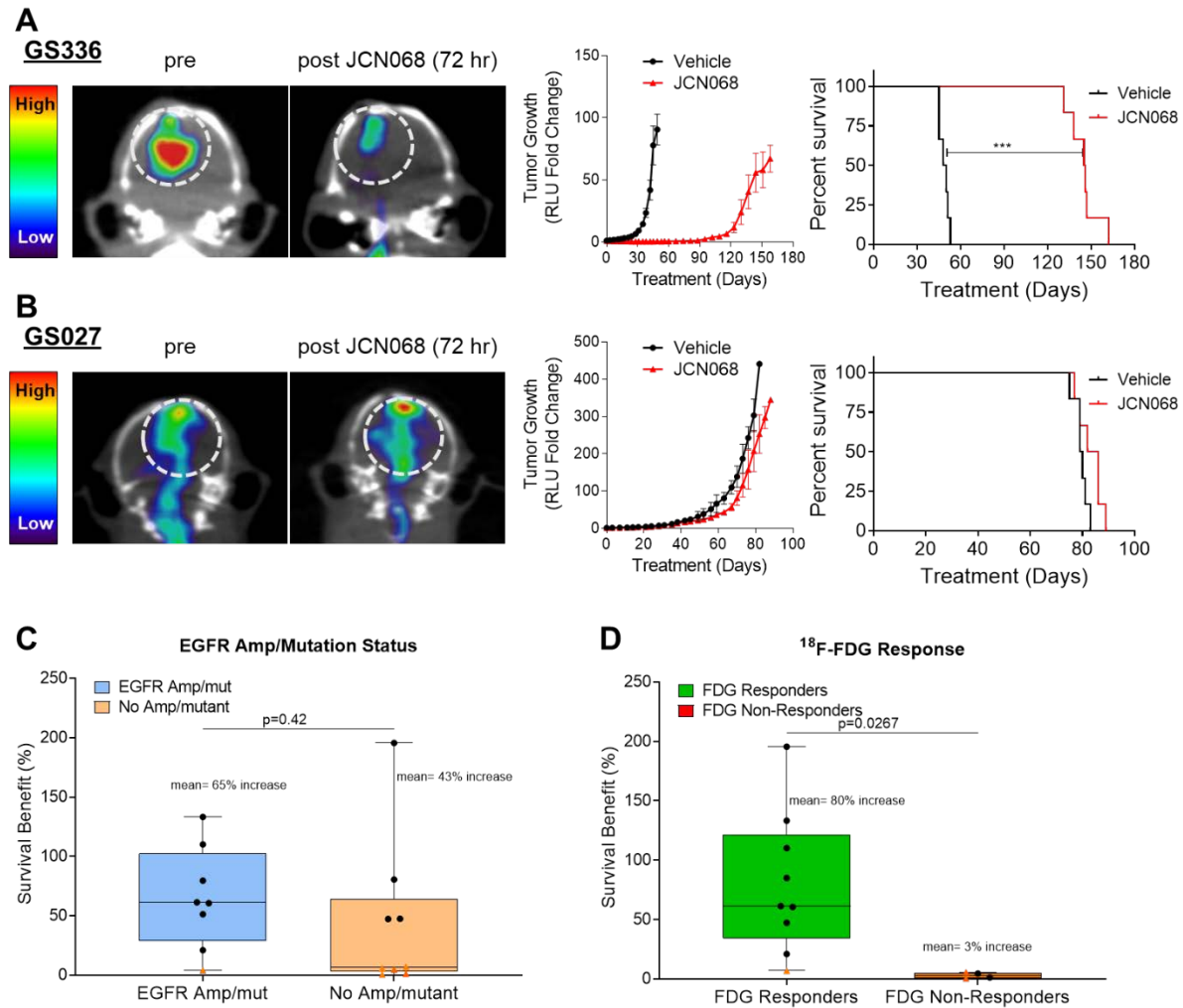
**Figure 9.** Pharmacodynamic study of JCN068 in GBM39 patient-derived orthotopic xenograft models. (A) Immunoblots at the indicated time point and doses of JCN068 of EGFR and downstream kinases ERK and S6. (B) Quantification of pWTEGFR and pEGFRvIII activity after indicated doses of JCN068.

## Chapter 2 – Figure 10



**Figure 10.** *In vivo* tumor efficacy of JCN068. (A) Tumor growth curves of GBM39 patient-derived orthotopic xenograft models with vehicle, 10 mg/kg, 25 mg/kg, or 75 mg/kg JCN068 treatment. Tumor growth inhibition between the vehicle and each treatment dose is indicated on the right. (n=6 mice per group) (B) Kaplan-Meier curve of GBM39 patient-derived orthotopic xenograft models with their respective treatments. All treatment groups were significantly different from each other except for the 25 mg/kg and 75 mg/kg treatment groups. (C) Swimmer plots of 20 patient-derived orthotopic xenograft models with JCN068 treatment compared against a vehicle control arm (n=6 mice per group). Tumor models were stratified by EGFR copy number status as either amplified, polysomy, or WT. Additional EGFR alterations are noted on at the bottom. 9 different tumor models also had an osimertinib treatment arm (n=6 mice) as comparison with JCN068. Asterisks denote significant survival benefit compared to vehicle treatments and the bracketed asterisk denotes a significant survival difference between JCN068 and osimertinib treatment arms.

