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Mild and Efficient Synthesis of Indoles and Isoquinolones *via* a Nickel-Catalyzed Larock-Type Heteroannulation Reaction

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Physical data of the compounds

1-(2,3-Diphenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (3)^[1]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (53.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **3** as white solid (56.7 mg, 91%). Mp: 130-132 °C; ¹H **NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.46 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.20 (m, 12H), 1.99 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 136.7, 134.9, 133.0, 132.9, 130.7, 130.0, 129.2, 128.6, 128.6, 128.2, 126.9, 125.5, 123.4, 123.3, 119.5, 116.2, 27.9; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₂H₁₈NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 312.1383, found 312.1382.

1-(5-Methyl-2,3-diphenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (4)^[2]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodo-4-methylphenyl)acetamide (56.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **4** as white solid (52.6 mg, 81%). Mp: 170-172 °C; ¹**H** NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.34 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.19 (m, 12H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4, 135.1, 135.0, 133.4, 133.1, 133.0, 130.7, 130.0, 129.4, 128.5, 128.2, 126.83, 126.76, 123.2, 119.3, 115.9, 27.8, 21.4; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₃H₂₀NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 326.1539, found 326.1539.

1-(5-Methoxy-2,3-diphenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (5)^[2]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodo-4-methoxyphenyl)acetamide (58.7 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.1 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **5** as white solid (58.5 mg, 86%). Mp: 176-178 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.41-8.38 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.18 (m, 10H), 7.02-6.99 (m, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 1.96 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1, 156.6, 135.6, 133.0, 132.9, 131.5, 130.7, 130.1, 129.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 126.8, 123.2, 117.3, 113.8, 102.0, 55.6, 27.7; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₃H₂₀NO₂ [M+H]⁺ m/z 342.1489, found 342.1487.

1-(5-(tert-Butyl)-2,3-diphenyl-1H-indol-1-yl)ethanone (6)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(4-(*tert*-butyl)-2-iodophenyl)acetamide (63.7 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.1 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (16.3 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.15 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **6** as white solid (69.8 mg, 95%). Mp: 147-149 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.40 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.21 (m, 10H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3, 147.0, 135.2, 134.9, 133.2, 133.1, 130.8, 130.0, 129.0, 128.5, 128.2, 126.8, 123.6, 123.4, 115.8, 115.4, 34.7, 31.7, 27.8; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₆H₂₆NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 368.2009, found 368.2007.

1-(5-Fluoro-2,3-diphenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (7)^[1]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(4-fluoro-2-iodophenyl)acetamide (55.9 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (53.9 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **7** as white solid (56.5 mg, 86%). Mp: 175-177 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.44 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.31 (m, 5H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.22-7.16 (m, 3H), 7.11 (td, *J* = 9.1, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3, 159.9 (d, *J* = 239.0 Hz), 136.4, 133.1, 132.6, 132.5, 130.7, 130.3 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz), 129.8, 128.9, 128.7, 128.3, 127.1, 123.0 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 117.5 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 113.0 (d, *J* = 24.8 Hz), 105.1 (d, *J* = 24.2 Hz), 27.8; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₂H₁₇FNO [M+H]⁺ m/z 330.1289, found 330.1290.

1-(5-Chloro-2,3-diphenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (8)^[2]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(4-chloro-2-iodophenyl)acetamide (59.3 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **8** as white solid (37.0 mg, 54%). Mp: 197-199 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.39 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.25 (m, 9H), 7.19-7.16 (m, 2H), 1.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4, 136.1, 135.1, 132.4, 132.3, 130.7, 130.5, 129.9, 129.3, 128.9, 128.7, 128.4, 127.2, 125.5, 122.6, 119.1, 117.4, 27.8; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₂H₁₇CINO [M+H]⁺ m/z 346.0993, found 346.1000.

1-(2,3-Diphenyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (9)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodo-4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)acetamide (65.9 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.1 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **9** as white solid (33.1 mg, 44%). Mp: 153-155 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.55 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.83-7.80 (m, 1H), 7.64 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.28 (m, 8H), 7.22-7.19 (m, 2H), 2.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 138.2 (q, *J* = 1.1 Hz), 136.6, 132.2, 132.1, 130.7, 129.9, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 127.3, 126.0 (q, *J* = 31.9 Hz), 124.7 (q, *J* = 270.3 Hz), 123.1, 122.1 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 117.0 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 116.5, 27.9; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₃H₁₇F₃NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 380.1257, found 380.1255.

1-(2,3,5-Triphenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (10)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(3-iodo-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)acetamide (68.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **10** as white solid (57.0 mg, 74%). Mp: 152-154 °C; ¹H **NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.39 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 0.3 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.67-7.60 (m, 3H), 7.44-7.23 (m, 13H), 2.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C **NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5, 141.5, 137.2, 136.2, 135.6, 132.9, 132.8, 130.7, 130.0, 129.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 127.4, 127.0, 126.9, 124.9, 123.5, 117.9, 116.5, 27.9; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₈H₂₂NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 388.1696, found 388.1698.

