

Supporting Information

Metal-free radical cascade chloromethylation of unactivated alkenes: synthesis of polychloro-substituted indolines

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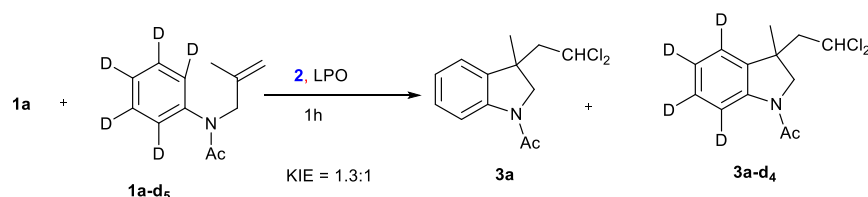
1. General experimental details

General Information: All chemicals were used as received without further purification unless stated otherwise. NMR spectra were recorded at ambient temperature on a 300, 400 or 500 MHz NMR spectrometer. Chemical shifts (δ) are given in ppm relative to TMS, the coupling constants J are given in Hz. HRMS were recorded on a TOF LC/MS equipped with electrospray ionization (ESI) probe operating in positive or negative ion mode.

Experimental procedure: Under N_2 , the mixture of **1** (0.2 mmol), CH_2Cl_2 or CCl_4 (1 mL) and LPO (0.4 mmol) were added into the tube and sealed. The mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 6 h (16 h for CCl_4). Then, the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to give the product.

