

# Synthesis of 4-(1*H*-isochromen-1-yl)isoquinolines through silver-catalysed homodimerization of ortho-alkynylaryl-aldehydes and subsequent condensation of 1,5-dicarbonyl motif with NH<sub>3</sub>

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## General information

All reactions were conducted in clean glassware with magnetic stirring. Commercially available reagents were used as received without further purification. Solvents were treated prior to use according to the standard methods unless otherwise noted. Dry THF was purchased from *Energy Chemical* and used as received. For chromatographic purification, technical-grade solvents were used. Purified compounds were further dried on high vacuum. NMR-spectra were measured in the given solvent at RT on *Bruker Ascend<sup>TM</sup> 500M* (500.1 MHz, <sup>1</sup>H; 125.8 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C) instrument operating at the denoted spectrometer frequency given in mega Hertz (MHz) for the specified nucleus. Chemical shifts are given in parts per million (ppm) relative to tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an external standard for <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra and calibrated against the solvent residual peak. Multiplicities are reported as follows: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, or as combination of them. Coupling constants *J* are given in Hertz (Hz). High resolution mass spectra were obtained with a Micromass GCT-TOF mass spectrometer.

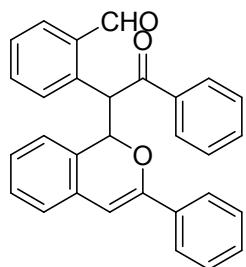
All the substrates were prepared according to the literature procedures.<sup>1</sup>

1 Z. Cao, H. Zhu, X. Meng, L. Tian, X. Sun, G. Chen and J. You, *Chem. Eur. J.*, 2016, **22**, 9125.

## Representative procedure for the synthesis of 4-(1*H*-isochromen-1-yl)isoquinolines.

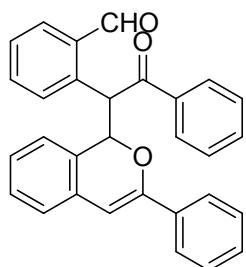
To a stirred solution of ortho-alkynylbenzaldehyde **1a** (82.5 mg, 0.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (1.6 mL) was added AgBF<sub>4</sub> (7.8 mg, 0.04 mmol, 0.1 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction proceeded for about 8 hours. The mixture was filtered by a short silica gel column and volatiles were then evaporated. The resulting crude 1,5-dicarbonyl **2** was dissolved into methanol (1.6 mL) followed by injecting the solution of NH<sub>3</sub> in methanol (0.15 mL, 2.0 mol/L, 1.5 equiv). The mixture was then stirred at room temperature for about 12 hours. After the evaporation of solvent, the residue was then suffered to column chromatography to afford the desired isoquinolines **3a**.

## Characterization for all new compounds



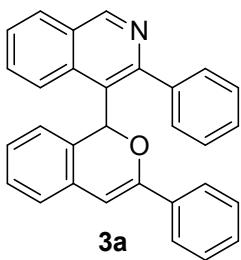
one isomer of **2** (High polarity)

48% yield, White solid, m.p. 109-110 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.58 (s, 1H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.51 (m, 3H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23-7.17 (m, 3H), 7.10 (ddd, *J* = 7.4, 7.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (ddd, *J* = 7.4, 7.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 6.19 (d, *J* = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 198.2, 191.9, 150.7, 136.9, 135.5, 134.4, 134.0, 133.5, 133.2, 131.3, 129.3, 128.7, 128.64, 128.55, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.0, 125.4, 125.2, 125.1, 123.7, 100.5, 79.9, 46.1 ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>23</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 431.1642, Found: 431.1648.

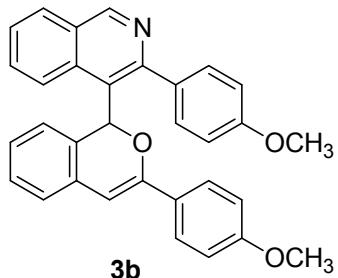


the other isomer of **2** (Low polarity)

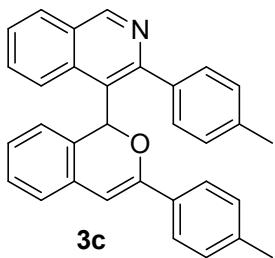
45% yield, White solid, m.p. 107-109 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.65 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.0 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 7.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (ddd, *J* = 7.6, 7.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dddd, *J* = 7.4, 7.4, 1.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.12 (m, 6H), 7.10-7.06 (m, 2H), 7.04 (ddd, *J* = 7.4, 7.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (s, 1H), 6.30 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 198.6, 192.9, 150.7, 136.9, 136.8, 135.1, 134.7, 133.9, 133.5, 133.2, 130.5, 129.8, 129.6, 128.7, 128.6, 128.41, 128.37, 127.9, 127.7, 126.5, 126.0, 124.5, 124.4, 101.0, 79.8, 49.1 ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>23</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 431.1642, Found: 431.1645.