1-(6-Methyl-2,3-diphenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (11)^[2]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodo-5-methylphenyl)acetamide (55.6 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (53.7 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (15.9 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.15 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **11** as white solid (60.8 mg, 93%). Mp: 118-120 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.30 (s, 1H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.19 (m, 10H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.7, 137.1, 135.6, 134.3, 133.2, 133.0, 130.7, 130.0, 128.54, 128.46, 128.2, 127.0, 126.8, 125.1, 123.2, 119.1, 116.3, 28.0, 22.0; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₃H₂₀NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 326.1539, found 326.1538.

1-(6-Fluoro-2,3-diphenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (12)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(5-fluoro-2-iodophenyl)acetamide (56.1 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.2 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **12** as white solid (25.3 mg, 38%). Mp: 145-147 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23 (dd, *J* = 10.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.31 (m, 5H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.22-7.18 (m, 2H), 7.05 (td, *J* = 8.9, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5, 161.2 (d, *J* = 239.6 Hz), 136.9 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz), 135.1 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 132.7 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 130.7, 129.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 127.1, 125.6 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 123.0 (d, *J* = 1.1 Hz), 120.2 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz), 111.9 (d, *J* = 24.2 Hz), 103.7 (d, *J* = 28.6 Hz), 27.8; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₂H₁₆FNONa [M+Na]⁺ m/z 352.1108, found

352.1201.1113.

Methyl 1-acetyl-2,3-diphenyl-1*H*-indole-6-carboxylate (13)



According to **GP1** with methyl 3-acetamido-4-iodobenzoate (63.9 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.1 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 30/1) to afford the desired product **13** as white solid (64.2 mg, 87%). Mp: 163-165 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.11 (d, *J* = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.32 (m, 5H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.22-7.18 (m, 2H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3, 167.6, 137.8, 136.1, 132.7, 132.4, 132.3, 130.6, 129.9, 129.0, 128.7, 128.3, 127.1, 127.0, 125.0, 122.9, 119.2, 117.8, 52.1, 27.9; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₄H₂₀NO₃ [M+H]⁺ m/z 370.1438, found 370.1438.

1-(6,7-Diphenyl-5*H*-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-*f*]indol-5-yl)ethanone (14)^[3]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(6-iodobenzo[*d*][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)acetamide (61.5 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **14** as white solid (37.9 mg, 53%). Mp: 194-196 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (s, 1H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 5H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.18-7.15 (m, 2H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 5.99 (s, 2H), 1.96 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 146.8, 145.1, 133.74, 133.72, 133.10, 133.08, 131.6, 130.8, 129.9, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 126.9, 123.5, 101.2, 98.4, 98.0, 27.9; HRMS (ESI)

calculated for $C_{23}H_{18}NO_3 [M+H]^+ m/z 356.1281$, found 356.1281.

1-(4-Methyl-2,3-diphenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (15)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodo-3-methylphenyl)acetamide (55.1 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.2 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **15** as white solid (24.8 mg, 38%). Mp: 171-173 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.29-6.99 (m, 11H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5, 136.5, 135.6, 135.3, 133.0, 131.10, 131.07, 130.4, 128.2, 128.1, 127.5, 127.0, 125.6, 125.2, 124.7, 113.7, 27.9, 20.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₃H₂₀NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 326.1539, found 326.1540.

1-(2,3-Diphenyl-1*H*-benzo[*f*]indol-1-yl)ethanone (16)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(3-iodonaphthalen-2-yl)acetamide (62.9 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (54.2 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **16** as white solid (14.3 mg, 20%). Mp: 226-228 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.56 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.31 (m, 6H), 7.28 (s, 5H), 7.24-7.18 (m, 1H), 2.06 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.2, 135.4, 134.7, 133.5, 132.9, 131.2, 131.0, 130.6, 128.5, 128.34, 128.30, 128.2, 127.6, 127.4, 126.1, 125.7, 125.0, 124.3, 123.7, 122.9, 115.7, 28.2; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated

for C₂₆H₂₀NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 362.1539, found 362.1540.

1-(2,3-Di-p-tolyl-1H-indol-1-yl)ethanone (17)^[2]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (52.2 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-di-*p*-tolylethyne (62.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **17** as white solid (62.8 mg, 93%). Mp: 156-158 °C; **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.45 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.29-7.07 (m, 9H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C **NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.7, 138.4, 136.7, 136.4, 134.9, 130.6, 130.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.4, 129.3, 128.9, 125.2, 123.6, 122.9, 119.5, 116.1, 27.9, 21.3, 21.2; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₄H₂₂NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 340.1696, found 340.1692.

1-(2,3-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (18)^[2]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (52.3 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyne (71.6 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **18** as white solid (65.8 mg, 89%). Mp: 139-141 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.45 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* =

7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 1H), 7.31-7.22 (m, 3H), 7.18-7.13 (m, 2H), 6.91-6.82 (m, 4H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 2.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.7, 159.7, 158.4, 136.6, 134.6, 132.0, 131.1, 129.4, 125.4, 125.2, 125.1, 123.6, 122.6, 119.4, 116.2, 114.1, 113.7, 55.2, 55.1, 27.9; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₄H₂₂NO₃ [M+H]⁺ m/z 372.1594, found 372.1594.