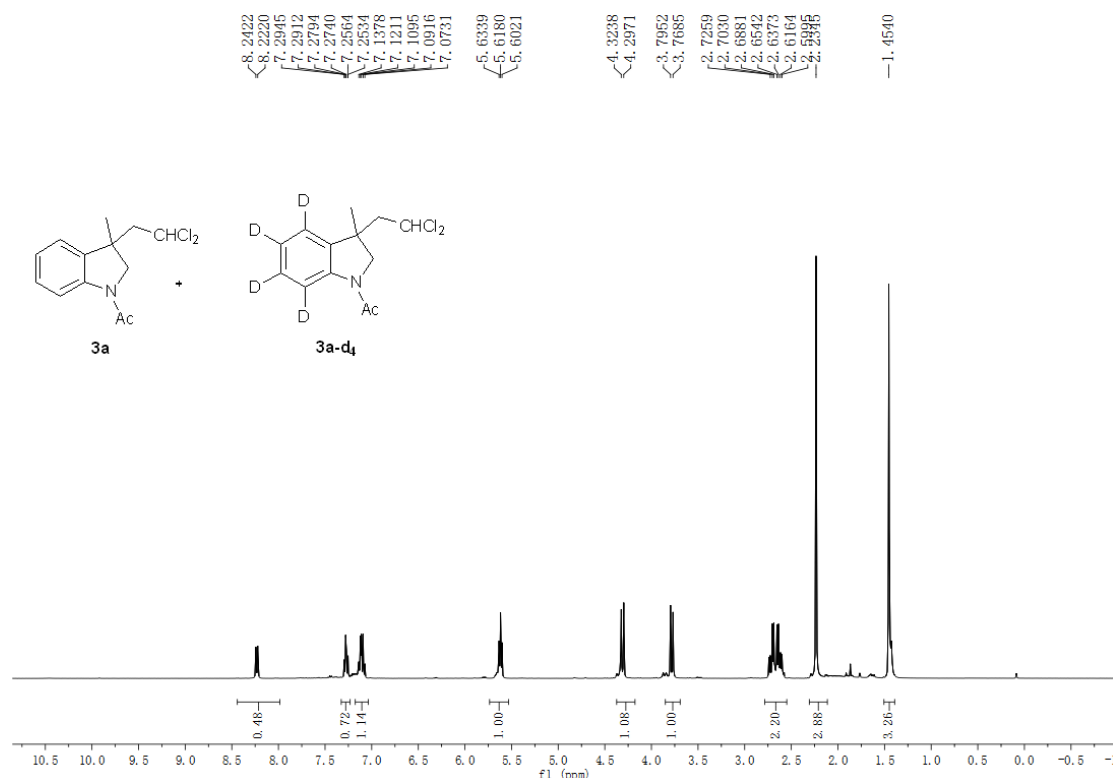
2. Mechanism Studies

Intermolecular competition experiment with isotopically labeled 1a-d₅

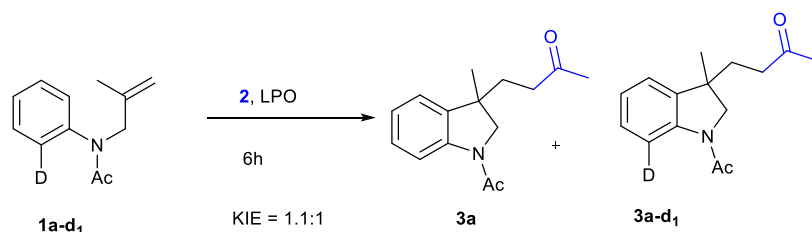


Under N_2 , the mixture of **1a** (18.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), **1a-d₅** (19.4 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2** (1 mL) and LPO (0.4 mmol) were added into the tube and sealed. The mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 1 h. Then, the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to give the **3a** and **3a-d₄** in 40% yield.

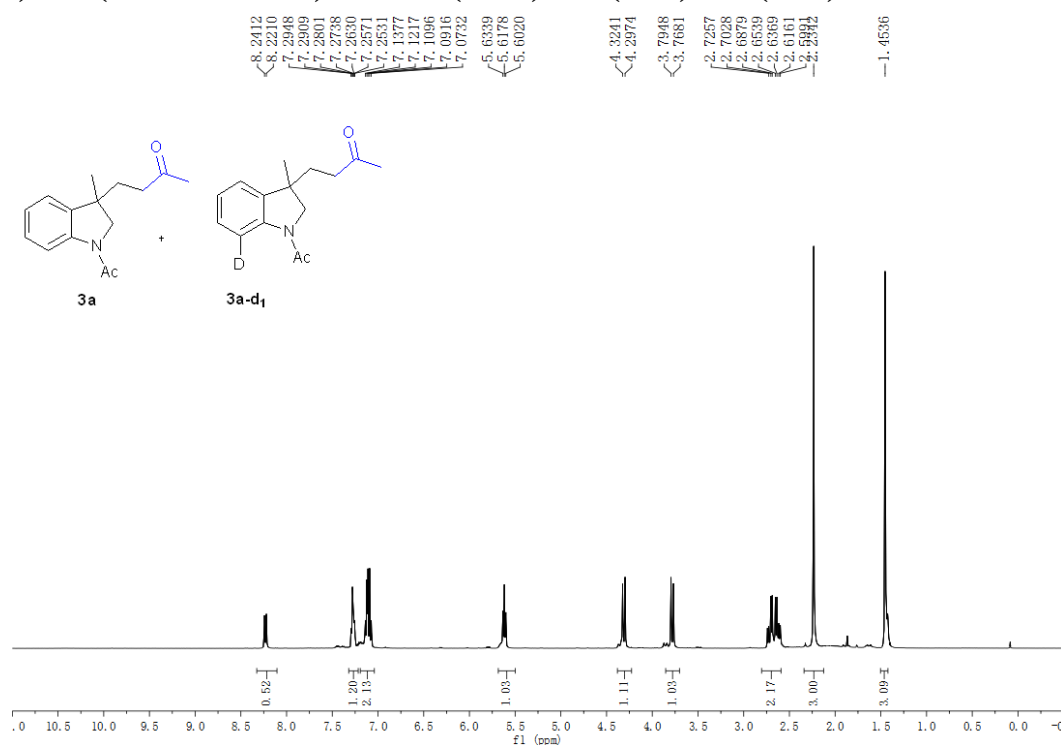
1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 8.23 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 0.48H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.07 (m, 2H), 5.62 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.74-2.60 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 3H).



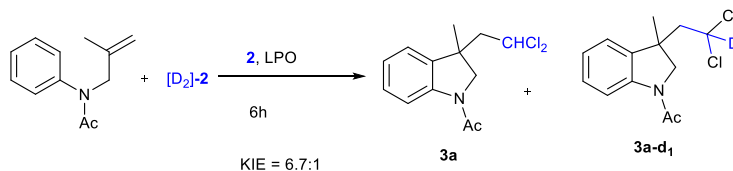
Intramolecular competition experiment isotopically labeled [D₁]-1a