Chapter 2 – Figure 11



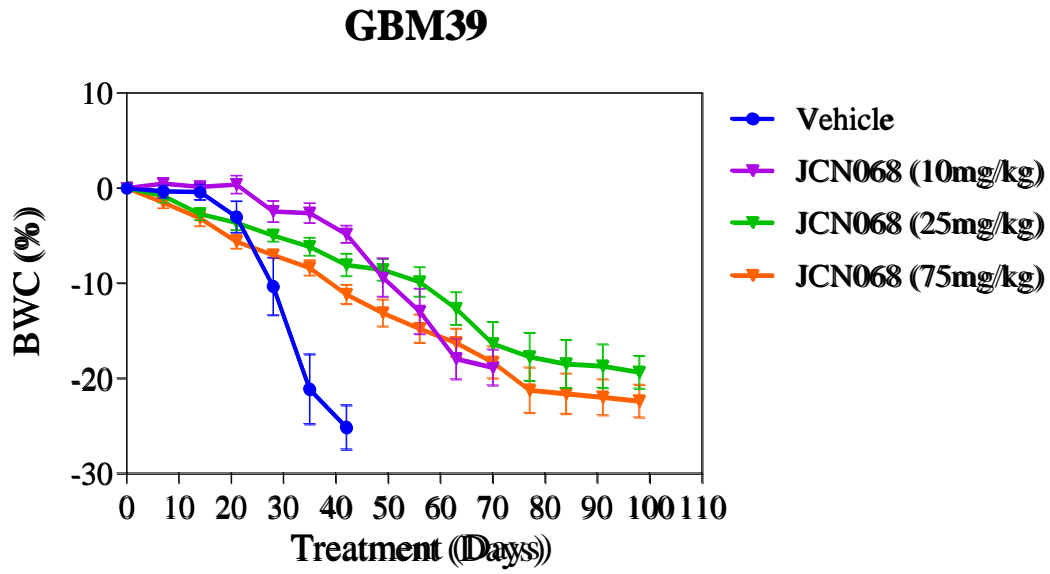
**Figure 11.** <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET response to JCN068. (A) Representative <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET image of a pre- and post-JCN068 treatment mouse that had a therapeutic response. Scans were visualized by AMIDE and overlaid with CT scans. Coronal slices of the tumor are shown. Images are scaled and normalized to each mouse’s individual baseline, pre-treatment scan. Tumor growth (middle) and overall survival outcome (right) are shown for the model. (B) Same as in (A) but for a treatment model that did not have a therapeutic response. (C) Stratification of survival benefit by EGFR alteration status. (D) Stratification of survival benefit by <sup>18</sup>F-FDG response status.

**SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES AND TABLES**

**Chapter 2 – Table S1.** Table of kinases tested and their percent kinase inhibition (Thermofisher).

#	Kinase	JCN068 % Kinase Inhibition (10µM)	#	Kinase	JCN068 % Kinase Inhibition (10µM)	#	Kinase	JCN068 % Kinase Inhibition (10µM)
1	ABL1	49	82	EGFR (ErbB1) T790M C797S		162	MAPK3 (ERK1)	9
2	ABL1 E255K	36		L858R	46	163	MAPK7 (ERK5)	19
3	ABL1 F317I	14	83	EGFR (ErbB1) T790M L858R	76	164	MAPK8 (JNK1)	11
4	ABL1 F317L	30	84	EPHA1	65	165	MAPK9 (JNK2)	16
5	ABL1 G250E	45	85	EPHA2	16	166	MAPKAP2	25
6	ABL1 T315I	15	86	EPHA4	43	167	MAPKAPK3	19
7	ABL1 Y253F	54	87	EPHA5	51	168	MAPKAPK5 (PRAK)	16
8	ABL2 (Arg)	30	88	EPHA8	55	169	MARK1 (MARK)	4
9	ACVR1B (ALK4)	-17	89	EPHB1	52	170	MARK2	3
10	ADRBK1 (GRK2)	1	90	EPHB2	96	171	MARK3	9
11	ADRBK2 (GRK3)	3	91	EPHB3	36	172	MARK4	0
12	AKT1 (PKB alpha)	11	92	EPHB4	79	173	MATK (HYL)	6
13	AKT2 (PKB beta)	10	93	ERBB2 (HER2)	89	174	MELK	32
14	AKT3 (PKB gamma)	-3	94	ERBB4 (HER4)	88	175	MERTK (cMER)	19
15	ALK	26	95	FER	9	176	MET (cMet)	-4
16	AMPK (A1/B2/G2)	11	96	FES (FPS)	11	177	MET (cMet) Y1235D	-2
17	AMPK (A1/B2/G3)	10	97	FGFR1	8	178	MET M1250T	6
18	AMPK (A2/B1/G2)	3	98	FGFR2	0	179	MINK1	66
19	AMPK (A2/B1/G3)	0	99	FGFR2 N549H	-14	180	MKNK1 (MNK1)	16
20	AMPK (A2/B2/G3)	7	100	FGFR3	6	181	MST1R (RON)	-1
21	AMPK A1/B1/G1	10	101	FGFR3 K650E	3	182	MST4	12
22	AMPK A2/B1/G1	12	102	FGFR3 V555M	-11	183	MUSK	-3
23	AURKA (Aurora A)	1	103	FGFR4	-2	184	MYLK2 (skMLCK)	8
24	AURKB (Aurora B)	1	104	FGR	87	185	NEK1	18
25	AURKC (Aurora C)	2	105	FLT1 (VEGFR1)	-12	186	NEK2	-4
26	AXL	5	106	FLT3	28	187	NEK4	0
27	BLK	59	107	FLT3 D835Y	52	188	NEK6	2
28	BMX	13	108	FLT4 (VEGFR3)	-2	189	NEK9	-6
29	BRAF	13	109	FRAP1 (mTOR)	-8	190	NIMIK	-1
30	BRAF V599E	20	110	FRK (PTK5)	47	191	NTRK1 (TRKA)	26
31	BRSK1 (SAD1)	12	111	FYN	33	192	NTRK2 (TRKB)	6
32	BTk	30	112	GRK4	-1	193	NTRK3 (TRKC)	6
33	CAMK1D (CaMKI delta)	16	113	GRK5	-3	194	PAK1	9
34	CAMK1G (CaMKI gamma)	2	114	GRK6	0	195	PAK2 (PAK65)	10
35	CAMK2A (CaMKII alpha)	9	115	GRK7	4	196	PAK3	7
36	CAMK2B (CaMKII beta)	13	116	GSK3A (GSK3 alpha)	5	197	PAK4	2
37	CAMK2D (CaMKII delta)	21	117	GSK3B (GSK3 beta)	11	198	PAK6	3
38	CAMK4 (CaMKIV)	4	118	HCK	44	199	PAK7 (KIAA1264)	5
39	CDC42 BPA (MRCKA)	-6	119	HIPK1 (Myak)	3	200	PASK	6
40	CDC42 BPB (MRCKB)	-6	120	HIPK2	6	201	PDGFRA (PDGFR alpha)	7
41	CDC42 BPG (MRCKG)	-1	121	HIPK3 (YAK1)	-2	202	PDGFRA D842V	14
42	CDK1/cyclin B	6	122	HIPK4	5	203	PDGFRA T674I	-4
43	CDK17/cyclin Y	1	123	IGF1R	1	204	PDGFRA V561D	47
44	CDK18/cyclin Y	4	124	IKKBK (IKK beta)	6	205	PDGFRB (PDGFR beta)	-5
45	CDK2/cyclin A	4	125	IKBKE (IKK epsilon)	6	206	PDK1	9
46	CDK5/p25	4	126	INSR	-8	207	PDK1 Direct	-8
47	CDK5/p35	11	127	INSRR (IRR)	-4	208	PEAK1	41
48	CDKL5	2	128	IRAK4	2	209	PHKG1	48
49	CHEK1 (CHK1)	-23	129	ITK	10	210	PHKG2	6
50	CHEK2 (CHK2)	4	130	JAK1	-11	211	PIM1	30
51	CLK1	4	131	JAK2	-16	212	PIM2	0
52	CLK2	8	132	JAK2 JH1 JH2	-7	213	PIM3	-4
53	CLK3	-3	133	JAK2 JH1 JH2 V617F	-16	214	PKN1 (PRK1)	-1
54	CSF1R (FMS)	35	134	JAK3	6	215	PLK1	10
55	CSK	21	135	KDR (VEGFR2)	27	216	PLK2	2
56	CSNK1A1 (CK1 alpha 1)	6	136	KIT	-13	217	PLK3	-5
57	CSNK1A1L	1	137	KIT T670I	-16	218	PRKACA (PKA)	5
58	CSNK1D (CK1 delta)	6	138	KIT V559D	-1	219	PRKCA (PKC alpha)	2
59	CSNK1E (CK1 epsilon)	9	139	KIT V559D V654A	-10	220	PRKCB1 (PKC beta I)	-2
60	CSNK1E (CK1 epsilon) R178C	11	140	KIT V560G	0	221	PRKCB2 (PKC beta II)	-3
61	CSNK1G1 (CK1 gamma 1)	5	141	KSR2	26	222	PRKCD (PKC delta)	5
62	CSNK1G2 (CK1 gamma 2)	7	142	LCK	79	223	PRKCE (PKC epsilon)	8
63	CSNK1G3 (CK1 gamma 3)	3	143	LTK (TYK1)	22	224	PRKCG (PKC gamma)	5
64	CSNK2A1 (CK2 alpha 1)	1	144	LYN A	85	225	PRKCH (PKC eta)	2
65	CSNK2A2 (CK2 alpha 2)	8	145	LYN B	93	226	PRKCI (PKC iota)	-8
66	DAPK3 (ZIPK)	2	146	MAP2K1 (MEK1)	20	227	PRKCN (PKD3)	15
67	DCAMKL1 (DCLK1)	3	147	MAP2K2 (MEK2)	8	228	PRKCC (PKC theta)	-6
68	DCAMKL2 (DCK2)	8	148	MAP2K6 (MKK6)	4	229	PRKCZ (PKC zeta)	6
69	DNA-PK	0	149	MAP3K19 (YSK4)	6	230	PRKD1 (PKC mu)	26
70	DYRK1A	-1	150	MAP3K8 (COT)	3	231	PRKD2 (PKD2)	21
71	DYRK1B	0	151	MAP3K9 (MLK1)	-2	232	PRKG1	0
72	DYRK3	15	152	MAP4K2 (GCK)	14	233	PRKG2 (PKG2)	6
73	DYRK4	-2	153	MAP4K4 (HGK)	64	234	PRKX	3
74	EEF2K	10	154	MAP4K5 (KHS1)	28	235	PTK2 (FAK)	8
75	EGFR (ErbB1)	88	155	MAPK1 (ERK2)	4	236	PTK2B (FAK2)	2
76	EGFR (ErbB1) C797S	89	156	MAPK10 (JNK3)	17	237	PTK6 (Brk)	28
77	EGFR (ErbB1) G719C	86	157	MAPK11 (p38 beta)	10	238	RAF1 (cRAF) Y340D Y341D	1
78	EGFR (ErbB1) G719S	85	158	MAPK12 (p38 gamma)	11	239	RET	60
79	EGFR (ErbB1) L858R	90	159	MAPK13 (p38 delta)	0	240	RET A883F	29
80	EGFR (ErbB1) L861Q	91	160	MAPK14 (p38 alpha)	40	241	RET S891A	37
81	EGFR (ErbB1) T790M	75	161	MAPK14 (p38 alpha) Direct	25	242	RET V804E	4