1-(2,3-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (19)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (53.2 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-bis(4-fluorophenyl)ethyne (65.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **19** as white solid (56.0 mg, 81%). Mp: 154-156 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.44 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.33-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.10-6.96 (m, 4H), 2.03 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1, 162.7 (d, *J* = 248.4 Hz), 161.8 (d, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 136.6, 133.9, 132.4 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 131.5 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 129.0, 128.8 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 128.7 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 125.7, 123.9, 122.7, 119.3, 116.2, 115.9 (d, *J* = 21.5 Hz), 115.4 (d, *J* = 21.5 Hz), 28.0; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₂H₁₆F₂NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 348.1195, found 348.1191.

1-(2,3-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (20)^[2]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (52.3 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-bis(4-chlorophenyl)ethyne (74.5 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **20** as white solid (36.3 mg, 48%). Mp: 192-194 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.41 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.38-7.23 (m, 7H), 7.15-7.10 (m, 2H), 2.06 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 136.7, 135.0, 133.8, 133.1, 131.8, 131.2, 131.1, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 125.9, 124.0, 122.6, 119.4, 116.1, 28.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₂H₁₆Cl₂NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 380.0603, found 380.0601.

1-(2,3-Di-*m*-tolyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (21)^[2]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (52.6 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-di-*m*-tolylethyne (62.1 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **21** as pale yellow oil (51.5 mg, 76%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.45 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.30-6.98 (m, 9H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 1.99 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.7, 138.2, 137.6, 136.7, 135.0, 132.9, 132.8, 131.3, 130.7, 129.3, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 127.1, 125.3, 123.6, 123.2, 119.6, 116.1, 27.9, 21.4, 21.3; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₄H₂₂NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 340.1696, found 340.1692.

1-(2,3-Di(thiophen-3-yl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (22)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (53.2 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-di(thiophen-3-yl)ethyne (57.3 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **22** as yellow solid (54.2 mg, 84%). Mp: 123-125 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.46 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.24 (m, 5H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2, 136.7, 133.0, 132.8, 129.8, 129.5, 128.7, 128.3, 126.53, 126.48, 125.6, 125.0, 123.8, 123.4, 119.5, 119.2, 116.4, 27.0; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₁₈H₁₄NOS₂ [M+H]⁺ m/z 324.0511, found 324.0513.

1-(2,3-Diethyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (23)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (53.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), hex-3-yne (25.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **23** as yellow oil (35.8 mg, 83%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.21 (m, 2H), 3.03 (q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.77 (s, 3H), 2.68 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.25-1.19 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0, 139.3, 135.7, 130.6, 123.4, 122.6, 121.2, 118.6, 114.6, 27.7, 20.3, 17.0, 15.0; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₁₄H₁₈NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 216.1383, found

216.1379.

1-(2,3-Dibutyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (24)^[2]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (52.8 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), dec-5-yne (42.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **24** as yellow oil (40.3 mg, 74%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.25-7.19 (m, 2H), 3.01-2.96 (m, 2H), 2.74 (s, 3H), 2.67-2.61 (m, 2H), 1.63-1.51 (m, 4H), 1.47-1.34 (m, 4H), 0.95 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0, 138.2, 135.6, 130.9, 123.3, 122.5, 120.0, 118.6, 114.4, 32.43, 32.38, 27.6, 26.7, 23.6, 22.83, 22.76, 14.0, 13.9; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₁₈H₂₆NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 272.2009, found 272.2002.

1-(2,3-Bis(methoxymethyl)-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (25)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (52.6 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,4-dimethoxybut-2-yne (35.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1) to afford the desired product **25** as yellow oil (36.9 mg, 75%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.11 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.24 (m, 2H), 4.79 (s, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.79 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.0, 136.4, 133.7, 128.8, 125.4, 123.2, 120.1, 119.4, 115.7, 64.5, 64.3, 57.9, 57.7, 26.2; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₁₄H₁₈NO₃ [M+H]⁺ m/z 248.1281, found 248.1284.

1-(3-Methyl-2-phenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (26)^[4]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (53.1 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), prop-1-yn-1-ylbenzene (35.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (10.9 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **26** as yellow solid (11.3 mg, 23%). Mp: 74-76 °C; **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.42 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.40-7.29 (m, 4H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 1.96 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1, 136.8, 134.9, 133.6, 130.2, 128.7, 128.4, 125.3, 123.4, 118.6, 118.1, 116.3, 27.6, 9.2; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₁₇H₁₆NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 250.1226, found 250.1225.