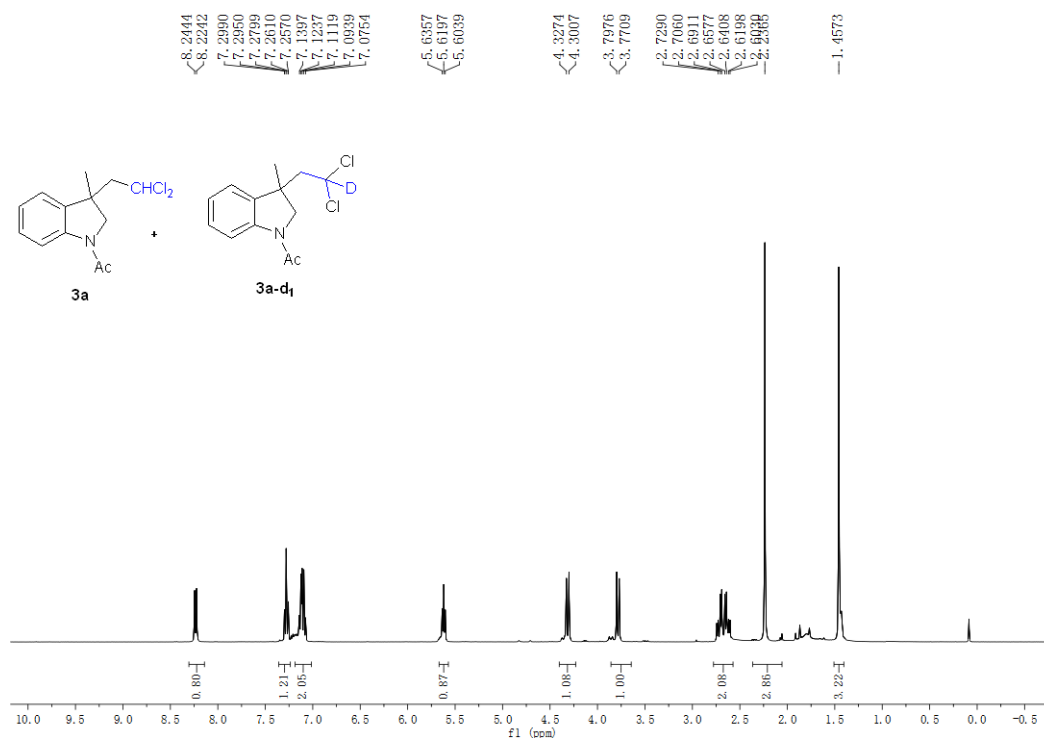
Under N₂, the mixture of **1a-d₁** (38.0 mg, 0.2 mmol), **2** (1 mL) and LPO (0.4 mmol) were added into the tube and sealed. The mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 6 h. Then, the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to give the **3a** and **3a-d₁** in 76% yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 8.23 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 0.52H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.07 (m, 2H), 5.62 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.74-2.59 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 3H).



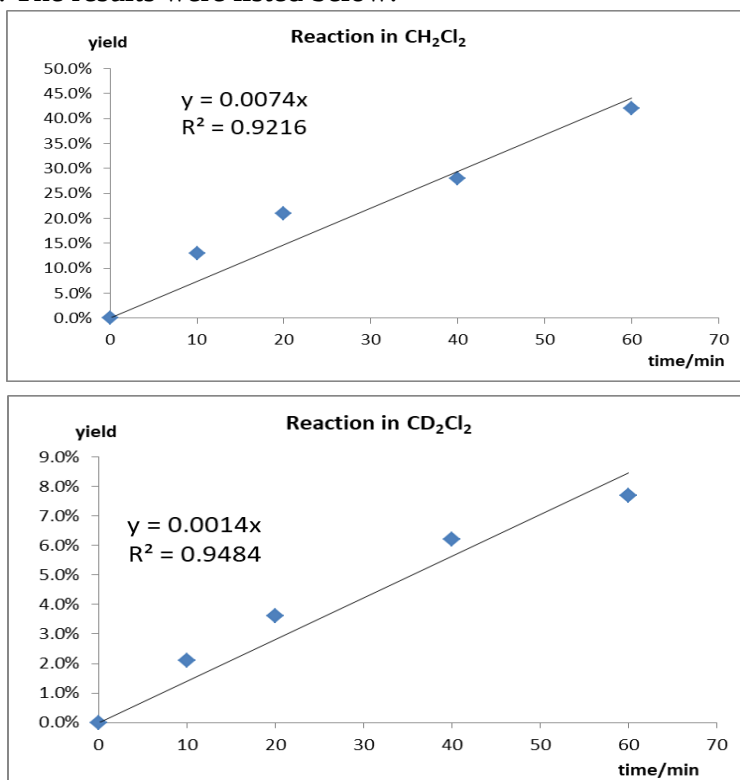
The KIE studies on solvent (competition reaction):