#	Kinase	JCN068 % Kinase Inhibition (10µM)	#	Kinase	JCN068 % Kinase Inhibition (10µM)	#	Kinase	JCN068 % Kinase Inhibition (10µM)
243	RET V804L	25	324	ABL1 M351T	51	410	MAP2K5 (MEK5)	11
244	RET Y791F	76	325	ABL1 Q252H	63	411	MAP2K6 (MKK6)	9
245	ROCK1	2	326	ACVRL1 (ALK2)	60	412	MAP2K6 (MKK6) S207E	
246	ROCK2	0	327	ACVRL1 (ALK2) R206H	66		T211E	3
247	ROS1	13	328	ACVRL2A	9	413	MAP3K10 (MLK2)	1
248	RPS6KA1 (RSK1)	12	329	ACVRL2B	-2	414	MAP3K11 (MLK3)	3
249	RPS6KA2 (RSK3)	5	330	ACVRL1 (ALK1)	33	415	MAP3K14 (NIK)	8
250	RPS6KA3 (RSK2)	13	331	ADCK3	32	416	MAP3K2 (MEKK2)	10
251	RPS6KA4 (MSK2)	-2	332	ALK C1156Y	40	417	MAP3K3 (MEKK3)	4
252	RPS6KA5 (MSK1)	3	333	ALK F1174L	35	418	MAP3K5 (ASK1)	3
253	RPS6KB1 (p70S6K)	2	334	ALK L1196M	14	419	MAP3K7/MAP3K7IP1	
254	RPS6KB2 (p70S6Kb)	3	335	ALK R1275Q	39		(TAK1-TAB1)	9
255	SBK1	33	336	ALK T1151_L1152insT	28	420	MAP4K1 (HPK1)	7
256	SGK (SGK1)	7	337	AMPK (A1/B1/G2)	11	421	MAP4K3 (GLK)	13
257	SGK2	3	338	AMPK (A1/B1/G3)	12	422	MAPK10 (JNK3)	12
258	SGKL (SGK3)	0	339	AMPK (A1/B2/G1)	11	423	MAPK15 (ERK7)	8
259	SNF1LK2	29	340	AMPK (A2/B2/G1)	6	424	MAPK8 (JNK1)	6
260	SRC	28	341	AMPK (A2/B2/G2)	8	425	MAPK9 (JNK2)	20
261	SRC N1	43	342	ANKK1	15	426	MASTL	7
262	SRMS (Srm)	8	343	AXL R499C	1	427	MERTK (cMER) A708S	14
263	SRPK1	3	344	BMPRIA (ALK3)	10	428	MET D1228H	16
264	SRPK2	3	345	BMPRI1B (ALK6)	6	429	MKNK2 (MNK2)	37
265	STK22B (TSSK2)	3	346	BMPR2	4	4430	MLCK (MLCK2)	8
266	STK22D (TSSK1)	-1	347	BRAF	3	431	MLK4	-16
267	STK23 (MSSK1)	1	348	BRAF V599E	7	432	MYLK (MLCK)	-4
268	STK24 (MST3)	8	349	BRSK2	12	433	MYLK4	15
269	STK25 (YSK1)	2	350	CAMK2G (CaMKII gamma)	2	434	MYO3A (MYO3 alpha)	3
270	STK3 (MST2)	-9	351	CAMKK1 (CAMKKA)	0	435	MYO3B (MYO3 beta)	8
271	STK4 (MST1)	-2	352	CAMKK2 (CaMKK beta)	3	436	NEK8	-1
272	SYK	-1	353	CASK	11	437	NLK	-6
273	TAOK2 (TAO1)	-10	354	CDC7/DBF4	8	438	NUAK2	0
274	TBK1	5	355	CDK11 (Inactive)	-2	439	PKMYYT1	3
275	TEK (Tie2)	7	356	CDK11/cyclin C	6	440	PKN2 (PRK2)	8
276	TEK (TIE2) Y897S	-18	357	CDK13/cyclin K	8	441	PLK4	15
277	TNK1	3	358	CDK14 (PFTK1)/cyclin Y	7	442	PRKACB (PRKAC beta)	4
278	TXK	30	359	CDK16 (PCTK1)/cyclin Y	8	443	PRKACG (PRKAC gamma)	3
279	TYK2	7	360	CDK2/cyclin A1	-2	444	RAF1 (cRAF) Y340D Y341D	6
280	TYRO3 (RSE)	16	361	CDK2/cyclin E1	9	445	RET G691S	32
281	YES1	73	362	CDK2/cyclin O	-3	446	RET M918T	51
282	ZAP70	-1	363	CDK3/cyclin E1	3	447	RET V804M	10
283	CAMK1 (CaMK1)	6	364	CDK5 (Inactive)	9	448	RIPK2	89