 1-(2-Hexyl-3-methyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone
 (27)
 and

 1-(3-hexyl-2-methyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone
 (27')^[5]
 (27)



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (52.7 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), non-2-yne (38.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **27**+**27'** as yellow oil (45.6 mg, 89%, **27/27' = 1.3:1**). ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ **27** 7.97-7.91 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.42 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 2H), 2.69 (s, 3H), 2.63 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 1.60-1.53 (m, 2H), 1.35-1.25 (m, 6H), 0.90-0.86 (m, 3H); **27'** 7.77-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.42 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 2H), 2.98 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 2.73 (s, 3H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 1.60-1.53 (m, 2H), 1.35-1.25

(m, 6H), 0.90-0.86 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ **27** 170.2, 135.7, 132.5, 130.6, 123.5, 122.7, 120.3, 118.2, 115.0, 31.7, 29.9, 29.2, 27.5, 23.8, 22.6, 14.3, 14.0; **27'** 169.9, 138.2, 135.4, 131.4, 123.4, 122.6, 118.4, 115.2, 114.4, 31.6, 29.8, 29.2, 27.5, 27.0, 22.6, 14.0, 8.6; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₁₇H₂₄NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 258.1852, found 258.1852.

1-(2-Phenyl-1*H*-indol-1-yl)ethanone (28)^[6]



According to **GP1** with *N*-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (52.5 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ethynylbenzene (31.0 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **28** as yellow oil (10.6 mg, 23%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.36 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.42 (m, 5H), 7.39-7.26 (m, 2H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 2.08 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4, 139.7, 137.7, 134.2, 129.0, 128.7, 128.6, 125.1, 123.7, 120.4, 116.0, 111.5, 27.9; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₁₆H₁₄NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 236.1070, found 236.1066.

3,4-Diphenyl-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (30)^[7]



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (43.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **30** as white solid (73.7 mg, 95%). Mp: 216-218 °C; **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.57 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.12 (m, 6H), 6.99 (s, 4H), 6.89 (s, 5H), 2.21 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.7, 141.2, 137.6, 137.2, 136.8, 136.4, 134.9, 132.4, 131.6, 131.0, 129.2, 129.1, 128.2,

127.9, 127.1, 127.0, 126.8, 126.7, 125.5, 118.6, 21.0; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for $C_{28}H_{22}NO [M+H]^+ m/z$ 388.1696, found 388.1704.

7-Methyl-3,4-diphenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (31)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-5-methyl-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (70.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (42.9 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (10.9 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **31** as white solid (77.9 mg, 97%). Mp: 204-206 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.10 (m, 6H), 7.01-6.95 (m, 4H), 6.89 (s, 5H), 2.50 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.7, 143.3, 137.1, 136.9, 136.8, 136.6, 135.3, 135.0, 133.8, 131.6, 131.1, 129.2, 129.1, 127.8, 127.02, 126.98, 126.7, 125.5, 125.4, 118.6, 21.3, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₉H₂₄NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 402.1852, found 402.1853.

7-Methoxy-3,4-diphenyl-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (32)^[7]



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-5-methoxy-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (73.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (42.9 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1) to afford the desired product **32** as white solid (82.0 mg, 98%). Mp: 206-208 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.24-7.10 (m, 7H), 6.99-6.96 (m, 4H), 6.88 (s, 5H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.4, 158.8, 138.9, 137.1, 137.0, 136.6, 134.9, 131.6, 131.5, 131.2, 129.2,

129.1, 127.8, 127.3, 127.0, 126.7, 22.7, 118.6, 108.2, 55.6, 21.0; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for $C_{29}H_{24}NO_2$ [M+H]⁺ m/z 418.1802, found 418.1804.

7-Fluoro-3,4-diphenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (33)



According to **GP2** with 5-fluoro-2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (71.3 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (42.8 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.4 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **33** as white solid (78.2 mg, 96%). Mp: 187-189 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.31-7.10 (m, 7H), 7.01-6.98 (m, 4H), 6.89 (s, 5H), 2.21 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.9 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 161.5 (d, *J* = 246.8 Hz), 140.5 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 137.4, 136.5, 136.2, 134.5, 134.2 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 131.2 (d, *J* = 36.8 Hz), 129.1 (d, *J* = 27.8 Hz), 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.2, 127.13, 127.07, 127.03, 126.9, 121.0 (d, *J* = 23.3 Hz), 118.2, 113.2 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz), 21.1; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₈H₂₁FNO [M+H]⁺ m/z 406.1602, found 406.1601.

Methyl 1-oxo-3,4-diphenyl-2-(p-tolyl)-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline-7-carboxylate (34)



According to **GP2** with methyl 4-iodo-3-(*p*-tolylcarbamoyl)benzoate (79.2 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (43.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1) to afford the desired product **34** as white solid (72.8 mg, 82%). Mp: 217-219 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.21 (dd, *J* = 1.8, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.24-7.16 (m, 3H), 7.14-7.09

(m, 2H), 7.03-6.96 (m, 4H), 6.93-6.87 (m, 5H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.5, 162.4, 143.7, 140.9, 137.5, 136.4, 135.9, 134.5, 132.5, 131.5, 130.7, 130.5, 129.3, 129.0, 128.2, 128.1, 127.4, 127.1, 127.0, 125.8, 125.2, 118.4, 52.2, 21.0; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₃₀H₂₄NO₃ [M+H]⁺ m/z 446.1751, found 446.1754.