Under N₂, the mixture of **1a** (37.8 mg, 0.2 mmol), LPO (0.4 mmol), **2** (0.5 mL) and **[d₂]-2** (0.5 mL) were added into the tube and sealed. The mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 6 h. Then, the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to give the **3a** and **3a-d₁** in 72% yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 8.23 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.07 (m, 2H), 5.62 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 0.87H), 4.31 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.74-2.60 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H).

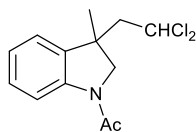


The Kinetic Isotopic Effect Studies on Solvent (parallel reaction): In eight parallel sealed tubes, the mixture of **1a** (0.1 mmol) was treated by LPO (0.2 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (0.5 mL) or CD_2Cl_2 (0.5 mL) (four experiments for each). Then the reaction was quenched by EtOAc in specified time. The mixture was analyzed by GC-MS to give the yield of product. A significant intermolecular kinetic isotope effect ($k_H/k_D = 5.2:1$) was observed. The results were listed below:



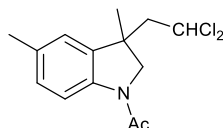
3. Characterization data of the products

1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3a)



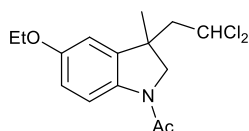
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (42.3mg, 78%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.22 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.13-7.06 (m, 2H), 5.61 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.73-2.59 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.8, 142.2, 136.8, 128.9, 124.2, 122.3, 117.5, 70.4, 61.3, 53.9, 43.6, 26.9, 24.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 272.0603, found 272.0605.

1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3,5-dimethylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3b)



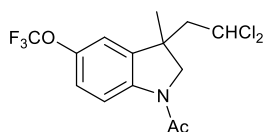
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (45.6mg, 80%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.09 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 5.62 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.73-2.58 (m, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 1.43 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.6, 139.8, 136.9, 133.9, 129.4, 122.8, 117.2, 70.5, 61.4, 53.9, 43.5, 26.9, 24.3, 21.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 286.0760, found 286.0761.

1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-5-ethoxy-3-methylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3c)



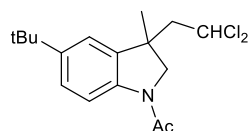
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 4/1) gave a brown liquid (47.9mg, 76%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.12 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.76 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.71-2.57 (m, 2H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 1.43-1.39 (m, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.1, 156.1, 138.3, 135.8, 118.2, 113.6, 109.5, 70.4, 64.1, 61.4, 53.9, 43.7, 26.8, 24.1, 15.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for: $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 316.0866, found 316.0870.

1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methyl-5-(trifluoromethoxy)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3d)



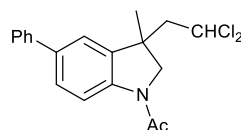
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 4/1) gave a colorless liquid (50.4mg, 71%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.24 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 5.66 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.72-2.61 (m, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.8, 145.4, 140.7, 138.8, 121.7, 120.6 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 255.3 Hz), 118.2, 115.7, 69.9, 61.5, 53.6, 43.6, 26.6, 24.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{Cl}_2\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 356.0426, found 356.0429.

1-(5-(*tert*-butyl)-3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3e)



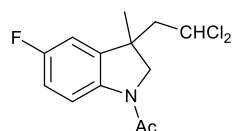
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (51.0mg, 78%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.12 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.74-2.61 (m, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.5, 147.5, 139.8, 136.6, 125.8, 118.9, 116.9, 70.5, 61.6, 54.0, 43.8, 34.8, 31.7, 26.7, 24.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{24}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 328.1229, found 328.1226.

1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methyl-5-phenylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3f)



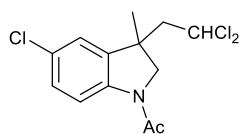
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (50.7mg, 73%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.30 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.37-7.34 (m, 2H), 5.69 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.81-2.66 (m, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.8, 141.5, 140.8, 137.6, 137.5, 128.9, 127.9, 127.3, 127.0, 120.9, 117.6, 70.4, 61.6, 53.9, 43.7, 26.9, 24.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 348.0916, found 348.0921.