284	CDK4/cyclin D1	1	365	CDK8/cyclin C	4	449	RIPK3	95
285	CDK4/cyclin D3	-3	366	CDK9 (Inactive)	-3	450	SIK1	24
286	CDK6/cyclin D1	10	367	CDK9/cyclin K	2	451	SIK3	22
287	CDK7/cyclin H/MNAT1	7	368	CLK4	9	452	SLK	35
288	CDK9/cyclin T1	7	369	DAPK2	27	453	STK16 (PKL12)	2
289	CHUK (IKK alpha)	8	370	DDR1	57	454	STK17A (DRAK1)	82
290	DAPK1	14	371	DDR2	18	455	STK17B (DRAK2)	49
291	GSG2 (Haspin)	5	372	DDR2 N456S	104	456	STK32B (YANK2)	11
292	IRAK1	12	373	DDR2 T654M	36	457	STK32C (YANK3)	3
293	LRRK2	8	374	DMPK	38	458	STK33	8
294	LRRK2 FL	23	375	DYRK2	15	459	STK38 (NDR)	7
295	LRRK2 G2019S	16	376	EGFR (ErbB1) d746-750	100	460	STK38L (NDR2)	-9
296	LRRK2 G2019S FL	7	377	EGFR (ErbB1) d747-749		461	STK39 (STLK3)	3
297	LRRK2 I2020T	5		A750P	102	462	TAOK1	13
298	LRRK2 R1441C	9	378	E1F2AK2 (PKR)	44	463	TAOK3 (JIK)	0
299	NUAK1 (ARK5)	14	379	EPHA3	18	464	TEC	12
300	PI4K2A (PI4K2 alpha)	17	380	EPHA6	80	465	TEK (TIE2) R849W	16
301	PI4K2B (PI4K2 beta)	11	381	EPHA7	44	466	TEK (TIE2) Y1108F	10
302	PI4KA (PI4K alpha)	-1	382	ERN1	26	467	TESK1	2
303	PI4KB (PI4K beta)	21	383	ERN2	10	468	TESK2	-6
304	PIK3C2A (PI3K-C2 alpha)	13	384	FGFR1 V561M	4	469	TGFBFR1 (ALK5)	6
305	PIK3C2B (PI3K-C2 beta)	59	385	FGFR3 G697C	-10	470	TGFBFR2	31
306	PIK3C2G (PI3K-C2 gamma)	33	386	FGFR3 K650M	27	471	TLK1	-3
307	PIK3C3 (hVPS34)	-14	387	FLT3 ITD	34	472	TLK2	-2
308	PIK3CA E542K/PIK3R1 (p110 alpha E542K/p85 alpha)	-2	388	FYN A	15	473	TNK1	37
309	PIK3CA E545K/PIK3R1 (p110 alpha E545K/p85 alpha)	0	389	GAK	85	474	TNK2 (ACK)	11
310	PIK3CA/PIK3R1 (p110 alpha/p85 alpha)	3	390	GRK1	-1	475	TTK	4
311	PIK3CA/PIK3R3 (p110 alpha/p55 gamma)	2	391	HUNK	6	476	ULK1	1
312	PIK3CB/PIK3R1 (p110 beta/p85 alpha)	-5	392	ICK	2	477	ULK2	2
313	PIK3CB/PIK3R2 (p110 beta/p85 beta)	-14	393	IRAK3	42	478	ULK3	5
314	PIK3CD/PIK3R1 (p110 delta/p85 alpha)	21	394	KIT A829P	30	479	VRK2	14
315	PIK3CG (p110 gamma)	2	395	KIT D816H	58	480	WEE1	2
316	PIP4K2A	-7	396	KIT D816V	53	481	WNK1	5
317	PIP5K1A	-8	397	KIT D820E	8	482	WNK2	-4
318	PIP5K1B	6	398	KIT N822K	30	483	WNK3	-2
319	PIP5K1C	-11	399	KIT T670E	3	484	ZAK	6
320	SPHK1	-1	400	KIT V559D T670I	17	485		
321	SPHK2	-8	401	KIT V654A	12			
322	AAK1	8	402	KIT Y823D	29			
323	ABL1 H396P	55	403	LATS2	4			
			404	LIMK1	-2			
			405	LIMK2	3			
			406	MAP2K1 (MEK1)	10			
			407	MAP2K1 (MEK1) S218D				
				S222D	5			
			408	MAP2K2 (MEK2)	2			
			409	MAP2K4 (MEK4)	0			