5,7-Dimethyl-3,4-diphenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (35)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-3,5-dimethyl-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (73.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (43.1 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1) to afford the desired product **35** as white solid (40.5 mg, 49%). Mp: 159-161 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.34 (s, 1H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 7.07 (s, 5H), 6.99-6.91 (m, 4H), 6.88-6.79 (m, 5H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 1.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.9, 140.8, 139.9, 138.3, 137.1, 137.0, 136.6, 135.2, 135.0, 133.1, 132.0, 131.3, 129.2, 129.0, 127.3, 126.9, 126.74, 126.66, 126.5, 118.3, 23.7, 21.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₃₀H₂₆NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 416.2009, found 416.2009.

5-Methyl-3,4-diphenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (36)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-3-methyl-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (70.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (43.4 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **36** as white solid (60.5 mg, 75%).

Mp: 186-188 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.55-8.52 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.08 (s, 5H), 6.99-6.92 (m, 4H), 6.84 (s, 5H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 1.78 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.9, 141.8, 139.8, 137.2, 136.9, 136.7, 135.5, 135.12, 135.10, 132.1, 131.2, 129.2, 129.0, 127.3, 127.1, 127.0, 126.80, 126.76, 126.6, 126.5, 118.3, 23.7, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₉H₂₄NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 402.1852, found 402.1857.

6,7-Dimethoxy-3,4-diphenyl-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (37)^[7]



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-4,5-dimethoxy-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (79.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (43.1 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 12/1) to afford the desired product **37** as white solid (78.9 mg, 88%). Mp: 293-295 °C; **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.23-7.12 (m, 5H), 7.02-6.95 (m, 4H), 6.89 (s, 5H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.9, 153.3, 149.1, 139.8, 137.0, 136.9, 136.6, 134.9, 132.9, 131.4, 131.0, 129.1, 129.0, 127.9, 126.9, 126.7, 119.4, 118.2, 108.1, 105.9, 56.1, 55.7, 21.0; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₃₀H₂₆NO₃ [M+H]⁺ m/z 448.1907, found 448.1910.

7,8-Diphenyl-6-(*p*-tolyl)-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-*g*]isoquinolin-5(6*H*)-one (38)



According to **GP2** with 6-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxole-5-carboxamide (76.5 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (43.3 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography

(petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1) to afford the desired product **38** as white solid (78.5 mg, 91%). Mp: 235-237 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.22-7.08 (m, 5H), 7.01-6.95 (m, 4H), 6.88 (s, 5H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 6.00 (s, 2H), 2.21 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.8, 152.0, 147.6, 140.0, 137.1, 136.9, 136.7, 135.0, 134.9, 131.5, 131.0, 129.13, 129.05, 127.9, 127.02, 126.96, 126.8, 121.0, 118.5, 106.0, 103.7, 101.6, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₉H₂₂NO₃ [M+H]⁺ m/z 432.1594, found 432.1592.

3,4-Diphenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (39)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (81.0 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (43.2 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (10.8 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **39** as white solid (33.0 mg, 36%). Mp: 250-252 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.67 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.13-7.10 (m, 2H), 7.04-6.86 (m, 9H), 2.24 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.9, 142.8, 137.7, 137.6, 136.3, 135.3, 134.3, 134.0 (q, *J* = 31.9 Hz), 131.4, 130.8, 129.39, 129.36, 128.9, 128.2, 127.6 (q, *J* = 1.1 Hz), 127.4, 127.24, 127.15, 123.7 (q, *J* = 271.5 Hz), 122.7 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 121.9, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₉H₂₁F₃NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 456.1570, found 456.1572.

3,4-Diphenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)benzo[*g*]isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (40)



According to **GP2** with 3-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)-2-naphthamide (77.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (43.1 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg,

0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **40** as white solid (86.0 mg, 98%). Mp: 236-238 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.17 (s, 1H), 8.09-8.06 (m, 1H), 7.77-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.53-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.19 (m, 5H), 7.02 (s, 4H), 6.94-6.86 (m, 5H), 2.23 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.2, 140.1, 137.1, 136.8, 136.7, 135.3, 135.0, 133.9, 131.7, 131.6, 131.0, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.0, 127.02, 126.98, 126.8, 126.0, 124.3, 124.0, 118.6, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₃₂H₂₄NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 438.1852, found 438.1858.

2,3,4-Triphenylisoquinolin-1(2H)-one (41)^[8]



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-phenylbenzamide (64.7 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (42.9 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1) to afford the desired product **41** as white solid (70.0 mg, 94%). Mp: 201-203 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.57 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.09 (m, 11H), 6.89 (s, 5H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.6, 141.1, 139.5, 137.6, 136.4, 134.8, 132.5, 131.6, 131.0, 129.5, 128.5, 128.2, 127.9, 127.5, 127.2, 127.1, 126.85, 126.83, 125.6, 118.8; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₇H₂₀NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 374.1539, found 374.1540.