1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-5-fluoro-3-methylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3g)



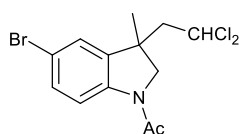
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (41.0 mg, 71%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.22-8.18 (m, 1H), 6.98-6.93 (m, 1H), 6.84-6.81 (m, 1H), 5.63 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.72-2.59 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.5, 159.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 236.7 Hz), 138.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 7.3 Hz), 138.2 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 1.7 Hz), 118.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 7.9 Hz), 115.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 22.5 Hz), 109.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 24.1 Hz), 70.0, 61.4, 53.7, 43.6, 26.7, 24.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{Cl}_2\text{FNO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 290.0509, found 290.0511.

1-(5-chloro-3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3h)



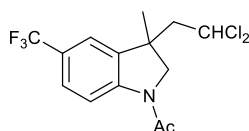
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (46.9 mg, 77%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.15 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.08-7.07 (m, 1H), 5.62 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.71-2.58 (m, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.43 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.9, 140.7, 138.9, 129.1, 128.9, 122.6, 118.5, 70.1, 61.4, 53.6, 43.6, 26.8, 24.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{Cl}_3\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 306.0214, found 306.0211.

1-(5-bromo-3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3i)



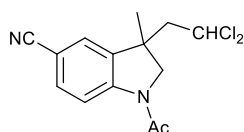
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (50.2 mg, 72%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.11 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.65 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.72-2.58 (m, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.9, 141.3, 139.2, 131.8, 125.5, 118.9, 116.5, 70.1, 61.3, 53.7, 43.6, 26.8, 24.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{BrCl}_2\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 349.9709, found 349.9713.

1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3j)



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (54.2 mg, 80%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.32 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.4, 1H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 5.68 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.39 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.77-2.63 (m, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.48 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz): δ 169.2, 144.7, 137.6, 126.5 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.4 Hz), 126.0 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 32.2 Hz), 124.1 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 269.9 Hz), 119.3 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.2 Hz), 117.1, 69.8, 61.4, 53.5, 43.4, 26.7, 24.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{Cl}_2\text{F}_3\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 340.0477, found 340.0481.

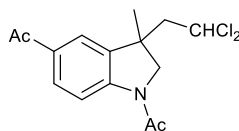
1-acetyl-3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindoline-5-carbonitrile (3k)



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 3/1) gave a colorless liquid (39.7 mg, 67%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.29 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, J = 8.4,

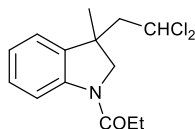
1H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 5.68-5.65 (m, 1H), 4.38 (d, $J = 10.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.85 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.74-2.61 (m, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 169.5, 145.7, 138.2, 133.9, 126.3, 119.1, 117.6, 106.9, 69.8, 61.4, 53.5, 43.5, 26.9, 24.5. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}(\text{M}+\text{H})^+$ 297.0556, found 297.0555.

1,1'-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindoline-1,5-diyl)bis(ethan-1-one) (3l)



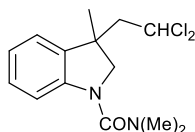
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 3/1) gave a colorless liquid (38.2 mg, 61%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.25 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.77 (s, 1H), 5.65 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.39 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.85 (d, $J = 10.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.78-2.73 (m, 1H), 2.67-2.61 (m, 1H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 196.9, 169.5, 146.1, 137.8, 133.3, 130.9, 122.2, 116.6, 70.2, 61.7, 53.7, 43.3, 27.1, 26.7, 24.5. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{18}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2(\text{M}+\text{H})^+$ 314.0709, found 314.0712.

1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindolin-1-yl)propan-1-one (3m)



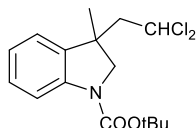
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (38.8 mg, 68%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.26 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.06 (m, 2H), 5.63 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.30 (d, $J = 10.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.76 (d, $J = 10.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.73-2.59 (m, 2H), 2.49-2.43 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 1.24 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 172.2, 142.4, 136.7, 128.9, 124.1, 122.3, 117.4, 70.4, 60.4, 53.9, 43.6, 29.4, 26.9, 8.8. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}(\text{M}+\text{H})^+$ 286.0760, found 286.0761.

