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Introduction

Carbonic anhydrases (CAs) are enzymes implicated in a wide range of diseases, including epilepsy, obesity, glaucoma and cancer. Benzenesulfonamide based compounds are effective in inhibiting tumor cell growth in vitro and in vivo. Selective inhibition of CAs by synthetic inhibitors-drugs could be used for the treatment of CA-related diseases. Primary sulfonamides are the most important class of CA inhibitors [1–3]. In this study a group of 4-substituted-benzenesulfonamides bearing hydrazone moieties (Fig. 1) was synthesized and compound binding affinity to CA isozymes was evaluated.

Synthesis of substituted benzenesulfonamides

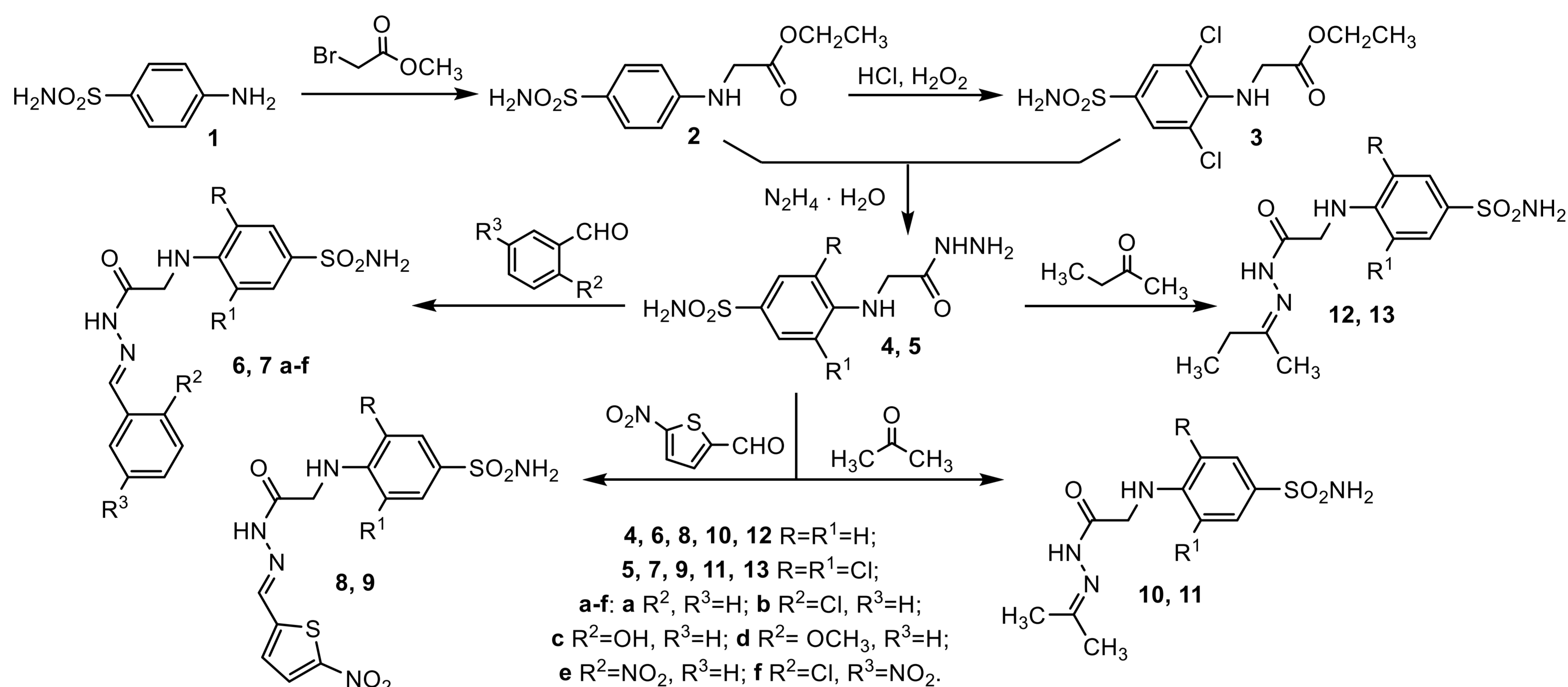


Fig. 1. Synthesis of substituted benzenesulfonamides 2-13

Binding studies

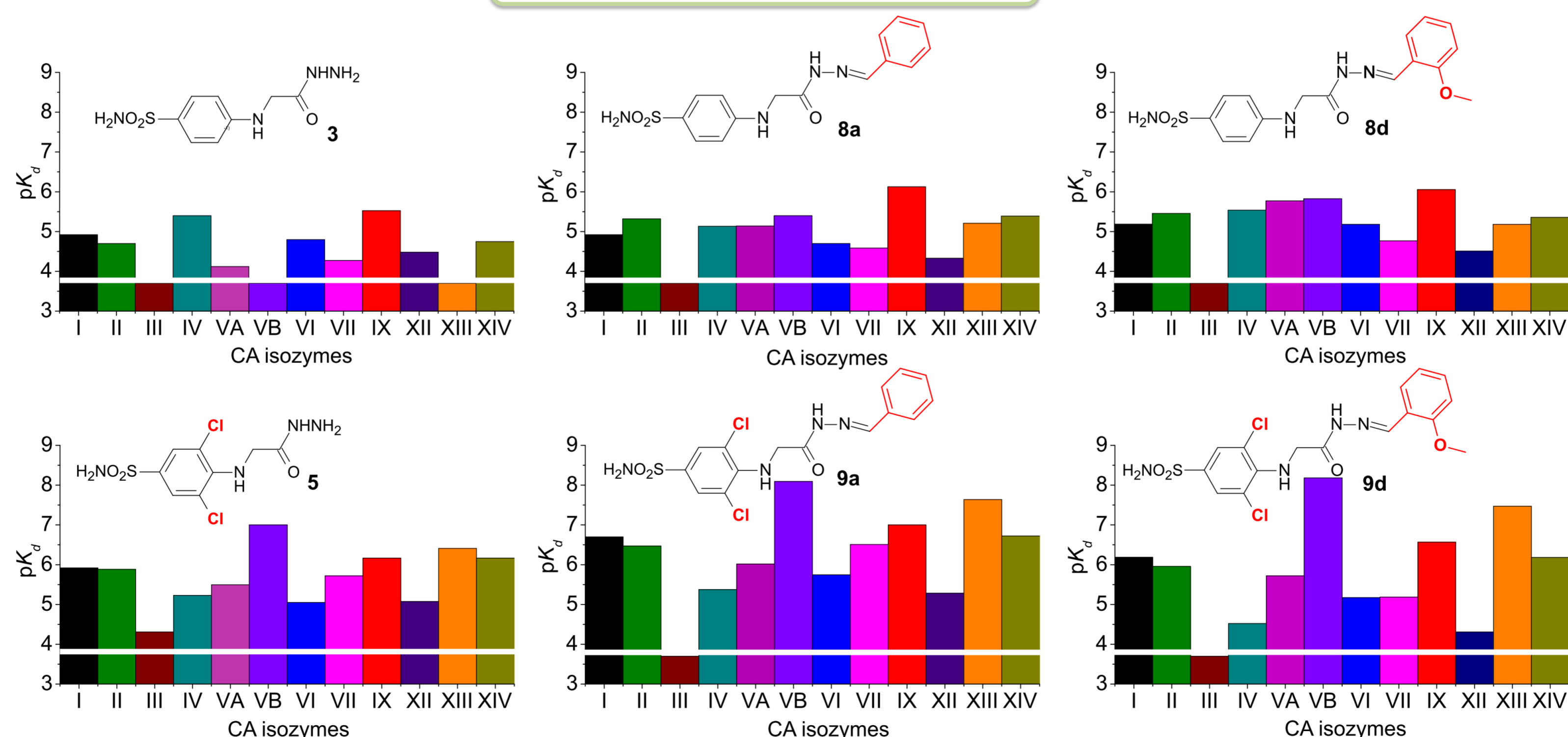


Fig. 2. Compound binding affinities and selectivities for CA isozymes determined by fluorescence thermal shift assay (FTSA)

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Conclusions

- Compounds with chlorine attached to the 3,5-positions of benzenesulfonamide bound stronger to all CA isozymes than their non-chlorinated analogues.
- Compounds **9a**, **9d** and **12** bound to mitochondrial CA VB with a single – digit nanomolar dissociation constant and showed more than 10-fold selectivity towards CA VB over remaining 11 catalytically active human CAs.