**Figure S1.** Body weight change of GBM39 tumor bearing NSG mice.

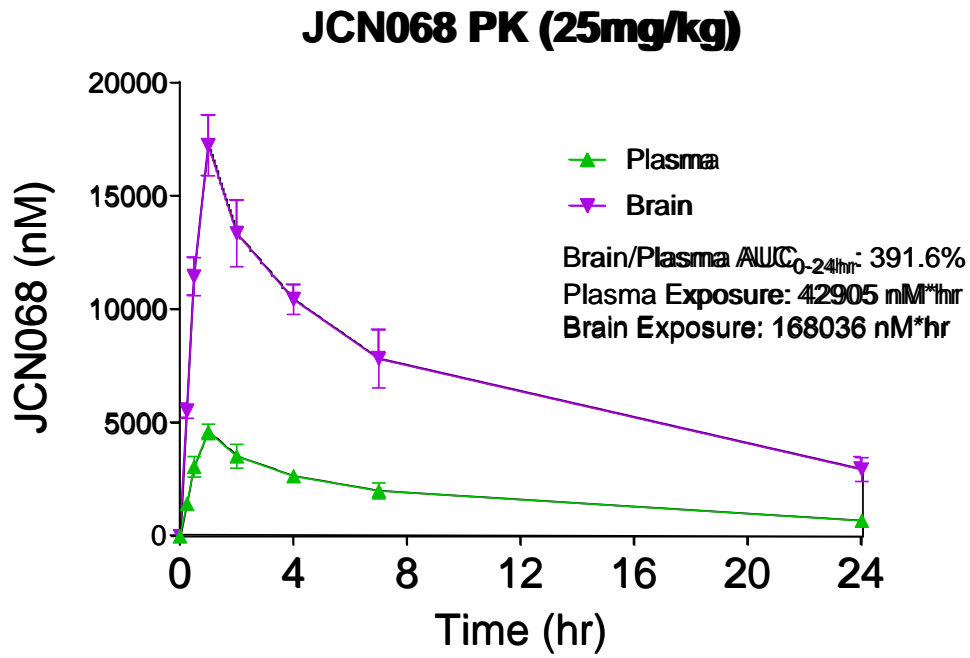


Figure S2. Pharmacokinetics of plasma and brain tissue of JCN068 at 25 mg/kg dose.



## **EXPERIMENTAL METHODS**

**Cell culture conditions.** Patient-derived GBM cells were cultured in serum-free gliomasphere conditions consisting of DMEM/F12 (Thermofisher), B27 (Thermofisher), Penicillin-Streptomycin (100U/mL penicillin, 100mg/mL streptomycin, Thermofisher), and Glutamax (Thermofisher) supplemented with Heparin (5 $\mu$ g/mL, Sigma), Human EGF (50ng/mL, Thermofisher), and Human FGF- $\beta$  (20ng/mL, Thermofisher). U87 cells were cultured in DMEM (Thermofisher), FBS (10%, Gemini Bio-Products), Penicillin-Streptomycin, and Glutamax. Cells were dissociated to single cell suspensions with TrypLE (Thermofisher) and resuspended in its respective media. Cell lines were regularly tested for mycoplasma infection using Myco Alert™ Mycoplasma Detection Kit according to the manufacturer's protocol (Lonza).

**Reagents and antibodies.** The following chemical inhibitors were dissolved in DMSO for all in vitro studies: erlotinib (Chemietek), lapatinib (MedChemExpress), osimertinib (MedChemExpress), AZD3759 (MedChemExpress), JCN068. The following antibodies for immunoblotting were obtained from the listed sources: p-EGFR Y1086 (Thermofisher, 36-9700), t-EGFR (Millipore, 06-847), p-AKT T308 (Cell Signaling, 13038), p-AKT S473 (Cell Signaling, 4060), t-AKT (Cell Signaling, 4685), p-ERK T202/Y204 (Cell Signaling, 4370), t-ERK (Cell Signaling, 4695), p-S6 S235/236 (Cell Signaling, 4858), t-S6 (Cell Signaling, 2217),  $\beta$ -Actin (Cell Signaling, 3700).

