Copper-Catalysed Oxidative Amination of Quinoxalin-2(1H)-ones

with Aliphatic Amines

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I. General Methods

Commercial materials and solvents were used directly without further purification. All reactions were carried out under air unless otherwise stated. Silica gel was purchased from Qing Dao Hai Yang Chemical Industry Co. All melting points were determined on a Beijing Science Instrument Dianguang Instrument Factory XT4B melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were measured on a 400 MHz Bruker spectrometer (¹H 400 MHz, ¹³C 100 MHz), using CDCl₃ and DMSO-d₆ as the solvents with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the internal standard at room temperature. HRMSESI spectra were obtained on Agilent 6450 spectrometer. IR data were recorded on a Nicolet IS 10 spectrometer. Quinoxalin-2(1H)-ones were prepared according to the literature by Alami and co-workers. ¹ Quinoxalin-2(1*H*)-ones **1a**,² **1b**,² **1c**,³ **1d**,⁴ **1e**,⁵ **1f**,⁶ **1g**⁷and **1h**⁸ are known compounds. Compounds **1i** and **1j** are new and their characterization data are as follows:



6, 7-Dimethyl-1-benzylquinoxalin-2(1H)-one (1i)

White solid, m.p. 179-181; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.32 (s, 1H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.35–7.26 (m, 3H), 7.24 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 5.46 (s, 2H), 2.30 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 6H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.3, 149.1, 141.0, 135.2, 132.8, 132.1, 130.6, 130.6, 128.9, 127.7, 126.8, 115.1, 45.4, 20.7, 19.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₇H₁₆N₂O [M+H]⁺: 265.1341, found: 265.1337.



6, 7-Dichloro-1-benzylquinoxalin-2(1H)-one (1j)

White solid, m.p. 183-185; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d_6 -DMSO): δ 8.40 (s, 1H), 8.13 (s, 1H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.35–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.26 (m, 3H), 5.49 (s, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d_6 -DMSO): δ 155.0, 153.1, 136.1, 134.2, 133.4, 133.3, 131.5, 129.7, 128.4, 127.7, 126.6, 117.7, 45.5 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₅H₁₁Cl₂N₂O [M+H]⁺: 305.0248, found: 305.0243.

II. General catalytic procedures

A reaction tube was charged with quinoxalin-2(1H)-one 1 (0.2 mmol), amines 2 (0.6 mmol), Cu(OAc)₂ (0.01 mmol), and DMSO (2 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 12 h and monitored by TLC. After completion of reaction, the resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature and was added water/ethyl acetate. The organic layer was extracted twice with EtOAc. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure, and purified by column chromatography over silica gel with ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (1/20).



1-Benzyl-3-morpholinoquinoxalin-2(1*H*)-one (3a)

62.9 mg, 98%, as a white solid, m. p. 137-138°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 5.48 (s, 2H), 4.01 – 3.97 (m, 4H), 3.90 – 3.81 (m, 4H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.3, 150.8, 135.5, 133.2, 130.2, 128.9, 127.5, 127.0, 126.7, 125.4, 123.9, 114.1, 67.0, 47.6, 46.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for $C_{19}H_{19}N_3O_2$ [M+H]⁺: 322.1556, found: 322.1554.



1-Ethyl-3-morpholinoquinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3b)

49.2 mg, 95%, as a white solid, p. m. 103-104°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO): δ 7.50–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.31 (dd, $J_1 = 8.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.27–7.21 (m, 1H), 4.24 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.91–3.80 (m, 4H), 3.76–3.65 (m, 4H), 1.23 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 151.7, 151.3, 133.5, 130.3, 127.3, 126.3, 124.3, 114.8, 67.0, 48.0, 37.9, 13.2 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₄H₁₇N₃O₂ [M+H]⁺: 260.1399, found: 260.1396.



Ethyl 2-(3-morpholino)-2-oxoquinoxalin-1(2H)-yl)acetate (3c)

62.1 mg, 98%, as a white solid, m. p. 131-132°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.65 – 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 6.87 (m, 1H), 4.98 (s, 2H), 4.25 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.03 – 3.91 (m, 4H), 3.88 – 3.77 (m, 4H), 1.27 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.3, 152.0, 150.2, 133.1, 123.0, 127.1, 125.5, 124.1, 112.7, 67.0, 62.0, 47.5, 43.9, 14.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₆H₁₉N₃O₄ [M+H]⁺: 318.1454, found: 318.1451.