2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3,4-diphenylisoquinolin-1(2H)-one (42)^[9]



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide (71.2 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (42.9 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1

mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **42** as white solid (73.9 mg, 92%). Mp: 209-211 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.56 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.11 (m, 6H), 7.02-6.99 (m, 2H), 6.95-6.84 (m, 5H), 6.73-6.70 (m, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.7, 158.3, 141.3, 137.5, 136.3, 134.8, 132.3, 132.1, 131.5, 130.8, 130.2, 128.1, 127.8, 127.1, 127.0, 126.7, 125.4, 118.5, 113.7, 55.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₈H₂₂NO₂ [M+H]⁺ m/z 404.1645, found 404.1650.

2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3,4-diphenylisoquinolin-1(2H)-one (43)^[9]



According to **GP2** with *N*-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-iodobenzamide (68.2 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (42.8 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1) to afford the desired product **43** as white solid (71.1 mg, 91%). Mp: 190-192 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.56 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.06 (m, 8H), 6.91-6.86 (m, 7H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.7, 161.4 (d, *J* = 245.3 Hz), 140.8, 137.5, 136.1, 135.3 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 134.5, 132.6, 131.5, 131.1, 131.0, 130.9, 128.2, 128.0, 127.2, 127.2 (d, *J* = 30.0 Hz), 126.9, 125.6, 125.3, 119.0, 115.5 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz); **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₇H₁₉FNO [M+H]⁺ m/z 392.1445, found 392.1449.

2-Methyl-3,4-diphenylisoquinolin-1(2H)-one (44)^[9]



According to GP2 with 2-iodo-N-methylbenzamide (52.2 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv),

1,2-diphenylethyne (43.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1) to afford the desired product **44** as white solid (26.6 mg, 43%). Mp: 152-154 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.58-8.55 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.11 (m, 9H), 7.08-7.05 (m, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.7, 141.2, 137.1, 136.4, 135.0, 132.0, 131.5, 129.9, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 126.8, 126.6, 125.3, 124.9, 118.9, 34.3; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₂H₁₈NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 312.1383, found 312.1389.

2-Benzyl-3,4-diphenylisoquinolin-1(2H)-one (45)^[9]



According to **GP2** with *N*-benzyl-2-iodobenzamide (67.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne (42.8 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (10.8 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **45** as white solid (15.8 mg, 20%). Mp: 228-230 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.63-8.60 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.08 (m, 8H), 7.07-7.01 (m, 4H), 6.90-6.87 (m, 4H), 5.22 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.6, 141.3, 137.7, 137.3, 136.3, 134.3, 132.2, 131.4, 130.4, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.5, 126.9, 126.8, 126.70, 126.65, 125.4, 125.1, 119.4, 49.0; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₈H₂₂NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 388.1696, found 388.1697.

2,3,4-Tri-*p*-tolylisoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (46)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.7 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-di-*p*-tolylethyne (49.8 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (10.9 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **46** as white solid (78.5 mg, 94%). Mp: 84-86 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.54 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 1H), 7.00-6.97 (m, 8H), 6.78-6.68 (m, 4H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.8, 141.2, 137.9, 137.0, 136.9, 136.6, 136.1, 133.5, 132.2, 132.0, 131.4, 130.8, 129.2, 129.1, 128.6, 128.1, 127.7, 126.5, 125.5, 125.4, 118.6, 21.1, 21.03, 21.01; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₃₀H₂₆NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 416.2009, found 416.2014.

3,4-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(*p*-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (47)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.7 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyne (58.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1) to afford the desired product **47** as white solid (80.7 mg, 90%). Mp: 245-247 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.54 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.04-6.94 (m, 6H), 6.80-6.73 (m, 4H), 6.48-6.38 (m, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.8, 158.1, 158.0, 141.2, 138.0, 137.1, 137.0, 132.6, 132.3, 132.1, 129.3, 129.0, 128.8, 128.2, 127.4, 126.6, 125.5, 125.4, 118.4, 113.4, 112.5, 55.1, 54.9, 21.0; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₃₀H₂₆NO₃ [M+H]⁺ m/z 448.1907, found 448.1910.

3,4-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (48)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-bis(4-fluorophenyl)ethyne (51.9 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (10.8 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 12/1) to afford the desired product **48** as white solid (82.3 mg, 97%). Mp: 186-188 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.58-8.54 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.10-7.02 (m, 4H), 6.97-6.82 (m, 6H), 6.67-6.59 (m, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.7 (d, *J* = 245.3 Hz), 162.6, 161.4 (d, *J* = 246.8 Hz), 140.5, 137.6, 137.4, 136.6, 133.1 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 132.7 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 132.6, 132.2 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 130.9 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 129.5, 129.0, 128.4, 127.1, 125.6, 125.3, 118.0, 115.2 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 114.4 (d, *J* = 21.8 Hz), 21.1; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₈H₂₀F₂NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 424.1508, found 424.1506.

3,4-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (49)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.4 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-bis(4-chlorophenyl)ethyne (59.7 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude

reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **49** as white solid (84.9 mg, 93%). Mp: 145-147 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.55 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.17 (m, 3H), 7.06-7.02 (m, 4H), 6.96-6.91 (m, 4H), 6.83-6.81 (m, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.5, 140.1, 137.7, 137.0, 136.3, 134.6, 133.4, 133.1, 133.0, 132.8, 132.6, 132.1, 129.5, 128.9, 128.43, 128.36, 127.6, 127.2, 125.5, 125.2, 117.7, 21.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₈H₂₀Cl₂NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 456.0917, found 456.0919.