**Cell based IC<sub>50</sub>.** U87-WTEGFR and U87-EGFR $\nu$ III cells were acclimated overnight in standard cell culture conditions. Cells were washed with PBS and cultured overnight in serum-free DMEM (Thermofisher), Penicillin-Streptomycin, and Glutamax. U87-WTEGFR cells were stimulated

with Heparin (5 $\mu$ g/mL, Sigma), Human EGF (50ng/mL, Thermofisher) for 1 hr followed by EGFR TKI treatment for 1 hr before being collected. U87-EGFRvIII cells and U87-EGFR ECD mutant cells were treated with EGFR TKI for 1 hr before being collected.

**Immunoblotting.** Cells were collected and lysed in RIPA buffer (Boston BioProducts) containing Halt™ Protease and Phosphatase Inhibitor (Thermofisher). Lysates were centrifuged at 14,000g for 15min at 4°C. Protein samples were then boiled in NuPAGE LDS Sample Buffer (Thermofisher) and NuPAGE Sample Reducing Agent (Thermofisher), separated using SDS-PAGE on 4-12% Bis-Tris gels (Thermofisher), and transferred to nitrocellulose membrane (GE Healthcare). Immunoblotting was performed per antibody's manufacturer's specifications. Membranes were developed using the SuperSignal™ system (Thermofisher) and imaged using the Odyssey Fc Imaging System (LI-COR). Signal quantification was performed using the Image Studio™ software (LI-COR).

**Kinome profiling.** JCN068 was profiled by the SelectScreen Kinase Profiling by Thermofisher. 485 purified wild-type and mutant kinases were profiled at a 10 $\mu$ M concentration of JCN068 at Km [app] ATP in duplicates. Top hits that inhibited >80% of kinase activity in the single point screen at 10 $\mu$ M were selected for a IC<sub>50</sub> determination with a 10-point titration curve (Thermofisher).

**Growth inhibition assays.** Growth inhibition assays were performed by incubating 1500 cells per well in 384-well plates for 72 hours with EGFR inhibitor. A 14-point titration curve of each EGFR inhibitor was performed in quadruplicate. All growth inhibition assays were independently

repeated at least 3 times. Cell Titer Glo Luminescent Cell Viability Assay (Promega) was used to measure growth inhibition from control of each EGFR inhibitor. Luminescence (integration time 1 sec) was recorded on a CLARIOstar microplate reader (BMG Labtech).

**Permeability assays.** Permeability assays were performed by Charles River using a confluent monolayer of Madin Darby Canine Kidney (MDCK) epithelial cells stably transfected with the human *MDR1* gene (gene encoding P-gp). For the apical to basolateral (A→B) permeability, the EGFR inhibitors in the presence or absence of 50  $\mu$ M verapamil (a P-gp inhibitor) was added to the apical side and permeation was measured from the basolateral side after a 2 hr incubation; the converse was applied for the basolateral to apical (B→A) permeability. The EGFR inhibitors in the supernatant of the apical and basolateral sides were analyzed by LC-MS/MS to determine permeability and efflux ratios.

**Pharmacokinetic studies.** Male CD-1 mice were treated by oral gavage with 10 mg/kg of EGFR inhibitor. Mice were euthanized and whole blood and brain tissue were collected at 0, 0.25, 0.5, 1, 2, 4, 7, and 24 hrs post treatment (n=2 mice per time point). Whole blood from mice was centrifuged to isolate plasma. EGFR inhibitors were isolated by liquid-liquid extraction from plasma: 50  $\mu$ L plasma was added to 150  $\mu$ L acetonitrile and 5 pmol gefitinib internal standard. Mouse brain tissue was washed with 2 mL cold PBS and homogenized using a tissue homogenizer in 2 mL cold water. EGFR inhibitors were then isolated and reconstituted in a similar manner by liquid-liquid extraction: 100  $\mu$ L brain homogenate was added to 5 pmol gefitinib internal standard and 300  $\mu$ L acetonitrile. After vortex mixing, the samples were centrifuged. The supernatant was removed and evaporated by a rotary evaporator and reconstituted in 100  $\mu$ L 50:50:0.1 water:acetonitrile:formic acid.

**Protein binding assay.** Protein binding was assessed using rapid equilibrium dialysis plates (8K MWCO, Thermofisher). Briefly, homogenized tissue samples or plasma was incubated in the dialysis plates to dialyze with PBS for 6 hours under agitation. Tissue homogenate, plasma, and their corresponding PBS dialysis was then collected and EGFR inhibitors were isolated as specified above.