3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-N,N,3-trimethylindoline-1-carboxamide (3n)



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 10/1) gave a colorless liquid (46.8 mg, 78%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.19 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.96-6.93 (m, 2H), 5.73-5.70 (m, 1H), 3.98 (d, $J = 10.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.71 (d, $J = 10.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.95 (s, 6H), 2.72-2.56 (m, 2H), 1.42 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 159.8, 143.6, 136.9, 128.3, 122.8, 121.9, 113.7, 70.5, 62.4, 53.3, 42.9, 38.3, 25.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{19}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}(\text{M}+\text{H})^+$ 301.0869, found 301.0873.

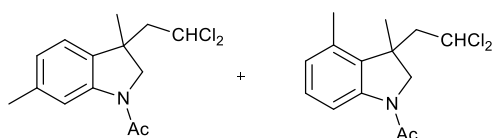
tert-butyl 3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindoline-1-carboxylate (3o)



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 20/1) gave a colorless liquid (48.0 mg, 73%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.89 (s, 0.53H), 7.50 (s, 0.46H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (s, 1H), 4.20 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 1H), 2.72-2.57 (m, 2H), 1.58 (s, 9H), 1.43 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 153.9, 152.3, 142.3, 136.3, 128.6, 122.6, 122.4, 115.1, 80.8, 70.4, 60.1, 53.9, 42.8, 28.5, 26.7. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 330.1022, found 330.1028.

1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3,6-dimethylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3p) _____ and

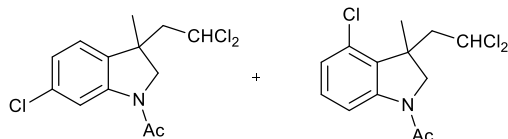
1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3,4-dimethylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3p')



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (37.3 mg, 72%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.16 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 0.43H), 8.08 (s, 0.38H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 0.55H), 7.00 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.58H), 6.90 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.46H), 6.84 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.51H), 5.59 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 0.5H), 5.48-5.45 (m, 0.47H), 4.38 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 0.5H), 4.29 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 0.47H), 3.76 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 0.46H), 3.70 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 0.5H), 2.87-2.81 (m, 0.53H), 2.73-2.56 (m, 1.59H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.55 (s, 3H), 1.43 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.8, 168.6, 143.2, 142.3, 139.0, 133.9, 133.7, 132.6, 129.0, 127.2, 124.9, 121.9, 118.1, 115.4, 70.5, 70.4, 61.6, 61.1, 54.1, 52.5, 44.5, 43.3, 27.0, 26.6, 24.6, 24.4, 21.8, 19.1. MS (EI): 285, 272, 243, 188, 146, 131.

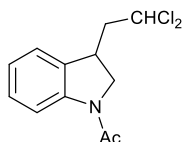
1-(6-chloro-3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3q) _____ and

1-(4-chloro-3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3q')



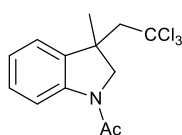
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (41.3 mg, 74%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.26-8.21 (m, 1H), 7.21 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.05-6.99 (m, 1H), 5.63-5.54 (m, 1H), 4.47 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 0.73H), 4.32 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 0.27H), 3.81-3.75 (m, 1H), 3.06-3.01 (m, 0.73H), 2.78-2.61 (m, 1.28H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 1.60 (s, 2.23H), 1.43 (s, 0.81H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz): δ 168.8, 168.7, 144.6, 143.0, 135.2, 134.4, 131.3, 130.3, 129.9, 125.3, 124.1, 122.9, 117.6, 115.9, 70.5, 70.0, 61.4, 61.3, 53.7, 51.1, 44.7, 43.2, 26.8, 26.5, 24.4, 24.2. MS (EI): 307, 263, 208, 166, 131.

1-(3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (3r)



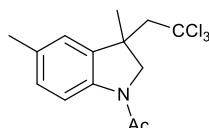
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (28.3 mg, 55%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.23 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.07 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.88 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.30-4.25 (m, 1H), 3.84-3.70 (m, 2H), 2.70-2.64 (m, 1H), 2.54-2.48 (m, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.6, 142.6, 132.6, 128.8, 124.0, 123.9, 117.4, 71.4, 55.2, 48.9, 37.8, 24.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{14}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 258.0447, found 258.0448.