3,4-Di-*m*-tolyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (50)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.4 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-di-*m*-tolylethyne (50.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (10.9 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **50** as white solid (53.1 mg, 64%). Mp: 83-85 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.55 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.06 (m, 1H), 6.98-6.90 (m, 7H), 6.80-6.67 (m, 4H), 2.22 (s, 6H), 2.02 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.7, 141.2, 137.7, 137.3, 137.1, 136.8, 136.3, 134.6, 132.3, 132.2, 131.8, 131.7, 129.0, 128.60, 128.57, 128.14, 128.06, 128.04, 127.72, 127.65, 127.4, 126.78, 126.74, 126.6, 125.6, 125.4, 118.7, 21.2, 21.02, 20.96; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₃₀H₂₆NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 416.2009, found 416.2015.

3,4-Di(thiophen-3-yl)-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (51)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-di(thiophen-3-yl)ethyne (46.2 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1) to afford the desired product **51** as white solid (71.7 mg, 90%). Mp: 207-209 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.53 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.63-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.53-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 1H), 7.07-6.98 (m, 5H), 6.89-6.85 (m, 2H), 6.73-6.72 (m, 1H), 6.53-6.52 (m, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.6, 137.4, 137.3, 137.0, 136.8, 136.2, 134.8, 132.5, 130.1, 129.3, 129.2, 128.6, 128.2, 126.9, 126.6, 125.4, 125.3, 125.1, 124.9, 124.1, 114.2, 21.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₄H₁₈NOS₂ [M+H]⁺ m/z 400.0824, found 400.0831.

3,4-Diethyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (52)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (68.0 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), hex-3-yne (22.6 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **52** as white solid (56.4 mg, 97%). Mp: 111-113 °C; ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.45 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.74-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.42 (m, 1H), 7.36-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.09 (m, 2H), 2.81 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.50-2.43 (m, 5H), 1.28 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.2, 141.2, 138.2, 136.9, 132.4, 130.0, 128.6, 125.7, 125.4, 122.6, 114.6, 23.1, 21.2, 20.4, 14.7, 13.9; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₀H₂₂NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 292.1696, found 292.1700.

3,4-Dipropyl-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (53)^[7]



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.4 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), oct-4-yne (26.9 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **53** as yellow oil (58.8 mg, 92%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.44 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.31-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.13-7.10 (m, 2H), 2.75-2.69 (m, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.39-2.33 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.62 (m, 2H), 1.45-1.35 (m, 2H), 1.09 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.71 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.1, 140.4, 138.1, 137.1, 136.9, 132.3, 129.9, 128.53, 128.50, 125.7, 125.3, 122.7, 113.5, 32.2, 29.7, 23.6, 22.8, 21.2, 14.4, 14.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₂H₂₆NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 320.2009, found 320.2011.

3,4-Dibutyl-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (54)^[10]



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), dec-5-yne (34.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **54** as yellow oil (62.3 mg, 90%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.44 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.30-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.13-7.10 (m, 2H), 2.76-2.71 (m, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.41-2.36 (m, 2H), 1.67-1.47 (m, 4H), 1.45-1.33 (m, 2H), 1.16-1.07 (m, 2H), 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.70 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.0, 140.2, 138.0, 137.0,

136.7, 132.2, 129.8, 128.5, 128.4, 125.5, 125.2, 122.5, 113.4, 32.4, 31.2, 29.6, 27.2, 23.0, 22.5, 21.1, 13.8, 13.2; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for $C_{24}H_{30}NO$ [M+H]⁺ m/z 348.2322, found 348.2322.

3,4-Bis(methoxymethyl)-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (55)



According to **GP2** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,4-dimethoxybut-2-yne (29.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 µL, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1) to afford the desired product **55** as white solid (55.9 mg, 86%). Mp: 166-168 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.43 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.74-7.69 (m, 1H), 7.52-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.32-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.19-7.16 (m, 2H), 4.69 (s, 2H), 4.11 (s, 2H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 3.04 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.9, 138.6, 138.4, 136.3, 135.8, 132.6, 129.7, 128.7, 128.2, 127.2, 126.2, 123.7, 113.2, 67.3, 67.1, 58.2, 58.1, 21.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C₂₀H₂₂NO₃ [M+H]⁺ m/z 324.1594, found 324.1601.