**EGFR inhibitor detection.** Chromatographic separations were performed on a 100 x 2.1 mm Phenomenex Kinetex C18 column (Kinetex) using the 1290 Infinity LC system (Agilent). The mobile phase was composed of solvent A: 0.1% formic acid in Milli-Q water, and B: 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile. Analytes were eluted with a gradient of 5% B (0-4 min), 5-99% B (4-32 min), 99% B (32-36 min), and then returned to 5% B for 12 min to re-equilibrate between injections. Injections of 20  $\mu$ L into the chromatographic system were used with a solvent flow rate of 0.10 mL/min. Mass spectrometry was performed on the 6460 triple quadrupole LC/MS system (Agilent). Ionization was achieved by using electrospray in the positive mode and data acquisition was made in multiple reactions monitoring (MRM) mode. Analyte signal was normalized to the internal standard and concentrations were determined by extrapolating on to the calibration curve (10, 100, 1000, 4000 nM). EGFR inhibitor brain concentrations were adjusted by 1.4% of the mouse brain weight for the residual blood in the brain vasculature as described previously.<sup>48</sup>

**Genetic manipulation.** Lentiviruses used for genetic manipulation were produced by transfecting 293-FT cells (ATCC) using lipofectamine 2000 (Thermofisher). Viruses were collected following 48 hr after transfection. Lentiviral vector backbones for the overexpression of WTEGFR, EGFRvIII, and EGFR ECD mutants in U87 cells contained a CMV promoter. U87-WTEGFR,

U87-EGFRvIII, and U87-EGFR ECD mutant cells were generated by transfection with these overexpression vectors. For in vivo tumors, GBM gliomaspheres were infected with a lentiviral vector containing a secreted Gaussia luciferase (sGluc) reporter gene.

**Intracranial Gaussia luciferase measurements.** To measure the levels of sGluc, 6  $\mu$ L of blood was collected from the tail vein of the mice and immediately mixed with 50mM EDTA to prevent coagulation. sGluc activity was obtained by measuring chemiluminescence following injection of 100  $\mu$ L of 100uM coelenterazine (Nanolight) in a 96 well plate as described previously.<sup>35</sup>

**Ex vivo immunoblot studies.** NSG mice (UCLA Radiation Oncology) were anesthetized by isoflurane before intracranial injections. Briefly, mice were subcutaneously injected with Carprofen and shaved to remove fur around the injection site. The exposed skin was then sterilized by betadine and ethanol. An incision about 2 cm in length was then made using a No. 15 scalpel by pulling the blade diagonally from near the left eye posterior to the right rostral. Using the stereotactic unit, the needle was positioned 1 mm anterior and 2 mm lateral to bregma. The drill was rotated upon contact with the skull and lightly touched for a few seconds and then pulled away to prevent overheating of the skull from friction. The needle was lowered into the skull at a rate of 0.1 mm / 5 seconds until it was 2.5 mm deep, and held for 30 seconds. The needle was then raised at a rate of 0.1 mm / 5 seconds up to 2 mm, leaving behind a small cavity for the injection. 2  $\mu$ L cell suspensions containing  $4 \times 10^5$  GBM39 tumor cells in DMEM/F12 basal media were then injected at a rate of 0.1  $\mu$ L / 10 seconds. The needle was drawn up at a rate of 0.1 mm / 10 seconds. The skull was then sealed using a small piece of sterile bone wax. Tissue adhesive was then applied to the inside of the skin and the incision was closed. The next day, mice were treated with

Carprofen for pain relief. Animal health was monitored daily after implantation and tumor burden was monitored once a week by measurement of secreted *gaussia* luciferase in blood from the orthotopically implanted GBM tumors. When the tumors were engrafted and began an exponential growth phase by *gaussia* luciferase measurement as described above, mice were randomized into treatments arms and were treated by oral gavage with either vehicle, 10 mg/kg, 25 mg/kg, or 75 mg/kg JCN068 for 1 hour. Mice were then euthanized, and tumors were isolated by macro dissection with GFP fluorescence. Tumors were lysed by sonication in RIPA buffer (Boston BioProducts) containing Halt™ Protease and Phosphatase Inhibitor (ThermoFisher). The immunoblotting protocol above was then performed on lysates.

**Intracranial mouse treatment studies.** GBM gliomasphere cells were intracranially injected in NSG mice as described above. Following three consecutive increasing growth measurements and secreted *gaussia* luciferase reaching approximately 30,000 RLU, tumor-bearing mice were randomized into vehicle or treatment groups (n = 6 mice per group). The randomization date was denoted as treatment day 0. Mice were treated for 5 days followed by 2 days of no treatment each week until endpoints were reached. Mice were euthanized when moribund or reached a 25% loss in body weight. All studies were in accordance with UCLA Animal Research Committee protocol guidelines.

**<sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET Imaging.** For <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET scans, mice were treated with vehicle, anesthetized with 2% isoflurane, and intravenously injected with 300 μCi of <sup>18</sup>F-FDG. Following 1 hr unconscious uptake, mice were taken off anesthesia but kept warm for another 5 hr of uptake. 6 hr after the initial administration of <sup>18</sup>F-FDG, mice were imaged using G8 PET/CT scanner (Sofie

Biosciences). Mice were imaged using a 15 min static PET scan followed by a 3 min CT scan. Following the baseline, pre-treatment scan, mice were then dosed with JCN068 (25 mg/kg) for 3 days. The treatment  $^{18}\text{F}$ -FDG PET scan was performed under the same conditions. Quantification was performed by drawing a 3D region of interest (ROI) using the AMIDE software over the same location in both baseline and treatment scans to obtain the mean SUV.

**Statistical Analyses.** Unless otherwise specified, student's t-tests were performed for statistical analyses and p-values  $<0.05$  were considered significant. All statistical analyses were calculated using GraphPad Prism.

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