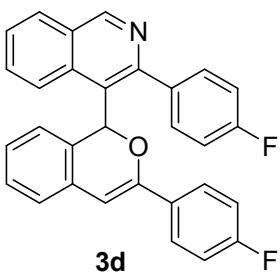
89% yield, White solid, m.p. 181-182 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.42 (s, 1H), 8.25 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.65 (m, 4H), 7.57 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 7.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (ddd, *J* = 7.2, 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.45-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.36-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.24 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 6.51 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.1, 153.6, 153.2, 140.2, 135.3, 134.0, 131.9, 131.3, 129.9, 129.2, 128.9, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.23, 128.20, 128.16, 127.7, 126.8, 126.7, 125.0, 124.9, 124.5, 123.8, 101.2, 78.4 ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 412.1696, Found: 412.1690.



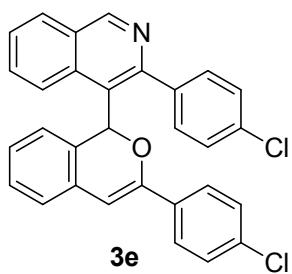
62% yield, White solid, m.p. 91-93 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.39 (s, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.97-6.92 (m, 3H), 6.87-6.83 (m, 3H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 160.3, 159.7, 153.8, 153.7, 153.1, 135.4, 132.7, 132.3, 131.1, 130.6, 129.7, 128.5, 128.14, 128.10, 127.7, 126.6, 126.3, 124.9, 124.1, 123.4, 113.9, 113.7, 99.6, 78.5, 55.3(2C) ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 472.1907, Found: 472.1904.



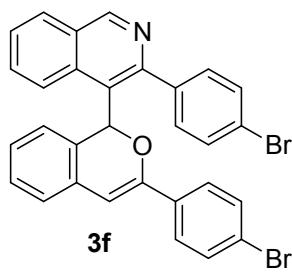
91% yield, White solid, m.p. 90-92 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.41 (s, 1H), 8.23 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.52 (m, 5H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.24-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.2, 153.8, 153.1, 139.0, 138.1, 137.3, 135.3, 132.1, 131.3, 131.2, 129.8, 129.12, 129.08, 129.0, 128.6, 128.1, 127.7, 126.7, 126.5, 125.0, 124.9, 124.4, 123.6, 100.4, 78.4, 21.3, 21.2 ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 440.2009, Found: 440.2006.



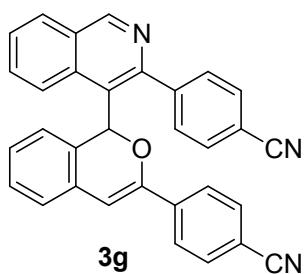
76% yield, White solid, m.p. 141-143 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.40 (s, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.68-7.60 (m, 4H), 7.58 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.04-6.96 (m, 3H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 6.52-6.47 (m, 2H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 163.2 (d, *J* = 249.0 Hz), 162.9 (d, *J* = 248.2 Hz), 153.3, 153.1, 152.8, 136.2, 135.2, 131.8, 131.0 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 130.9, 130.1, 130.04, 130.01, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 127.6, 126.9 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz), 126.8 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz), 124.8, 124.4, 123.8, 115.4 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz), 115.3 (d, *J* = 21.7 Hz), 100.9, 78.5. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>2</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 448.1507, Found: 448.1508.



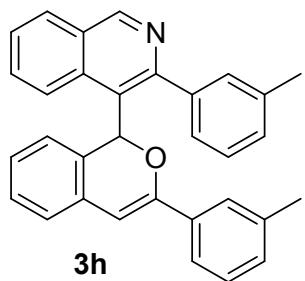
63% yield, White solid, m.p. 117-118 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.40 (s, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.55 (m, 5H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 153.4, 152.9, 152.6, 138.5, 135.1, 134.7, 134.5, 132.3, 131.6, 130.9, 130.6, 130.1, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.6, 127.08, 127.05, 126.2, 124.8, 124.4, 124.0, 101.6, 78.4 ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>20</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 480.0916, Found: 480.0918.