1-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-3-morpholinoquinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3d)

65.4 mg, 93%, as a white solid, m. p. 134-136°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.58–7.53 (m, 1H), 7.23–7.16 (m, 5H), 6.86–6.79 (m, 2H), 5.41 (s, 2H), 4.01–3.95 (m, 4H), 3.89–3.84 (m, 4H), 3.76 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.0, 152.3, 150.9, 133.2, 130.2, 128.2, 127.5, 127.0, 125.4, 123.8, 114.2, 114.1, 67.0, 55.3, 47.6, 45.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for $C_{20}H_{21}N_3O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 352.1661, found:

352.1657.



3-Morpholinoquinoxalin-2(1*H*)-one (3e)

44.8 mg, 97%, as a white solid, m. p. 194-196°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.83 (s, 1H), 7.57–7.51 (m, 1H), 7.26–7.18 (m, 2H), 7.15–7.09 (m, 1H), 4.07–4.00 (m, 4H), 3.90–3.85 (m, 4H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 153.4, 150.8, 133.1, 128.5, 126.0, 125.3, 124.3, 114.3, 66.9, 47.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₂H₁₃N₃O₂ [M+H]⁺: 232.1086, found: 232.1082.



3-Morpholinobenzo[g]quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3f)

43.3 mg, 77%, as a pale yellow solid, m. p. 246-248°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.42 (s, 1H), 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50–7.35 (m, 3H), 4.13–4.01 (m, 4H), 3.96–3.80 (m, 4H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 153.1, 150.3, 132.6, 131.0, 131.0, 128.3, 127.8, 126.6, 125.9, 124.9, 123.3, 109.7, 67.0, 47.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₆H₁₅N₃O₂ [M+H]⁺: 282.1243, found: 282.1239.



6, 7-Dimethyl-3-morpholinoquinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3g)

50.3 mg, 97%, as a white solid, m. p. 209-210°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO): δ 12.02 (s, 1H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 3.90–3.75 (m, 4H), 3.75–3.62 (m, 4H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO): δ 152.9, 151.8, 134.6, 132.3, 131.2, 128.2, 126.6, 115.6, 67.0, 47.7, 20.3, 19.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₄H₁₇N₃O₂ [M+H]⁺: 260.1399, found: 260.1397.



6, 7-Dichloro-3-morpholinoquinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3h)

55.2 mg, 92%, as a white solid, m. p. 206-207°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, d₆-DMSO): δ 12.23 (s, 1H), 7.55 (s, 1H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 3.95 (s, 4H), 3.70 (s, 4H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, d₆-DMSO): δ 152.7, 152.1, 133.3, 130.0, 126.6, 126.5, 125.7, 116.1, 67.0, 47.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₂H₁₁Cl₂N₃O₂ [M+H]⁺: 300.0307, found: 300.0303.



1-Benzyl-6,7-dimethyl-3-morpholinoquinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3i)

54.5 mg, 78%, as a white solid, m. p. 149-150°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 3H), 6.92 (s, 1H), 5.44 (s, 2H), 3.95 - 3.89 (m, 4H), 3.88 - 3.84 (m, 4H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.2, 150.7, 135.7, 134.7, 132.6, 131.3, 128.8, 128.2, 127.5, 127.4, 126.7, 114.7, 66.9, 47.7, 46.0, 20.2, 19.1ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₂₁H₂₃N₃O₂ [M+H]⁺: 350.1869, found: 350.1865.



1-Benzyl-6,7-dichloro-3-morpholinoquinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3j)

60.1 mg, 77%, as a white solid, m. p. 180-181°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.39–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.23–7.16 (m, 3H), 5.38 (s, 2H), 4.07–4.00 (m, 4H), 3.87–3.81 (m, 4H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.8, 150.6, 134.6, 132.9, 129.4, 129.1, 128.3, 127.9, 127.5, 127.4, 126.7, 115.3, 66.9 47.5, 46.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₉H₁₇Cl₂N₃O₂ [M+H]⁺: 390.0776, found: 390.0773.