1-(3-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (5a)



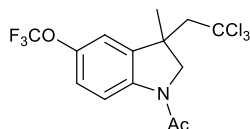
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (41.5 mg, 68%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.22 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.09 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.52 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.95 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.36-3.21 (m, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.62 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.8, 141.5, 138.1, 128.9, 124.2, 122.5, 117.4, 97.4, 62.9, 62.0, 45.3, 26.8, 24.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{Cl}_3\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 306.0214, found 306.0217.

1-(3,5-dimethyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (5b)



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (43.4 mg, 68%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.09 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 4.50 (d, $J = 11.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.94 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.35-3.19 (m, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.61 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.5, 139.1, 138.3, 133.8, 129.4, 123.0, 117.1, 97.4, 62.9, 62.2, 45.3, 26.7, 24.3, 21.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{17}\text{Cl}_3\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 320.0370, found 320.0368.

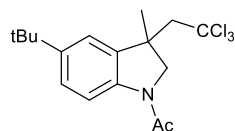
1-(3-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)-5-(trifluoromethoxy)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (5c)



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 4/1) gave a colorless liquid (58.4 mg, 75%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.23 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 4.57 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.97 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.31-3.21 (m, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.62 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.8, 145.4, 140.2, 139.5, 121.7,

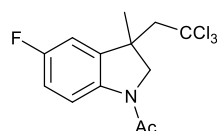
120.6 (q, J_{C-F} = 255.1 Hz), 118.1, 116.1, 96.9, 62.5, 62.1, 45.2, 26.9, 24.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{14}H_{14}Cl_3F_3NO_2$ ($M+H$)⁺ 390.0037, found 390.0042.

1-(5-(*tert*-butyl)-3-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (5d)



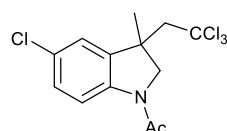
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (48.4 mg, 67%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 8.12 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.36-3.21 (m, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.61 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 168.4, 147.5, 139.1, 137.7, 125.8, 119.2, 116.8, 97.5, 62.9, 62.3, 45.5, 34.8, 31.7, 26.7, 24.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{17}H_{23}Cl_3NO$ ($M+H$)⁺ 362.0840, found 362.0843.

1-(5-fluoro-3-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (5e)



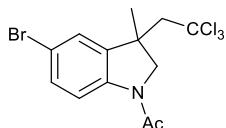
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (49.1 mg, 76%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 8.20-8.17 (m, 1H), 6.97-6.87 (m, 2H), 4.55 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.30-3.20 (m, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.61 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 168.5, 159.6 (d, J_{C-F} = 241.6 Hz), 139.9 (d, J_{C-F} = 7.2 Hz), 137.6 (d, J_{C-F} = 1.5 Hz), 118.4 (d, J_{C-F} = 7.9 Hz), 115.3 (d, J_{C-F} = 22.5 Hz), 110.0 (d, J_{C-F} = 24.2 Hz), 97.0, 62.5, 62.0, 45.2, 26.8, 24.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{13}H_{14}Cl_3FNO$ ($M+H$)⁺ 324.0120, found 324.0121.

1-(5-chloro-3-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (5f)



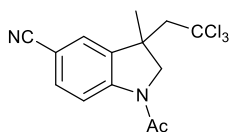
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (49.8 mg, 73%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 8.15 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.31-3.19 (m, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.61 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 168.8, 140.2, 139.9, 128.9, 128.8, 122.9, 118.4, 96.9, 62.6, 62.0, 45.3, 26.9, 24.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{13}H_{14}Cl_4NO$ ($M+H$)⁺ 339.9824, found 339.9827.

1-(5-bromo-3-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (5g)



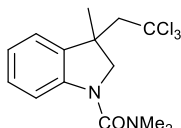
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (49.8 mg, 65%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.10 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 4.53 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.31-3.19 (m, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.61 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 168.8, 140.6, 140.2, 131.8, 125.8, 118.8, 116.4, 96.9, 62.6, 61.9, 45.3, 26.9, 24.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{BrCl}_3\text{NO}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 383.9319, found 383.9324.