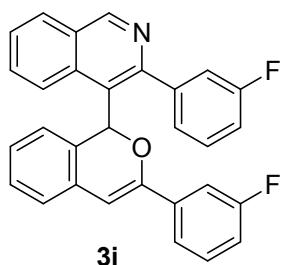
53% yield, White solid, m.p. 121-123 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.40 (s, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.49 (m, 8H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 153.4, 152.8, 152.6, 138.9, 135.2, 132.8, 131.6, 131.54, 131.47, 130.90, 130.87, 130.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 127.6, 127.2, 127.1, 126.5, 124.8, 124.5, 124.0, 123.0, 122.9, 101.7, 78.4 ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>20</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 567.9906, Found: 567.9911.



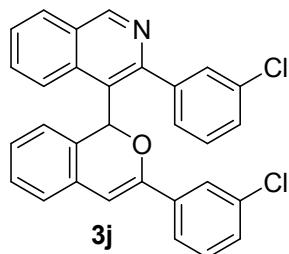
31% yield, White solid, m.p. 111-113 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.43 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.78-7.68 (m, 6H), 7.67-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.52 (m, 3H), 7.27 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.73-6.67 (m, 2H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 153.8, 151.9, 151.4, 137.9, 135.0, 132.3, 132.2, 130.9, 130.8, 130.6, 130.5, 130.1, 128.8, 128.5, 128.0, 127.7, 127.5, 127.0, 125.1, 124.8, 124.7, 118.6, 118.5, 112.1, 104.3, 78.4 ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 462.1601, Found: 462.1598.



76% yield, White solid, m.p. 73-74 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.42 (s, 1H), 8.25 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.47 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.19 (m, 3 H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.35(s, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.4, 153.8, 153.2, 140.1, 138.1, 137.9, 135.3, 134.0, 131.9, 131.4, 130.1, 129.8, 129.7, 129.0, 128.7, 128.2, 128.13, 128.12, 128.1, 127.7, 126.7, 126.6, 126.1, 125.7, 124.9, 124.4, 123.7, 122.3, 101.1, 78.5, 21.4 (2C) ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 440.2009, Found: 440.2008.

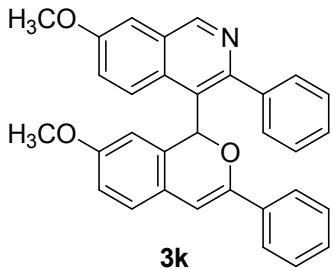


70% yield, White solid, m.p. 101-103 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.39 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.31-7.21 (m, 3H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.02-6.95 (m, 2H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 162.9 (d, *J* = 245.4 Hz), 162.6 (d, *J* = 247.1 Hz), 153.5, 152.8 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 152.3 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 142.2 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 136.2 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz), 135.1, 131.4, 131.1, 130.1, 129.9 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 129.8 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz), 128.8, 128.4 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 127.6, 127.24, 127.16, 124.84 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 124.78, 124.69, 124.6, 124.1, 120.5 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 116.5 (d, *J* = 22.3 Hz), 115.7 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 115.4 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 111.9 (d, *J* = 23.1 Hz), 102.2, 78.4. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>2</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 448.1507, Found: 448.4506.

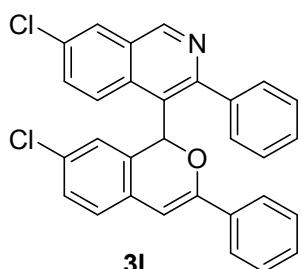


86% yield, White solid, m.p. 72-74 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.41 (s, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.60 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 153.5, 152.7, 152.2, 141.9, 135.7, 135.1, 134.5, 134.4, 131.3, 131.0, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.5, 127.3, 127.2, 127.1, 125.0, 124.8, 124.6, 124.1, 123.1, 102.3,

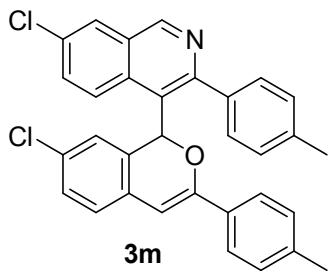
78.4              ppm.              **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>20</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>NO              (M + H)<sup>+</sup>:  
480.0916, Found: 480.0914.