1-Benzyl-3-piperidinoquinoxalin-2(1*H*)-one (3k)

60.0 mg, 94%, as a white solid, m. p. 165-167°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.54 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.13 (m, 4H), 7.12 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 5.47 (s, 2H), 4.32 – 3.47 (m, 4H), 1.72 (s, 6H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.5, 151.4, 135.7, 133.7, 130.0, 128.8, 127.4, 126.7, 126.6, 124.6, 123.7, 114.0, 48.4, 46.1, 26.1, 24.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₂₀H₂₁N₃O [M+H]⁺: 320.1763, found: 320.1761.



1-Benzyl-3-pyrrolidinoquinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3l)

44.6 mg, 73%, as a pale yellow solid, m. p. 132-134°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.52 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 3H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 7.07 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 5.44 (s, 2H), 3.99 (s, 4H), 1.99 – 1.93 (m, 4H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.8, 149.0, 135.8, 134.9, 129.3, 128.8, 127.4, 126.6, 125.8, 123.8, 123.3, 113.9, 49.7, 45.8 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₉H₁₉N₃O [M+H]⁺: 306.1606, found: 306.1604.



1-Benzyl-3-propylaminoquinoxalin-2(1*H*)-one (3m)

53.4 mg, 91%, as a white solid, m. p. 159-160°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 (dd, J_1 = 8.0, J_2 = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.15 – 7.05 (m, 2H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 3.65 – 3.45 (m, 2H), 1.89 – 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.05 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.7, 149.0, 135.3, 134.5, 128.9, 128.6, 127.6, 126.7, 126.2, 124.1, 123.8, 114.4, 46.2, 42.7, 22.4, 11.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₈H₁₉N₃O [M+H]⁺: 294.1606, found: 294.1604.



1-Benzyl-3-(isopropylamino)quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3n)

56.9 mg, 97%, as a white solid, m. p. 145-146°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.15 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.29 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 4.44 – 4.26 (m, 1H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.2, 148.1, 135.4, 134.6, 128.9, 128.5, 127.6, 126.8, 126.2, 124.1, 123.7, 114.4, 46.2, 42.4, 22.5 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₈H₁₉N₃O [M+H]⁺: 294.1606, found: 294.1604.



1-Benzyl-3-(butylamino)quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3o)

60.2 mg, 98%, as a white solid, m. p. 138-140°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.56 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.15 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 3.57 (td, J = 7.1, 5.8 Hz, 2H), 1.78 – 1.63 (m, 2H), 1.55 – 1.41 (m, 2H), 0.99 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.2, 149.0, 135.3, 134.5, 128.9, 128.6, 127.6, 126.7, 126.2, 124.1, 123.8, 114.4, 46.2, 40.6, 31.3, 20.2, 13.8 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₉H₂₁N₃O [M+H]⁺: 3081763, found: 308.1761.



1-Benzyl-3-(cyclohexylamino)quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3p)

32.0 mg, 48%, as a white solid, m. p. 143-144°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.54 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.37–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.00 (m, 6H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (s, 2H), 4.14–4.00 (m, 1H), 2.17–2.06 (m, 2H), 1.86–1.74 (m, 2H), 1.61–0.98 (m, 6H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.2, 148.0, 135.4, 134.6, 128.9, 128.5, 127.6, 126.8, 126.2, 124.1, 123.6, 114.3, 49.1, 46.2, 32.8, 25.7, 24.8 ppm; HRMS

(ESI, m/z): calculated for $C_{21}H_{23}N_3O [M+H]^+$: 334.1919, found: 334.1917.



3-Benzylamino-1-benzyl-quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3q)

58.7 mg, 86%, as a white solid, m. p. 198-199°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.47–7.26 (m, 7H), 7.26–7.18 (m, 4H), 7.18–7.05 (m, 2H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 5.51 (s, 2H), 4.77 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.1, 148.7, 138.2, 135.3, 134.3, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.1, 127.6, 127.5, 126.8, 126.4, 124.2, 124.1, 114.4, 46.2, 45.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₂₂H₁₉N₃O [M+H]⁺: 342.1606, found: 342.1602.



1-Benzyl-3-((4-methylbenzyl)amino)quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3r)

65.4 mg, 92%, as a white solid, m. p. 175-177°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 7.26 – 7.09 (m, 7H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 5.51 (s, 2H), 4.73 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.1, 148.7, 137.2, 135.3, 135.1, 134.3, 129.3, 128.9, 128.8, 128.1, 127.6, 126.7, 126.4, 124.2, 124.0, 114.4, 46.2, 44.8, 21.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₂₃H₂₁N₃O [M+H]⁺: 356.1763, found: 356.1759.