4-Methyl-3-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one(56)and3-methyl-4-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one(56')^[10]



According to **GP1** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), prop-1-yn-1-ylbenzene (29.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (10.8 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc =

20/1) to afford the desired product **56+56'** as white solid (60.3 mg, 93%, **56/56'** = **1.1:1**). ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ **56+56'** 8.45 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.37 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.65-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.45-7.27 (m, 6H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 4H), 7.09-7.05 (m, 5H), 6.97-6.95 (m, 3H), 6.89-6.86 (m, 2H), 6.82-6.79 (m, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 1.70 (s, 3H); ¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ **56** 162.5, 140.3, 137.5, 137.0, 136.9, 135.4, 132.4, 130.4, 129.08, 129.06, 128.4, 127.7, 127.6, 126.5, 125.7, 123.2, 110.1, 20.9, 14.7; **56'** 163.0, 138.2 137.7, 137.3, 136.8, 132.1, 130.9, 130.1, 128.7, 128.1, 127.9, 127.4, 125.8, 124.8, 124.6, 117.4, 21.1, 19.4; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₃H₂₀NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 326.1539, found 326.1542.

3-Phenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one 4-phenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2*H*)-one (57')^[10]

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According to **GP1** with 2-iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ethynylbenzene (25.2 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1) to afford the desired product **57**+**57'** as yellow oil (56.7 mg, 91%, **57/57' = 1:1**). ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ **57**+**57'** 8.57 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.46 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.40 (m, 11H), 7.37-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.17 (s, 6H), 7.07-6.98 (m, 4H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H); ¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ **57** 163.2, 143.7, 137.4, 136.7, 136.4, 136.2, 132.7, 129.3, 129.2, 129.0, 128.3, 127.8, 127.7, 126.8, 126.0, 125.4, 107.8, 21.1; **57'** 161.7, 138.7, 138.0, 136.4, 136.3, 132.4, 131.3, 129.92, 129.86, 128.7, 128.6, 127.9, 127.1, 126.5, 126.3, 124.7, 119.5, 21.1; **HRMS** (ESI) calculated for C₂₂H₁₈NO [M+H]⁺ m/z 312.1383, found 312.1389.

Gram-scale reactions



N-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide **1** (1.31 g, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne **2** (1.34 g, 7.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (0.27 g, 0.5 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (1.40 mL, 10.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 100 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (15.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h monitored with TLC. After completion of the reaction, it was transferred to a round-bottomed flask after dilution with CH₂Cl₂. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **3** (1.27 g, 82%).



2-Iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide **29** (1.35 g, 4.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne **2** (0.86 g, 4.8 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (0.22 g, 0.4 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (1.10 mL, 8.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 100 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (30.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h monitored with TLC. After completion of the reaction, it was transferred to a round-bottomed flask after dilution with CH₂Cl₂. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **30** (1.39 g, 90%).

Mechanistic studies

Radical inhibition experiments:



N-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide **1** (53.2 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne **2** (54.3 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-piperidinyloxy (TEMPO) (63.0 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. The formation of **3** was completely suppressed.



2-Iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide **29** (67.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne **2** (43.1 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (10.9 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-piperidinyloxy (TEMPO) (62.5 mg, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. The formation of **30** was completely suppressed.



N-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide 1 (53.1 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne 2

(54.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and 2,6-di-*tert*-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT) (88.5 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion of the reaction, it was transferred to a round-bottomed flask after dilution with CH₂Cl₂. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **3** (47.4 mg, 76%).



2-Iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide **29** (67.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne **2** (43.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (10.9 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and 2,6-di-*tert*-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT) (88.2 mg, 0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. After completion of the reaction, it was transferred to a round-bottomed flask after dilution with CH₂Cl₂. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **30** (72.3 mg, 93%).

Radical clock experiments:



N-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (53.1 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), (1-cyclopropylvinyl)benzene (59.2 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg,

0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et_3N (56 µL, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. In this reaction, no ring-opening product was observed.



2-Iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.9 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), (1-cyclopropylvinyl)benzene (44.9 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. In this reaction, no ring-opening product was observed.

Radical trapping experiments:



N-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide (52.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ethene-1,1-diyldibenzene (72.3 mg, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. In this reaction, no radical trapping product was observed.



2-Iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide (67.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ethene-1,1-diyldibenzene (36.1 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. In this reaction, no radical trapping product was observed.

Reactions with Ni(0) catalyst:



N-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide **1** (52.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne **2** (54.2 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Ni(cod)₂ (5.6 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), dppp (12.7 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.15 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion of the reaction, it was transferred to a round-bottomed flask after dilution with CH₂Cl₂. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40/1) to afford the desired product **3** (60.3 mg, 97%).



2-Iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide **29** (67.1 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne **2** (43.6 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), Ni(cod)₂ (5.5 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), dppp

(12.4 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.15 equiv), and Et₃N (56 μ L, 0.40 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. After completion of the reaction, it was transferred to a round-bottomed flask after dilution with CH₂Cl₂. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude reaction mixture was purified by flash silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15/1) to afford the desired product **30** (73.5 mg, 95%).

Role of Et₃N:



N-(2-iodophenyl)acetamide **1** (53.1 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne **2** (54.1 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. In this reaction, no product **3** was observed.



2-Iodo-*N*-(*p*-tolyl)benzamide **29** (67.7 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,2-diphenylethyne **2** (42.8 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), and Ni(dppp)Cl₂ (11.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv) were placed in a dry 10 mL Schlenk tube under a nitrogen atmosphere. Dry CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added with a syringe and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. In this reaction, no product **30** was observed.
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