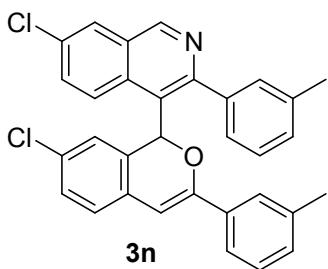
71% yield, White solid, m.p. 102-103 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.32 (s, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 6.3 Hz, 4H), 7.43-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.33-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.78-6.74(m, 2H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 6.05 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 3.59 (s, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 158.8, 158.0, 151.7, 134.2, 133.3, 130.8, 130.2, 129.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 125.0, 124.8, 124.7, 123.1, 112.19, 112.15, 105.4, 100.9, 78.1, 55.5,        55.3              ppm.              **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>              (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 472.1907, Found: 472.1902.



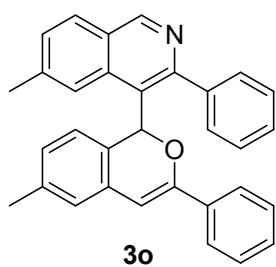
50% yield, White solid, m.p. 115-116 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.36 (s, 1H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67-7.61 (m, 4H), 7.49-7.40 (m, 4H), 7.36-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 6.43 (s, 1H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.6, 153.9, 152.5, 139.6, 133.4, 133.3, 132.8, 132.6, 132.1, 131.2, 130.5, 129.4, 129.3, 129.14, 129.10, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 125.1, 125.0, 124.8, 123.8, 100.4, 77.9 ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>20</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 480.0916, Found: 480.0913.



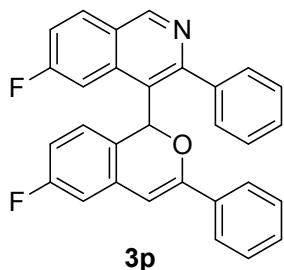
71% yield, White solid, m.p. 128-129 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.32 (s, 1H), 8.12 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 4H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.6, 154.1, 152.4, 139.4, 138.4, 136.7, 133.4, 132.60, 132.57, 131.8, 131.0, 130.7, 130.6, 129.3, 129.2, 129.06, 129.05, 128.4, 126.8, 125.0, 124.9, 124.7, 123.6, 99.6, 77.9, 21.3, 21.2 ppm.  
**HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>24</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 508.1229, Found: 508.1233.



76% yield, White solid, m.p. 108-109 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.32 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (s, 1H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 9.2, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.24-7.18 (m, 2H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 6.40 (s, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.8, 154.1, 152.4, 139.5, 138.4, 138.1, 133.4, 132.7, 131.9, 131.1, 130.5, 130.08, 130.07, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 128.5, 128.31, 128.28, 126.9, 125.9, 125.6, 125.0, 124.7, 123.8, 122.3, 100.3, 77.9, 21.44, 21.42 ppm.  
**HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>24</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 508.1229, Found: 508.1228.



59% yield, White solid, m.p. 80-82 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 9.34 (s, 1H), 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42-7.29 (m, 7H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (s, 1H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 6.37 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 153.6, 152.4, 140.6, 139.9, 137.8, 135.8, 134.2, 131.7, 130.0, 129.4, 129.2, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.31, 128.25, 128.1, 127.4, 127.0, 126.8, 125.0, 124.7, 124.5, 101.3, 78.4, 22.7, 21.2 ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 440.2009, Found: 440.2009.



87% yield, White solid, m.p. 159-160 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 9.38 (s, 1H), 8.10 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.63(m, 2H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 7.46-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.38-7.32(m, 4H), 6.90 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 6.68 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 8.4, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 6.45 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 5.6 Hz, 1H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 163.0 (d, *J* = 245.9 Hz), 162.5 (d, *J* = 252.3 Hz), 154.9, 154.8, 152.8, 139.7, 136.9 (d, *J* = 10.9 Hz), 134.2 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 133.4, 131.2 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 129.4, 129.1, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 126.3 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 126.1 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 125.9, 125.2, 123.8 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 117.7 (d, *J* = 26.1 Hz), 113.2 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz), 111.8 (d, *J* = 23.2 Hz), 110.7 (d, *J* = 22.8 Hz), 100.7 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz), 78.2 ppm. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd. For C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>2</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup>: 448.1507, Found: 448.1510.

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