1-Benzyl-3-((2-methylbenzyl)amino)quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3s)

57.5 mg, 81%, as a white solid, m. p. 148-150°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.41–7.28 (m, 3H), 7.26–7.06 (m, 9H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.0, 148.6, 136.7, 135.9, 135.3, 134.3, 130.5, 128.9, 128.9, 128.8, 127.8, 127.6, 126.8, 126.4, 126.2, 124.2, 124.1, 114.4, 46.2, 43.2, 19.2 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₂₃H₂₁N₃O [M+H]⁺: 356.1763, found: 356.1759.



1-Benzyl-3-((4-methoxybenzyl)amino)quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3t)

70.5 mg, 95%, as a white solid, m. p. 166-167°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.39–7.27 (m, 4H), 7.26–7.06 (m, 6H), 6.94–6.79 (m, 2H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 5.49 (s, 2H), 4.69 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.1, 152.1, 148.7, 135.3, 134.3, 130.2, 129.5, 128.9, 128.8, 127.6, 126.7, 126.4, 124.2, 124.0, 114.4, 114.1, 55.3, 46.2, 44.5 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₂₃H₂₁N₃O₂ [M+H]+: 372.1712, found: 372.1708.



1-Benzyl-3-((4-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)amino)quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3u)

43.4 mg, 53%, as a white solid, m. p. 200-202°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.75–7.44 (m, 5H), 7.39–7.26 (m, 3H), 7.25–7.04 (m, 5H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 5.51 (s, 2H), 4.84 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.01 (s), 148.67 (s), 142.57 (s), 135.19 (s), 134.06 (s), 129.69 (q, *J* = 32.4 Hz), 128.94 (s), 128.91 (s), 128.16 (s), 127.71 (s), 126.76 (s), 126.52 (s), 125.57 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 124.47 (s), 124.30 (s), 122.45 (q, *J* = 270.5 Hz), 114.51 (s), 46.25 (s), 44.36 (s) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.42 (s, 3F) ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₂₃H₁₈F₃N₃O [M+H]⁺: 410.1480, found: 410.1475.



1-Benzyl-3-((1-phenylethyl)amino)quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3v)

54.7 mg, 77%, as a white solid, m. p. 122-124°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.53 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.38 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 7.26 – 7.02 (m, 6H), 6.70 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.60 – 5.46 (m, 2H), 5.46 – 5.36 (m, 1H), 1.66 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.0, 147.9, 143.6, 135.3, 134.4, 128.9, 128.7, 128.6, 127.6, 127.2, 126.8, 126.5, 126.4, 124.1, 124.0, 114.3, 50.0, 46.2, 22.2 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₂₃H₂₁N₃O [M+H]⁺: 356.1763, found: 356.1761.



3-(Aminodiphenylmethane-1-benzyl-quinoxalin-2(1*H*)-one (3w)

39.2 mg, 47%, as a white solid, m. p. 162-164°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.27 (m, 12H), 7.25 – 6.96 (m, 6H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 1.57 (s, 1H). ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.0, 147.8, 141.9, 135.3, 134.2, 128.9, 128.6, 127.6, 127.4, 126.8, 126.7, 124.3, 124.1, 114.3, 58.1, 46.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₂₈H₂₃N₃O [M+H]⁺: 418.1919, found: 418.1911.



1-Benzyl-3-((2-hydroxyethyl)amino)quinoxalin-2(1H)-one (3x)

39.0 mg, 66%, as a white solid, m. p. 132-133°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3): δ 7.55 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.37 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.07 (m, 5H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 4.50 (s, 1H), 3.96 – 3.89 (m, 2H), 3.78 – 3.73 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.1, 149.9, 135.1, 133.3, 128.9, 128.8, 127.7, 126.7, 125.9, 124.5, 124.4, 114.5, 63.5, 46.3, 45.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI, m/z): calculated for C₁₇H₁₇N₃O₂ [M+H]⁺: 296.1399, found: 296.1397.

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cIV. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of products

























¹HNMR spectrum of **3m**

























¹³CNMR spectrum of 3x



IV. Control experiments



The model reaction was carried out in DMSO and toluene as solvents at 100 $^{\circ}$ C in the presence of 5 mol% Cu(OAc) for 12 hours under N₂ atmosphere. DMSO and toluene gave the targeted product in 27% yield and trace amount.