## **Supporting information**

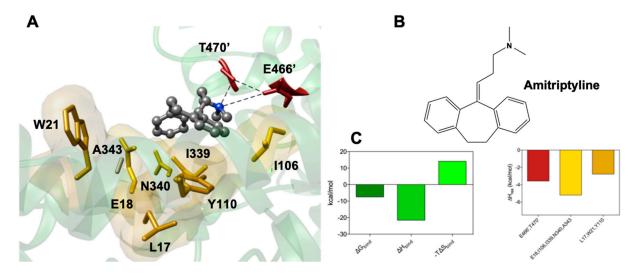
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**Table S1.** In silico binding thermodynamics of compounds **14**, **17**, Lucanthone, and Amitriptyline towards TryR. Errors on  $\Delta G_{\text{bind}}$ ,  $\Delta H_{\text{bind}}$ , and  $\Delta G_{\text{bind}}$  values are within 5%.

Compounds	$\Delta G$ bind	$\Delta H$ bind	$-T\Delta S$ bind
	(kcal/mol)	(kcal/mol)	(kcal/mol)
14	-8.73	-24.69	15.96
17	-8.54	-23.32	14.78
Lucanthone	-8.45	-23.14	14.69
Amitriptyline	-7.46	-21.56	14.10

**Table S2**. Per-residue binding enthalpy decomposition ( $\Delta H_{res}$ ) for compounds **14**, **17**, Lucanthone, and Amitriptyline towards TryR. Only those amino acids critical for the binding are listed. Errors on  $\Delta H_{res}$  values are within 5%.

Compounds	ΔH <sub>res</sub> (kcal/mol)			
	E466', T470'	E18, W21, I339,	L17, I106, Y110	
		N340, A343		
14	-4.54	-6.86	-3.07	
17	-4.42	-6.31	-3.11	
Lucanthone	-4.33	-6.01	-3.22	
Amitriptyline	-3.58	-5.20	-2.78	



**Figure S1**: (A) Details of Amitriptyline in the binding pocket of TryR. Compounds are shown as atom-colored sticks-and-balls (C, grey, N, blue, O, red). The side chains of the mainly interacting TryR residues are depicted as colored sticks and labeled as following: E466′ and T470′, firebrick; E18, W21, I339, N340 and A343, gold; L17, I106 and Y110, goldenrod. The hydrophobic pockets are also highlighted by their transparent van der Waals surface. Hydrogen atoms, water molecules, ions, and counterions are omitted for clarity. (B) Molecular structure of Amitriptyline (C) Calculated free energy of binding ( $\Delta G_{bind}$ , forest green), and enthalpic ( $\Delta H_{bind}$ , lime green) and entropic (-T $\Delta S_{bind}$ , chartreuse) components (left) and PRBFED of the main involved amino acids (right) of TryR in complex with Amitriptyline.