1-acetyl-3-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)indoline-5-carbonitrile (5h)



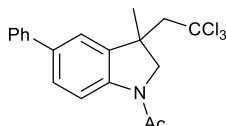
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 4/1) gave a colorless liquid (38.3 mg, 58%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 8.30 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.33-3.22 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.63 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 169.3, 145.1, 138.8, 133.8, 126.5, 118.9, 117.5, 106.8, 96.5, 62.4, 61.7, 44.9, 27.2, 24.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{Cl}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 331.0166, found 331.0165.

N,N,3-trimethyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)indoline-1-carboxamide (5i)



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 10/1) gave a colorless liquid (46.1 mg, 69%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.22-7.16 (m, 2H), 6.97-6.92 (m, 2H), 4.26 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.34-3.16 (m, 2H), 2.96 (s, 6H), 1.59 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 159.8, 143.1, 137.9, 128.3, 123.0, 121.8, 113.5, 97.6, 63.0, 62.2, 44.6, 38.3, 25.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{Cl}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 335.0479, found 335.0482.

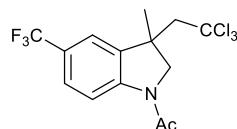
1-(3-methyl-5-phenyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (5j)



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (66.7 mg, 88%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz): δ 8.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.16 (m, 8H), 4.45 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.32-3.14 (m, 2H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 1.56 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz): δ 168.6, 140.8, 140.7, 138.6, 137.3, 128.8, 127.7, 127.2, 126.9, 121.1,

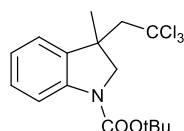
117.5, 97.2, 62.8, 62.2, 45.3, 26.8, 24.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{19}H_{19}Cl_3NO$ ($M+H$)⁺ 382.0527, found 382.0533.

1-(3-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)indolin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (5k)



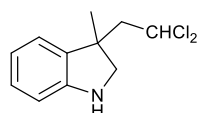
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 5/1) gave a colorless liquid (56.7 mg, 88%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz): δ 8.31 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.36-3.21 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.64 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz): δ 169.1, 144.2, 138.4, 126.5 (q, J_{C-F} = 3.0 Hz), 125.9 (q, J_{C-F} = 15.8 Hz), 122.3, 119.7 (q, J_{C-F} = 3.5 Hz), 117.1, 96.7, 62.5, 61.9, 45.1, 26.9, 24.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{14}H_{14}Cl_3F_3NO$ ($M+H$)⁺ 374.0088, found 374.0093.

tert-butyl 3-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trichloroethyl)indoline-1-carboxylate (5l)



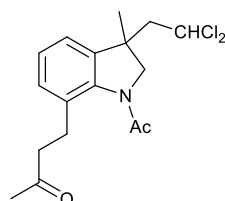
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 20/1) gave a colorless liquid (65.3 mg, 90%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz): δ 7.88-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.03-6.98 (m, 1H), 4.40 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 1H), 3.35-3.18 (m, 2H), 1.59 (s, 12H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz): δ 152.4, 141.3, 137.8, 128.6, 122.7, 122.5, 115.0, 97.4, 81.3, 63.0, 60.9, 44.2, 28.5, 26.7. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{16}H_{21}Cl_3NO_2$ ($M+H$)⁺ 364.0632, found 364.0635.

3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindoline (7)



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 10/1) gave a colorless liquid (39.1 mg, 85%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.12-7.06 (m, 2H), 6.79 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.82-5.79 (m, 1H), 3.78 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (s, 1H), 2.77-2.72 (m, 1H), 2.65-2.59 (m, 1H), 1.43 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 150.5, 134.9, 128.4, 122.7, 119.1, 110.2, 71.1, 60.0, 53.4, 45.2, 25.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{11}H_{14}Cl_2N$ ($M+H$)⁺ 230.0498, found 230.0496.

4-(1-acetyl-3-(2,2-dichloroethyl)-3-methylindolin-7-yl)butan-2-one (8)



Flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 3/1) gave a brown liquid (47.7 mg, 70%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.15-7.09 (m, 2H), 7.00-6.98 (m, 1H), 5.80-5.77 (m, 1H), 4.24 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 2.93-2.81 (m, 4H), 2.67-2.51 (m, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz): δ 208.7, 169.4, 140.9, 140.0, 132.3, 129.5, 126.1, 119.8, 70.3, 62.7, 51.8, 44.5, 43.5, 29.8, 29.7, 27.6, 23.6. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{22}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 342.1022, found 342.1025.

4. Copies of ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra of the products

